



St. John the Baptist School



November 22, 2017

"Loving Father, we give You thanks for Your overflowing love and generosity to us each day. Thank You for the blessings of the food we eat especially for this Thanksgiving holiday feast that we share with our family and friends this week. Thank You for our home, our family, and our friends. Thank You for our school and our teachers. Thank You for our health, our work, and our play. Please send help and comfort to those who are hungry, alone, sick, and suffering. Open our hearts to You and help us share Your love with others. We ask this in Your name, Amen."

Progress Reports

Mid Term was November 17. Progress Reports are enclosed in the Wednesday folder today.

Home & School Meeting

Our next Home & School meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 30, at 7:00 in the Parish Center. If at least one parent attends the meeting, your child will receive a NUT Pass to use on Friday, December 1. We hope to see you there.

SJG Rock Star Shirts

We have a few extra SJG Rock Star shirts to purchase. They are \$10 each. Please contact Ms. Moellering at moelleringl@sjgschool.org if you would like to purchase one. Thank you.

Holy Day

There will be no school on Friday, December 8, for the Holy Day, "The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary".

The Mass times for this Holy Day of obligation are as follows:

Thursday, 12/7/17: 7:30 p.m.

Friday, 12/8/17: 6:00 & 8:00 a.m. and

7:30 p.m. with an apple cider

celebration to follow in the Parish Center.

Thanksgiving Holiday

There will be no school on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, November 22, 23, & 24 for the Thanksgiving Holiday. Many blessings are wished for each of you and your families.

"The Star"

We are excited to let you know that our school is going on a field trip for Christmas. We are planning to see "The Star", which is the story of the first Christmas, at the Great 8 Cinema in Union, planned for Tuesday, December 5, at 9:30 a.m. The cost for each child will be \$5, which will include the ticket, popcorn, and a drink. A special thank you to our Home & School which is picking up the additional cost for each child. Permission slips are enclosed in the Wednesday folder today.

Advent

The first Sunday of Advent is Sunday, December 3. During Advent, we prepare ourselves to celebrate the birth of Christ on Christmas Day. This is also the beginning of a new liturgical year. God teaches us to be alert because the reason for our mortal life is the preparations of our eternal life. This time of preparation is a gift and a grace from God. Be alert and pray often.

Picture Re-Take Day

If your child was absent on our school picture day or if you are unsatisfied with your child's pictures, they may have their picture re-taken on Friday, December 1. Pictures will be taken in the Parish Center starting at 8:00 a.m. Additional order forms are available in the school office if needed.

Dart Ball Tournament

We are having an adult co-ed dart ball tournament on December 2nd in St. John's Parish Center starting at 9:00 am. We are looking for teams to play in the tournament. Teams must have 8-12 players. The cost for the tournament is \$80 a team. All proceeds will go to benefit our technology fund for our school. If you have never played dart ball before, it is a game that is very easy to learn. If you are interested, please contact Cara Aholt(636-221-7514). Food and beverages will be available the day of the tournament. We do ask that no outside refreshments be brought in the day of the tournament. Thank you for your support!

Parents' Day Out

Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 3, which will be a fun day for your children at St. John's. More information will be coming home soon.

SJG Basketball Jaguars

SJG Basketball season is here. Our Basketball Jaguars are practicing and preparing for a great season!

We hope you can join us as we cheer for our SJG Jaguars at the following games:

Monday, 11/27/17, 5th Grade Boys and B Girls, at IC starting at 6:00

Tuesday, 12/5/17, at 6:30 at St. Vincent's.

Thursday, 12/7/17, at 6:00 at HOME vs. St. Vincent's.

Monday, 12/11/17, at 6:00 at St. Gertrude's

Tuesday, 12/12/17, at 6:00 at OLL

Thursday, 12/14/17, at 5:30 at HOME vs. St. George

Monday, 12/18/17, at 6:00 at OLL

Wednesday, 12/20/17 at 6:00 at HOME vs. Borgia

GO JAGUARS!

Athletic Association

Our SJG Athletic Association is looking for new board members for the 2018-19 school year. They will need a vice president, treasurer, secretary, and concession stand coordinator. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Christina Morgan at 314-603-9002.

