

From the Principal

April 6, 2023

As we enter into the Triduum, the final days of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, we are grateful for Jesus' great act of love by dying and rising so that we may have eternal life and rejoice in Easter. We invite you to celebrate these liturgies with us here at St. John's. Below is our liturgy schedule for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter. We look forward to seeing you there.

Holy Thursday, April 6th

7:00pm: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper (with incense)

8:30pm - 12:00am: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (St. