



# MERRY CHRISTMAS



St. John the Baptist School  
November 29, 2023

## From the Principal's

Dear Parents,  
Welcome back! We hope you all enjoyed a blessed Thanksgiving holiday with your families.

Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, is a Holy Day, The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will dismiss early on this day at 11:30.

Students in grades six, seven, and eight will have exams on December 11 – 15. Please see the schedule below:

Monday, 12/11: English – Grades 6/7/8

Religion – Grades 6/8

Tuesday, 12/12: Soc. Stu. – Grades 6/7/8

Wed. 12/13: Reading – Grades 6/7/8

Thurs. 12/14: Science – Grades 6/7/8

Friday, 12/15: Math – Grades 6/7/8

Religion – Grade 7

Have a good week.

God Bless,

Mrs. Overschmidt and Mrs. Wissmann



## Dates to Remember



-Progress Reports – Wed. 11/29/23

-2<sup>nd</sup> Gr. Parent Meeting – Wed. 11/29/23 at 6:30 p.m. in church

-End of the month Jeans Day – Thurs. 11/30/23

-PEP Assembly – Friday, 12/1/23, at 2:30

-Dartball Tournament – Sat., 12/2/23

-HOME Basketball Games-Mon., 12/4, 5:30 vs. IC

-Jimmy John's Dine to Donate-Tues., 12/5, 4:00-7:00

-Basketball Games at St. Gertrude's-Tues.12/5, 6:00

--Apple Fest – Thurs. 12/7, after the 5:30 p.m. Mass

## Dartball Tournament

Our Annual Dartball Tournament is Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. There is still time to get your team together. Teams need to have 8-10 co-ed members, ages 21 and over. We are also looking for volunteers to work and we need a number of food and drink items for this event. Please see the attached flyer for more details. Thank you for supporting this event to help our school. Come join us for a fun day.



## Jimmy John's Dine to Donate Fundraiser

All are invited to join us on Tuesday, December 5, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m., for the Jimmy John's Dine to Donate Fundraiser. For each sandwich purchased, Jimmy John's will donate \$1 to St. John's. Mention St. John's School when placing your order or bring in the flyer enclosed in the Wednesday folder today to make sure your purchase benefits St. John's. Thank you for supporting our school and thank you to Jimmy John's for giving us this opportunity to raise money for our school. We hope to see you there.



## Advent Project

This year's advent project will benefit St. John's Helping Hands who are helping local families in need. We will be collecting the following items during the Advent season:

Pre-School/Kindergarten: Canned Food Items

Grades 1 & 2: Boxed Food Items

Grade 3: Cleaning Products

Grade 4: Personal Care Items

Grades 5 & 6: Gas Gift Cards

Grades 7 & 8: Hat and Glove sets

Please send all items to school by Friday, December 15.

Thank you to all in advance for your most generous contributions during this Christmas season.



## 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. God bless us as we prepare for the most joyous time of the year, celebrating the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.



# Jaguar Grill



Thursday, 11/30/23, MENU CHANGE: Chicken Patty on bun with chips and fruit.

Check out our Jaguar Grill menu with hot lunches prepared and served by Mrs. Tricia Tune and Mrs. Christina Morgan. Please see the attached December menu. Encourage your child/children to try a delicious hot meal at school. These ladies are doing a fantastic job.

Enter lunch money through your prepay account in FACTS. If you are having any problems seeing your balance in FACTS, please call the school office.

Thank you to all for donations and for helping support our school lunch program.



## SJG Jaguars

We are excited to cheer loud and proud for our SJG Basketball Jaguars at their games this season. They are practicing hard. Keep up the good work and we look forward to some exciting games.

Monday, 12/4/23, at HOME, vs. IC, starting at 5:30

Tuesday, 12/5/23, at St. Gertrude's, starting at 6:00

Monday, 12/11/23, at OLL, starting at 5:30

Tuesday, 12/12/23, at HOME vs. St. Gertrude's, at 5:30

## PEP Assembly

All are invited to join us for the PEP Assembly on Friday, 12/1, at 2:30 in the gym. We are so excited to cheer with our SJG Cheerleaders for our Volleyball and Basketball Jaguars! We hope you can join us.



## Jaguar Spirit Wear Webstore

The SJG Jaguar Spirit Wear webstore is open. Order your Jaguar attire here to wear on home game days and other special SJG days.

[sjgsprit23-24.itemorder.com/shop/home](http://sjgsprit23-24.itemorder.com/shop/home)



## Prayer for Ms. Smith

"Dear Lord, please bless and bring comfort, healing, and peace to all those in our school family who are in need of your tender love and healing, especially Ms. Smith and her family.

Dear Lord, You are the source of all healing and hope. We pray together and ask you to bring healing and comfort to our principal, Ms. Smith. Restore her health and fill her with your strength, peace, and joy. We pray that You will surround her with your love and protection.

May we all pray together for Ms. Smith as she continues her treatment and healing journey. We pray that the Lord will hold her close during this time. Amen."

