



## Changes at St. John

As well as a new principal, we are also welcoming a new priest to our school and parish. We want to welcome Fr. John Cousins to the St. John community.

## Summer Theatre Camp performs “Blackout”

Ms. Fewins offered a theatre camp for St. John’s 4th and 5th students in July. Students participated in many different activities to help them to develop their onstage acting. The week culminated in the performance of an original script by Ms. Fewins entitled “Blackout”. Please keep your eye out for more theatre opportunities in the future.

## School Survey

Please take a few moments to fill out the survey that Samantha Romero recently sent out. This survey will be used for marketing and stewardship planning. If you did not receive an email from her please contact her at [sromero@saint-johns.net](mailto:sromero@saint-johns.net) to receive the link. We really want to hear from everyone so we can best plan for the future. Thank you!

## CYO Fall Sports Registration

It is still not too late to sign your child up for CYO Cross Country or Volleyball. All children who are either students at St. John School or members of the St. John parish in 3rd-8th grade are eligible to participate. If your child would like to participate in CYO Cross Country or Volleyball this fall, please register as soon as possible.

Here is a link to the registration page <https://www.cyojwa.org/registration>

## School Supplies Fundraiser

If you ordered school supplies from the school fundraiser, school supplies will be delivered to your homeroom teacher’s room.

## Dillons Community Rewards Program

If you shop at Dillons, please consider signing up for their Community Rewards Program. To participate, go to [www.dillons.com/community-rewards](http://www.dillons.com/community-rewards) register your Plus Shopper’s Card number and designate St. John’s School #29296. A percentage of each purchase will be donated to St. John School.

**Please Notify the school office if you have any changes in address, phone numbers (including emergency contacts), or email addresses. Email Mrs. Alexander with updates [alexander@saint-johns.net](mailto:alexander@saint-johns.net)**

**Parent/Student Handbook:** Parents should sign and return page 1 of the handbook which will be emailed to you next week. Complete and return the Agreement Form when you attend the Back to School Open House , Middle School Locker Party, or email the signed form to Mrs. Alexander at [alexander@saint-johns.net](mailto:alexander@saint-johns.net).

**School Electronic Payment:** Consider having your school payments automatically withdrawn from either your bank account or charge card. **You can now give your Annual Pledge, Capital Campaign Pledge, or Pay School Payments via PushPay (our new giving platform).** To get started:

Text “stjohncc” to 77977 and follow the prompts to set up your recurring gift or to get an account setup to pay school invoices in less than 1 minute!

Visit <https://pushpay.com/pay/sjevangelist/recurring> and set up your automatic gift using Pushpay. The recurring gift option should already be selected and you can simply set up your automatic gift. After you set up your recurring gift, you will be prompted to complete the setup of your new account!

Download our new St. John App: Just text “stjohnapp” to 77977

If you have any questions, please call Samantha Romero or Cris Denning at 785-843-0109 or email us at [sromero@saint-johns.net](mailto:sromero@saint-johns.net) or [cdenning@saint-johns.net](mailto:cdenning@saint-johns.net). We are so grateful for your support!

## Important Dates

**Kindergarten Pool Party, Saturday, August 10, 10:00-12:00 am.** Kindergartners and parents are invited to our pool-party at the South Park wading pool. This is a great chance for the kids and parents to meet each other and visit with Ms. Fewins, Mrs. Hirt, and Mr. Reffett. Following the pool party, we will gather in the park for a picnic. (Swimming is limited to kindergarten students). Other siblings are invited to the picnic.

**Middle School Locker Party, Thursday, August 15, 5:00-6:00 pm.** Middle School students will receive their locker combination and have a chance to practice their combination locks and decorate the interior of their lockers. Decorations are limited to the inside of the locker. **NO TAPE OR ADHESIVES ARE ALLOWED. Magnets are permissible.** Students will also receive their individual middle school schedules, including their electives. Parents are invited. Middle school sweatshirts and t-shirts will be available for purchase/ordering that evening.

