

St. John Catholic School

St. Johnsgiving

S W E E P S T A K E S



Grand Prize
\$10,000

Drawing on Nov 30th



Week 1
Solo Stove

Drawing on Nov 7th



Week 2
Cornucopia of Goodies

Drawing on Nov 14th



Week 3
Great Wolf Lodge Gift Card

Drawing on Nov 21st

November is Auction Month, but this year
join the St. Johnsgiving Sweepstakes
instead!

Donate to enter at stjohnsgiving.com
entry is eligible for all St. Johnsgiving drawings

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WELCOME TO SAINT JOHN

Saint John the Evangelist, a Catholic Capuchin Franciscan Parish, welcomes all who are called to be disciples of Jesus Christ and proclaims His Gospel through prayer, worship, His Word, and the sacraments. Members, inspired by the Holy Spirit through faith formation and spiritual renewal, witness to the Gospel in lives of justice and charity, build up families and children through education, hospitality and fellowship, and serve those in need with compassion.

“THE CHURCH IS LIKE A GREAT SHIP BEING POUNDED BY
THE WAVES OF LIFE’S DIFFERENT STRESSES.
OUR DUTY IS NOT TO ABANDON SHIP, BUT TO KEEP HER ON HER COURSE.”

-ST. BONIFACE

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SIMON PARISH CENTER

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Office Hours.....**PLEASE WEAR A MASK**

Monday—Friday 8:30 am—4:00 pm

Weekend Masses

Saturday..... 8:00am 4:30 pm

Sunday 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am,

.....1:00 pm (Spanish), 5:00 pm

Mass sign up required for each weekend:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DA4A82DA0FDCE9-november>

Masses to be livestreamed at: <https://sjevangelist.com/live/>

Sunday 11:00 am & 1:00 pm (Spanish)

Weekday Masses

Monday – Tuesday: 7:30 am, Wednesdays: 7:30 am & 5:10 pm (Spanish),

Thursdays: 7:30 am & 12:10 pm, Friday: 7:30 am & 12:10 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

In the Padre Pio Chapel (inside the north church entrance)

Wednesday 11:00 am-12:00 pm

Saturday 3:00 pm-4:00 pm, and by appointment

Bulletin Deadline

Submit info by **noon on Thursday** to bulletin@sjevangelist.com

ten (10) days prior to the bulletin you wish info to appear.

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SAINT JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL



PARA PROFESSIONAL NEEDED FOR KINDERGARTEN

I am currently looking for a para professional for our Kindergarten classroom. This position would begin in January when we return from Christmas break. If interested, please email Mr. Reffett at: creffett@sjeagles.com or call **785-843-9511** for more information.

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	 <p>Week 2 Cornucopia of Goodies</p> <p>Deadline to enter: Friday Nov 13, 11:59pm</p>	 <p>Week 3 Great Wolf Lodge Gift Card</p> <p>Deadline to enter: Friday Nov 20, 11:59pm</p>

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

A NOTE FROM REV. JOHN A. RILEY CHANCELLOR IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY IN KANSAS

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

On Thursday morning of this week Archbishop Naumann experienced some symptoms of COVID and was tested the same day. His initial test that day came back negative but his additional test that day resulted in a confirmation Saturday morning that he tested positive for the virus. He is feeling fine and has experienced only mild muscle aches and fatigue. He will be in quarantine through Wednesday, November 11. Please pray for Archbishop Naumann and for full, and speedy recovery.

A NOTE FROM SR. MARCELLA

Dear Friends of St. John,

This has been quite an unusual year. I am grateful for all the cards and letters I've received from you. I was hoping at some point, some of you could come here to visit with me. But since that's not the case, I have enjoyed your company through the cards and letters you've sent to me.



ST. JOHN ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALE

Due to the COVID Virus we will not be able to have our Annual Christmas Sale in the Church Basement this year. However, Christmas items will be available in our store and outside when the weather cooperates.

New Christmas items will be added throughout the Season as space allows.

We will still have a great selection of Christmas Décor, Cards, Lights, Trees and Gifts.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

OUR HOPE LEGACY PLANNED GIVING MINUTE

As is the case with many families, there are times each year when Jim and Sharon focus their attention on gift giving. For years, they have created a gift list that includes family members, friends and loved ones. Last year, Jim and Sharon made an addition to their list and began including their favorite charity.

Sharon: Years ago, I inherited stock from my grandmother. Earlier this year, we decided to sell some of the stock. After we sold the stock, our CPA told us we would need to pay capital gains of nearly \$120,000 from the sale.

