

From the Principal

It is hard to believe tomorrow marks the end of the second trimester and that we are on the final stretch to the end of the 2018-19 school year. Students recently completed winter NWEA testing and all parents should have received a copy of your child's results. We use winter testing as just one piece to see the growth our students are making during the school year. If you have not seen these results, please check your child's folder or contact his/her teacher.

Next Tuesday evening, March 5th, SAC is hosting a Continuous Improvement Meeting from 6:30-7:30 pm to talk about engaging alumni and volunteers, enrollment and incentives/retention. Please join us and give us your input about improvements at St. John's.

Our 7th grade Science classes participated in the Minnesota Zoo ZOOMS Design Challenge this winter. This year's challenge was to research needs of the moose at the zoo, and design and create two enrichment prototypes for two of the moose at the Minnesota Zoo. All of our groups had great designs and they presented their projects to a Minnesota Zoo representative. The MN Zoo selected two of the projects to attend the Minnesota Zoo Design Challenge Exhibition on March 21st. Congrats to the group members of the projects that are continuing on:

Group 1: Ava E., Evelyne K., Abby M. and Selia S.

Group 2: Jake A., Erin J., Tanner J., and Alex M.

Good luck to our teams! We will update you on the groups' experiences after the exhibition in March.

Please join us next Wednesday, March 6th at 8:30am for Mass and the distribution of Ashes as we begin the season of Lent with Ash Wednesday. We will also be attending Stations of the Cross during Lent. Our first date will be on Tuesday, March 12th at 9:40am.

St. John's PTO is again hosting a Families Helping Families event this year on Sunday, March 10th following the 10:30am Mass. This is an event for the entire family to complete small, fun service projects that help others in the community. We are looking for donations of small items for the PTO project of Easter baskets for elderly parishioners who are homebound or in nursing homes. Look for more details below on the donations needed.

Scheduling for spring parent/teacher conferences is underway. Conference letters went home this week with students. If you have not seen a letter and would like to schedule a conference, please reach out to your child's teacher to coordinate a time that works best.

Ann Laird, Principal

Upcoming Events

March 1

School Spirit Day
End of 2nd trimester

March 5

Continuous Improvement Mtg
Hosted by SAC

March 6

Ash Wednesday, Mass at 8:30

March 10

Families Helping Families

March 12

Stations of the Cross, 9:40am
Conferences - PM

March 13

Conferences - PM

March 14

No school for KG only
KG only conferences

March 15-22

Spring Break - No School

J-Care Assistant Director Position Opening

St. John's J-Care is now accepting applications for an Assistant Director for our before/after school and summer child care program. We're looking for someone who's enthusiastic, creative, dedicated and loves working with children. This person would provide quality care for our K-8 students. This position would include planning creative and fun activities, planning and attending field trips, maintaining a safe and clean environment, greeting and communicating with parents and most importantly, engaging with the children.



The hours are 6:15-8:15A and 2:00-6:00P Monday through Friday during the school year and varying summer hours. For more information or to apply, contact [Alison Wacek](#).

SJB Jaguar Athletics

Wines to Wishes

If you were not able to attend Wines to Wishes, you can still donate to this year's Fund-A-Need. Check out the video that was shown prior to the giving part of the evening: [Fund-a-Need Video](#)

If you would still like to sign-up for a party, we have spots remaining! These spots will be filled on a first come first served basis.

- ⇒ Ice Skating with Father Paul on Sunday, March 10th, from 1pm-3pm. \$15 per person.
- ⇒ FlannelJax's Axe Throwing on Monday, April 1st, evening time TBD. \$25 per person.
- ⇒ Ladies Wine Tasting and Pallet Painting on Friday, April 5th, at 6:30pm. \$50 per person.
- ⇒ 3rd Annual Scotch and Cigars on Saturday, April 6th, from 7pm-10pm. \$40 per person.
- ⇒ Backyard BBQ with the Priests on Saturday, May 18th, from 5:30pm-8pm. \$25 per person.
- ⇒ 3rd Annual Sunset Pontoon Party on Friday, June 7th, from 5pm-10pm. \$65 per person.

