

From the Principal

September 15, 2022

Blessings to you all in the second week of school. Things here have been busy at SJB, but we are moving right along and getting used to the routine of the school day. We have had our classrooms blessed, held our parent information meetings, held our first PTO meeting, and we are gearing up for the SJB FallFest and Non-Public School Marathon. We hope the year has started well for you too.

This Sunday is Catechetical Sunday and on this day the Church reflects on that role that we all play in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel by virtue of Baptism. This weekend, the St. John's parish community will acknowledge and bless those that serve in this role here at St. John's - both in the school and parish. In addition to staff, we ask that parents also come and receive this blessing as the first and primary teachers of the faith for their children. The Catechesis Blessing will take place during the masses this Sunday, September 18th at 8:30am, 10:30am, and 5:30pm.

SJB FallFest will be held on the weekend of Friday, September 23rd-Sunday, September 25th. Join us for games, food, live music, fellowship, and fun. This is also a great way to get some of your 20 volunteer hours done. Please click [HERE](#) for the sign up to volunteer. For more information about the Fall Fest check out the schedule below or go to the [parish website](#) for all the details. The FallFest committee is also looking for prize donations for the children's games. See below for a list of the items needed.

Non-Public School Marathon information was sent home this week. In the packet you will find a description about the Marathon, prizes or incentives, and collection dates. Our first collection date is Wednesday, September 21st. This year's goal is \$60,000.00. All money raised will be used for school operating expenses. Please remember that your company may be able to match any money donated so please check with them. Finally, the Marathon will be held on Saturday, October 1st at Central Park in Roseville. The event runs from 8:00am-1:00pm so families may come at any point during that time, however, we will join as a community at the SJB pavilion area for prayer at 9:00am followed by a SJB school "parade" or lap around the lake. Students should check in at the SJB area to receive their non-uniform passes for Monday, October 3rd. Please plan to join us.

Our first Faith, Family and Fellowship morning is coming up on Wednesday, September 28th and we will host our 7th grade families this month. Please join us for Mass followed by a short program in the Church and then fellowship and treats in St. Joseph Hall. Email invitations will be coming out soon to our seventh grade families.

Just a reminder that we are still looking for some positions. Below are the links to those positions. Please share them with others who might be interested.

- \* [PE Teacher/Athletic Director](#)
- \* [J-Care Coordinator](#)

Tuesday, September 20th is our first PTO-sponsored Non-Uniform for Teachers day. Students who bring in at least \$1.00 may come to school out of uniform on this day.

Have a wonderful weekend! Be sure to join us for Mass on Sunday for the Catechesis Blessing.

Ms. Ann Laird, Principal



Upcoming Events:

Non-Uniform for Teachers Tues, Sept 20
All School Mass Wed., Sept 21, 8:30am
Parish FallFest Sept 23-25
All School Mass - Gr. 7 FFF Wed., Sept 28, 8:30am

### PM Pickup Changes

Due to the setup for the parish FallFest, beginning on Wednesday, September 21st, the main church parking lot will be closed for parking. The lot will be closed from September 21 - Monday, September 26.



This means that all those who are picking up their children from school in the afternoon will need to park on neighboring streets around the church/school and walk to the sidewalk in front of the church to pick up your child(ren). Please be patient and allow for extra time during these few days.

We thank you, in advance, for your cooperation and flexibility while the parish gets ready for the festival weekend.

## Is my child well enough for school?


Families often wonder whether their student should stay home or attend school when they have symptoms of a mild illness. The following guidelines are intended to help with this decision.

If your student:

- Has a fever of 100° degrees or more, they should stay home for 24 hours after the temperature returns to normal without fever reducing medication.
- Has vomited or has had diarrhea, the student should stay home until 24 hours after the last episode.
- Has a rash that may be disease-related or the cause is unknown, check with their health care provider before sending your student to school.

If your student is ill, please keep your student home and report the symptoms or illness using the attendance line or via email for tracking and attendance purposes. If your child has a contagious illness such as chicken pox, strep throat, pertussis, influenza, or COVID-19, please indicate that in your message or call the School Office directly.

Attendance line: 651-633-2211 x 1119 voicemail  
Main School Office line: 651-633-1522 x 1118  
[thienesj@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:thienesj@stjohnnyb.org) (Joy Thienes - school office)  
[healthoffice@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:healthoffice@stjohnnyb.org) (health office email)



**LET'S APPRECIATE OUR  
TEACHERS ALL YEAR!**

*Please Join us for the*

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST SCHOOL'S PTO

**NON-UNIFORM  
FUNDRAISER!**

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**PTO NON UNIFORM DAY**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th**

TEACHER NAME \_\_\_\_\_

- \$1.00 MINIMUM DONATION -

PROCEEDS WILL GO TO SUPPORT PTO SPONSORED  
ACTIVITIES FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS!!!



