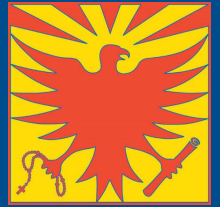




ST. JOHN PARISH SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

April 3rd, 2023



Introducing Our New 4th/5th Math Teacher

Hello,

My name is Kimberly Bell, and I am blessed and honored to accept the 4th and 5th grade Math position for the upcoming school year. I look forward to meeting the students, parents, and staff and instilling a love of learning while modeling my faith. I was born in Dodge City, KS but grew up and graduated from High School in Dighton, KS. I graduated from KSU with a degree in Accounting and Finance but always had a love for teaching children. So, after many years in corporate America and taking time to stay home to raise my children, I became a substitute teacher and discovered my love for teaching. I am completing my master's in teaching from KSU and cannot wait to begin my new career at St. John!

My husband, Shane, is a KU graduate and partner in a Wealth Management firm in Kansas City. We have been together for almost 32 years and we have two children, Wyatt and Aspen. We moved outside of Linwood, KS a little over two years ago from Cimarron, KS where we raised our kids. Our son is in his second year at KU Medical School and got married to his wife, MJ, almost two years ago. Our daughter graduated last year and works at a hospital in KC as a Sonographer in the ultrasound dept. She is engaged to be married to her fiancé, Devyn, next summer, so it is an exciting time for our family. The baby of the family is our sweet, almost 9-year-old, goldendoodle, Sunshine!

I look forward to being a part of the St. John's Catholic School staff and learning from each other and our students while guiding them through their academic and spiritual journeys.

God Bless,

Mrs. Bell

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

calling all dads for the K of C Cornhole tournament on **Saturday, April 15th** starting at 1pm.

Registration form:
bit.ly/3ZOo7Ex

VIRTUS TRAINING

St. John Parish will be holding a "Protecting God's Children" Virtus training on **April 20th from 6-9 pm**. If you would like to sign up for the training, please contact Meg Milburn in the church office. Her email is mmilburn@sjegales.com.

PARISH COMMITMENT CARD REMINDER

If your family is a member of St. John Parish, you must have a commitment card on file with the parish to enroll at St. John School. Here is the link to fill out your commitment card:

<https://form.jotform.com/230163953990158>

New Position for Mr. Pense

Hello, I am Jim Pense. You may know me as the current middle school science teacher at St. John. I wanted to share some of my past teaching experiences with you. Before coming to teach at St. John School, I taught for six years at St. Catherine of Alexandria School in Tulsa, Oklahoma. During that time, I taught Middle School Social Studies, PE for the whole school, and Religion. The religion courses I taught were Church History to 8th graders and Old Testament to 6th graders. I utilized the Encounter series with my 6th graders so I am quite familiar with this approach to teaching the Old Testament. I also taught Theology of the Body to my students as their Religion teacher.

I am looking forward, and excited, to be the new 4th-8th religion teacher here at St. John.

Class Pictures

We will be having class pictures this **Wednesday, April 5th**. Order forms were sent home last week. Students do not need to dress up. They will be taking pictures in their school uniforms as a class. I am looking forward, and excited, to be the new 4th-8th religion teacher here at St. John.

PTO News

Carnival and VIRTUS training- PTO has some awesome new additions to our carnival this year! However, a successful carnival takes MANY volunteers and we will need each family to commit to one 30 minute volunteer session this year. All volunteers must be VIRTUS trained. If you have not yet taken this training, please take advantage of the session being hosted at our school on April 20th so we will have enough volunteers for the carnival and next year's events.

Save the Date for our next PTO Events:

Monday, May 1st- Bowl and Earn at Royal Crest Lanes 6-8 pm

Friday, May 19th- School Carnival 5-8pm

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED- We are looking for parent volunteers to help organize Teacher Appreciation Week (May 8-12) and an End of Year Teacher Brunch (mid May). Please let me know, or email pto@sjeagles if you are able to help.

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/>

2023-2024 ENROLLMENT

Enrollment for next school year has opened for all returning families. For all parish families, please make sure you have completed your 2023 Commitment card and it is on file in the Parish Office. Here is the link for enrollment -

<https://form.jotform.com/230095887516061>

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.

