

From the Principal

Catholic Schools Week begins this Sunday, January 27th with Mass at 10:30am followed by an open house until 12:30pm. Please join us as we celebrate with the parish community and announce our 2019 JOY award recipient. Students should wear their school uniforms to Mass and sit with their classes. Next week will include a variety of fun events for our students to celebrate our school and thank all those that help make it possible. See below for information on the dress themes and other activities for students during the week. There will again be a teacher raffle and the raffle items will be displayed in the cafeteria on Sunday during the open house and during the school day next week. Tickets will be sold Sunday and each morning next week for 25¢ each or 5/\$1.00. The week culminates 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. Proceeds from this year's event will be used to purchase flexible seating furniture for the remaining classrooms. Register for this fun event by returning the RSVP card from your invitation to school or online at www.winestowishes.com.

As you are all fully aware, the temperature has dropped and even lower temps are predicted in the coming week. With the dropping temperatures comes discussion of school closings. Because of this, we want to review our policy on closings and notification procedures. In the event the decision to close school is made, all families will receive an email through the Educate System alerting you of any closures. We will post this information on our school website. We will also post on the local news stations (WCCO 4, KSTP 5, KARE11 and KMSP 9) - look for St. John's New Brighton or similar. In general, we do follow the Mounds View School District with closures, however, we reserve the right to deviate from their decision. If that would be the case, school would be in session with a NO BUSING option and this NO BUSING would include the SJB Bus. A school closure would include all students in preschool through grade 8, Care Crew and J-Care. We will communicate any closure decisions as soon as possible.

We had unforeseen glitches in the registration process for the 2019-2020 school year. We apologize for the delay and anticipate that it will be ready to go tomorrow. An email will be sent to families with details on the process for registering your child(ren) for the 2019-2020 school year. We appreciate your patience during this time.

Finally, we would like to congratulate first grader, Giada, on her baptism. Giada and her brother were welcomed into the Catholic family last weekend. We wish them God's blessings and pray that their relationship with Him continues to grow and strengthen.

See you at Mass on Sunday!

Ann Laird, Principal



Upcoming Events

January 25

School Spirit Day

January 27

CSW Mass - 10:30am

Open House until 12:30pm

Used Uniform Sale - Cafeteria

January 28

Beach Day

January 29

Comfy Cozy Day

January 30

Celebrations Day

January 31

Hero Day

Variety Show - 1:00pm

February 1

School Spirit with

Crazy Socks & Hair

Bowling - Gr. K-3

Roller Skating - Gr. 4-8

February 2

Wines to Wishes

School Spirit Feed Your Neighbor

The SJB food shelf is in need of personal care items for those in need. For the next couple School Spirit days, please bring in personal care items in place of or in addition to your regular food items. Thank you!



Wines to Wishes 2019

Wines to Wishes is 9 days away!

February 2, 2019

REGISTER TO ATTEND!

Register online at www.winestowishes.com or by sending back the response card with payment.

LAST CALL FOR DONATIONS!

Last Call for any donations for our silent or live auction. Any donations should be sent to the school office by Monday, January 28th to ensure all items are listed in the catalog.

VOLUNTEER!

Help us make this year's W2W event a grand success! Sign up for a volunteer shift or two:

[W2W Volunteer Link](#)

Questions? Contact one of our chairpersons below:

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HEGGIES PIZZA FUNDRAISING

Heggies Pizza Sales

Our 8th grade students are selling Heggies Pizzas to raise funds for their upcoming Washington DC trip. Pizzas will be available to purchase after the 10:30 Catholic School's Week mass in the plaza.

Thank you for your support!

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.

Tuition Assistance for 2019-2020

Families may begin applying for tuition assistance for the 19-20 school year now through TADS. Go to www.mytads.com to begin the application. All applications should be completed by March 15, 2019 HOWEVER there are two scholarships that you can apply for through TADS in addition to St. John's assistance that have earlier deadlines. One is the Aim Higher Scholarship. **The Aim Higher Scholarship application is due Wednesday, February 13th.** The other scholarship is the CSAF scholarship. We 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).



Vision and Hearing Screening

We are looking for volunteers to help with our vision and hearing screening on Tuesday February 5, 2019.* Screening will start at 8:15am and run until approximately 11:00am. There will be a short training session in the morning before the screening starts. This is an important event as each year we find several students that are having difficulty seeing or hearing. If you can volunteer please contact Beth Roberson at usrobertsonm@yahoo.com or contact the school office.