Jim: That came as kind of a shock. Our CPA started to talk about ways we could offset the capital gains tax bill. We told him we were planning on making charitable gifts. Our CPA advised us that if we gave some of the remaining stock before the end of the year, we could receive a charitable deduction that would help offset the capital gains tax on the stock we sold.

Sharon: We contacted our favorite charity to discuss the best way to make a gift of stock. The gift planner explained the process and provided us with instructions that allowed our broker to directly transfer stock from our account to the charity's brokerage account.

Jim: That is what we decided to do. By transferring \$80,000 in stock outright to charity, we received two benefits. First, we avoided a large capital gains tax on that stock, and second, we received a charitable deduction. The deduction even offset all of the capital gains from the stock sale. We are very pleased with the double benefits of our gift. And, we're delighted that we've been able to make a nice charitable contribution.

Is a current gift right for you? Making year-end charitable gifts, especially with highly appreciated property such as real estate and stocks, can be an excellent strategy to reduce your tax bill.

Please contact Cris in the St. John office **785-843-0109** if you think you have assets that would make a nice gift to charity. We would be happy to work with you to structure a gift that meets your needs.

**Names of parishioners have been changed.



STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

WEEKLY PARISH GIVING

Our fiscal year is July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

Below reflects donations received July 1, 2020 through November 1, 2020.

Budgeted weekly collection amount	\$30,254.80
Average weekly collection amount.....	\$23,158.58
Budgeted collection fiscal YTD.....	\$544,586.40
Actual collection fiscal YTD.....	\$416,854.54
NET SHORTAGE	\$127,731.86

Visit: www.sjevangelist.com/giving for information or to set up and manage your account today!

Contact Cris Denning at: cdenning@sjevangelist.com or by phone at **785-843-0109** if you have any questions.

~Thank you for your continued generosity
to St. John Parish!



Photo by: Jay Soldner/The Leaven

STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

PARISH PRAYER LIST

The "Prayer List" includes the most recent information that the Simon Parish Center has about a parishioner and/or their family member.
Contact the Center to request someone for the "Prayer List."

Thank you on behalf of the families of those individuals for whom we pray.

Jenn Bole
Andrew Bouchard
Susan Guenther Brown
Donna Callaghan
Ricky Dalton
Hank Desch
Garrett Dreiling
Anna Dukart
Julie Dukart
Nathan Dukart
Linda Erp
Cora Fallaria
Noni Fallaria
Joanne Feist
Colette Fisher
Linda Flyer
Janet Fox
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Peggy Harders
Newt Hasson
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Joseph Soza
Cameron Stupansky
Jack Taylor
Deloris Tharp
Oscar Tharp, Jr.

Amelia Tinio
Cindy Vasquez
Marianne Vietti
Trent Wallace
Jeanette Walker
Susan Williams
Jon Yarnell
IN MEMORIAM
-CLARA ANN YOUNG

NOVEMBER 9 – NOVEMBER 15

Mon.: 7:30 am..... Leonard Courtwright†
Tues.: 7:30 amAlbert Jonest
Wed.: 7:30 am..... Bud Lagert
5:10 pm (Sp.).....Amelia Tinio
Thurs.: 7:30 amWitold Grzymala-Busset
12:10 pm.....End to the Pandemic
Fri.: 7:30 am.....Theresa Wells
12:10 pm.....Fleda Umscheid
Sat.: 8:00 am..... Luke Henry
4:30 pm.....Clara Ann Young†
Sun.: 7:00 amMark Bernhardt†
9:00am.....Joe Renyert
11:00 am..... Parishioners of St. John
1:00 pm (Sp.)..... Hector Cabral†
5:00 pm Larry Allensworth†

REMEMBERING FALLEN SOLDIERS

So often on this day of memory of those who have given that "last full measure of devotion" to their country as Abraham Lincoln said, I also think of a poem by Walt Whitman. In his poem "Dirge for Two Veterans," he pays tribute to a duet of fallen soldiers, son and father. Today we remember with love all our veterans.

Dirge for Two Veterans (1867) Walt Whitman

The last sunbeam
Lightly falls from the finished Sabbath,
On the pavement here, and there
beyond it is looking,
Down a new-made double grave.

Lo, the moon ascending,
Up from the east the silvery round moon,
Beautiful over the house-tops, ghastly,
phantom moon,
Immense and silent moon.

