

From the Principal

St. John's School will host an Information Night/Open House next Tuesday, November 12th from 5:30-7:00pm. This open house is for families interested in learning more about St. John's School - tours will be available. Our current families are our best marketers - sharing your positive experiences about our school is the best way to encourage others to consider St. John's and fill our school. Please invite friends, family and neighbors to learn about the wonderful opportunities for their children at St. John the Baptist!

Parent-Teacher conferences will take place on Monday and Tuesday, November 25 and 26. We ask all our parents to meet with your child's teacher in the fall to discuss your child's progress so far and to look at next steps for the year. All families should have received an email with instructions on how to sign up. If you did not receive this email, please contact [Michelle Barsness](#).

Our annual Wines to Wishes Event is just a few short months away. The first planning meeting will be held next Wednesday, November 13th from 7-8:30pm in room 207 in the parish center. There are many pieces of this event that need volunteers, so please consider attending and helping to make this a successful fundraiser for our school. Can't make the meeting, but still want to help? Contact [Michelle Barsness](#).

Next Thursday, November 14th is Give to the Max Day in Minnesota. Donations made this year will go to offset the cost of upgrading the Wi-Fi in our building. The link is live now, so you may donate anytime through the 14th on the [SJB Give to the Max Link](#). Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.

Please see the following video - another in the series of parishioners living out the core values of St. John the Baptist. This video features a SJB alum, parent of a current student, and preschool morning Care Crew teacher, Melanie Dowell. We thank Melanie for the many ways she supports our parish and school. Click [HERE](#) for the video.

As the weather gets colder, please remember that our students will go outside for recess as long as the temperature is 0° F or above (including the windchill). Make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather.

Have a wonderful weekend-

Ann Laird, Principal

Upcoming Events

November 12

SJB Information Night 5:30-7pm

November 13

Preschool Grandparent Day

November 14

Preschool Grandparent Day

Gr. 4 Parent Lunch

[Give to the Max Day](#)

November 15

School Spirit Day

November 17

Advent Family Retreat

November 18

Book Fair during class time

November 19

Book Fair during class time

Climb Theatre

Give to the MAX!

Give to the Max Day is coming up on Thursday, November 14th. Our link is now live for our fundraising efforts - to complete our Wi-Fi upgrade to provide technology access for all. Donate now through Nov. 14th!

[SJB Give to the Max Link](#)



**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

Scholastic Book Fair at SJB

The Scholastic Book Fair will be at St. John's

November 18, 19 and 21 during class times

November 25-26 during conferences

Students will have the opportunity during their regular library class time to browse the selection have the option to buy a book or two. You may send in cash or check (to St. John's) with your child (in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name and book fair). A new option this year is eWallet. Parents may sign in, add your credit card and an amount your child may spend. Anything they DON'T spend, does NOT get charged onto your account. The eWallet option is now available for families - click on the Book Fair link below.

Please go to the SJB Scholastic Book Fair homepage to find more information and to sign up to volunteer. Volunteers must have their Virtus training up-to-date.

[Book Fair Volunteer SignUp](#)

[St. John's Scholastic Book Fair](#)



J-Care - Thanksgiving Week

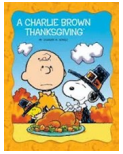
Monday, November 25: Cooking with Mrs. B. Wacek
Make your own homemade pizza and dessert



Tuesday, November 26: Grand Slam
Unlimited laser tag, mini golf, batting cages, crazy cars along with 4 game tokens & a hot dog for lunch.



Wednesday, November 27: Charlie Brown Thanksgiving
Join us for a Charlie Brown Thanksgiving "dinner" (buttered toast, pretzel sticks, popcorn, jelly beans and ice cream sundaes) and watch the movie



Any questions or to register please contact [Alison Wacek](#) at 651.633.1522 X1127

8th Grade Washington DC Poinsettia Fundraiser

Are you looking to add a little Christmas color to your home? The 8th grade class at St. John's School is selling poinsettia plants to raise money for their upcoming trip to Washington D.C.



Plants are available in pink, white or red in sizes 4.5" (\$9), 6.5" (\$15) and 8.5" (\$25). Order forms may be found below or in the school office.

Orders and payment will be accepted through Thursday, November 21st - bring to the school office (Monday – Friday 7:30am-3:30pm) or drop it off at the Welcome Desk in St. Paul Plaza.

Plants will be available for pick-up on Friday, December 6th from 2:30pm - 4:00pm, Saturday, December 7th after 4:30 pm Mass or Sunday, December 8th after 8:30am and 10:30am Masses in St. Paul Plaza. If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Carroll carrollj@stjohnnyb.org or 651-633-1522 x1111.

SCRIP Ordering at SJB

St. John's offers a gift card program through Shop with Scrip to all of our current families. The concept is simple: you purchase gift cards for face value and our school then earns a percentage rebate from that gift card purchase. For every rebate earned, 75% of the cost will be applied directly to your student's tuition account and 25% will be allocated to general support of the school. Allocation of rebates uses a June 1-May 31 calendar. All rebates earned are then applied to tuition in August for the upcoming school year. If you are interested in learning more or signing up for the program, please contact the school office. Below is the tentative Scrip Order and Delivery Schedule – additional dates may be added based on volume of orders

<u>Order deadline (noon)</u>	<u>Delivery Date</u>
November 25	November 29
December 9	December 13
January 13	January 17
February 24	February 28
March 23	March 27
April 20	April 24
May 18	May 22



The Catholic Watchmen

Calling all Catholic Men! As we mature into the autumn season, "fall" back into a deeper devotion by growing in your faith through Watchmen. Come join the St. John's Catholic Watchmen. The next meeting is **Thursday, November 14th**, from 6:30-9:00pm in St. Joseph's Hall.

Join other St. John's men for fellowship, food, beverage, and a new presentation to help you grow in your faith.

Questions? Contact [Fr. Paul](#)



Middle School Open Youth Room

Attention students in grades 6-8: Join us for Middle School Open Youth Room on Thursdays from 2:30-4:00pm

"Inviting In" Family Advent Retreat

What are simple ways to invite Jesus into our homes during Advent to make the season of Advent more meaningful for your family? Please join us immediately following 10:30 Mass on Sunday, November 17th for the Family Advent Retreat. We will have tacos for lunch, and we ask that you bring a side or dessert to share. We will do a fun group activity and then have a break-out session for kids based on age while the adults hear a talk. We will end with an easy luminary craft that will bring the Holy Family into our homes. "Invite In" a family to join us!

Community New and Events



TG Wrestling Clinic

TG is hosting a wrestling clinic for boys in grades K-3 in November and early December. The clinic will be held on Mondays and Thursdays at the TG wrestling room from 5:30-6:30pm. To register or for more information, see or complete the form below.

[TG Wrestling Clinic](#)



The Totino-Grace community warmly welcomes you to join us for our annual holiday event for members and friends of the Totino-Grace community.

Breakfast with Santa
Saturday, December 7, 2019
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Totino-Grace High School

Our young guests can participate in games and activities, take a photo with Santa, and enjoy breakfast treats with the whole family. Visit www.totinograce.org to learn more.





**8th Grade Washington D.C. Poinsettia
Fundraiser Order Form**

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

	Red	White	Pink	Total	Amount
4.5 in \$9.00					
6.5 in \$15.00					
8.5 in \$25.00					

**All orders are due November 21st.
Checks payable to St. John the Baptist**

**Pick up:
Friday, December 6th 2:30-4:00pm
Saturday, December 7th after 4:30pm mass
Sunday, December 8th after 8:30 and 10:30 masses**