



St. John the Baptist School



May 16, 2018

"Lord Jesus, at the end of this school year, we give You thanks for our school, for Fr. Foy, Mr. Menke, and for all our teachers and staff members. We give thanks for the friendships that we have at St. John's. We are thankful for our faith and for the hope that has lifted our hearts each day. We give thanks for our school community and we ask You to bless and keep us safe this summer. Bless our families as we relax and travel this summer. May our time together leave us with memories to cherish forever in our lives. Pour out Your love upon us that we may return to school renewed and refreshed to continue our journey together. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen."

8th Grade Graduation

Congratulations to the following eighth grade students who will be graduating tonight, May, 16, at 7:00 p.m. They are a fine group of young men and women. We are very proud of each of them and will miss them here at SJG. We wish these students the very best and may God bless each of you as you move on to high school.

Jesse Baggett	Todd Bobo
Emma Busch	Ethan Clarkson
David Goodson	Brady Morgan
Bree Nieder	Ava Lou Ploch
Cora Riegel	Olivia Tecklenburg
Cody Vondera	Alan Weidemann

Student Council

Thank you Student Council for all that you did this year. Your wonderful ideas, hard work, and dedication means a lot to St. John's School. Have a great summer! The 2018-19 Student Council members will be announced on Friday, May 18. Thank you to everyone who completed their application.

Free Uniform Give-Away

Thank you to the many parents who have donated their uniforms, to the school for other families to have for their children. If you would like to pick out uniforms for your children, please call or email the school office to arrange a time this summer.

Last Day of School

Early 11:30 Dismissal

Our last day of school is Friday, May 18. We will have an early dismissal at 11:30 on this day and After School Care will not be provided on this half day. We hope you all have a fun, relaxing, and safe summer with your families.

Report Cards

The end of fourth quarter is Friday, May 18. Report Cards will be sent home in early June, along with the school calendar and supply list. Please send in a self-addressed, stamped envelope for each child. Also, the 2018-19 Parent Handbook will be available on our school website in June. A paper copy will be available upon request. Thank you.

Open House & First Day of School

All families are invited to our Open House and Ice Cream Social which will be Sunday, August 12, from 11:30 to 12:30.

We look forward to seeing all your sweet children back at school on Wednesday, August 15, 2018. We will dismiss at 11:30 a.m. on this first day. After School Care will not be provided on the first day.

Jeans Day

Friday, May 18, all students will have a jeans day for the last day of school.

Father Bannes

Memorial Scholarship

We are proud and happy to announce that Jakie Goodson was the selected winner of the Fr. Bannes Memorial Scholarship this year. Congratulations to Jakie and her family who will receive \$500 toward tuition for Jakie's 8th grade year. Jakie and all the 7th grade students wrote an essay expressing how St. John's School has had an impact in their lives, explaining how they live a life of prayer, study of our faith, and service to others, just as Fr. Bannes lived his life. A special thank you to our Home & School Association for offering this opportunity to our seventh grade students and helping us keep the joy of Fr. Bannes' memory alive and strong in our school.

Exam Schedule

Below is the exam schedule for students in grades six and seven:

Thurs. May 17:	Grade 7—Science
	Grade 6—Social Studies

SJG Jaguars

If you have a child/children who are interested in playing volleyball, basketball or cheer next year, please return your Athletic sign-up form as soon as possible. We are planning our volleyball and basketball teams for next year.

Teams for the 2018-19 School Year:

5th Grade Girls Volleyball Team

6th Grade Girls Volleyball Team

A Team Girls Volleyball with both 7th and 8th grade girls

B Team Girls Basketball

A Team Girls Basketball

B Team Boys Basketball One: Grades 3-4-5

B Team Boys Basketball Two: Grade 6

A Team Boys Basketball: Grade 7-8

SJG Yearbooks

Ms. Julie is looking for pictures to complete the 2015-16 and 2016-17 yearbooks. Please label the pictures with the year and send them to Julie at j.n.busch.329@gmail.com. Thanks!

