



January 3, 2019

From the Principal

Merry Christmas and Happy Epiphany!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and you are enjoying the last days of the Christmas Season. Journey at the Inn is a wonderful way to close out the Christmas season and celebrate the Epiphany. Journey at the Inn begins immediately after the 4:30pm Mass this Saturday, January 5th. Please join us.

January's virtue is Fortitude. We will all be practicing how to be brave and strong in the face of trials. This is a life long virtue that serves us well so please join me in practicing this virtue so that it will be a habit for all of us.

A reminder to all parents who pick up their students in the afternoon: Do NOT drive through the cones set up on the street. We set these cones up for the safety of all our students as they exit the building in the afternoon. If you need to park and walk in to the building to pick up your child, please park in the church lot or head south on 3rd Ave (from 10th St.) to 9th St. and park on 9th St. along the parking lot (prior to the cones). We appreciate your cooperation with this.

Now that 2019 is officially here, planning for next school year is in full swing. Here are a couple of things that will help us in our planning.

- 1) In the next couple of weeks we will be seeking your feedback on a couple of events that we hold throughout the school year. Please keep your eyes peeled for the surveys to give us your feedback.
- 2) Registration for next school year will begin soon. We will be sending out the registration link later this month. Please make sure to register as soon as possible.
- 3) Tuition Assistance: You can begin applying for tuition assistance through TADS later this month. There are two other scholarships that you can apply for through TADS as well. One is the Aim Higher Scholarship. **Aim Higher Scholarship application is due Wednesday, February 13th.** The other scholarship is the CSAF scholarship. I would encourage anyone applying for SJB tuition assistance to also apply for those scholarships as well (you will have the option to be considered for these scholarships during the tuition assistance application process). Finally, do not forget that the Pioneer Foundation is another way assist you with tuition payments.

We will be having our SJB Information & Enrollment Night for Preschool and Kindergartners. If you know of anyone who is looking to send their child to a great school, encourage them to come on Thursday, January 17th from 6-7:30pm. Our goal is to fill up our Preschool and Kindergarten classrooms so help us spread the good news!

Finally, Catholic Schools Week begins Sunday, January 27th with Mass at 10:30am followed by an open house. The week will include a variety of fun events for our students to celebrate our school and thank all those that help make it possible. The week ends with our annual Wines to Wishes fundraising event on Saturday, February 2nd. This is a wonderful event for adults to have some fun and raise money for St. John's. So invite a

Upcoming Events

January 4

School Spirit Day
Geography Club, 2:30 Rm 4

January 5

Journey to the Inn

January 10

Variety Show Auditions

January 11

School Spirit Day

January 17

NO BUSING
Grade 6 Parent Lunch
Info & Enroll Night 6-7:30pm

January 18

NO BUSING
School Spirit Day

January 21

MLK Day - **NO SCHOOL**
No J-Care

Field Trip Charges 2018-19 School Year

To help alleviate multiple charges on your Tads accounts, we have decided this year to charge a one time Field Trip Fee for each student. To cover the costs of field trips (entrance fees plus busing transportation) this school year, all students (K-8) will be charged a \$75 fee. This amount was decided upon after review of the field trips that all grades attended last school year. This will not include the ELC trip that our 5th grade students attend in the spring. This fee will be added to your January or February payments.

Wines to Wishes 2019

Wines to Wishes is less than one month away!

Have you...Registered to attend the event?

Invitations went home before Christmas break! Register online (www.winestowishes.com) or by sending back the response card.

Have you...Thought about donating to the grade baskets?

Now is a great time to grab items with the after holiday clearance sales! Check out the Grade Basket flyer for ideas!

Have you...Thought about reaching out to a restaurant or a business for donations or sponsorships?

Do you own your own business and would consider sponsoring or donating?

Have you...Thought about joining a committee?

Our next meeting is Thursday, January 10th, at 6:30pm on the church side.

Have you... Thought about volunteering?

Our sign-up link will be sent out soon!

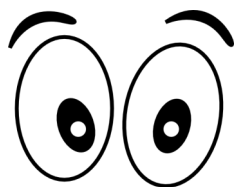
Wines to Wishes is the largest fundraiser that our school has!

Last year, we raised over \$93,000 thanks to our amazing sponsors, donors, and SJB community. Let's make this year a huge success!



friend and join us for this fun evening. Invitations went home with students prior to the Christmas break. You may register by returning the RSVP card to school or online at www.winestowishes.com.

Ann Laird, Principal



**KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN FOR
BILLBOARDS ADVERTISING
SJB SCHOOL AROUND TOWN IN THE
NEXT WEEK!**

SJB Variety Show

As part of Catholic Schools Week, St. John's will showcase the talents of our students in a SJB Variety Show (formerly the Talent Show) on Thursday, January 31st. Permission forms



were sent home with students before Christmas break. If your student would like to participate in this year's Variety Show, please complete the permission form and send it to school by Monday, January 7th. Auditions will be held during school hours on Thursday, January 10th.

Heggies Pizza Sales

Our 8th grade students are selling Heggies Pizzas to raise funds for their upcoming Washington DC trip. If you would like to support them by ordering some pizzas, please complete the order form below and turn in to the school office with payment (checks to St. John's) by January 10th.



SJB Swim Team

The St. John the Baptist Swim Team is open to all students in grades K-8. To participate, each swimmer must be able to swim one length of the pool (25 yards) unassisted and without stopping. We have several parent volunteer coaches that will work with swimmers to improve their skills, gain confidence, and have fun!

Registration Deadline: Friday, January 11. Send registration form, Parental Authorization form, and Christian Ethics to the School Office.

Registration materials can be picked up from Mr. Miley or can be found on the [Athletics page](#) on the SJB website.