SJG Speech Team

Speech practice will be held on most Tuesdays in the 8th grade classroom from 3:10 to 4:00. These practices are not mandatory, but are important for improvement and being selected to participate in the final meet. Our next practice will be Tuesday, November 28, from 3:10 to 4:00. We will NOT have practice on November 21. Please contact Mrs. Brueggemann if you have any questions.

Joggin Jaguars

Joggin Jaguars will meet most Thursdays from 3:00 to 4:00. Our next session will be Thursday, November 30, from 3:00 to 4:00. Miss Hanratty, Mrs. Benz, Mrs. Wissmann, and Mrs. Margaret look forward to jogging with all our Jaguars!

Please be cautious, alert, and on the lookout for young runners if you are traveling onto our school grounds each Thursday afternoon. Thank you for helping us keep every participant safe.

Regional Band

Advanced Band class is scheduled for each Monday and Wednesday morning at Borgia Grade School at 7:00 a.m.

Beginning Band class is scheduled for each Tuesday and Thursday morning at Borgia Grade School at 7:00 a.m.

If you have any questions, please contact the band instructor, Ms. Maggie Naud, at 636-667-1539.

OMA's 13th ANNUAL SOUP NIGHT

Get the whole family together and come join us here from 4:30-8 pm on Wednesday, December 6, for some good soups, cookies, a photo booth, caroling and a great time in exchange for canned goods, hygiene products, or monetary donations of what you can! All proceeds will assist St. John's Helping Hands' food pantry, school, and other outreach. All are welcome! Email any questions at erploch@gmail.com.

Grade 6 Field Trip

Grade six students will be traveling to the Science Center on Thursday, December 7, at 8:45 and returning at 2:45.

Christmas Concert

All students in grades kindergarten through three are practicing and working hard to prepare for our Christmas concert which is scheduled for Wednesday, December 13, at 7:00 p.m. We hope you will invite your family and friends to join us for a special night to share some Christmas joy here at St. John's.

All students in grades 4-8 will perform at our Spring Musical which is scheduled for Thursday, May 10.

DARE Graduation

Congratulations to our fifth grade students who will have their DARE Graduation on Friday, December 15, at 1:30 in the Parish Center. All parents are welcome to join us.

DINNER DANCE AUCTION

Remember to save the date for this fun event which is Saturday, February 24. Invite all your family and friends to join us for this exciting and fun evening!

This is the largest fundraiser for our school and each family will benefit from this event. We will need everyone's help to make our Dinner Auction a success. Please consider joining a subcommittee or join the planning committee. Call Marynell Ploch with any suggestions or questions. Thank you.

SJG Grand Raffle

Please help our church and school by purchasing a grand raffle ticket. The drawing will be held on December 18, 2017.

Grand Prize	\$5000
2nd Prize	\$2000
3rd Prize	\$1000
4th Prize	\$ 500

Tickets may be purchased individually or as a group. Tickets are \$100 each and only 250 will be sold. If you need additional tickets, we have them available in the school office.

We thank you for your support.

Dodge Intrepid Raffle

Benefit Raffle tickets for the 2000 Dodge Intrepid are still available.

1 chance for \$5 or

3 chances for \$10

If you need additional tickets, please call the school office.

We thank you for your generosity in supporting our church and school.

Inclement Weather

With the winter months approaching, we need to think about the possibility of early dismissals and the close of school due to bad weather. We want you to know that safety is our main concern for all our families and staff members. If school is in session and the weather becomes hazardous it may be necessary for us to dismiss school early and we will not be able to provide after school care on these days. Please have your plans in place to prepare for the upcoming winter months. If we have to close school or dismiss early, a School Reach message will be sent out and the TV stations, 5, 4, & 2 will be notified. We will make every attempt to make the decision as early as possible.

Flu Season

The symptoms of influenza (flu) include fever, cough, and sometimes body aches, headache, chills, and feeling tired. Some people have diarrhea and vomiting. The most important thing you can do to keep the flu from spreading is to keep your child at home if he or she is sick. Use the following checklist to help decide if you or someone in your family may have the flu:

*Does your child have a cough?

*Does your child have a sore throat?

*Does your child have a headache, body aches, or chills?

*Does your child have diarrhea or vomiting?

*Does your child have a fever of 100 degrees or more?

If your child has a fever of 100 degrees or more and a cough or sore throat, your child has an influenza-type illness. Keep your child home for at least 24 hours after they are free of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications. Send your child back to school after they are completely well for 24 hours. Thank you.