Regardless if you attended or not, we would love to have you take a short [survey](#) about the event.

Contact [Michelle Barsness](#) to donate or sign up for a party.

SPRING SPORTS SIGNUPS ARE GOING ON NOW!

Track & Field (grades 4-8)

Softball (grades 5-8)

Baseball (grades 5-8)



Interested students should complete the registration form (available from Mr. Miley or on the [SJB website](#)) and the Parental Authorization form and turn them in by March 8th.

TRACK COACH NEEDED!

We are looking for a head coach for our Track & Field team. If you have interest in this volunteer position, please email Mr. Miley at mileyk@stjohnnyb.org

Printing a tuition paid receipt

Many of you have asked for a receipt of tuition paid during 2018 for taxes. You may print a report from your TADS accounts using the directions below (taken directly from TADS).

A parent can access their "Household Paid Tuition Tax Report" under the Billing tab. There is a link to this report on the right-hand side above their account listings. Alternatively, this report can be accessed under their **Billing Account** page by clicking on **Reports** on the blue bar in the middle of the screen.

This report details what the family has paid towards school tuition & fees in a given tax year. As this report runs off tax year, multiple school billing years can be listed on this report. Any TADS fees that were paid by a family are not listed on this report.

J-Care Over Spring Break 2019: March 15th, 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st

Hours of Operation: 7:00am – 6:00pm

Pre-Registration Required by Monday, March 11th

Friday, March 15th
USA Inflatables



Monday, March 18th 2019
Kids Choice Awards



Tuesday, March 19th
Duct Tape Day



Wednesday, March 20th
DIY Projects



Thursday, March 21st
Spring....Let's party!





Join SJB PTO for the 4th annual “Families Helping Families” event

Sunday, March 10, 2019

Following the 10:30am Mass in St. Joseph’s Hall

Families Helping Families is a fun service event for the entire family. At this event, you will be able to go to various stations to do simple, quick and fun service projects to help others in our community.

We hope you and your family will attend!

SJB PTO will be staffing a table assembling Easter Baskets for our elderly Saint John the Baptist parishioners who are in nursing homes or homebound. This project was a huge success last year! We would love your help in getting items for the PTO table. We are asking our school families to help out by donating the following items:

Preschool - Grade 2

Puzzle Books :
Crosswords
Word Find
Sudoku
Note Cards / Stationary
Small Easter stuffed animals

Grades 3 - 4

Personal Care Items:
Small bottles of lotion
Small bottles of hand sanitizer
Small packets of Kleenex
Lip balm

Grades 5 - 6

Individual Food Packets
Cookies
Crackers
Snack Pack Pudding cups
Snack Pack Jell-O Cups

Grades 7 - 8

Candy treats:
Werther's
Snickers
Milky Way
Hershey Bars
Small Easter stuffed animals

PTO will also accept monetary donations which will be used to purchase baskets and items we are in need of for the project (checks payable to St. John's).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

Questions?

Contact: Amy Saylor (saylorsa@hotmail.com) or Jenny Schmitz (jschmitz134@gmail.com)

**50th ANNIVERSARY
SPEAKER SERIES**

Nick Markell

**50 Years of Liturgical Art
Where We Have Been and
Where We Are Going**

March 3, 2019 1:00 PM

Free Admission
Hospitality following

Childcare available -
RSVP to [Jodie Wolla](#)



SJB Parish News



Marriage in Christ Seminar

The Marriage in Christ seminar is five weeks long (one 2-hour evening per week). It is for all marriages, not just those who are struggling or newly married. Each night includes a short talk, small group discussions men with men and women with women; and private discussion time for each couple. On the fourth night, we have an opportunity to invite the Holy Spirit to be more part of our marriage.



