

#### ST. JOHN PARISH SCHOOL

# **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**



December 14th, 2020

### **Urgent Request for Subs**

We are in need of substitute teachers. I have a very limited amount of substitute teachers this school year and this will be a major factor in deciding whether we remain in-person or if classes or the whole building returns to remote learning. If you might be interested or know of someone who might be interested please contact Mr. Reffett at creffett@sjeagles.com or 785-843-9511.

### **Accreditation Review**

Our school will have our 5 year Accreditation review in January from the 11th-13th. There are many parts to this review including time for the accreditation team to interview parents. This year, accreditation reviews are going to be done virtually. The parent interviews will be in the morning of January 11th. If you are interested in participating in this via Zoom, please email me at creffett@sjeagles.com and I will start putting a group together for the team to interview.

### **PJ Day**

We are still going to do a Virtual PJ Day this Thursday for our December Spirit Day. I know this is a favorite of everyone and I will schedule another one when we are back together again.

## **Pledge Cards**

Please make sure you are returning your annual Pledge Cards. They were mailed to parish families several weeks ago. Parish Families will have to return pledge cards before they are able to register for next year.

### **Picture Day**

If you are a remote learner and were unable to make it to the last Picture Day or are choosing not to come to a in person Picture Day, you can send a picture to Jacinta Hoyt at jhoyt@sjeagles.com.

## WAYS TO HELP THE SCHOOL

Do you shop at Dillons or HyVee? Both grocery stores have a rewards program that can help benefit our school. If you have one of their Shoppers cards, go to the Customer Service department to learn more about signing up for their school rewards program.

## HYVEE CASH 4 STUDENTS

HyVee has also started a program for schools to collect receipts. Start collecting your HyVee receipts and send them into the school. The program will run from August 1st, 2020 - May 15th, 2021. HyVee will be donating \$1 for every \$200 collected in receipts.

#### **AMAZON SMILES**

Do you shop through Amazon? Did you know that you can shop through Amazon and help support the school? Through the Amazon Smiles program you can link your account to St. John. It is as easy as that to help St. John!

### **Remote Materials Day**

We will not have a materials pick-up day on December 18th. The plan will be to have a materials pick-up day for remote learners on Monday, January 4th. Please remember we will resume school on Tuesday, January 5th.

## **Adjustment to the School Calendar**

This school year we will have snow days. The logistics of trying to move everyone to a remote school day under short notice is not really going to work, so we will plan on having snow days if the weather becomes too unsafe for us to be in school. However, with the adjustment in the calendar for a later start date, I did not account for snow days. So we are going to put a few days back into the calendar that were originally meant for teacher in-service days. There are three days, January 5th, March 22nd, and May 10th that are now going to be school days. I sent out this calendar over the weekend.

## **Prayers & Thank Yous**

• Thank you for the kind emails and offers for help and support for my family and myself. - Mr. Reffett

As always, please send us any prayers or messages or gratitude that you would like for me to include in the weekly newsletter.

## PARENT HANDBOOK FORMS

If you have done so already, please be sure to read through the Parent Handbook and Back to School Plan then sign your acknowledgement form. Here is the link to the form you will need to sign. Once you hit submit it will automatically be sent to me.

https://www.jotform.com/bui ld/202323822672046

# PARENT LEARNING ASSURANCES

If you have not completed the Remote Learning Assurances form please do so as soon as possible. This document is a one time document that will replace the educational logs. Here is the link to complete the form -

https://form.jotform.com/20 258646862506

#### **PRESCHOOL**

Our preschool is back in person and we have some openings. If you know of anyone that is looking for a great preschool, please have them reach out to Amy Cast (acast@sjeagles.com) or myself (creffett@sjeagles.com). They

(creffett@sjeagles.com). They can always call the school at 785-843-9511.

## **PARISH NEWS**

### **Mass Sign-Up for Dec 19-20**

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da4a82da0fdce9-december2

#### **Bulletin**

Here is the latest bulletin: <a href="http://sjevangelist.com/bulletin">http://sjevangelist.com/bulletin</a>

## **Weekly Parish Giving**

Our fiscal year is July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021 Below reflects donations received from July 1, 2020 through December 6th, 2020.

Budgeted weekly collection amount	\$30,254.80
Average weekly collection amount	\$24,352.40
Budgeted collection fiscal YTD	\$695,860.40
Actual collection fiscal YTD	\$560,105.32
Net Shortage	\$135,755.08

FY 2020/2021 Current Net Deficit......\$257,811.13

FY 2019/2020 Total Deficit.....\$267,486.68

Visit: http://www.sjevangelist.com/giving for information or to manage your account!

#### **Christmas Mass Schedule**

MASS IN 2 LOCATIONS Church/Basement - 60 upstairs / 60 downstairs Gym - 120 people

**Christmas Eve (Dec. 24)** - 2:00 pm; 4:00 pm; 6:00 pm and 10:00 pm

6:00 pm Mass will be LIVESTREAMED

**Christmas Day (Dec. 25)** - 9:00 am (Church) (If more than 120 people sign up, a second Mass will be scheduled in the gym.) 1:00 pm Spanish Mass

Due to COVID-19, please follow Social Distancing guidelines and you MUST wear a mask.

Click here to register for Mass:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da4a82da0fdce9-christmas

## **End of Fiscal Year Financial Report**

To watch the presentation the finance council gave on the end of the fiscal year financial report, click here:

https://youtu.be/ebO1HjWEiDE

#### PARISH ACCESS TO FORMED.ORG

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It's EASY and FREE to register!

- Visit formed.org with a web browser
- Click on Register (lower right of the page)
- Enter the Parish Access Code: adf3aa
- Enter your email and create a password (you need this to log in later)

## **Christmas Giving Project**

There are many ways you can provide your monetary donation for the Christmas project (gift cards this year, not specific gifts). We have the giving trees up this year and you can take a tag off the tree and donate it back to us with your donation. You can mail your tag and donation to the church or you can put it in the collection basket, designating it for the Christmas collection.

You may also write a check or donate cash (whatever you can afford), and put it in the collection basket designating it for Christmas, mail it to the church or swing by and drop it of at the parish center. Contrary to what the bulletin says, we need your donations no later than December 10.

Thank you in advance for whatever you can give! Catholic Charities will take requests for Christmas the week of December 7.

Pick-up will be December 14.