





SAINT JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL



November 28, 2016









Dear St. John Parish Families.

By now you should have received your Stewardship of Generosity Financial Pledge Form. Please take time to prayerfully discern what *Your Part in Our Community* will be in the coming year! We thank you for your generosity to our St. John mission. For any questions, please contact Samantha Romero (sromero@saint-johns.net) or Cris Denning (cdenning@saint-johns.net) at 785-843-0109. Parents, the cost to educate a student is \$5,200.



Samantha Romero, Stewardship Director

Christmas Outreach Project - Marty Indian School , Yankton Sioux Reservation

Please help us with our Christmas outreach project. We are adopting Marty Indian School, a small school with seventy students on the Yankton Sioux Reservation in South Dakota. We are working with *Outreach First Nation*, which is organized by Monica Olivera, a St. John parishioner. The children in the school were asked to choose a toy they would like to receive for Christmas. Our goal is to give each student their Christmas wish. We also want to give each student a new or gently used coat. Please contact the office if you did not receive the email with the toy and coat requests. All donations are due Friday, Dec. 9. Once we have the toys, our student council will match the toys with the children's names, wrap the gifts, and Monica Olivera will drive the donations to the Marty Indian School.



Two Host Families Needed for Students (4th & 5th grades) from South Korea

I am excited that the two students from South Korea will spend a few weeks at St. John.

The students are placed here by Guardian Edu., International Educational Company, who provides supervision, guardianship, support, and insurance. The host family will receive a stipend to cover the cost of housing the students.

One of the students is a boy in the 5th grade and will be here from January 6 until February 25.

The other student is a boy in the 4th grade and will be here from January 4 until February 4.

If you are interested in hosting one of these boys, please contact me, at newton@saint-johns.net.

Preschool, Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Grade Christmas Program Wednesday, December 21, 2:00 & 7:00 in St. John Church

The **matinee** Christmas program begins at **2:00**. This performance includes afternoon preschool and kindergartners through 3rd grade. Students are expected to wear school uniforms for the matinee performance.



The **evening** Christmas program begins at 7pm. All preschoolers through 3rd graders participate in this performance.

Students should wear dressy clothes for the evening performance. There is no need to worry about costumes. Some 3rd graders will be in costume and costumes will be handled in school. Preschool will perform at the very beginning of each performance.

The church will be **very crowded at the evening performance**. If you have relatives that might have trouble hearing, seeing, or have special seating needs, we recommend the **2:00** performance.

SJ Parish St. Nick Celebration

Save the date for St. Nick Celebration on Dec. 11 from 3-4:30pm at St. John Church! Cookies, crafts, and pictures with St. Nick.

Calendar: November and December 2016

28	29	30.	December 1		3 trash bags
	7th & 8th to LINK	3:30 Crochet Club (4th-8th)	8:30 Mass/planned by 2nd Green/Virtue	7.20 COOKIE VAIES	grocery 4 cards _{Sold}
5:30 School council		otii)	awards	3:30 Crochet Club (4th-8th)	after Mass
5	6	7	8	9	10
MWF Preschool St. Nick Party	2:50 St. Nicholas Day Parties Spirit Day—Red and Green 6:30 PTO	3:30 Crochet Club (4th-8th)	8:30 Immaculate Conception Mass/ planned by 5A	2:00 Band and Orchestra Concert 3:30 Crochet Club (4th-8th)	3:00- 4:30 SJ Parish St. Nick
12	13	14	15	16	17
		3:30 Crochet Club (4th-8th)	8:30 Mass/planned by 7B	2:00 Alleluia Singers concert	18
			St. John City/planned by 5th grade	3:30 Crochet Club (4th-8th)	

GOING GREEN

Effective January 3, paper copies of the newsletter will be available by request only.

