

Fundraising U–Please continue to reach out to family and friends for sales. The PTO has done some wonderful and amazing things for the school over the years. The funds from this years sales will help to purchase new carpeting and furniture for our classrooms. Online and in person sales will run until September 24th. Please make sure order forms are turned in by September 24th.

OktoberFest is coming up soon! Please mark your calendars for September 28th. The festivities begin at 4PM this Saturday. A polka Mass will begin at 4:30.

The menu for the night will be: Schnitzel, Bierocks, Bratwurst, Cabbage Rolls, Sauerkraut, German Potato Salad, Pretzels and lots of varieties of beverages.

We need desserts! We are asking for groups, parents, and families to donate a dessert (store-bought or homemade) for the event. Desserts can be dropped off to the Church basement all evening Friday and anytime Saturday until 1pm or so.

If you would like to volunteer you can also sign up on the volunteer website at <u>https://signup.com/go/</u> <u>TcbQKcS</u>.

I have include information about the upcoming St. John Auction as part of the newsletter. There are also several other attachments with information about becoming a sponsor for the auction or donating items for the auction.

I want to had a new section to our newsletter about what makes us so grateful to be at St. John. As parents, I would love to hear from all of you about your experiences at St. John. Why do you feel it is important for you children to attend and what do you feel they gain from attending St. John?

I also sent out an email about our Mission Statement. I would like your input about the direction of our school. This request isn't necessarily about specific events you want to see at St. John but what you want students to possess as they leave St. John.

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#### St. John School Benefit Auction

Please make plans to join us for the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual St. John Benefit Auction! This gala event will take place on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. Events include a silent auction, live auction, a catered dinner and dancing. This year the auction will provide funds to replace the roof of the Pat Newton Performing Arts Center. Improvements are necessary for the safety of our children and the parish community. This is our largest fundraiser of the year so please plan to attend!

#### St. John Auction VIP Parking Pass Raffle

Tired of looking for a parking spot at our busy downtown parish? Skip the stress of finding the perfect parking spot, enter to win an Annual VIP parking pass at St. John! Raffle tickets are just \$25 each.

#### Family Fun Night returns Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>!

Bring your family and join the school community for a FREE night of FUN! The theme this year is "I Spy!" Family fun night will include kids' games, crafts and shopping at the Friday night auction! Snacks will be available for purchase at the event.

#### Donate or Underwrite an Item at the Auction

Please consider donating an item for the silent or live auction. In addition, we still have underwriting opportunities available. Please see the two enclosed attachments for more information. Please submit your underwriter or donation form by Oct. 7.

#### Auction Class Basket Donation collection, Sept. 25- Oct. 4

Please expect an email on Wednesday, Sept. 25 for the opportunity to make a cash donation to your child's class basket. Members of the auction committee will use the contributions to build themed baskets from each class. Baskets will be available for purchase at the auction.

#### **Payment Options**

If you wish to purchase auction tickets online please visit <u>http://saint-johns.maestroweb.com/</u> or use your PushPay account. Bill my account forms are available in the office. School families have the option of splitting the ticket price into 3 monthly installments.

Please contact a member of the auction committee for more information at auction@saint-johns.net.

Thank you for supporting our school!

St. John School Benefit Auction Committee: Julie Colvin, Kelly Prier, Sarah Davis & Ashley Urban

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Notes from the School Council Meeting on September 19th.

- Discussed terms and term limits of school Council members
- Terms will now be 3 years with a limit of one term.
- Want to explore the idea of a nomination process for future school council members
- Discussed Playground
  - discussed some of the history of playground discussions
  - looking to explore options
- Feedback on Information Night/ Open House/ Locker Party
  - enjoyed the alumni speakers

- liked that info on how to raise funds for St. John were presented in a few sessions. Want to encourage that in more sessions.

- sessions were an appropriate length
- School Roof
  - getting a 2nd bid
- Finance Council voted to move forward with project
- Funding will ultimately come from St. John Auction

Next School Council meeting will be October 10th at 5:30 in the Bosco Room. As always, parents are invited to attend.

# Calendar: September/October

23	24	25	26	27	28 OktoberFest
School Pictures 3:30 Marathon Club	Fundraising U ends	7:30 am Marathon Club CORE Team Meeting—6:30 Bosco Room	planned by 5B	Spirit Day— "Blast From the Past" Cookie Sales Day	Senora Olea 29 Birthday
30	1	2	3	4	5
Safe House 1st and 5th grade 3:30 Marathon Club Linda Alexander Birthday		7:30 am Marathon Club 5th Grade Vocations Day	8:30 School Mass/ planned by 3rd Yellow Feast of St. Francis Stuffed Animal Blessing	Pet Blessing 3:30	6 Dorothy Malsburg and Chelsea Solomon
7	8	9	10	11	12
3:30 Marathon Club	4th Grade Kansas Museum of History	7:30 am Marathon Club	8:30 Mass/planned by 6th Leadership Lawrence— Education Day	Spelling Bee End of 1st Quarter	Cris Denning 13 Birthday

# Looking Ahead

Sept. 23: School pictures Oct. 3: Feast of St. Francis school Mass Oct. 4: Blessings of Animals 3:30 Oct. 14: End of 1st Quarter: Oct 15: All School Rosary Service Oct. 16-18 Parent Conferences Oct. 22-25: 7th grade to Colorado Oct. 28: Last Marathon Club for the fall Oct. 31: Halloween class parties Nov. 1: All Saints school Mass/planned by 6 Nov. 8: No School/Auction prep Nov. 8: SJ Auction Family Fun Night Nov. 9: St. John Benefit Auction Nov 18: First Reconciliation Jan 27-31: Catholic Schools Week Jan. 27: Grandparents' Day April 25: 6:30 First Communion May 20: 6:30 Eighth Grade Graduation



## Thank you

Thank you to Charlie and Ann Reed and family for the donation of a piano to the St. John Music Program in memory of Nancy Reed. Please contact Mrs. Solomon for more information about donating to the Music Program.

Thank you to Mrs. Hartwick and Ms. Steinbacher for presenting Google classroom to parents.

## 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 participating in projects and presentations.

Keep an eye out for our Friday posts. Jacinta Hoyt is planning on spending some time in the classrooms each Friday sharing pictures and messages about our students at St. John.

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