I see a sad procession,
And I hear the sound of coming full-
keyed bugles, All the channels of the city
streets they're flooding,
As with voices and with tears.

I hear the great drums pounding,
And the small drums steady whirring;
And every blow of the great convulsive
drums,
Strikes me through and through.

For the son is brought with the father,
(In the foremost ranks of the fierce
assault they fell; Two veterans, son and
father dropped together,
And the double grave awaits them.)

Now nearer blow the bugles,
And the drums strike more convulsive;
And the daylight o'er the pavement quite
has faded,
And the strong dead-march enwraps me.

In the eastern sky up-buoying,
The sorrowful vast phantom moves
illumined; ('Tis some mother's large,



transparent face,
In heaven brighter growing.)

O strong dead-march, you please me!
O moon immense, with your silvery face
you soothe me!
O my soldiers twain! O my veterans,
passing to burial!
What I have I also give you.

The moon gives you light,
And the bugles and the drums give you
music; And my heart, O my soldiers, my
veterans,
My heart gives you love.

University of Kansas
The Dole Institute of Politics
presents

A Special Tribute to Veterans Virtually

Date: Sunday, November 8, 2020

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Free and Live-streamed on our YouTube Channel
or on our website: www.doleinstitute.org

A Virtual Salute To Veterans From KU ROTC



Questions: Call (785) 864-4900 or Email doleinstitute@ku.edu

KIDS SHARING THE GOSPEL

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Make sure your heart is ready for Jesus. One day Jesus will come back. If your heart is empty and dark - without love - you will be left out. But if your heart is filled with God's love for other people, Jesus will bring you into heaven with him forever

PRAYER

God, fill my heart with your love. I want to be ready for Jesus.

SOMETHING TO DRAW

Draw a picture of yourself helping your parents set the table because you love Jesus.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

As a family, go through your closets and drawers. Take out all the clothes you don't wear anymore. Then donate them to charity.



PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

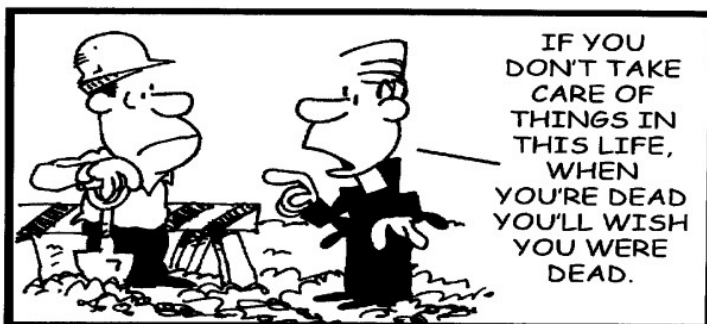
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LAMPS	OIL JARS	DOOR
FOOLISH	BRIDEGROOM	WATCH

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 E P S F I L S H L O W
 S W E D D I N G A E F
 A I L J E R A S M I O
 B S U R G U D E P G O
 I E **V I R G I N S** E L
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 Y H V A R O I G Y N S

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32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



DAILY READINGS

Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [2b]/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13
Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29 [39a]/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6 [1]/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [5a]/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18 [1b]/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-2



MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

El punto principal de esta parábola de las diez jóvenes contiene episodios de ansiedad entre ellas, porque unas estaban preparadas y otras no. Además, la parábola cuenta, al mismo tiempo, con imágenes de gran simbolismo. Se habla de luz de tiempo de espera, de adormecimiento, de la llegada del novio, de preparar las lámparas, de boda y de fiesta y al fin, salir al encuentro del novio. “A media noche se oyó un grito: ¡Viene el novio, salgan a su encuentro! Todas las jóvenes se despertaron y prepararon sus lámparas”. (Mateo 25:6-7). Ahora, si estamos listos, veremos que las imágenes nos preparan a la segunda venida de Cristo, donde vivimos tiempo de oscuridad y tiempo de luz.

Aquí la pregunta clave es. ¿Cómo gastamos el tiempo de la espera? ¿Tiene aceite nuestra lámpara? Aunque estemos dormidos hay que estar preparados. Dios nos da oportunidades todos los días para escoger los valores del Evangelio. Basta con abrir el corazón y la mente para atender las necesidades de los demás. Es tan bonito estar preparados para todo y en el momento preciso. Aprendamos de las personas que nos rodean. Por ejemplo: doctores, doctoras, enfermeros, enfermeras, todas las personas que trabajan fuera para que los que estamos en casa tengamos lo necesario. Al final de la parábola, el Señor Jesús advierte. “Por tanto, estén despiertos, porque no saben el día ni la hora”. (Mateo 25:13). Admirar, querer, rezar y acompañar de alguna manera a todas las personas que gastan su vida por otros es un deber, y un compromiso. ¡Es estar preparados!

