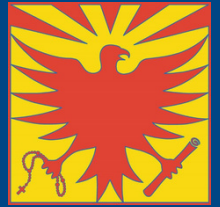




# ST. JOHN PARISH SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

November 9th, 2020



Great first week of St. Johnsgiving sweepstakes! Congratulations to Meghan Glover on winning the Solo Stove. Next week's giveaway includes a turkey from Vesecky family farm, wine, homemade pie and more!

The sweepstakes is being conducted as an alternative fundraising method since we are unable to hold our annual school auction. The auction typically generates between \$130,000 to \$180,000. We hope to reduce the budget loss of not having the auction this year.

We hope families that usually attend the auction will donate as they would have to the auction and that individuals that do not usually attend the auction will also participate in the sweepstakes.

## Lunch Program Update

We just received word this week that the lunch program that has been providing free lunches to students has been extended until the end of the 2020-2021 school year. We are very grateful that this program has been extended for our families.

## Thermal Scanners

We have been given three thermal scanners and additional disinfecting supplies through a generous donation by Tom Dobski. We will be starting a slightly different morning routine starting Wednesday. I will be sending more information on this soon.

## Veterans Day

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you for the service of each and everyone of our veterans. Your service and sacrifice have been key to the freedoms we are able to enjoy each and every day.

## PARENT CONFERENCES

Thank you very much for taking the time to meet to meet with teachers. I hope that meetings were fruitful and productive.

## 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](mailto:acast@sjeagles.com)) or myself ([creffett@sjeagles.com](mailto:creffett@sjeagles.com)). They can always call the school at 785-843-9511.

## REQUEST FOR SUBS

We are looking to grow our substitute teacher list. If you might be interested or know of someone who might be interested please contact Mr. Reffett at [creffett@sjeagles.com](mailto:creffett@sjeagles.com) or 785-843-9511.

## PARAPROFESSIONAL FOR KINDERGARTEN

I am currently looking for a paraprofessional for our Kindergarten classroom. This position would begin in January when we return from our Christmas break. If interested, please email Mr. Reffett at [creffett@sjeagles.com](mailto:creffett@sjeagles.com) or call 785-843-9511 for more information.

## StuCo Food Drive - 'Giving is Caring'

StuCo will be doing a food drive during the month of November.

Students are encouraged to bring in canned food items or non-perishable food items. The class that collects the most items per student will win a pizza party. Students that are learning remotely can still contribute by dropping off items for their class. Our food drive will run from November 2nd - November 30th. Donations will be given to Just Food.

K -	5th - 80 items/ 2.10 per student
1st -	6th -
2nd - 62 items/ 2.58 per student	7th -
3rd - 10 items/ .29 per student	8th -
4th - 19 items/ .79 per student	

## Flu Shots

With flu season beginning, I would strongly encourage everyone to get a flu shot. This winter is going to be difficult to navigate and every extra precaution that families can take will help us all.

## Reopening & Closing of the Building

As we work to bring more students back into the building, I want everyone to keep in mind that we may at times have to move a class, classes or the whole building back to remote learning if the circumstances arise. We will continue to monitor community data, student and teacher absenteeism and the amount of PPE supplies we have on hand for student and staff daily use.

## Prayers & Thank You's

- We want to pray for Aiden Najafzadeh and his family for the loss of their grandmother. Korshid Dindoust.
- Please pray for Alannah and Grady Jordon's grandparents. They both have Covid-19 and need the prayers of our community.
- Continued prayers for Tom Kellogg.
- Thank you to families that sent in or delivered copy paper. We have a good supply right now.
- Ms. Fewins wanted to thank the Bass Family, Rush Family, and Walthall Family for donating items from her wish list.
- Thank you to Tom Dobski for the donation of thermal scanners, disinfecting hand misters, and disinfecting foggers.

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

## WALKERS & BIKE RIDER LISTS

If your child will be riding a bike to and from school or walking home after school, they need to be on our approved list. Parents need to email Elizabeth Rodas at [erodas@sjeagles.com](mailto:erodas@sjeagles.com) to add their child to the list. You only need to do this once to add them to the list. You have to do this every year, so if your child was on the list last year, you still have to notify us again this year.

## 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/20258646862506>

## 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/builder/202323822672046>

## 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!

# PARISH NEWS

## Mass Sign-Up for Nov 14-15

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da4a82da0fdce9-november1>

## Weekly Parish Giving

Our fiscal year is July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Below reflects donations received from July 1, 2020 through November 1, 2020.

<b>Budgeted weekly collection amount.....</b>	<b>\$30,254.80</b>
<b>Average weekly collection amount.....</b>	<b>\$23,158.58</b>
<b>Budgeted collection fiscal YTD.....</b>	<b>\$544,586.40</b>
<b>Actual collection fiscal YTD.....</b>	<b>\$416,854.54</b>
<b>Net Shortage.....</b>	<b>\$127,731.86</b>

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

## Women's Prayer Group

The next meeting will be **November 10th and 24th**. We will be meeting via zoom from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. It is a time we give to God and each other to pray and study either from the Bible or reflect on an inspirational saint. No outside prep necessary. If you are interested in joining, please contact Cheryl Hicklin by voicemail or text at (785) 691-5607 or email at: [chicklin8566@gmail.com](mailto:chicklin8566@gmail.com).

## Thanksgiving Project

Please remember to give to our Thanksgiving collection to buy gift cards for those families who are struggling financially this Thanksgiving. You may do so through PushPay on the church's website, or you may put a check or cash in the collection basket (be sure to designate the money is for the Thanksgiving project), or you may drop it by the church office. If you have already given, thank you very much!

## 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>