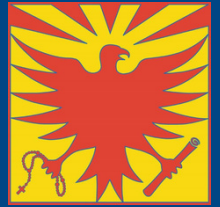




ST. JOHN PARISH SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

December 19th, 2022



Merry Christmas!

From the staff of St. John, we want to wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We hope that this Christmas is a special and memorable time celebrating our Lord. We hope that you are able to make some wonderful memories with your family and friends and that this season of celebration can be a time to recharge and grow together as a family.

Advent Bingo

Please be sure to turn in any Advent Bingo cards today or tomorrow! We will work on trying to hand out prizes before the Christmas break.

Christmas Program - Preschool - 3rd Grade

This year's Christmas Program will be held on December 21st. There will be a Matinee performance at 1PM featuring Pre- K- 3rd grade and a performance for parents at 7PM featuring Preschool - 3rd grade. Both performances will be held in the gym. We are wanting to invite grandparents and any additional family members who would like to watch the play to attend our Matinee performance at 1PM. Please be sure to come to the office first if coming to the afternoon performance. Our evening performance will be live streamed for anyone who is unable to join us. We are looking forward to having our performance this year!

1pm Livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iGxCVKXseYs>

7pm Livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1atQwFsu1g>

Spirit Day - Red and Green Day

This Wednesday, we will be having a Red and Green Day as our Spirit Day for December. Students do not have to wear uniforms if they choose to wear Red and Green for the Day.

PTO BOWL & EARN

Royal Crest Lanes, **Dec 5th, 5:30-7:30**. \$10 per bowler, 50% of proceeds back to the school. Come dressed in your most festive holiday attire!

ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

Volunteers are the backbone of our thriving school. The camaraderie and community that is developed through serving and supporting our children, staff, and administration set our school apart from others. Please click on the link below to sign up:

<https://sjevangelist.com/school/volunteer/>

TEACHER WISH LISTS

Mrs. Porch/Ms. Setter's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Fewins' [Wish List](#)

Mrs. Werth's [Wish List](#)

Mrs. Fox's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Woolverton's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Friedrich's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Ice's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Hubbard's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Domann's [Wish List](#)

Mrs. Koger's [Wish List](#)

Mrs. Powell's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Dunn's [Wish List](#)

Library [Wish List](#)

St. John Parish Christmas Gifts

I wanted to thank everyone that grabbed tags off the Christmas trees in the church. The gifts were picked up and delivered to Catholic Charities to begin handing out to families for Christmas day. We certainly filled their building with some Christmas cheer. Thank you!

Fall Food Drive

Our current Food item total is **1915** items.. Please bring in donations for non-perishable food items to homerooms from now until December 16th. StuCo will be getting donated items to Catholic Charities and Just Food. Thank you for working together to help support the needs of our community.

In order to reach our goals, let's think about this as a whole school. To get to our first goal of 1500 items, every student should bring 2 items. In order to get to our second goal, all students should bring in 6 items. And to reach our last goal, all students should bring 9 items. If we work together, we can make it happen!

1500 Items - No Uniform Day

2500 Items - Milk and Cookies for ALL!!

3500 Items- Fun Fridays in January! *

*Each Friday in January we will have a theme dress up day.

January 6th - Team Day

January 13th - Past or Future You day

January 20th - Matching Day

January 27th - Pajama Day

St. John Raffle Committee

We are looking to put together a committee of St. John Parents to help organize our 2nd Annual St. John Raffle. The raffle will be held in the spring but we need to start planning and preparing soon. If you are interested in joining this committee, please email Mr. Reffett at creffett@sj eagles.com.

Prayers & Thank You's

Thank you very much to all the families that donated to the Teacher Gift Fund. We are very grateful and humbled by your donations.

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

AFTER SCHOOL CARE OPENINGS

I am looking to fill two positions within our After School Program. If you know of anyone that works well with kids and would like a part-time job please contact Mr. Reffett at creffett@sj eagles.com.

GROCERY CARDS BEING 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 H-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.

To pre-order cards, or to help sell cards, email: noramurphy777@gmail.com or call 785-727-5083.

ASKSTJOHN@EAGLES.COM

Do you have specific questions but you're not sure who to ask? Did you just think of a question but it's after office hours and you don't want to forget to ask the next morning? Well, we are here to help. We have a new email address that is available to answer your questions. If you are not sure who you should ask, please email us at askstjohn@sj eagles.com and we will direct your question to the appropriate person to help you.



St. John PTO

Friday January 13th- Trivia Night! This will sneak up on us with the holidays so mark your calendars now and start rounding up neighbors, co-workers, friends from other schools, etc and set up your trivia team! Adults only, teams are 6-8 people. Register here: <https://form.jotform.com/223405847029053>

Friday February 3rd - Bingo Night! We will be wrapping up our Catholic Schools week with a fun night of Bingo. Our event will be in the PAC this year. Knights of Columbus will be running our Bingo game and there will be some great prizes for all to win.

Calendar: December

19	20	21 Preschool-3 Christmas Program - 1:00pm & 7:00pm	22 NO SCHOOL - CHRISTMAS BREAK	23	24 25 Merry Christmas
26	27	28	29	30	31 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
2 NO SCHOOL - CHRISTMAS BREAK	3	4 NO SCHOOL - Teacher Development	5	6	7 8

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

Bulletin

Here is the latest bulletin: <https://parishesonline.com/organization/st-john-the-evangelist-catholic-church>

Parish Job Openings

St. John Parish is seeking a full-time Director of Faith Formation and a Business Manager. Please see full job description and requirements at www.sjevangelist.com/jobs. Positions will be open until filled. Please send cover letter and resume to Fr. John at frjohn@sjevangelist.com or 1229 Vermont Street, Lawrence, KS 66044

Christmas Cards For Sale

St. John custom "Christmas Blessings" Christmas cards



In this season of Advent, reach out to those you love with a Christmas Card featuring one of the 56 stained glass windows in St. John Church.

This card features The Nativity stained glass window.

Inside sentiment:

*May Your Christmas be blessed
with the love of family,
the warmth of home,
the joy of Christ's birth.*

The back of the card includes historical information about our beloved church.

\$25 (pack of 10 cards)

Proceeds support our Giving Tuesday
elevator repair fund.

To purchase cards contact:
development@sjevangelist.com, call 785-843-0109
or visit the parish office at 1229 Vermont St.