St. John's SCRIP

Remember to take advantage of our SCRIP program. While you are doing your weekly shopping, you can also benefit our school. All you need to do is fill out the order form, attach your payment, and return it to school. Your order will be filled and sent home with your child. If you need additional copies go to www.sjgschool.org. If you have any questions, please call Laura Ley at 636-583-2820 or our school office at 636-583-2392. Thank you for your generous support.

SJG Facebook Page

Like us on facebook at St. John the Baptist School-Gildehaus and see pictures of all the fun, extra activities going on at our school. Also, keep up to date with our school calendar events and menu. A special thank you to Bridget Callahan for updating our information.

Box Tops for Education

Clipping Box Tops is an easy way to help earn cash for our school. Each one is worth 10¢ for our school!

Just look for the pink Box Tops on hundreds of products. All you have to do is clip them and send them to school.

Please help us find Box Tops to reach this school year's goal to earn \$1,000.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. I'm here to help make our school's Box

Tops for Education™ program a huge success this year.

Thanks for your help!

Marilyn Baggett

Phone: (314) 568-2713 / Email: baggettmf@gmail.com

Protecting God's Children

If you plan to volunteer this school year, or go on a field trip with your child, you are required to complete the following items:

*Attend "Protecting God's Children" Workshop:

For upcoming workshops go to the Archdiocesan website:

www.archstl.org

*Volunteer Background Check

*Acknowledge for Volunteer Screening Purposes
Signature Form

*Ethical Conduct Signature Form

Also, throughout the school year we will be asking for volunteers to drive for some of our class field trips. If you would like to volunteer to drive students, we will also need copies of your driver's license, and insurance card as well as all of the above items.

If you have completed all the above * items in the past, someone from the school office will call you if updates are needed.

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 Villa Ridge, MO 63089
 636-583-2392

Calendar

<p>11/19/17 Sunday Mass Times 7/8:30/10:30</p> <p>Don't forget to pick up your SCRIP cards after Mass. Every purchase helps our church and school!</p>	<p>11/20/17 8:00 Mass All School Mass Thanksgiving Celebration Gr4 Plan the Mass</p>	<p>11/21/17 Adoration Pray with Jesus 8 am-6:45 pm 6:45 Perpetual Help Devotions 7:00 p.m. Mass</p> <p>2:45 Athletics PEP Rally in the Gym</p>	<p>11/22/17 8:00 Mass</p> <p>No School</p>	<p>11/23/17 8:00 Mass</p> <p>Happy Thanksgiving! We give thanks today for our many blessings.</p>	<p>11/24/17 8:00 Mass</p> <p>No School</p>	<p>11/25/17</p> <p>Mass 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Don't forget to pick up your SCRIP cards after Mass. Every purchase helps our church and school!</p>
<p>11/26/17 Sunday Mass Times 7/8:30/10:30</p> <p>Don't forget to pick up your SCRIP cards after Mass. Every purchase helps our church and school!</p>	<p>11/27/17 8:00 Mass</p>	<p>11/28/17 Adoration Pray with Jesus 8 am-6:45 pm 6:45 Perpetual Help Devotions 7:00 p.m. Mass</p> <p>3:00 Speech</p>	<p>11/29/17 8:00 Mass Gr. 5-8 Attend Mass Gr. 8 Plan the Mass</p> <p>1:00 Randy Nadler Presentation-Thailand</p> <p>6:30-7:45 PSR</p>	<p>11/30/17 8:00 Mass "St. Andrew" All School Mass Gr. 7 Plan the Mass</p> <p>Jeans Day</p> <p>12:50 DARE-Gr. 5 3:00 Joggin Jaguars</p> <p>7:00 Home & School Meeting</p>	<p>12/01/17 8:00 Mass Gr. K-4 Attend Gr. 1 Plan Mass</p> <p>8:00 Picture Retake Day</p> <p>NUT Pass for all students who had one parent attend the Home & School Mtg.</p> <p>3:00 Set Up for the Dart Ball Tournament</p>	<p>12/02/17 9:00 Dart Ball Tournament</p> <p>Mass 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Don't forget to pick up your SCRIP cards after Mass. Every purchase helps our church and school!</p>