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“Se levantaron entonces todas aquellas jóvenes y se pusieron a preparar sus lámparas, y las descuidadas dijeron a las previsoras: ‘Dennos un poco de su aceite, porque nuestras lámparas se están apagando’. Las previsoras les contestaron: ‘No, porque no va a alcanzar para ustedes y para nosotros. Vayan mejor a donde lo venden y cómprenlo’”. -Mt 25, 7-9

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MUSICA, CORO, MUSICA

¿Te gusta cantar? ¿Tocas algún instrumento musical, o te gustaría aprender? Ven a practicar con nosotros, comunícate al **785-304-5509**.

CADA LUNES EN TODO EL AÑO

A las 8 de la noche rezamos el Santo Rosario, para pedir por nuestras necesidades y por los que amamos; también si alguno de sus parientes fallece podemos hacer el novenario, nos vemos los lunes en LA CAPILLA DEL PADRE PIO, frente a las veladoras.

PLATICAS PARA BAUTIZAR

Cada primer sábado del mes de **6:00 a 9:00 de la noche**, sin niños, llamar antes para anotar su asistencia.

RECICLAGE

Trae tus latas de aluminio y ayuda a tu Parróquia, por un mundo mas limpio, déjalas atrás de la oficina y ponle para María Mota. Gracias.

LA FE SE PUEDE ALIMENTAR

Hermano, a veces te sientes triste o con necesidad de Dios, ven yo te puedo acompañar a orar, nos podemos ver en la Iglesia o en la oficina. Estoy para ayudarte. Oro por todos, bendiciones María Mota.

Preparación al matrimonio por la Iglesia Católica, solo para parejas que viven juntos y tienen niños.

Adultos que necesitan los sacramentos de confirmación y primera comunión.

CATECISMO EN ESPAÑOL

Las Inscripciones son en agosto. Por favor para mas información llamar a María Mota.

CONFESIONES

Sábado de 3:00 pm a 4:00 pm y Miercoles de 11:00 am a 12:00 pm Habrá confesiones en español para quien lo necesite, y pueda recibir este sacramento.

LAS LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA DEL 8 DE NOVIEMBRE

Domingo: Sab 6, 12-16/Sal 63, 2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8 [2]/1 Tes 4, 13-18 o 4, 13-14/Mt 25, 1-13

Lunes: Ez 47, 1-2. 8-9. 12/Sal 46, 2-3. 5-6. 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3, 9-11. 16-17/Jn 2, 13-22

Martes: Tit 2, 1-8. 11-14/Sal 37, 3-4. 18y 23. 27y 29 [39]/Lc 17, 7-10

Miércoles: Tit 3, 1-7/Sal 23, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6 [1]/Lc 17, 11-19

Jueves: Flm 7-20/Sal 146, 7. 8-9. 9-10 [5]/Lc 17, 20-25

Viernes: 2 Jn 4-9/Sal 119, 1. 2. 10. 11. 17. 18 [1]/Lc 17, 26-37

Sábado: 3 Jn 5-8/Sal 112, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/Lc 18, 1-8

Domingo siguiente: Prov 31, 10-13. 19-20. 30-31/Sal 128, 1-2. 3. 4-5 [cfr. 1]/1 Tes 5, 1-6/Mt 25, 14-30 o 25, 14-15. 19-21

SOCIAL JUSTICE SOCIAL ACTION

By Susan Tabor,
Social Concerns for Peace and Justice Committee,



A ST. JOHN ADVOCATE IS HERE TO HELP WEATHER THE STORMS THAT YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS EXPERIENCING RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES.

SIMPLY CALL OR TEXT ONE OF THESE CONFIDENTIAL NUMBERS ANY DAY FROM 8 AM - 5 PM

913-538-1460
913-585-4066
785-274-9508

MESSAGES LEFT AFTER HOURS WILL BE RESPONDED TO THE NEXT DAY.

INTERFAITH MENTAL HEALTH OUTREACH

It's here! We're ready to launch a new ministry at St. John's! Several months ago, we mentioned in this column that we were in a coalition with other local churches to build a new mental health ministry in our community. This is it, and St. John was the first church to launch!

