

Why a St. John Education?

Ask Angel DeGennaro,
St. John Parishioner
SJS Class of 1988

Most little boys play “war”. Angel DeGennaro, SJS class of 1988 lived it. Currently based at Carswell Air Force Base in Fort Worth as a Tech. Sgt. in the United States Air Force, DeGennaro served his country in active duty for three tours in Iraq.

“Even though I haven’t been a student at SJS for years, I was still supported by SJS during my multiple tours,” said DeGennaro. DeGennaro was a recipient of cards as well as gift packs sent by the students. “I am so grateful for the support and prayers. The items I received went with me everywhere. I would sit them on top of my Hummer HHMV and the MRAPS or carry them with me wherever I was deployed.”

“My religious education came alive during my time overseas. A lot of people read of these Biblical places, but never have the opportunity to see them first hand. I had the opportunity to see the Lost City of UR which is the birthplace of Abraham, as well as the Ziggurat and many other locations with which I was very familiar due to my time at SJS. It was very eye-opening for me.

“My time at St. John was a good experience for me. It was a family and I have felt the support many times since moving on. When we were looking for a school for my daughter, I already knew that SJS was the best school in the area. I want the same experience for her that I received.”

Now back home, Angel has returned to the place which gave him the spiritual and educational foundation upon which he relied heavily when faced with the horrors of war. Now home, he finds comfort in knowing he is providing his daughter Kristin, future SJS graduating class of 2011, with the same foundation to give her the strength she’ll need if ever in trying circumstances, whether on the military battlefield, the spiritual battlefield of a secular world, or the moral battlefield in building a career in corporate America.



SJS Notes:

- Angel DeGennaro, SJS Class of 1988.
- 16 year career USAF, current position Tech. Sgt., Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base, Fort Worth
- Served three tours in Iraq
- Legacy Parent to **Kristin, currently enrolled in 6th grade**, future SJS Class of 2011

Angel DeGennaro, SJS class of 1988. Legacy parent to current 6th grader, Kristin, future SJS class of 2011.



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