Aluminum Can Recycling

Thank you to everyone who has collected their aluminum cans and dropped them off at door five this year. All money raised from recycling has gone to replace items in the kitchen and other special St. John's activities throughout the year. Please continue to collect your cans and drop them off at door 5 this summer. Thank you to Mrs. Melissa and Mrs. Marty for recycling our cans.

SCRIP News

Please keep the SCRIP program in mind for your shopping and gift needs this summer. Pick up your orders after Masses every weekend.

A very special THANK YOU to Laura Ley for coordinating our SCRIP program. We appreciate all you do the help raise money for St. John's School and which in turn helps to keep tuition costs down.

Thank you to everyone who participates and supports our SCRIP Program.

Thank YOU!

A special THANK YOU to Lauren Weggemann and all the parents who provided the teachers and staff members with a beautiful, delicious, and relaxing luncheon last week for Teacher Appreciation Week. The tables were beautiful and fun with a Mexican Fiesta theme and all the food was delicious. We also want to thank all the parents who were able to watch the classes and provide activities for each group so the teachers could enjoy a quiet, relaxing lunch. Everyone enjoyed themselves and we appreciate your kindness. Thank you!

We had a full Parish Center for our Preschool Spring Music Concert. To begin the concert, Avery Zeitzmann played a drum solo to "Wipe Out" with all his preschool friends singing and dancing behind him. All Preschool children did a fantastic job singing and dancing with much enthusiasm. A great time was had by all. Each smiling face brings much joy to our hearts. A special THANK YOU to our Preschool teachers, Miss Cara, Mrs. Melissa, and Mrs. Amanda who made this all possible. The children did a wonderful job and everyone enjoyed the concert and video.

Our SJG Spring Musical was a huge success. Congratulations to all our students in grades four through eight who did an outstanding job. Everyone enjoyed this great performance.

Thank you to Shannon Tobben, Kelly Benhardt, Julie Busch, and Erica Schwoeppe for the fantastic scenery. Thank you to the staff of St. John's for the stage set-up and to Dean Ley and Linda Stamminger for the sound. Also, a special THANK YOU to Mrs. Margaret Durbin for all her hard work in organizing and preparing the children for this performance. Thank you for sharing your talents with us at St. John's. It was wonderful and fun! GREAT JOB EVERYONE!

SJG Library

We want to thank Mrs. Sara Maune for being our librarian. She does a wonderful and we want her to know how much we appreciate all she does for our school library.

Ms. Sara also works at the Washington Library and is now hoping to pass her time at St. John's on to someone else. If you have a love for children and helping them explore in the world of reading, please contact the school office. Sara would love to talk with you about the library. She would like to work with someone in the upcoming year so that they could take it over the following school year. Thank you!

Happy Retirement and Best Wishes

We want to wish many blessings to Mrs. Kelly Koch and Mrs. Marty Voss, who will retire at the end of this school year.

Mrs. Koch has given her love, time, and dedication to the children and school community for the past 17 years. We want to thank her for sharing her many talents with us at St. John's. She has touched all our lives with her positive spirit and will remain forever in our hearts. We wish many blessings to Mrs. Koch and thank her for the blessings that she has brought to all of us. May God bless Mrs. Koch and her family as she begins her new journey of life in retirement. We will miss you Mrs. Koch.

Mrs. Marty Voss has also given her love, time and dedication to St. John's the past 19 years, helping out in many ways in our kitchen. Ms. Marty has entertained us with her funny stories, along with sharing her love for all the children and staff members at St. John's. She has a love for St. John's that shows through in all she does, from the beautiful quilts to helping prepare for each event at St. John's. She is such a hard worker, working 27 years at Hazel and then blessing us at St. John's for 19 years. We wish her much happiness and hope that she is able to enjoy much well deserved relaxation and time with her family. May God bless Ms. Marty and her family as she begins her new journey of life in retirement. We will miss you Ms. Marty.