## Holy Day—December 8

Friday, December 8 is a Holy Day, The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Mass Times are:

Thursday, 12/7/23: 5:30 p.m.

Friday, 12/8/23: 6:00 a.m. / 8:00 a.m.

## Apple Fest

All are invited to the Apple Fest in the Parish

Center after the 5:30 Mass on Thursday, 12/7/23.

We hope you can join us.



## Children of Bethlehem Christmas Concert

Our Christmas Concert is Thursday, December 14th. All children in kindergarten, first, second, and third grade will perform. They are doing a great job rehearsing and singing in music class preparing for this exciting performance at our school. 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 are asked to wear nice pants, no jeans with a Christmas shirt/top. Girls can wear skirts or a dress. Tennis shoes are fine.

The concert starts at 6:30 p.m. Please have your child at school no later than 6:15 p.m. All grades will meet in the music room.



## Coins for Combat Rosaries for Heroes - THANK YOU!

Our SJG Faith Families collected coins for rosaries to give to service men and women and first responders. We raised \$140.50. Thank you to all who contributed. The Orange Faith Family – St. Thomas More – collected the most at \$45.62. This team will receive a special snack and may wear their Faith Family shirt and jeans on Friday, 12/1

## Scouting for Food Drive – THANK YOU

A big thank you to all the parents and students that helped with the scouting for food drive! Together, we collected, dated, sorted, and dispersed just over 5000 unexpired food items to two local food pantries, with the St. John's food pantry being one of the pantries that was restocked for this coming holiday season. Also, a big thank you to those that donated food! Together we can move mountains!







## StuCo Movie Night

Mark your calendars for a fun night at our school. We hope you can join us for a Movie Night, showing Polar Express on Saturday, December 16. The doors will open at 5:30 and the movie will start at 6:00. The concession stand will be open with snacks and drinks available for purchase along with pizza for the evening. Hope to see you there.



**St. John the Baptist School**  
 "Prepare Our Hearts for the Coming of Jesus, Who Brings Joy, Peace, and Hope to our World"  
**December 2023**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<i>Joy to the world</i> 			
3 Sunday Mass 7:00 / 8:30 / 10:30  5:30 - 7:30 Children's Bible Study  KC Christmas Party	4 8:00 All School Mass Grade 1 Plan Mass  5:30 Home Bball Games vs IC	5 Adoration 7:00pm Communion Service/Mass; Jimmy John's Dine-to-Donate 4-7:00pm; 5:30pm Ladies Sodality Christmas Party; 6:00 Away Bball Games vs St Gertrude	6 8:00 All School Mass Grade 1 Plan Mass  PSR 6:30 - 7:45pm	7 Vigil of the Immaculate Conception/5:30pm Mass; Apple Fest in Parish Center	1 2:30 Athletic Pep Assembly  Dartball Set-Up	2 Dartball Tournament  5:30pm Mass
10 Sunday Mass 7:00 / 8:30 / 10:30	11 8:00 All School Mass Grade 8 Plan Mass  5:30 Away Bball Games vs OLL	12 Adoration 7:00pm Communion Service/Mass; Gr. 5 DARE Field Trip; Faculty Mtg 3:15pm  5:30 Home Bball Games vs St Gertrude	13 8:00 All School Mass Grade 8 Plan Mass; 9:30 PK Dollar Tree Field Trip  PSR 6:30 - 7:45pm	14 K-3 Christmas Concert 6:30pm	15 December/June Birthday Jeans Day  6:30pm Men's Sodality Christmas Party	16 Advent Workshop 8:30 - 11:00am  StuCo Movie Night 5:30 Doors Open 6:00 Movie starts; 5:30pm Mass
17 Sunday Mass 7:00 / 8:30 / 10:30  5:30 - 7:30 Children's Bible Study  WCU Christmas Party	18 8:00 All School Mass Grade 7 Plan Mass Christmas Mass  8:00p Parish Council	19 Adoration 7:00pm Communion Service/Mass; Christmas Parties 10:15 - 11:15am Dismiss 11:30 Christmas Break End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	20 No School Christmas Break	21 No School Christmas Break  First Day of Winter	22 No School Christmas Break	23
24 Sunday Mass 7:00 / 8:30 / 10:30 Christmas Eve 4:00pm  31 Sunday Mass 7:00 / 8:30 / 10:30 New Year's Eve	25 Christmas Midnight, 7:00am & 9:00am Mass  Merry Christmas	26 Adoration 7:00pm Communion Service/Mass  No School Christmas Break	27 No School Christmas Break	28 No School Christmas Break	29 No School Christmas Break	30 5:30pm Mass

# DECEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Jaguar Grill
3	4 Tacos Corn Fruit	5 Waffles Sausage Fruit	6 Chicken Alfredo Broccoli Fruit	7 Chicken Patty w/Bun Carrots Fruit	8 Cheeseburger Fries Fruit	9	<b>MONDAY WEDNESDAY &amp; FRIDAY</b> Chef Salad Bread Stick Fruit  <b>TUESDAY</b> Ham & Cheese w/Pretzel Bun Chips Fruit  <b>THURSDAY</b> Turkey, Ham & Cheese Sub Chip Fruit
10	11 Chick Nuggets Mac & cheese Fruit	12 Spaghetti Green Beans Fruit	13 Chicken Quesadilla Corn Fruit	14 Toasted Ravioli Carrots Fruit	15 Pancakes Bacon Fruit	16	
17	18 Teriyaki Chicken Rice & Veg Fruit	19 No Lunch	20 Christmas Break	21	22	23	
24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29	30	
31 New Year's Eve							

## Desserts on Friday!

# St. John's Gildehaus

## Co-Ed Dartball Tournament



Co-Sponsor WCU Branch #268

**Saturday, December 2nd**

Check-in begins at 8

Pool Play begins at 9

**Double Elimination Bracket Play**

Co-Ed Teams of 8-12

21 and older

Cost \$90 per team

Prizes awarded to top 3 teams

**FOOD & DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**

Proceeds for SJG Technology Fund

Text or call 636-297-1053

to Register by Nov 29th.



# St. John's Gildehaus

## Co-Ed Dartball Tournament

### Items Needed Sign Up

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F49A9AF23A4FDC34-45623637-dartball>



### Volunteer Sign Up

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F49A9AF23A4FDC34-45624546-dartball>





# *Get A Sandwich* **DONATE A DOLLAR**

## **WHY**

As a thank you for the love you've shown us, we will donate \$1 for every sandwich purchased to St John the Baptist Gildehaus. Mention this flyer to make sure your purchase counts!

## **WHEN**

Tuesday, December 5 ★ 04:00 pm – 07:00 pm

## **WHERE**

1400 WASHINGTON SQUARE ★ 636.390.9009



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St. John's Ladies Sodality will be hosting our CHRISTMAS PARTY this year on Tuesday, December 5th, and we are going "Vegas Style"! We are excited to bring a new game to share with everyone but unlike Las Vegas, you can leave your money at home! Open bar starts at 5:30pm with dinner and games to follow at 7pm. We will provide chicken and roast beef for the meal - please bring a covered dish to share. We will also be doing a gift exchange - if you would like to participate, just bring a \$10-15 gift for this game. Please RSVP to Linda Kulpa by text or call 314-805-9123. Thanks!





*Feast of Immaculate  
Conception*

*Apple Fest*

*7<sup>th</sup>*  
**DECEMBER**

After 5:30pm Mass

Apple Shoot/Apple  
desserts/Apple cider/  
Good laughs



# Love and Share the gift of Jesus

## ADVENT WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, DEC. 16TH

HELP OUR  
FAMILY FIND  
THEIR  
WAY BACK  
HOME

St. John the Baptist Parish Center

5579 Gildehaus Rd,  
Villa Ridge, MO 63089

8:30-11:00 am

Contact: Rita Voss for details and to  
sign-up

636-219-8385 or [rita.voss48@gmail.com](mailto:rita.voss48@gmail.com)

Coffee and pastries provided

Topics:

- Confession
- The veil
- Statues
- Purgatory
- Calling Priest "Father"
- Real presence of the Eucharist
- Sacred music vs. contemporary music
- Blessed Mother Mary
- Interpreting scripture
- Repetitive Prayer & the Rosary



# 2023 Whitetail Extravaganza!

## Benefitting Friends of SJBG

### Grand Prize - \$5,000 value

Sportsman Bow Condo Enclosed with 4x4 timber elevation

9000 BTU Buddy Heater

2 – Guide Gear Big Boy (500 lb capacity) Comfort Swivel blind chair with armrests



Weatherby Vanguard .308 w/

Burris Fullfield II scope

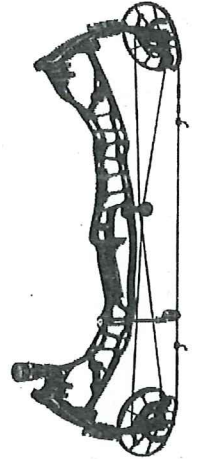


Choice of:

Hoyt VTM31 w/sights, rest, stabilizer, 6 arrows

Or

Tenpoint Titan Crossbow Fully Loaded



### Runner Up Prize - \$1,500 value

Remaining Bow Grand Prize didn't select

Bolderton 18' 2-man ladder stand with Grizzly Grip



### Third Place Prize - \$140 Value

Tidewe 270 Degree see through hunting blind



Drawing on December 24<sup>th</sup> 2023

For Tickets Contact: Andrew Patke (314) 609-5781 or

Tricia Tune on Facebook or

“Friends of St. John the Baptist - Gildehaus” Facebook page



**Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100**



Friends of SJBG is a 501(C)(3). All proceeds benefit SJBG School.

Thank you to our generous sponsors!

