

### ST. JOHN PARISH SCHOOL

## **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**



October 11th, 2021

### **All School Rosary**

We will be having an All-School Rosary on Tuesday from 2:50-3:20. Please join us through our Live stream link - https://www.youtube.com/user/saintjohnschool/live If your child has their own rosary, feel free to send it with them on Tuesday or we will have rosaries for students to borrow.

### St. John Auction

Tickets are now on sale for the St. John Auction to be held on November 13th! Purchase your tickets by 12pm on October 25th to enter a raffle for front row parking at the auction and a bottle of champagne! Please visit our our school website - <a href="http://sjevangelist.com/school/auction/">http://sjevangelist.com/school/auction/</a> to purchase your tickets or look for ways to support our auction.

## **September Virtue Nominees**

In September, we learned more about the virtue of Love. Our students and staff nominated individuals that displayed the virtue of Love. Congratulations to Andrew Naeger, Andrew Collie-Akers, Oliver Schwartz, Genevieve Stephenson, Emily Green, Abby Hagner, Sophie Reffett, Lucy Godfrey, Luken Galdos, William Cook, Gabe Bush, Mary Cate Stephenson, Jackson Wathall, Yate Oberzahn, Everett Belcher

### **Book Fair Volunteers Needed**

We still have a few spots open on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday for Book Fair volunteers.

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#### **MORNING DROP-OFF**

I would like to make a minor change to the morning dropoff. If you are arriving at school after 8:15, please drop your child/children off on the Kentucky side and have them enter through the main doors. Thank you!

### BOOKENDS HELP NEEDED

Our Bookends (Before/ After School Care) program is up and running. We are still looking for a few more staff members to fill out the group. If you know of anyone that would like to apply, please have them email Chris Reffett at creffett@sjeagles.com

# GROCERY CARDS SOLD AFTER MASS

Grocery Cards will be sold after all masses on the first weekend of the month. Please bring cash or check to purchase Checkers, Merc, and Hy-Vee grocery cards. Sales will be set up outdoors near the north door of the church. Grocery cards are sold to you at face value, and the grocery stores donate 5-6% of sales toward St. John Parish School. Sales of cards will be targeted towards paying the mortgage on the gymnasium.

### **Parent-Teacher Conferences**

We will be closing the sign-up for parent conferences at 8 AM on Tuesday, October 12. This will allow teachers to prepare for conferences that will begin on Wednesday. Here is the link to sign-up for conferences if you have not done so already - <a href="https://signup.com/go/VuVCOGg">https://signup.com/go/VuVCOGg</a>. Just a reminder that conferences can be in-person or via zoom depending on your preferences.

### **Middle School Shadow Day**

Please help us spread the word about our Middle School Shadow Day to non-St. John School families!

For 4th-7th grade students who do not attend St. John School, there will be a Middle School Shadow Day on **Friday, October 22nd** (when USD 497 does not have school).

Students will experience the different middle school electives and curriculum, as well as, meet and eat lunch with other St. John middle schoolers!

Registration is required. Parents can register their student at <a href="http://whystjohn.com">http://whystjohn.com</a>

## **Make a Difference Saturday**

The SJ School Core Team is hosting a volunteer opportunity to help beautify our school interior and some exterior railings. We are grateful to Cottin's True Value for donating many gallons of paint and request Adult Volunteers (no children this time) to join us on **Saturday October 23 at 8:30 am** for a painting event. Our intention is to be done in 3 hours. Many hands make light labor. For questions, contact Alan Allgeier (ama2005@sbcglobal.net).

Please use the Sign-Up: **SJE School Make a Difference Saturday** 

# GROCERTY CARDS CONT'D

sell cards, email:noramurphy777@gmail .com or call 785-727-5083.

To pre-order cards, or to help

\*If you shop at Dillons and need help setting up the auto-donation there, please call.

# WAYS TO HELP THE SCHOOL

The school office has gift cards for Checkers, HyVee, and Merc if you would like to purchase. The school receives a percentage for each card purchased. Please call the school office at 785-843-9511 to purchase.

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.

We are also continuing to sell trash bags if you are interested in purchasing through the office.

# **CYO Basketball Registration & Official Needed**

Basketball registration for grades 3 – 8 is now open at <a href="https://cyojwa.org/current-programs">https://cyojwa.org/current-programs</a>. Registration has just opened and we are in the Early Bird Registration period.

Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) is in great need of more basketball officials this upcoming season. Games involving Grades 3 thru 8. Great way to earn some extra \$\$\$. Minimum age requirement is a high school freshman. Training for new officials to be conducted in early November. If you are interested, please contact the CYO Office at 913-915-0139 or email at glabayen@gmail.com. Please do not contact the CYO office for additional information as we cannot provide any further guidance.

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### **Girl Scouts**

8th Grade Girl Scout Cadettes have been working on their Silver Award, the highest honor a Cadette can achieve. They are focusing on two issues to help the Lawrence community as well as their school/parish. The girls have completed one achievement, having the City of Lawrence install a hand sanitizer dispenser at South Park. It is currently located by the butterfly garden for public use and will also help students sanitize hands before snack or after playing on the equipment.

Thanks Troop 1611

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## **Developing Our Strategic Plan**

The School Advisory Council is currently holding zoom meetings to conduct SWOT analysis to help us develop our 5 year Strategic Plan for the school. The meetings have begun so please be on the look-out to be able to join in. You also have the opportunity to complete an anonymous survey if you are unable or you would prefer to not meet via zoom. It is very important that everyone participates so that we can get the best feedback for developing our strategic plan. Thank you so much for your help and participation.

### **Prayers & Thank Yous**

Thank you to Maryanne Rusinak, grandmother to Isabelle
Julian and Nora Carr, for her donation of an artifact to the
artroom and her wonderful discussion as a guest speaker.

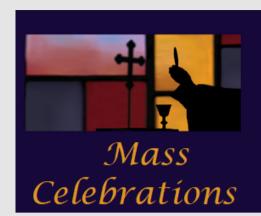
As always, please send us any prayers or messages or gratitude that you would like for me to include in the weekly newsletter.

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### **Calendar: October**



## **PARISH NEWS**



**Daily Masses:** Mon-Fri 7:30 a.m., Friday 12:10 p.m. Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

Weekend Masses: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday - 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. Spanish,

5:00 p.m.

Reconciliation: Wednesday - 11:00 a.m. - Noon;

Saturday - 3-4 p.m.; By appt only

### **Weekly Parish Giving**

Our fiscal year is July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022 Below reflects donations received from July 1, 2021 through August 8th, 2021.

Budgeted weekly collection amount.....\$28,365.38

Average weekly collection amount......\$26,270.19

Budgeted collection fiscal YTD......\$170,192.28

Actual collection fiscal YTD......\$157,621.15

Net Shortage.....\$12,571.13

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!

### **Bulletin**

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

## **Informational Meeting**

How Groups and Individuals Can Assist Afghan Asylum Seekers **Monday, October 18, 7:00 pm** Lawrence Arts Center 940 New Hampshire St., Lawrence KS



## **RCIA Informational Meeting**

Wednesday, October 13 (complete with cookies and coffee) for questions and discussions about things Catholic, things Christian and why Jesus. For more information, see the bulletin or please contact Shelly Bole at sbole@sjevangelist.com or call (785) 743-0109.