"I didn't have great expectations for the seminar. I was thinking, 'I don't need this.' If you were to ask me how I would have rated my marriage, I probably would have said that we were in the 80th percentile—I'm in marketing and so I round up! We came anyway, and week after week we did the homework. To my great surprise and joy, I found myself loving my wife in new, tangible ways. I found her doing things for me that were new and that were pretty delightful. There was a new affection in our relationship. When we prayed together on the fourth night, it was like looking into the face of the young lady that I married 33 years ago. It was very moving. Through the power of the Holy Spirit which we prayed for in the Marriage in Christ seminar, I have more love and affection for my wife than I did five weeks ago when we started."

WHEN: Sunday afternoons from 3-5 pm on April 7, 14, 28, and May 5 and 12

WHERE: Room 206

Cost: \$85.00 per couple. Due to a generous donation to the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis we can offer this seminar to couples married 5 years or less for \$25.00.

*Childcare is available but space is limited so register soon.

For more information, visit the Kiosk by the Welcome Desk or click [HERE](#).

Community News / Events



TOTINO-GRACE
Amazing gRace

Friday, April 5 | 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Middle school students are invited to the **Amazing gRace** at Totino-Grace High School. This awesome event was designed just for you by TG students! Join them and your 6th – 8th grade peers for a night of active organized games, technology-driven scavenger hunt competitions, prizes, snacks and more! Bring a friend or come on your own. Get set for a fun and memorable event!

Parents and Guardians:
Stay on campus
for a parent social!

REGISTER TODAY AT www.totinograce.org/admissions

Four Pillars Speaker Series

LEARNING - FAITH - SERVICE - COMMUNITY



Totino-Grace
High School

Help!

Technology is Taking Control!

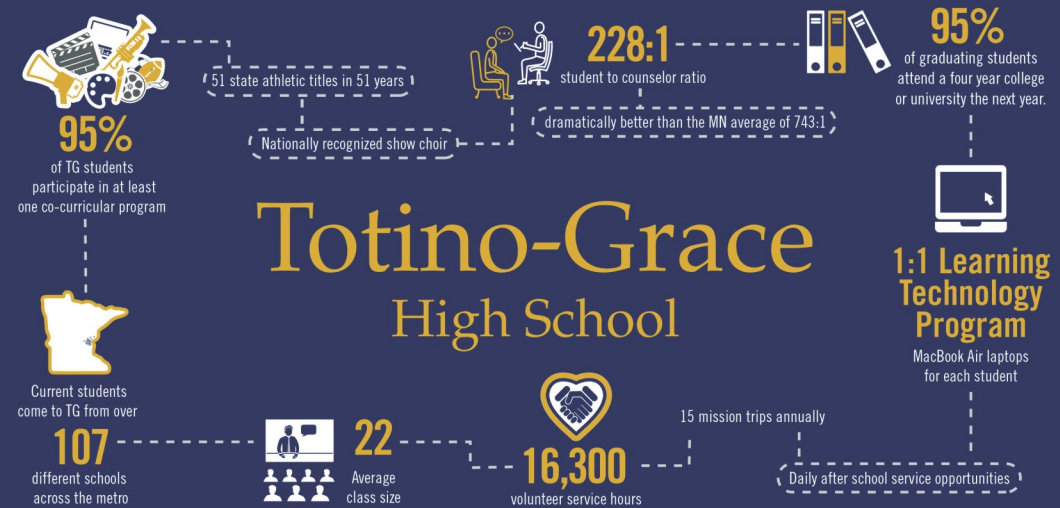
Strategies for leading young people in safe and healthy use of technology

Friday, March 8, 2019

7:30-8:30am

TG Auditorium

Free and Open to the Public



95% of TG students participate in at least one co-curricular program

51 state athletic titles in 51 years

228:1 student to counselor ratio
dramatically better than the MN average of 743:1

Nationally recognized show choir

95% of graduating students attend a four year college or university the next year.

1:1 Learning Technology Program
MacBook Air laptops for each student

15 mission trips annually

107 different schools across the metro

22 Average class size

16,300 volunteer service hours

Daily after school service opportunities

OPEN HOUSE | MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019 | 6:30 PM

Learn more and register at www.totinograce.org/admissions



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A Catholic High School in the Lasallian Tradition