

# Principal's Bulletin

## From the Principal

As the 3rd week of Advent comes to a close, our time to prepare for the Lord's coming gets closer. Make sure to take some time to slow down and to prepare during this busy last week before Christmas.

Each family should receive the DVD, CHOSEN, as well as a Christmas Card from Father Paul. We would like to thank Harmon and Hartman Financial Group for being our Christmas Sponsor. Father Paul will be holding two Zoom Sharing Session on the CHOSEN for any of our families to discuss the series. Below is a message from Fr. Paul and links to the Zoom sessions with him:

The "Chosen" series was sent home this week as a Christmas gift to your family. The series presents Jesus in a very real and personal way and I believe you and your family will enjoy it. I encourage you to watch the series over the break. For those of you with younger children, you could start with the 3<sup>rd</sup> episode "Jesus Loves the Little Children." In January, join me for one of the two zoom sessions to review and discuss the series. I will ask the students to share one thing they learned and what was their favorite episode, scene or character and why. As a result of participating in one of the zoom meetings with me, your student(s) will receive a non-uniform pass to use at school. My two meetings will be Tuesday January 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm or Thursday January 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm. The whole family is welcome to participate on the zoom call. Be assured of my prayers for you and your families this Advent and Christmas Season! We are grateful to have you as a part of our community!



For the latest information, please see the COVID section of the St. John's School website:

**SJB COVID  
INFORMATION**

If your child is sick or will be missing school for any reason or if you have questions as to whether they should stay home or for how long, please contact one of the following:

School Office - Joy Thienes:  
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651-633-1522 x1118

Attendance line/School Nurse - Sara Frankson  
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### Zoom Meeting #1:

Topic: Chosen Series Review with Fr. Paul  
Time: Jan 5, 2021 06:30 PM  
<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/85689304329?pwd=TjRRZWdWd3Npa3NCaGZ1b1Z2TkliZz09>  
Meeting ID: 856 8930 4329  
Passcode: ub4nE8

### Zoom Meeting #2

Topic: Chosen Series Review with Fr. Paul  
Time: Jan 7, 2021 03:30 PM  
<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/83021571324?pwd=enAxTmkzQWNmeWNENFVaVEpwMVNFZz09>  
Meeting ID: 830 2157 1324  
Passcode: 3tLnrR

Christmas break begins today and I want to take this opportunity to thank you for all your assistance in helping us get here. A reminder that all students will be distance learning the week of January 4-8. Students will be coming home with all their books and materials for our distance learning week today. NOTE: IF YOU REQUESTED A DEVICE for your child to use during this week, YOU MAY PICK IT UP IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE BETWEEN 2:30-4:30p today - computers will not be sent home with students on the bus. For those who may have missed the email this week about the upcoming distant learning week, the information can be found by clicking [HERE](#).

COVID Update: We sent out an update regarding COVID on Wednesday. Please click [HERE](#) to find this information on our school website.

Finally, please join us at St. John's for Christmas Mass - either in-person or virtually. Please see the Parish website for information on Mass times and Reconciliation opportunities: [Advent and Christmas Season](#)

Wishing you all a wonderful CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR! We look forward to seeing you in 2021! In person school resumes Monday, January 11th.

Ms. Ann Laird, Principal

## SJB Parish News



### Journey to the Inn - Follow the Star with the Wisemen



#### Save the Date!

Join us on Saturday, January 9th at 6:00pm in the west parking lot for our Journey to the Inn . We will follow the Wise Men to the gym lot and drive by the living manger scene with the Holy Family and the animals. We will listen to the Bible story and Christmas carols over the FM station.

**DECORATE YOUR CAR WITH A HAPPY BIRTHDAY SIGN FOR JESUS!**

**A SPECIAL TREAT FOR EVERYONE WILL BE PROVIDED!**

### First Sacraments

Families of our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders are hard at work completing their home lessons as they prepare to receive God's mercy in their First Reconciliation. Please keep these children in your prayers.

Upcoming date reminders for registered families:

- \* First Reconciliation Retreat -Sunday January 24, 2021
- \* First Reconciliation – Saturday February 20, 2021
- \* First Eucharist Parent Meeting – Thursday February 25, 2021
- \* First Eucharist Retreat – Sunday April 11, 2021
- \* First Eucharist – May 1 and 2, 2021



If your child is not yet registered email Jessica at [balzarinij@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:balzarinij@stjohnnyb.org)