The Interfaith Mental Health Outreach ministry is not a substitute for crisis intervention or for therapy. For those, you should call the Bert Nash Mental Health Center at **785-842-9192**, or Headquarters at **785-841-2345** or go to Lawrence Memorial Hospital.

We are here to help you through transitions or challenges in your life; a divorce or separation, grief following the death of a loved one, Covid, loss of a job, loss of housing, looking for counseling resources, concern about the functioning of a family member. We can help by directing you to resources from the community and walking beside you spiritually as you make your way through life's challenges.

The graphic at the top of this column contains the contact numbers for our leadership team, who will assign you to an advocate.

We look forward to hearing from you!

FOCUS ON THE WORD

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE IN OUR MIDST

One day my son came downstairs in our house and went into the kitchen to get himself a bowl of cereal. He had no idea I was in the front room quietly reading something on my smartphone. He poured his milk and reached to grab a spoon. At that moment, I simply said, "Hello." Startled, he jumped back from the silverware drawer and let out a scream. He would tell this story differently, but it certainly was a scream. He clutched his chest as if he had just seen a ghost. All I wanted to do was say hello.

We have all been startled by someone when we thought we were all alone. Sometimes that person in our midst was simply quiet and hidden from our view. Other times, we simply have our head and mind in the clouds to the point we are ignoring the fact we are not alone.

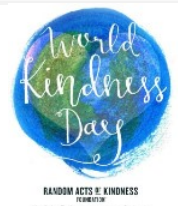
At times that person we don't see is Jesus. He might seem



quieter some days, but he should never be hidden from our view. He is always there with us, in others, and sharing our everyday moments. When we fail to see him in our midst, it is easy to act in ways we wouldn't if we saw him directly in front of us. We become less giving and more self-centered. No one wants to be surprised one day when suddenly they realize they were not alone, especially if the one who startles us is our God. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

WORLD KINDNESS WEEK

WEEKLY OBSERVANCE November 9 - 13 | World Kindness Week Saint Paul wrote that Christian love is kind (1 Cor. 13:1). So it stands to reason that kindness toward others should be extended every single day, especially during this time of COVID-19. The purpose of World Kindness Week is to urge people to look beyond themselves, beyond the boundaries of their country, culture, race, and religion; and realize they are citizens of the world. The week culminates into **World Kindness Day, November 13**.



AREA NEWS AND EVENTS

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP INVITE

We will meet **November 10 and 24 via zoom from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.**

It is a time we give to God and each other to pray and study either from the Bible or reflect on an inspirational saint. No outside prep necessary. If you are interested in joining, please contact Cheryl Hicklin by voicemail or text at **785-691-5607** or email at: chicklin8566@gmail.com.



NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

We pray for all children and families associated with adoption. May the children who have found forever families be happy, loved and well-adjusted and experience real joy through Your grace and blessings. May all the families who choose to give a child a forever or temporary home be blessed and cared for. Lord, we fervently request your intercession that more parents and families will open their hearts and homes to children in need. Bless those who are providing their unconditional love and care to children in need.

As we enter into the holiday season, bless and keep all those who are separated or without a family to know your love and compassion. Thank you, Father, for all the blessings that we have received. May we be able to share these blessings through charity and service to our brothers and sisters in need.

In Jesus name, Amen

If you are interested in learning ways to serve these children and families, please reach out to me. Patti Fisher at: givethemafuture@gmail.com

REKINDLING THE LIGHT

Throughout this unprecedented year, caregivers have tirelessly and selflessly shown their love in grand ways and small. As 2020 nears an end, one more potentially tall hurdle remains: The holidays! Full of profound faith and spiritual meaning and additional events and activities, the weeks between Thanksgiving and New Years can be especially challenging, stressful, and draining for caregivers. It can also be a time of isolation and loneliness. Rekindle the Light will provide a virtual half-day of spiritual refreshment for caregivers of all kinds. Rekindle the Light... will be held live **online on Saturday, November 14 from 12:30 to 4:30 pm.** For registration and agenda, go to www.archkck.org/special-needs. For more information, contact Tom Racunas at: tracunas@archkck.org or call **913-647-3054**.



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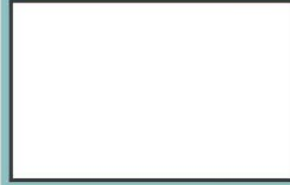
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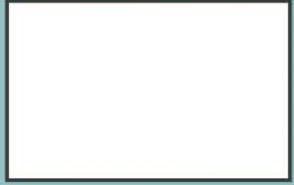
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