December JOY

Congratulations to our Student JOY winners for the month of December! These students displayed the virtue of Purity during the month. Purity is keeping your soul free of sin.

KG: Devin V.

Gr. 1: Charlotte W.

Gr. 2: Laila E.

Gr. 3: Audrey M.

Gr. 4: Jessica K.

Gr. 5: Scotty W.

Gr. 6: Lola F.

Gr. 7: Erin J.

Gr. 8: Isabella M.

Art: Simon B.

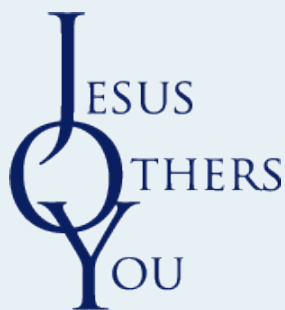
Gym: Buchi A.

J-Care: Luke B.

Library: John S.

Music: Michael K.

Spanish: Izzy R.



Please join us for the SJB Used Uniform



Sunday, January 27th
11:30 am– 1:00 pm
(After Catholic Schools 10:30 am Mass)
School Cafeteria

The Used Uniform Sale is an opportunity to purchase gently used uniforms at greatly discounted prices. The uniforms are donated by the families of St. John the Baptist School.

You may turn in gently used uniform pants, shorts, shirts, skirts, jumpers and spirit wear to the school office anytime during the school year. Please no clothing with ripped hems, tears, holes, multiple stains or missing buttons. Thank you.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact
Barb Lieser at barblieser@lieserinsurance.com or
Molly Kavolak at mkavolak@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATES

50TH ANNIVERSARY SPEAKER SERIES

Fr. Michael Joncas
January 20, 2019 1:00-2:30pm
Vatican II - Its Effect on the Building of the Church

Nicholas Markell
March 3, 2019 1:00-2:30pm
How the Statuary, Stained Glass & Icons Speak to Us

Refreshments served after both events
Please mark your calendar

Catholic Watchmen

Calling all Catholic Men! As the new year approaches, look towards growing closer to God and to those within the faith! Watchmen offers a chance to elevate your faith and meet your fellow Christian Men! The next St. John's parish Catholic Watchmen Night is **Thursday, January 10th**, from 6:30-9:00 pm in St. Joseph's Hall. Join other men from St. John's for fellowship, food, beverage, and a new presentation by the diocese.





****ORDERS & MONEY DUE THU, JAN 10 IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE****

Large 12"	Number of Pizzas Ordered	Price per Pizza	Total
Double Cheese Mozzarella & Cheddar Cheeses		\$10.00	
Sausage		\$10.00	
Pepperoni		\$10.00	
Sausage & Pepperoni		\$10.00	
Sausage & Mushroom		\$10.00	
Inferno Sausage, Pepperoni, Jalapeno Peppers		\$12.00	
Deluxe Combo Sausage, Pepperoni, Onions, Mushrooms & Green Pepper		\$12.00	
Six Pack Sausage, Pepperoni, Canadian Bacon, Bacon, Cheddar & Mozzarella Cheeses		\$12.00	
Chicken Alfredo Garlic Chicken, Alfredo Sauce, Mozzarella Cheese on a Thick Flavored Crust		\$12.00	
Breakfast Pizza Country Sausage, Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Green Onions, Cheddar & Mozzarella Cheeses with Country Gravy		\$12.00	
BCB - Bacon Cheeseburger Beef, Cheese & Bacon		\$12.00	
El Jefe Chorizo, Roasted Jalapenos, Black Olives, Green Onions, Mozzarella & Cheddar Cheeses		\$12.00	
Sloppy Joe Ground Beef, Seasoned Sauce, Green Peppers & Mozzarella Cheese		\$12.00	
Total Pizzas		Total Sale	

Name: _____

Email: _____

Pizzas arrive January 24. You will receive an email when the pizzas are ready for pick up.

Make checks payable to: St John the Baptist School

*All proceeds go to help fund the SJB 8th Graders trip to Washington DC in May 2019
Thank You for your support!*

All Parish Epiphany Event

JOURNEY TO THE INN



WHAT: Journey to the inn with the Wise Men to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

WHERE: St. Joseph's Hall

WHEN: Saturday, January 5th

4:30-5:30pm Mass (Sunday school will be available during this Mass.)

5:30-6:15pm Mostaccioli pasta dinner with salad and bread catered by Knights of Columbus (vegetarian and gluten free meals available)

\$6 - ages 11 and up

\$4 - ages 3 to 10

Children 2 and under are free

6:15-7:15pm *We begin our journey with Bible stories that tell the story of Christmas and send the Wise Men on their journey to Bethlehem. *We will have a candlelight procession through the neighborhood singing Christmas carols, accompanied by the Wisemen as they journey to the inn ending at the manger with **live animals in the stable**. *We will return to St. Joseph's Hall where we will end with hot cocoa and cookies.

Not able to walk around the neighborhood? That's okay! Join us for a delicious meal and Bible readings. Not interested in dinner? Just join us for the Bible readings and singing in the neighborhood. **RSVP only if you plan to join us for dinner.**

Return this RSVP portion to the Welcome Desk or at your Faith Formation program to RSVP (by Wednesday, January 2nd) for dinner only. (Pay at the door or in advance with RSVP.)

Adult Names: _____

Number of Adults/11 and up: _____ \$6/ea

Number of Children 3 to 10: _____ \$4/ea

Number of Children 2 and under: _____ free

Gluten Free:

Number of Gluten Free Meals Adult/11 and up: _____ \$6/ea

Number of Gluten Free Meals Children 3 to 10: _____ \$4/ea

Questions or to RSVP for the meal by email: Email Jodie at wollaj@stjohnnyb.org.