SJG Dinner Auction

We would like to send out a huge THANK YOU to Marynell Ploch for chairing our successful Dinner Auction event for the past four years. Marynell has touched the hearts of many at St. John's by sharing her love and passion for our school. Marynell and our Auction Committee along with many parents, staff members, and parishioners, have worked together countless hours to make our Dinner Auction the very best it can be. It is very important that we are able to continue this tradition and it is also important because it is our largest fundraising event for our school. We NEED this to happen each year. Please, PLEASE pray and consider being the 2018-2019 Dinner Auction Chairperson. It will be a very rewarding experience. If you are interested or if you have questions, please contact the school office for more information.

Thank you to everyone for all your time, hard work, and dedication to St. John's! You have made a difference in the lives of many children.

Borgia Summer Camps

Registration for St. Francis Borgia Regional High School Summer Camps is now open. They offer camps for all ages. Go to www.borgiasummercamps.com for a complete list of all camps. Registration and payment is made online.

Washington Summer School

For information regarding the School District of Washington's Summer School program, "SOAR-Elevate to New Heights", visit www.washington.k12.mo.us.

Meramec Valley Summer School

The Summer Journey program is being offered through the Meramec Valley R3 School District at Coleman Elementary for K-4 students and the Meramec Valley Middle school for 6th - 8th grade students. The program will begin on Wednesday, May 23, and end on Tuesday, June 26, 2018. Before and After School Care will also be provided. For more information, go to www.mvr3.k12.mo.us and click on Summer Journey.

St. Mary's Summer Religion Program

Come join the fun this summer at St. Mary's Summer Program. The program was established in 1982. The devoted Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George from Alton Illinois come each year to teach children about the Catholic religion. The children will not only learn about their religion, but will enjoy fun activities and games, along with making new friends and cherished memories that will last them a life time.

The program will be held at St. Mary's Parish, 1587 Highway AM, in Villa Ridge, Monday through Friday, June 4 through June 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.. The enrollment fee is \$30 per student or \$90 for families of three or more. Please call Racine Lindemann at 636-584-5621 with any questions. If you need additional registration forms, please contact our school office.

Box Tops for Education

Please continue to clip and save your Box Tops over the summer. Thank you to everyone who sent in their Box Tops this year to benefit our school. A special THANK YOU to Marilyn Baggett for being our coordinator and trimming, counting, and mailing in our Box Tops for several years. We appreciate all your time and help!

If anyone would be interested in being our Box Tops for Education coordinator, please contact the school office for more information. Thank you.

St. John the Baptist School

5579 Gildehaus Road
Villa Ridge, MO 63089

Calendar

05/13/18	05/14/18	05/15/18	05/16/18	05/17/18	05/18/18	05/19/18
<p>Mass Times 7/8:30/10:00</p> <p>Happy Mother's Day!</p>	<p>8:00 Mass</p> <p>All School Mass Gr. K-8 Plan the Mass</p> <p>Preschool Mommy Make- over</p> <p>2:30 Extra Re- cess with a spe- cial treat.</p> <p>6:00 Sports Banquet at N Sports</p> <p>7:00 Kindergar- ten Graduation</p>	<p>Adoration</p> <p>Pray with Jesus 8 am-6:45 pm</p> <p>6:45 Perpetual Help Devotions</p> <p>7:00 Mass</p> <p>Last Day for 8th Grade</p>	<p>8:00 Mass</p> <p>Gr. 5-7 Attend Mass</p> <p>Gr. 7 Plan the Mass</p> <p>7:00</p> <p>8th Grade Graduation</p>	<p>8:00 Mass</p> <p>Gr. 1-4 Attend Mass Gr. 1 Plan the Mass</p>	<p>8:00 Mass</p> <p>All School Mass Gr. 6 Plan the Mass</p> <p>Last Day of School</p> <p>Jeans Day</p> <p>Early Dismissal at 11:30</p> <p>There will be NO After School Care on this day.</p> <p>Enjoy your Summer!</p>	<p>6:00 Mass</p>