



March 14, 2019

From the Principal

HAPPY SPRING BREAK!

As you enjoy the week off of school, remember to celebrate Mass over the week-ends! Fr. Paul challenged our students to bring him a bulletin/leaflet after Spring Break from whatever Church they attended and he will give them a prize. It is amazing to see that our Catholic faith is present throughout the world and by going to Mass even on vacation, you teach your children how important God is to you and you experience joy in the fact that Jesus is found in the Eucharist in Catholic Churches throughout the world! Of course, if you are not traveling over Spring Break, you are welcome to bring in a bulletin from St. John's, if that is where you celebrated weekend Mass. Have your student bring in a bulletin or some piece of literature from that Church to Father Paul the week of March 25th and he will give them the prize.

We have a number of 7th grade students presenting projects in competitions over the break:

- * Abigail McNeil will be competing in the MN Metro Junior Area Regional MN History Day competition during Spring break next week on Saturday March 13, 2019 at White Bear Lake High School South Campus. She is advancing with her MN History Day exhibit board.
- * Two groups will be presenting their enrichment prototypes for two moose at the Minnesota Zoo in the Minnesota Zoo Design Challenge Exhibition on March 21st: Ava Ennis, Evelyn Kadid, Abby McNeil, Selia Schaefer, Jake Arndorfer, Erin Jensen, Tanner Johnson and Alex Meyer.

We wish our students the best of luck and look forward to hearing about their competition experiences when we return.

Just a reminder of the following upcoming events:

- ⇒ March 15-22 - No school for all students for Spring Break
- ⇒ Reconciliation for grades 2-8 on Tuesday, March 26th from 9:30-11:30am
- ⇒ 5th Grade goes to Wolf Ridge ELC in northern Minnesota on March 27th-29th.
- ⇒ SJB Lent Retreat on Saturday, March 16th from 8:00am-1:00pm. Click [here](#) for more information.

For our Lenten Service Project, we will be collecting clothing and baby items for the St. John's Maternity and Baby Closet. The St. John's Maternity and Baby Closet supplies those in need in the community with items for mothers-to-be and their children, including clothing, diapers and gift cards. See below for specific items needed.

We wish all our families a wonderful spring break! See you on March 25th.

Ann Laird, Principal

Upcoming Events

March 15-22

Spring Break - No School

March 26

Reconciliation, gr. 2-8

March 27-29

Gr. 5 - ELC

March 29

School Spirit Day

April 4

Stations of the Cross, 9:40am

April 5

NO SCHOOL - Staff Workday

April 9

Stations of the Cross, 8:15am

April 11

Gr. 1 Parent Lunch, 10:45am

April 12

School Spirit Day

A Health Message from our MV District Nurse...

The flu season is still upon us. Please help prevent the spread!. If your student experiences symptoms of "the flu", or influenza-like illness, please allow them the rest that they need and keep them home from school and other activities. Symptoms of influenza include a fever (of 100° or higher) and dry cough, sore throat, headache, body aches, and extreme tiredness. How do you treat the flu? Allow time for plenty of rest, lots of fluid and frequent hand-washing. Consult a healthcare provider if symptoms are severe or in the case of an underlying health condition that may indicate the need for treatment. In some cases, antiviral medication will be prescribed. Antiviral medication (when indicated) can lessen symptoms if started in the first day or two of illness. Remember to call the attendance line if your student is ill (651-633-2211 x 1119). If your student has influenza-like illness, please include that in your message. Thank you for helping us keep our community healthy!

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.

- ⇒ 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.

SJB Lenten Service Project 2019

This year we will be collecting maternity, baby, and children's items for our St. John's Maternity and Baby Closet.

All items will go to mothers and children in need in our community. Starred items are most needed.

We will be collecting the following items:

- New or gently used maternity clothing
- New or gently used infant clothing size newborn-24 months
- New or gently used toddler/children's clothing size 2T- 6 *
 - Diapers (especially bigger sizes) *
 - Wipes *
 - Baby blankets
 - Baby bibs
 - Crib Sheets
- Gift cards for baby formula (Cub, Target, Walmart)



Our collection will begin Wednesday, March 6th and will end Wednesday, April 17th.

Thank you for your generosity!

Any excess items will be donated to Abria or Birthright.

Merry Minstrels Performance

On Friday March 15 the Burlington Court at Northtown Mall will come alive with young folk dancers marking St. Patrick's Day in two performances at 1:00pm and 2:15pm. The Merry Minstrels, from St. John the Baptist School in New Brighton, will be back for the third time to entertain shoppers with their catchy folk songs, colorful costumes, and authentic English Morris Dancing. Audience members may be invited to participate, and will surely catch a glimpse of St. Patrick himself!



February JOY Students

Congratulations to our Student JOY winners for the month of February! These students displayed the virtue of Prudence during the month. Prudence is making good decisions in specific circumstances.



KG Alice M.

Gr. 1: Emmett L.

Gr. 2: Abby H.

Gr. 3: Jacob E.

Gr. 4: Audrey W.

Gr. 5: Ramzy A.

Gr. 6: Addy S.

Gr. 7: Abigail M.

Gr. 8: Grace H.

Art: Reese W.

Gym: Jalyn W.

J-Care: Alaina S.

Library: Camryn B.

Music: Grace M.

Spanish: Isabella M.

SJB Parish News

Join us Friday evenings during Lent

Mass at 5:30pm
 Soup Supper at 6:00pm
 Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm



WOMEN'S RETREAT 2019 | APRIL 13 | 8:15-3:30

A DAY SET ASIDE FOR WOMEN TO BE RENEWED AND
 STRENGTHENED WITH DEDICATED TIME
 FOR INSPIRATION, PRAYER,
 CONFESSION.

Through 3 Amazing Talks You Will:

- See your worth as women
- Find that you are called and strengthened through Christ
- Radiate the Holy Spirit

*"I have called you by name,
 and you are mine."*
 — Isaiah 43:1

With Retreat Master ~ Gina Bauer



Gina is a dynamic entertaining speaker, teacher, and trainer with over 30 years of experience in ministry.

Gina captivates and engages her audience with lively stories and humor. She is able to convey Catholic teachings in a compassionate, down-to-earth style that reaches the heart of her listeners. Her vocation as a wife and as a mother of four, personally connects her to audiences on a very real and practical level, drawing them into the beautiful love story we call the Catholic Faith.

Registrations
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 Sunday,
 April 7

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Marriage in Christ Seminar

Have you ever spent \$100 on a dinner at a restaurant with your spouse? It is easy to spend \$100 on a couple of movie nights, especially if you buy popcorn and pop and then go out for coffee and dessert to talk about the movie. It is easy to spend \$100 on a professional baseball game, a concert, or a play. Now think about the investment that you want/need to make in your marriage. Is your marriage worth \$100? Join us for the Marriage in Christ Seminar. If you can't afford the whole fee, but would like to attend, please let us know. We have scholarships or financial aid available



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

Where: Room 206.

Cost is \$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](#).