**Preschool Information Night, Thursday, August 15, 7:00 pm.** Preschool parents are invited to attend (Parents/Guardians only). Other adults who will be picking up/dropping off students are also encouraged to attend. We will meet in the St. Bosco Room on the lower level of the school. Parents will meet Mrs. Cast, Preschool Director, Mrs. Kelly Prier, Preschool Assistant, and learn about procedures, expectations, and goals. Preschool begins August 19. Tuesday/Thursday classes begin August 20. Morning sessions are 8:15-11:05am, afternoon sessions are 12:35-3:25pm.

**Back to School Open House, Friday, August 16 9:00-11:00 am.** Parents and students are welcome to stop by the school, drop off any paperwork such as the signed Parent Handbook agreement, check out the classrooms, meet the teachers, purchase new and used uniforms, and check out the various tables in the gym that represent the life of the school.

### Monday, August 19, First Day of School

**Parent Information Night, Thursday, August 29.** Parents of **kindergarten through fifth grade** students are invited to Parent Information Night on Thursday, August 29, from **7:00-9:00pm**. Parents will have the opportunity to visit classrooms and learn about classroom expectations and curriculum. Parents only, please.

**Middle School Parent Information Night, September 5** Parents of middle school students are invited to an Information Night for middle school on Thursday, September 5 from **7:00-9:00pm**. **Middle school trip information meeting 6:30-7:00.**

**Labor Day: No School, September 2**

**St. John Weekly Newsletters will be emailed to school families each Monday beginning Aug.19.**

If you would like a paper copy of the newsletter each week, please notify the office at [alexander@saint-johns.net](mailto:alexander@saint-johns.net)

### Follow St. John Catholic School on Facebook (St. John Catholic School)

Most every school day, photos and announcements are posted on our school Facebook page. We post pictures of students working, playing, receiving awards, and the many projects and presentations. Lots of smiles and cute kids!

## Host Family Needed

We recently enrolled a eighth grade girl from South Korea and we are in need of a host family. Mr. Peter Jang of Guardian Edu. Serves as the legal guardian for the students and provides a generous monthly allowance for the host families. Please email me at [reffett@saint-johns.net](mailto:reffett@saint-johns.net) if you are interested.

## 2019-2020 School Calendar

Aug 14, 15 Staff Development  
Aug 16 Welcome Back Open House 9:00-11:00  
Aug 19 First day of school  
Sept 2 No School Labor Day  
Oct 16, 17, 18 No School Parent Conferences  
Nov 8 No School Auction Prep  
Nov 9 St. John Auction  
Nov 27, 28, 29 No School Thanksgiving  
Dec 23-Jan 3 No School Christmas Vacation  
Jan 6 Classes resume  
Jan 20 No School Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Feb 19, 20, 21 No School Parent Conferences  
Mar 9-13 No School Spring Break  
Apr 10 No School Good Friday  
Apr 13 No School Easter Monday  
May 18 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation  
May 19 Last day of school noon dismissal



## The PTO is looking forward to another great year of FUN and fundraising!

-Please stop by the PTO table at the Back to School Open house and sign up to receive the PTO communication, we re-do this list each year. We will have a list of tentative fundraisers for the upcoming year.

-We will have the recycled uniforms at the Back to School Open house-pants, shorts, skirts and a few rompers. These are all \$3 a piece. Great way to stock up!

If you have any ideas for fundraisers, please reach out to the email below.

-Starting in August, PTO has a new email ~ [pto@saint-johns.net](mailto:pto@saint-johns.net) Gillian Allen , PTO President



## Come make a "Back To School Splash" with your classmates, friends, and family at the first St. John swim event of the school year!!

We're switching it up and heading to the Outdoor Aquatic Center., 727 Kentucky St. Cost is \$5.00 per person, but children 4 and under are free! Please bring cash or check only. Look for the St. John table near the entrance to the pool - you will pay there and get a stamp for entrance instead of paying at the window.

## Friday, August 16, Following the St. John Back To School Open House!