## SJB Preschool Corner

If you have any preschool related questions, please contact Andrea Schroeder [schroedera@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:schroedera@stjohnnyb.org)

### [Preschool Links](#)

[Care Crew Sign Up](#)

[Enlightener - Preschool Newsletter](#)

[Preschool Year Calendar](#)

[Monthly Classroom Calendars](#)

### **Preschool Job Openings Care Crew Teachers**

SJB Preschool is looking to hire additional Care Crew teachers for our after-school program. Hours are approximately 2:30-5:30pm Monday - Friday. If you or someone you know may be interested, contact Andrea Schroeder at [schroedera@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:schroedera@stjohnnyb.org)

# SJB Parish News

## Middle School Youth Events and Updates

### Open Youth Room (OYR)

Tuesdays 2:30-4pm: Come hang out, play games, and grow in faith and friendship with other middle schoolers from SJB! No registration necessary.

### Middle School Youth Group (MSYG)

2nd Friday of the Month 7-8:30pm: Oct 14, Nov 10, Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 24

Gather as a larger middle school community to play games, receive a message, and pray. No registration is necessary.

### Middle School Faith Formation (MSFF)

Wednesdays 6-7:30pm: Engaging and dynamic study of scripture. Competitive, creative, collaborative and much more. Students in 6-8th grade will take a journey through the Old Testament from Genesis to Babylon. Cost is \$65. Register at <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/5f95cd2c-e966-49da-8ecc-0b1f86f9e907>.

### We need your help!

We are hoping to do a lot of amazing things in the middle school this year, BUT we can't do it without amazing volunteers! If you are open to volunteering for one of the programs, contact Sarah [Wilder@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:Wilder@stjohnnyb.org). \* This volunteering can also count towards the 20 hour family commitment

## Sacramental Preparation and Celebration at St. John's

The Catholic Church welcomes all to faith in Jesus Christ and grace in her Sacramental life. Preparation and celebration follow the development of the child and include the family. Learn more below about how we can accompany you in your faith journey. For more information contact Jill Fink, Director of Catechesis at 651.633.1540 ext. 1280 or [finkj@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:finkj@stjohnnyb.org).

### First Sacraments

First Reconciliation and First Communion are completed during second grade. Register at: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/7c0254f2-7e5f-4b62-aa76-ab3cbab71630>

### Baptism

The Catholic Church welcomes all ages to the Sacrament of Baptism. Celebration of baptism is schedule once a month typically the third Sunday of the month. Register at: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/d7c49e75-72f9-4db3-acf9-9f8fe9ac6b42>

### RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation for Children)

RCIC is for children between ages 8 and 14 who have completed second grade and are looking to celebrate the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and First Reconciliation. Students who have been baptized and need Eucharist and First Reconciliation are also welcomed. Parents accompany the child in the process with regular meetings. Register at: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/62ab1d59-3c8b-49ee-9181-df1e44beecff>

### Becoming Catholic RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

RCIA is the process by which adult men and women are initiated into the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. Baptized adults also are welcome to complete initiation sacraments. Sessions meet weekly from mid-September until after Easter on Thursday evenings from 7:00—9:00 pm in Room 206.

# DONATIONS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN'S GAMES

- 2 Liter bottles of pop
- Nonperishable food items - chips, cookies, cereal, jello and pudding packs, pop tarts, etc.
- Candy - Fun Dips, airheads, suckers, theater sized candy, etc. Any candy kids like!!
- Monetary donations are also accepted.



Any questions call Jeanne Breske at 651-633-4270

## FallFest Bags Tournament!

Grab a partner and show off your backyard gaming skills!

Teams of all kinds are welcome: dads & daughters, moms & sons, best friends, neighbors, teammates... you dream it up and you'll be welcome to participate.

**Who:** You and a partner!

**When:** Saturday, September 24 at 2:00 pm - during St. John's FallFest

**Where:** In the outfield of St. John's baseball field (in the gym if raining)

**Cost:** \$30 per team

**Prizes:** \$200 for 1st Place \* \$100 for 2nd Place \* \$50 for 3rd Place

Plus DOOR PRIZE DRAWING for all participants who are registered by September 19th.