***All volunteers must have completed and be up-to-date with their Virtus training.**

Catholic Schools Week 2019

SJB Parish News

Pilgrimage to the Cathedral with Father Skluzacek

Join Father Skluzacek as he takes us on a personalized tour of the Cathedral of St. Paul. He was the rector at the Cathedral for a short time and gives us the inside scoop! We will celebrate Mass together in the St. Joseph's side chapel and tour on **Saturday, January 26**. We will meet in the St. Paul Plaza for the bus at 10:15am and return to SJB by 2pm.

Click [here](#) for a registration form and contact Jessica Balzarini with questions at balzarinij@sjohnnyb.org



Sunday, January 27, 2019 – All School Mass 10:30am

All students should be in FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM including school shoes. All students who attend mass and visit their homeroom teacher for the open house that follows Mass will be given an out of uniform pass to be used Monday, February 4th

Monday, January 28, 2019 – Beach Wear



Students will not be in uniform this day. They should wear beach clothing. Hawaiian shirts, shorts (leggings can be worn underneath), t-shirt, sun visor, sun glasses, flip flops (shoes or boots to change into for recess), hats and jeans are ok. **NO SWIMSUITS**



COMMUNITY DAY - TODAY WE THANK THOSE IN THE COMMUNITY AND INVITE THEM TO JOIN US FOR MASS ON WEDNESDAY.

Tuesday, January 29, 2019 –Comfy Cozy Day

Students will not be in uniform this day. They should wear comfy clothes: sweatpants, sweatshirts, flannel pants, grandma pants.



NO PAJAMAS OR SLIPPERS, NO LEGGINGS OR YOGA PANTS

Students may bring a pillow for read-in late in the day.



VOCATION DAY - VOCATIONS SPEAKER (TBD) AND ALL SCHOOL READ-IN (1:30-2:00PM)

Wednesday, January 30, 2019 – Celebrations and Mass Day

Students need to be in school uniform pants and shoes. Students may wear a favorite holiday shirt or a colored shirt to represent that holiday. Shirts must be school appropriate. (New Year's Day – white, Valentine's Day – pink, St. Patrick's Day – green, Easter – pastels, 4th of July – red, white & blue, Halloween – orange or black, Thanksgiving – brown, Christmas – red or green).



PATRIOTIC DAY / MASS - THANKING COMMUNITY MEMBERS AT MASS, MIX-UP LUNCH

Thursday, January 31, 2019 – Hero Day

Students will not be in uniform this day. Students should wear something to represent their favorite hero. Can be an action hero, saint, sport's star, famous person (in any decade – living or deceased), parent, teacher or anyone else you look up to.



SCHOOL STAFF DAY - THANKING SCHOOL STAFF FOR ALL THEY DO

Friday, February 1, 2019 – School Spirit Day with Crazy Socks and Crazy Hair

Students will be able to wear school spirit clothes with crazy socks and tennis shoes this day. **Since we will be roller-skating and bowling, jeans are ok to wear on this School Spirit Day only.**



STUDENT DAY - CELEBRATING ALL STUDENTS AT SJB! TEACHER RAFFLE AND BINGO IN THE MORNING, BOWLING OR ROLLER SKATING IN THE AFTERNOON.

Winter 2019 After-School Art Classes

Complete a Registration Form for each class and submit with payment (checks to St. John's) to the school office.

Valentine dishes

February 7th, 2:40-4:40pm

\$15.00, 15 students max, Grades 2-8

Spread the love with your own hand made valentine dishes! During this after school class students will create two or three valentine-themed ceramic dishes: a perfect candy or trinket dish, a small vase or a lovely cup. They will paint them in class and have them back for Valentine's Day.



Valentine mobile

February 11th, 2:40-4:10pm

\$10.00, 15 students max, Grades K-8

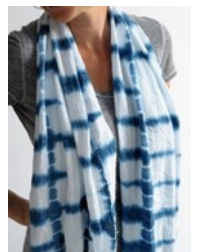
Using various materials (paint, string, and wire) students will create a beautiful hanging mobile or wall-hanging. This mobile is a perfect decoration for Valentine's Day and also a beautiful work of art to bring love to your home year-round.

Shibori Indigo- hand dyed scarves n more

February 28th, 2:40-4:40pm

\$20.00, 15 students max, Grades 3-8

Learn the art of Japanese shibori-style tie dye to create your own beautiful hand dyed scarf, pillow case and tea towel. Students will be using natural indigo dye and learn about various techniques to fold, twist and wrap their fabric to create beautiful dye patterns.



Clay flower garden

March 7th 2:40-4:40

\$15.00, 15 students max, Grades K-8

Create your own flower garden sculpture! Students will use ceramic clay to sculpt a number of flowers which will be fired and then placed on small sticks or wire into a beautiful painted wooden base, a perfect sculpture to brighten up your home and welcome the spring.

