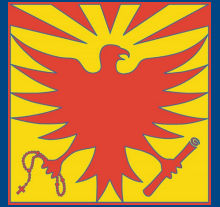




# ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

February 10, 2020



## Retirement Letters

As you may know, we have several staff members that are retiring this year and one that is relocating to be closer to family. I can't thank each one of them enough for helping me in my transition. They have contributed so much to the community of St. John and will be missed. Mrs. Newton had started a tradition of sharing some thoughts from departing staff and I would like to continue this tradition. I will be sharing notes as staff send them to me.

"I have had 40 wonderful years at St. John and I have so many special memories. Now I'm ready to start the next chapter in my life. St. John will always have a special place in my heart. I'm going to miss you more than you will ever know, but I'm also looking forward to spending more time with my family and friends. Thank you all so much for the love, support, friendships and memories. I have been very blessed." -Patty Hill

"I have loved teaching at St. John Catholic School. I have spent the majority of my teaching career here (since 1981) and have taught so many wonderful children (as well as many of you!). St. John has been a second home to me and I will never forget your trust and support. It will always hold a special place in my heart." -Karen Dixon

"I have loved every minute of my time here at St. John. I have been able to work with a great staff, wonderful parents, and outstanding students. I will take memories of third grade stores, Mesa Verde presentations, Capitol field trips, solar system plays, and the Stations of the Cross with me. Thank you, parents, for allowing me to teach your children." -Mrs. RoseAnn Huber

## 2020-2021 School Enrollment

Enrollment for next school year is now open. Please email or return forms to the school office. School accounts must be up to date in order for families to enroll for the 2020-2021 school year. Please contact Linda or Cris Denning to make sure accounts are up to date. New family enrollment will begin at the end of February.

## Host Families

We are welcoming two students from South Korea this semester. Our 8th grade girl and 6th grade boy are staying with families but it is meant to only be temporary. If you are interested in being a host family please contact me at [reffett@saint-johns.net](mailto:reffett@saint-johns.net) or 785-843-9511. Thank you for considering the possibility of being a host family.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL SHADOW DAY

Do you know any 4th-7th grade students that do not currently attend St. John that might be interested? On **February 14th**, we will be having a MS Shadow day to allow students to spend some time exploring a day in the life of a St. John middle school student. Please visit [whystjohn.com](http://whystjohn.com) to register. Contact Chris Reffett if you have any more questions.

## KINDERGARTEN BOOT CAMP

Kindergarten Boot Camp will be held on **February 24th** from 8:30-9:30 and **February 28th** 2:00-3:00. This would be a great opportunity to meet the teacher, experience the classroom, take a school tour, and answer any questions about Kindergarten or St. John. Please spread the word to friends and family that might be interested. To register please go to [whystjohn.com](http://whystjohn.com) or call 785-843-9511 if you have any additional questions.

## SAVE THE DATE!



SAINT JOHN  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
*Benefit Auction*

The date for the next St. John Benefit Auction has been set. Please mark

**November 21, 2020** on your calendars. We look forward to seeing you there

# Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on **February 19th** and **20th** from 8:30-2:00 and 5:00-9:00 on both days. February 21st will be a day off for students and staff. The hours from Friday have been moved into the morning session time on the 19th and 20th. Because some of our staff travel farther distances and a good deal of our staff stayed at school between sessions, we are going to try two days instead of three.

We will have daycare on Wednesday and Thursday from 7:00 AM—6:00 PM if you are interested. Please email Linda Alexander at [alexander@saint-johns.net](mailto:alexander@saint-johns.net) or Chris Reffett at [reffett@saint-johns.net](mailto:reffett@saint-johns.net) to reserve a spot. You can also call 785-843-9511 to speak to Linda. I know this is a change from the schedule, and I am sorry for any inconvenience this might cause.

# Students vs Teachers Volleyball Game

Thank you to all the students and teachers who participated in the volleyball games on Thursday. I want to thank everyone who came out and cheered us all on. It was so much fun and I am looking forward to next year. Thank you to Ms. Johnson for organizing the event and for all the teachers who joined in and helped out. There were some sore teachers the next day but no injuries were reported. We also raised \$120 to donate to the Australian Red Cross.

## PRAYERS & THANK YOU

Prayers for Ted Walker, grandfather to Brogan and Gavin McIntosh.

## LOOKING AHEAD

- Feb.14 Middle School Shadow Day
- Feb. 14 PTO Valentine's Day Party
- Feb. 19-20 Parent Conferences
- Feb. 22-28 8th Grade Washington D.C. trip
- Feb 24 and 28—Kindergarten Boot Camp
- March 9-13 Spring Break
- March 26—3rd Grade Store
- April 10 Good Friday—No School
- April 12 Easter Sunday
- April 13 Easter Monday—No School
- April 17 PTO Trivia Night
- April 25: 6:30 First Communion
- May 8 PTO Carnival
- May 18 Eighth Grade Graduation

# Calendar: February

10	11 3:30 Level Meetings  6:30 PTO Meeting at Old Chicago	12 6th Grade Ski Field Trip 7:30-5:00	13 Mass-2nd Green  5:30 School Council	14 MS Shadow Day  Valentine's Parties 2:50-3:20  MS Alien Party 7PM	15 History Day Competition	16
17	Scholastic Book Fair			21	22 Washington DC Trip departs	23
	3:30 Advanced Ed	NO SCHOOL		No Conferences		
	Conferences 8:30-2 and 5-9					
24 8:30-9:30 Kindergarten Boot Camp  Burning of the Palms	25 6th Grade to LINK	26 Ash Wednesday  Mass-2nd Orange	27 No Mass	28 Kindergarten Boot Camp 2-3  8th Grade returns	29	