**Register:** [FallFest Bags Tournament](#)



# FALLFEST SCHEDULE



SCAN FOR INFORMATION ON OUR WEBSITE



### SATURDAY

September 17, 2022  
FallFest Golf Tournament  
4-person "Best Ball" ~ 7:45 am Start  
Brightwood Hills Golf Course

### FRIDAY

September 23, 2022  
5:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
Kids and Adult Games ~ 5:00 pm-10:00 pm  
Inflatables for all ages ~ 5:00 pm-7:00 pm  
Men's Fellowship & Knights of Columbus Pig Roast ~ 5:00 pm  
Grill the Priests ~ 5:30 pm-6:30 pm  
The Good, The Bad and The Funky ~ 7:00 pm

### SATURDAY

September 24, 2022  
2:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
Fun Run, 5K & 1 mile ~ 9:00 am  
Food and drink concessions  
Kids Games ~ 2:00 pm-10:00 pm  
BINGO hosted by Knights of Columbus ~ 2:00 pm-7:30 pm  
Inflatables for all ages ~ 2:00 pm-7:00 pm  
Car Show ~ 2:00 pm-5:00 pm  
"Bags" Tournament ~ 2:00 pm  
Adult Games ~ 4:00 pm-10:00 pm  
Mass with Multi-Cultural Music ~ 4:30 pm  
Necessary Diversion ~ 5:30 pm-7:00 pm  
GB Leighton ~ 7:30 pm-10:00 pm  
Fireworks ~ 10:00 pm

### SUNDAY

September 25, 2022  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Mass with Polka Music ~ 10:30 am  
Booya ~ 11:00 am 'til gone  
(Take-out starts at 12:30 pm)  
Kids Games ~ 11:00 am-3:00 pm  
Inflatables for all ages ~ 11:00 am-10:00 pm  
The Baron of Bubble ~ 11:00 am-3:00 pm  
Designer Purse Bingo ~ 1:00 pm-3:00 pm  
Food and drink concessions  
Grand Raffle ~ 3:00 pm



[FALL FEST INFORMATION](#)

[VOLUNTEERS NEEDED](#)

## Sunday School

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Sunday School is discipleship training for our littlest disciples (ages 3 through kindergarten). The sessions consist of a bible story and lesson (which follows the lectionary), songs, crafts, and saint stories. We meet most Sundays during the 8:30 am and 10:30 am Masses from October through April. All children must be registered prior to attending/participating in the Sunday School program. All children must be potty trained to enroll. Registration is now open on our website <https://stjohnnb.com/faith-formation/children/> and you can also find our calendar here as well.



**Early bird pricing is happening now!**  
**Sunday School Orientation is September 18<sup>th</sup> after the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses.**

Email Jen Livermont at [livermontj@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:livermontj@stjohnnyb.org) with questions.

## Family Formation

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Could you and your family benefit from learning more about who Jesus is and how your family can put Him at the center of your family life? This is a great way to take what your kids are learning at school and live a more faithful family life at home. Family Formation has a new program out this year that addresses those topics for everyone - whether you are new to the Catholic faith, those interested in learning more and those already committed.



The Family Formation program is for families with children in preschool through 5th grade where parents and children grow in discipleship together. Family Formation is designed for parents to be equipped to fulfill their call to be the first and foremost educators of their children's faith. This program is offered in-person on the first Wednesday of every month of the formation year (October - May) with a Kick-Off event in September. Parents attend a speaker on the topic for the month while students meet in grade specific classes for catechesis. Parents will receive materials and guidance to teach their children three additional lessons at home during the rest of the month.

Registration is now open on our website <https://stjohnnb.com/faith-formation/children/> and you can also find more information and our calendar here as well.

**Early bird pricing is happening now!**  
**Family Formation Kick-Off is September 21st.**

Email Jen Livermont at [livermontj@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:livermontj@stjohnnyb.org) with questions.

## Childcare Help Needed

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We are looking for childcare help for Wednesday and/or Thursday mornings. This could be either a paid position or a volunteer position (This would count towards the school's volunteer hour commitment). We have other daytime, evening and weekend times when we need childcare help on a sporadic basis. Help us support this important ministry! In the past we have sometimes had employees and volunteers bring a young child with them to childcare so it can be a nice way for a young child not yet in school to get some socialization while you earn some extra money! Please email Jen Livermont at [livermontj@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:livermontj@stjohnnyb.org) if you have questions or to sign up for this important ministry. All childcare workers must be up-to-date on their Virtus E3 Requirements.