

# Principal's Bulletin

## From the Principal

HAPPY APRIL!!!

We are entering the home stretch of Lent, the 5th week of Lent starts Sunday. We are continuing to help our students grow closer to the Lord during this time. Our students in grades 2-8 will have the opportunity to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday, April 6th. During Holy Week we will spend time each day reliving Jesus' final days and celebrating His resurrection.

Thank you for all your donations for our Lenten Service Project for our Families Helping Families event. We have received many wonderful items and are so grateful for our families' generosity. Join us tonight from 5:30-8:30p for dinner (provided) and to serve those in need. It is a great way to begin these last two weeks of Lent. We invite you to come this evening even if you cannot be here the full 3 hours - come for as short or long a time as you are able. See below for more information and I look forward to seeing you tonight.

Next Tuesday, the Mounds View District health staff will be at St. John's to conduct vision/hearing screenings on students in grades K, 1, 3 and 5. Any students who receive additional services, those who are new to St. John's this year, or students who are teacher-referred will also be tested, regardless of grade. If there are any concerns, parents will receive a referral notification in the days following. We are in need of 2-3 parent volunteers to help on Tuesday morning from approximately 8:30am - 12:00pm. If your Virtus is up-to-date and you are free that morning, please let the school office know - contact Joy Thienes at [thienesj@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:thienesj@stjohnnyb.org).

Here's a look at some other upcoming items:

- Sunday, April 3rd is the First Communion Retreat for all the 2nd graders who will be receiving their First Communion on April 30th and May 1st.
- Stations of the Cross on Friday, April 8th at 1:00pm in the Church.
- There will be NO district bussing on Friday, April 8th. The charter buses to the Blaine area will run normally.
- No School for students in preschool through grade 8 on Good Friday, April 15th or Easter Monday, April 18th. J-Care and Care Crew will NOT be available on either of these dates.
- The Parish sponsored Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 16th from 10-12. Join us for this fun event which includes goodie bags, prize table, and crafts along with a hunt for Easter eggs, of course! Also we are still in need of one more volunteer to help with this event. Click [here](#) to volunteer.

Finally, a reminder that there is NO SCHOOL tomorrow, April 1st for all students in preschool through grade 8. Staff will be participating in a Parish and School Staff Retreat. There is no J-Care or Care Crew tomorrow.

I hope everyone has a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you tonight at the Families Helping Families event.

Ms. Ann Laird, Principal



St. John the Baptist PTO is hosting the *Families Helping Families* event this Lent!

**Join us TONIGHT, March 31st  
from 5:30-8:30pm in St. Joseph Hall**

We will begin with pizza and then families will be invited to help at a variety of tables for the following service projects:

- \* Tie fleece blankets to donate to families and parish or community members in need
- \* Decorate a placemat that will be shared with our neighboring nursing home
- \* Make a card for our homebound parishioners this Easter
- \* Fill Easter baskets with gifts and goodies to be delivered to our homebound parishioners
- \* Put together bags for the families of National Guard soldiers and airman who are deployed
- \* Put together Birthday Bags for the Ralph Reeder Food Shelf

***Almsgiving is one of the 3 pillars of Lent and we are called to serve others during this time. Bring the family to help out other families in our community in a tangible way.***

## Summer J-Care

With summer fast approaching, we are busy planning for a fun-filled summer of activities and events. J-Care offers a fun and unique experience that gives kids the opportunity to meet new friends and socialize, explore and discover new interests, be physically active and create lasting memories. With most field trip places open once again, J-Care will be heading off to all kinds of different places. We will be going to Nickelodeon Universe, Conquer Ninja Warrior, Crayola Experience, waterparks, and many more exciting places.

J-Care registration is now open. To find summer registration materials go to the school website and click on [Summer J-Care](#) for calendars, registration materials and more. Submit your child's registration form by Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> and you will receive \$10.00 off each child's registration fee. Contact [Alison Wacek](#) with questions.



**Holy Saturday, April 16, 2022**

10:00am Blessing - West Lot  
Egg hunt:

K & under at school playground  
1st & up at Vet's Park

**Games, Crafts, Goodie Bags**

**Refreshments for sale by**

**Youth Group**

Bring your own basket or bag for the the hunt.  
The event will be held outside so please dress for the weather!

