



From the Principal

April 13, 2023

HAPPY EASTER! Over the next 6 weeks we will be celebrating Easter and rejoicing that God is alive. Take some time and reflect how you can develop a relationship with the living God. Maybe it can be through a more consistent prayer time, maybe it is getting to Mass/Church every Sunday, or maybe it is asking God to help you develop habits that build up his community rather than tear it down. Join us in this challenge to live in God's kingdom on Earth so we can be with him in Heaven. See below for the photos of our Easter coloring contest winners - they are also on display outside the school office.

Reminder: Busing will be available tomorrow, April 14th (this was listed incorrectly in last week's bulletin). The next district non-busing day is next Friday, April 21st (Blaine buses will run normally on this date).

We have about 8 weeks left of the 2022-2023 school year. As is the case every spring, this time of year is busy and there is a lot going on at SJB. Below are just a few of them:

- Sunday, April 23rd is our K-2 grade level Mass at 10:30am. All students in grades kindergarten, first and second grades who attend Mass and wear their uniform will get an out of uniform slip. Check in with Mrs. Barsness following Mass.
- SJB PTO is sponsoring a Feed My Starving Children event on Friday, April 28th. See below for details and to sign up to attend.
- Our 8th grade students will be traveling to Washington, D.C. from Tuesday, May 2nd thru Friday, May 5th. They will spend the week learning about our nation's history.
- Our Spring Family Fun Night will be on Friday, May 5th from 5:30-7:30pm. Join us for some games, food, fun and a book fair! More information to come.
- On the weekend of May 6-7, our second grade students will be receiving their First Communion. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue to prepare for this wonderful sacrament.
- Wednesday, May 10th is our May Crowning Mass at 8:30am. This is also the beginning of our celebrations of our 8th graders. Archbishop Hebda will be celebrating Mass with us that day.

As you may know, the Minnesota State Legislature passed a bill for free lunches for all students effective next school year. We are still waiting on specifics and the requirements to qualify for this program. We will keep you updated as we know more.

Congratulations to all those school families who came into the Catholic Church this past weekend at the Easter Vigil. We are so pleased that you are part of our community. Welcome! See below for a photo.

We are in the process of reviewing tuition assistance requests for the 2023-2024 school year. In addition to the tuition assistance, we also have the SJB Discipleship Grant. This grant is for all those who are active parishioners at St. John's Church. All grant application must be in by April 27th. Please click here for more information and to apply: [SJB Discipleship Grant Application](#)

Upcoming Events:

Grade 2 - Mill City Museum
April 14

Grade 8 Retreat
April 17

Grade 7 - TG Engineering
April 17

Grade 4 - Science Museum
April 19

No Busing
Friday, April 21

K-2 Grades Sunday Mass
Sunday, April 23 at 10:30am

After School Art Class

There are still two sessions available to join Mrs. Perez for an after school art class this April! During this session, students will have the opportunity to make a wreath shaped with love, and made in the color way of your choice!

Who: SJB students K - 8
Time: 2:30-4:00 p.m.

When: 2 Thurs sessions;
1 wreath per session; 4/20 & 4/27
Cost: \$15 each session



[Wreath Class Registration](#)

****Please be sure to note which day you are signing up for!** Fees for classes will be added to your Tads account.

STUDENT NEED TO BE ABLE TO TIE A KNOT

I will be out of the school office next week. Please reach out to Joy Thienes at thienesj@stjohnnyb.org or via the main office phone at 651-633-1522 x 1118 if you need immediate assistance while I am out.

Have a wonderful weekend and a great week next week!

Blessings-

Ms. Ann Laird, Principal

SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY APRIL 28, 2023

7:00 PM- 8:45 PM

Feed My Starving Children

401 93rd Ave NW

Coon Rapids, MN 55433

SJB PTO



Grades K-2: 1 Student
to 1 adult

Grades 3-6: 3 students
to 1 adult

Grades 7-12: 4
students to 1 adult

Children under the
age of 5 are not
allowed in the
packing area (No
Exceptions)



[REGISTER HERE](#)

St John the Baptist PTO:
Feed My Starving Children

[Sign Up Genius](#)

Contact: Bobbi Jo Grantz:
grantzfam14@gmail.com

SJB Parish News



Congratulations to our Adults and Youth who were received into full communion with the Catholic Church this Easter Vigil. We had 4 baptisms, 9 profession of faith, 14 confirmations and 15 first communions. Pictured here are all the candidates. We had many school parents come into the catholic church this year. Continue to pray for their journey of faith.

Thinking of Becoming Catholic?

Becoming Catholic
RCIA Information Session

Sunday, April 30
9:30 am

(time convenient between the morning Masses)

St. Joseph Hall

no registration necessary
come for information for yourself or to give to a friend



For more information contact
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Director of Catechesis
651.633.1540 ext 1280 or
finkj@stjohnnyb.org



devoted



Loyal | Faithful | True

Date: April 26

Time: 7:30 pm Social Time
8:00 pm Event Start

Where: St. Joseph Hall

Devoted is a monthly gathering for ALL women. It's a time for you to take a breath, do something for yourself, and be filled. Come be encouraged and inspired through prayer, dynamic speakers, wine, and chocolate.

Bridget Fink is our speaker this month and she will be sharing the story of discovering her mission of baking bread.

Jesus Nights with Damascus and the CYSC Community

Friday, April 21st 7:00-9:00pm in the SJB Gym

Jesus Night is our last middle school event of the school year and we will be partnering with Damascus Catholic Mission Campus to offer an exciting evening of games, a message, and adoration with praise and worship. Whether you have been to camp or not, you are welcome!

5th-8th graders from across the metro will be joining us for this fun evening! Registration is required.

Pre-registration is recommended. On-site registration will be available.

Registration Link: <https://form.jotform.com/222856310783155>

Questions? Email Teresa Wilder at teresa@damascus.net or Sarah Wilder at wilders@stjohnnyb.org

JESUS
NIGHTS

EXTENDED EDITION

7-9PM



