

ST. JOHN PARISH SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

October 25th, 2021



Spirit Day - Black and Orange Day

This **Friday, October 29th**, we will have our Black and Orange Spirit Day. All students can dress up in Black and Orange or wear a Halloween costume of their choice. We just ask that students don't wear masks, makeup, or bring props to go with their costumes. Classroom Halloween parties will be held at the end of the day. I am looking forward to seeing some creative costumes on Friday.

PTO Meeting

Join us **Wednesday, October 27th** at 6:00pm for our first PTO meeting of the school year! We will meet at the school for this meeting. If the weather allows we will be outside by the gym doors on the blacktop, we will have chairs set up. If needed we have the PAC for backup, so bring a mask. This meeting is very informal. We will discuss the plans for the year, talk about what PTO is and look to the future of PTO. Everyone is welcome to join! ~Gillian Allen

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 school website -<u>http://sjevangelist.com/school/auction/</u> to purchase your tickets or look for ways to support our auction.

PICTURE MAKE-UP DAY

Our Picture Make-up day will be November 5th. If you would like to do retakes or missed pictures the first time, you may take pictures on November 5th.

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

Make a Difference Saturday

I wanted to thank our Make a Difference Crew that came out this Saturday to help with more painting at the school. Thank you to Alan Allgeier, Susan Cross, Matt Krische, Melissa Sneed, Patrick Shulte, and John Young. We are working our way down the hall on the first floor and very grateful for a fresh look. Please be on the lookout for our next opportunity to help out around the school.

We also wanted to thank Mr. Kennedy for trimming the trees along 12th street by the PAC and gym.

Recognizing Veterans on Veterans Day

This year we will have a bulletin board set up in the school to recognize US Veterans for their service to our country on Veterans Day, November 11th. Please have your student collect some information on any Veteran you know so we can post a small summary of their service and a photo, if you have one. You are welcome to recognize any Veteran, family members or friends.

Submission Information

Please include your name, the service member's name, rank, unit, any interesting information you would like (deployments, service awards, etc), and your relationship to the service member (friend, parent, grandparent, etc). If you have a photo, please include it as well, or submit it via email for printing.

Please submit your information and photo (optional) to your homeroom teacher by **Friday, Oct. 29th**. If you have any additional questions feel free to email Ashley Urban at ashley.urban80@gmail.com

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.

StuCo Fall Food Drive

StuCo will begin their Fall Food Drive next week! We will be collecting food items through the month of November. This year, our challenge will be a whole school challenge! We are asking that students bring in non-perishable food items to donate to Just Foods. Please bring items into your homeroom. StuCo has come up with some really good goals for our entire St. John school.

- If the entire school donates 2000 items will have a non dress code day.
- If the entire school donates 2500 items will also have a hot chocolate and candy canes for everyone.
- And, if we reach 3000 items as a school, we will have a Spirit Week with fun daily themes.

It is ambitious but well worth it. The food drive will last the entire month of November.

CYO Basketball Registration & Official Needed

Basketball registration for grades 3 – 8 is now open at <u>https://cyojwa.org/current-</u> programs. 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.

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.

Here is the link to the questionnaire - https://forms.gle/Ko62F6jhyVG4pg3ZA

We ask that all surveys be submitted by November 1st.

Prayers & Thank Yous

• Thank you to John and Erica Gascon and Cheryl Hutchison for donations to kindergarten.

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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Marathon Club – 3:30-4:30		Marathon Club – 7:30-8:00		Black and Orange Day – Halloween parties	31
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All Saints Day Last Marathon Club for semester – 3:30-4:30				Picture Retake Day	7
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Calendar: October/November

PARISH NEWS



Mass Celebrations 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: <u>http://sjevangelist.com/bulletin</u>

Confirmation



Confirmation registration is open! Register here:

https://form.jotform.com/212795155379063