Looking Ahead

Dec. 6: 2:50 St. Nicholas parties
Dec. 8: Immaculate Conception Mass
Dec. 9: 2:00 Band & Orchestra Concert

Dec. 15: 5th grade SJ City

Dec. 16: 2:00 Alleluia Singers Concert Dec 21: **2:00** & 7:00 Christmas Program (note change in matinee time)

Dec. 22-Jan 2: No School Christmas

Jan. 3: School resumes Jan. 6: End of First Semester Jan. 16: No School, Dr. MLK Jan. 19: Honor Roll presentation

Jan. 20 Kdg Cowboy Day

Jan. 22-28: 8th grade to Washington, D.C. Jan. 29-Feb 3: Catholic Schools Week

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Feb. 2: Science Fair and Open House

Feb. 3: PTO Bingo Night

Feb. 10: Middle School Party

Feb. 14: 2:50 Valentine's Day parties

Feb. 15-17: No School/Parent Conferences

Feb. 27: Burning of palm branches for Ash Wednesday

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March 1: Ash Wednesday Mass March 6: Spring Marathon Club begins

March 10: 2:00 & 7:00 4th and 5th Music

Concert

March 16: Confirmation

April 1: Garage Sale
May 6: 6:30 First Communion

May 22: 6:30 Eighth Grade Graduation

ADVENT WREATH & CANDLE SALES

Advent wreaths and candles are available in the school office.

ST. JOHN CITY

On December 15, fifth graders will be running Saint John City as the final project for a unit on economics. Students will sell the products they have made. All students,

K-8, will have a chance to do some holiday shopping at Saint John City. Shoppers may spend up to \$10.00 on gifts. You may bill your account for shopping.

ST. NICHOLAS PARTIES

St. John School continues the tradition of celebrating Christmas with St. Nicholas parties. St. Nicholas' feast day is December 6. We will have the classroom parties on **Tuesday**, **December 6**, at **2:50pm**. Part of the fun will be students setting their shoes out in the hall in hopes that St. Nick will fill them with goodies.



Please help support the classroom parties by responding to the Volunteer Spot request. We need parents to provide napkins, plates, a sweet treat, pizza billed to your account, and goodies for shoes billed to your account. We also need parents to sign up to help with the parties.

"St. Nicholas Day is celebrated each year on Dec. 6 (his feast day). Tradition holds that kids who leave their shoes out on the hearth or by the door the night before will wake up with their shoes filled with candy or small treats, which means St. Nicholas has been there! Nicholas came from a wealthy family with parents who always were generous to help people in need. He became a priest and was soon made a bishop. He was known for caring for children in trouble, healing the sick, feeding the hungry and saving sailors from storms.

SPIRIT DAY

On Dec. 6, students are invited to wear red and green colors in lieu of uniforms. (Christmas shirts, sweaters, hats.)



Lunchroom 842-0066



November 2016 Lunch Menu

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Meat & Cheese Nachos Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	Macaroni & Cheese Roll1Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	Chicken Fried Steak Biscuit Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	NO SCHOOL AUCTION PREP & FAMILY NIGHT TACO DINNER
7 Malsbury Steak Roll Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	8 Chicken Taquito Mexican Rice Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	9 BBQ Riblet on Bun Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	Spaghetti W/Meat Sauce Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	Corn Dog Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk
Chickenwich Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	Tacos Mexican Rice Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	Chicken & Noodles Cinnamon Roll Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	Pancakes Sausage Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	Pasta w/Red or White Sauce Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk
Hot Dog on Bun Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	Biscuit & Sausage Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	NO SCHOOL THANKSGIVING BREAK	NO SCHOOL THANKSGIVING BREAK	NO SCHOOL THANKSGIVING BREAK
Meatball Sub Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	Chili Cinnamon Roll Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk	30 Chicken & Bean Burrito Vegetable & Fruit Bar PB&J or Meat Sandwich Yogurt/Cottage Cheese/ Cheese Stick/cracker/roll Milk		
		U	SDA is an equal opportunity p	provider and employer.