Children must be accompanied by adult

Questions? Email  
[livermontj@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:livermontj@stjohnnyb.org)

### Please Pray for Our RCIA Candidates!

Keep in your thoughts and prayers our Becoming Catholic RCIA Sponsors and their Candidates who will be received into full communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

Sponsors in back row: Jenn Turner, Dana Masek, Dan Lasky, Chris Seiple and Trish Cleary

Candidates in front row: Katrina Smith, Jaime Turnbull, Evan Peters, Matt Markus and Beth Griffith



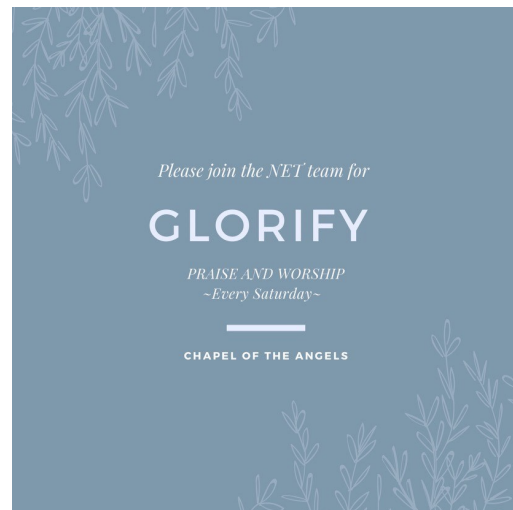
# SJB Parish News



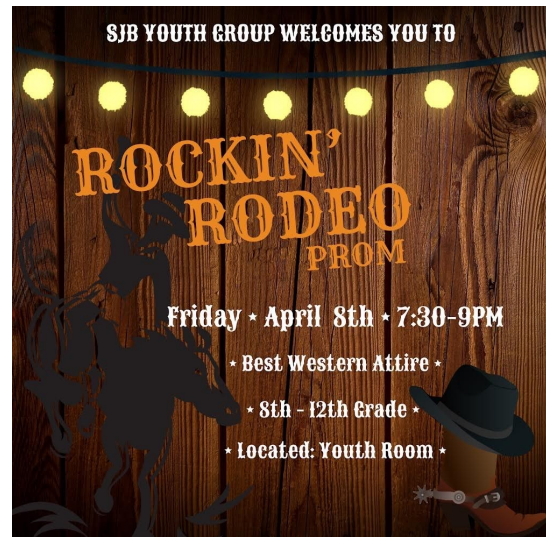
## NO OPEN YOUTH ROOM

### THURSDAY, APRIL 14TH - HOLY THURSDAY

**GLORIFY:** Start your weekend off right with PRAISE! Join the NET Team in the Chapel of the Angels every Saturday @ 10:00-11:00am for praise & worship, complete with live music and themes and exhortations inspired by scripture. The doors are wide open, so come on in! (Time may be different on Holy Saturday)



**ROCKIN' RODEO PROM - ATTENTION ALL 8TH GRADERS:** The Youth Group will be hosting a very special Rockin' Rodeo Prom open to Grades 8-12! We'll have plenty of snacks, music, dancing, and FUN! Come on Friday April 8th @ 7:30-9:00pm dressed in your Wild West best. Hope y'all can join us!



## Vacation Bible School 2022 The Armor of God

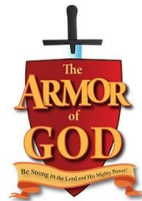
There are still a few spots available in this year's VBS - register your child now!

**WHEN:** Tuesday, June 14 - Thursday, June 16

**TIME:** 9:00am-12:00pm

**WHO:** Students 3 years old (and potty trained) through students entering Kindergarten

**COST:** \$30 (T-shirt included)



We will read stories, make crafts, pray, play, have snacks, and playground time. VBS is a fun way to experience Christ's teachings through hands-on play with friends from school and church. On our last day we will end with a big, water extravaganza! Come join the fun!

To get more information or to register, go to the SJB Parish website at: <https://stjohnnb.com/faith-formation/children/vacation-bible-school/>