St. John School Sweepstakes

Our annual Sweepstakes is LIVE! Share your student's fundraising link with family and friends. You can find their link by searching their name under 'Participants':

<https://go.rallyup.com/c/sjstudent/Members>

We will send home paper entry forms for people to sell offline entries.

Kansas Assessments

The annual Kansas Assessments are now beginning in our 3rd - 8th grade classrooms in English, Math, and for 5th and 8th grades Science. As a school, students are constantly learning and showing their learning through the school year. The KAP is one way that students show what they have learned through their years at St. John. It is one snap shot in their learning. It is an important snap shot because it does provide us with important information for us to reflect on how we are doing and what we can improve on as a school. We do ask that you talk to your child/ children about this assessment. Here are a few easy steps to help them with doing their best on the assessments.

1. Talk to them about the importance of always trying their best.
2. A good night's rest is always helpful to make sure they are ready for the day!
3. A good breakfast gives them the fuel for the day.
4. Encourage them - they have learned so much this year and have grown so much that we just want to see them shine!
5. Share with them that you and their teachers are always rooting for them and we want them to learn, grow, and celebrate all that they have learned.

Thank you for your help and support as we work our way through the KAP for this school year.

Giving Back For Lent

We are giving back for Lent! This Lenten season we are doing a donation for Lawrence Community Shelter. We will be collecting items here at the school. You can bring items like socks, gloves, or hand warmers to school. Please do not bring items like medicine or under garments. With the link below, you can order any of the needed items and it will ship them right to the shelter. We will be collecting items till April 9th. We wish you and your families a wonderful lent season.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/Y04OS33POKUI/ref=hz_ls_biz_ex

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@sjeagles.com and we will direct your question to the appropriate person to help you.

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](#)

Open Positions

- We will have a 1st grade position open for the 2023-2024 school year. The position would be responsible for teaching all core subjects to their class of 1st grade students.
- We have a 4th/5th grade ELA position open for the 2023-2024 school year. This position would be responsible for teaching English Language Arts to all 5th grade students and one section of 4th grade English Language Arts.

If you are interested in applying or know someone that might be interested in applying for this position, please contact Mr. Reffett at creffett@sjeagles.com.

Prayers & Thank You's

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

Calendar: April

3 Marathon Club - 3:30	4	5 Marathon Club - 7:30a Class Pictures	6 Stations of the Cross - 8:30am Sweepstakes Student Drawing for Movie Prize Pack	7 Good Friday - No School	8 Easter Sunday 9
10 Easter Monday - No School	11 School Advisory Council meeting - 6:30 PM	12 Marathon Club - 7:30a	13 Art Reception 5:30-6:30 PAC	14	15 16
ART EXHIBITION - GYM FOYER					
17	18 Sweepstakes ends at Noon	19 PTO Meeting 6:30 at Merchants	20 Virtus Training at St. John	21 MS Glow Party at Corpus from 7 - 9:30 PM	22 Spring Fling 6pm-9pm 23

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>

ST. JOHN LENTEN 2023 OBSERVANCES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent at 6:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Saturdays 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm beginning March 4

ADDITIONAL ADORATION & CONFESSIONS

March 8 – Wednesday

11:00 am – 12:00 pm – Confessions

6:00-7:00 pm – Adoration/Confessions

March 27 – Monday

11:00 am – 12:00 pm – Confessions

6:00-7:00 pm – Confessions

March 28 – Tuesday

11:00 am-12:00 pm – Confessions

6:00-7:00 pm – Confessions

March 29 – Wednesday

11:00 am-12:00 pm – Confessions

6:00-7:00 pm – Adoration/Confessions

TRIDUUM (SACRED THREE DAYS)

April 6 – Thursday

7:30 am - Morning Prayer

7:30 pm – Mass

April 7 – Friday

7:30 am - Morning Prayer

3:00 pm – Stations of the Cross

7:30 pm – Service

April 8 – Saturday

8:00 am - Morning Prayer

11:00 am – Blessing of Easter Food

NO CONFESSIONS TODAY

8:30 pm – Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY

April 9 - Easter Sunday

7:00 am

9:00 am

11:00 am

1:00 pm (Spanish)

5:00 pm No Mass

