



Dear Parents,

We need everyone's help closing the gap on the capital campaign. The building project will include a new full-size gym, a performing arts space for music and theatre classes, and the preservation of the house that served as a convent for many years. **This project is for our kids.**

The campaign committee did a great job of calling on people and raising over two million dollars. My husband and I were on Samantha Romero's list. When she asked Bob and me for a donation, we said, "Yes". After thanking us, she asked if the campaign doesn't reach its goal, would we consider giving more. We said, "Yes", and we did. So I ask each of you, **"Will you give a little more?"** The donation extension form is attached to the newsletter. We need people to give more, we need people to give one time gifts, and we need people to pledge if they did not pledge the first time around.

Let's get this done for our kids.

If you have questions, contact Samantha Romero at the parish office at 785-843-0109 or sromero@saint-johns.net



8th Grade Holocaust

Exhibit: Night of Remembrance

Thursday, April 7, 6-8pm

8th grade students have been working all semester studying the many different aspects of the Holocaust, and learning the destruction intolerance, hatred, and passivity cause. To close our semester study, we will have our 2nd annual Night of Remembrance Holocaust Exhibit here at the school. Each student created at least one portion of the exhibit and an artifact/display to go with their writing. We also will have several exhibits where each student created a piece of artwork, poetry, writing, etc.

At 6:30, we will gather in the St. Bosco room to hear the testimony of a Holocaust survivor. Sam Devinki will be our speaker and his testimony is spectacular.

I encourage all school families to stop in and see the students' hard work, and learn about the Holocaust and the time period surrounding it. I suggest the exhibit for all parents and for any student grades 4 and up.

If you cannot make it that evening, the exhibit will be on display in my room and the upstairs hallway from Thursday, April 7 until Friday, April 15, and open for anyone to stop in and view. **Miss Megan Fairchild, Middle School English Language Arts**

Stations of the Cross

On Holy Thursday, March 24, the 3rd graders will present the Stations of the Cross. The presentation will be at 8:40am in the church. All are welcome to attend.



Third Annual All School Art Show

St John School will hold its annual Fine Arts Evening on Thursday, April 21, from 6:30 to 8:00pm. All are invited to view, enjoy, and purchase original artwork from PreK-8th grade art students. Share the date with friends and family. Come celebrate the talent and creativity of our amazing student community and show your support for the visual arts in education!

Ms Dunn, Visual Arts Educator



Garage Sale

Start saving your "treasures" for the Annual St. John Garage Sale on April 2 from 8:00am-1:00pm. We will accept everything except adult clothing. We will begin accepting items Monday, March 28, after school in the gym until 5:00pm or by appointment with Amy Cast 785-865-7457. Also looking for volunteers to help sort and run the garage sale on April 2. Please contact Amy 785-865-7457.



Family Easter Egg Hunt

March 26 at 10am.

Please gather in front of the Simon Parish Office on Vermont St. for the Annual St. John Easter Egg Hunt. After the Easter Egg Hunt, please join us in the lower level of the school in the St. Bosco room for Easter themed crafts and goodies.




EASTER PRAYER

*Lord Jesus,
help us remember the greatest gift of all,
your conquest of death and sin,
which saved all of us from eternal death
and opened heaven's gates for us all.
Amen*



MARCH AND APRIL 2016

21 Monday	22 Tuesday	23 Wednesday	24 Thursday	25 Friday	26
3:40 Marathon Club		7:30 am Marathon Club	8:40 Stations of the Cross presented by 3rd grade 1:00 Middle School to Lied Center End of third quarter 3:40 Tech Club	No School Good Friday	 27 Easter
28	29	30	31	April 1	2 SJ Garage Sale 8-1:00 3 Trash bags after Mass
3:40 Marathon Club 3:40 Spring Musical rehearsals	1:00 Kdg, 1st, 2nd to Lied Center	7:30 am Marathon Club Grade cards go home 3:40 Spring Musical rehearsals	No Mass 3:40 Spring Musical rehearsals End of Foster Care Donations		
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3:40 Marathon Club 3:40 Spring Musical rehearsals	6:30 PTO at Piaisano's Restaurant at 2112 W. 25 St. 6:00pm St. Cecilia Band Festival at St. Thomas Aquinas	7:30 am Marathon Club 3:40 Spring Musical rehearsals	8:30 Mass/planned by kindergarten Blue Jay class 3:40 Spring Musical rehearsals 3:40 Tech Club 7:00pm First Communion parents meeting 6:00-8:00 pm Middle school Holocaust Exhibit	2:50 Cookie Sales 6:30 Trivia Night	10

Foster Care Donations Ends March 31

Looking Ahead

Mar 24 8:30 Stations of the Cross presented by 3rd grade
 Mar 24 1:00 Middle school to Lied Ctr.
 Mar 25 No School –Good Friday
 Mar 28 Spring play rehearsals begin
 Mar 29 kdg, 1st, 2nd to Lied Center
 Apr 2 8-1:00 Garage Sale (note date change)
 Apr 5 St. Cecilia Band Festival-KC
 Apr 7 First Communion Parent Mtg
 Apr 7 Holocaust Remembrance
 Apr 8 6:30 Trivia Night
 Apr 16 First Communion
 Apr 21 6:30-8:00 Art Show
 Apr 21 Earth Day Mass
 Apr 22 Middle School Movie Night
 Apr 28 11:00 Theatre Class production
 Apr 28 Confirmation
 Apr 29 Third grade Store
 May 11&12 Spring Play
 May 13 5:30-7:30pm Carnival
 May 16 3rd to Topeka/Capitol
 May 17 2:00&7:00 Band/Orchestra concert
 May 19 2:00&7 Alleluia Singers concert
 May 20 last day for 8th grade
 May 23 Field Day
 May 23 6:30 8th graduation
 May 25 Last day of school-noon

Fr. Scott Wallisch

April 3, 2016, St. John School, St. Bosco Room

Father Scott Wallisch will discuss how the sacraments are key in our discernment of vocation, and how those sacraments can guide your teens throughout their lives. He will also discuss the importance of role models and saints in the development of faith for teenagers and young adults. Open to all adults.

2pm —The Sacraments and Vocational Discernment

3:10pm—The Importance of Role Models in Teenage Faith Development

Trivia Night, Friday, April 8

Doors open 6:30, First Question 7:00pm

Put together your team for a fun night of trivia on April 8 at St. John School in the **St. Bosco Room**. Beer and wine will be available for purchase as part of this fundraiser. If you don't have a team, we can put you with one. Sign up sheet is attached.



Congratulations to Paige Helt

Paige placed third place in the National History Day competition that was held on March 5.

She qualified to compete in the state competition on April 23.

Students participating in National History Day:

Maretta Graves, Abigail Woolverton, Francesca Dessert, Maddie DeWitt, Hobbs Herlihy, Ryan Dekat, Lucy Schmidt, Alexis Foster, Paige Helt, Jasmine Najafzadeh, Lillian Capen, and Danny Lee.

