



Welcome Back! I pray that everyone had a wonderful and relaxing Christmas break. Welcome to 2020!

December Food Drive

The Student Council food collection in December was a wonderful success. Over 1300 items were collected! Thank you to the St. John students and parents for such generosity and commitment to our community. While the competition was close, the 7th graders ended up collecting the most items per student. Congratulations!



The St. John Core Team met in December and is busy working on many projects. There are 4 Implementation teams that have also begun meeting. They are the engagement team, stewardship and enrollment team, buildings and grounds team, and marketing communications team. All have met and made a list of the top 2-3 projects they will focus on for the remainder of this year or going forward. Please stay tuned for opportunities for everyone to get involved!

The Core team will also begin contacting all school families to set up a personal visit with each family attending St. John school. These visits can take place at the school, in your home, or anywhere you would like to meet. The goal of these visits is to foster a sense of community, present information about St. John school, and gather input from our families. Our hope in these visits is to reinforce the importance St. John places on knowing and listening to one another.

For questions about how you can get involved please contact Samantha Romero at sromero@saint-johns.net.

Blessings,

Samantha Romero

Director of Stewardship and Development

St. John Catholic Church and School



Science Fair

Our school Science Fair will be on January 30th from 5:30-6:00. Permission forms and more information will be coming out soon.

PTO Fundraiser

Pie Five—Tuesday January 14th 11AM—9 PM—Be sure to mention St. John when you order.

Girl Scout Gold Award

Emma Milburn, a St. John alum, has recently completed her Girl Scout Gold Award. Her project was looking at the history of St. John and the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth. Her project will be posted on the school website and will be used to teach students in 4th and 5th grade. Thank you for all your hard work and congratulations on reaching the highest individual level a Girl Scout can achieve.

Morning Drop Off

As we return to school, please be mindful of students when dropping off in the morning. Please stay in one car line and be mindful of eager students who are not always watching the cars around them as they enter the building. Thank you! 3

The Buildings and Grounds Implementation Team recently formed as part of our CORE Team. Our big goal right now is to come up with a comprehensive plan for our buildings and grounds. We are currently looking for parishioners/ school family members that have the ability to help us with the inspection of our buildings. If you would be willing to donate your time to help us please contact Mr. Reffett at reffett@saint-johns.net or 785-843-9511.

We are welcoming two students from South Korea this semester. Our 8th grade girl is staying with a family 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 or 785-843-9511. Thank you for considering the possibility of being a host family.

A Virtus session hosted at St. John Church will be held in the St. John church, lower level, Tuesday, January 14, 2020, from 6:00 to approximately 9:00 p.m. All who plan to attend are required to pre-register for the session.

You will need to register an account with our Archdiocese and complete the background check and paperwork. Go to <https://www.virtusonline.org>.



Save The Date!

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.

PE Equipment for Sale

Mr. Kennedy has been cleaning out his equipment room. He is selling the following things:

15 tires- \$5 each

5 wood benches that double as balance beams upside down- \$10 each

Proceeds from the sales will go toward new PE equipment! If interested in any of the above, please email him at:

kennedy@saint-johns.net

Calendar: January

6	7	8	9	10	11
Teacher Professional Development Training	2nd Semester Begins Classes Resume 3:30 Staff Meeting		Mass 5B 8:30 Reports Cards Due to Mr. Reffett 1:30—3rd Grade Read In	Report Cards go home with students	12
13	14	15	16	17	18
6:30 CORE Team Meeting	3:30 Level Meetings		Mass 2nd Orange 5:30 School Council	All School Hearing and Vision Screening	19 Future City Competition
20	21	22	23	24	25
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day No School	3:30 Advanced Ed Meeting		Mass 3rd Yellow	Kindergarten Cowboy Day Bingo Night	26 Catholic Schools Week Parish Mass 11AM

Looking Ahead

- Jan. 7: Classes Resume
- Jan, 20 MLK Day - No School
- Jan 27-31: Catholic Schools Week
- Jan. 27: Grandparents' Day—Mass
- Jan. 30. Science Fair 5:30-6:00
- Feb.14 Middle School Shadow Day
- Feb. 19-21 Parent Conferences
- Feb. 22-28 8th Grade Washington D.C. trip
- March 9-13 Spring Break
- April 10 Good Friday—No School
- April 12 Easter Sunday
- April 13 Easter Monday—No School
- April 25: 6:30 First Communion



May 20: 6:30 Eighth Grade Graduation



SAINT JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Benefit Auction

Prayers and Thank you

Micah Naeger would like to thank the families that purchased a puzzle from her for our PTO puzzle fundraiser.

Thank you to Melissa Doue for your contribution to our St. John families.

Thank you to Shawn Alexander and Kelly Farrell for all their work to make the open gym over the Christmas break a success. It sounds like people enjoyed it and the funds will go to help pay for new uniforms.

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(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.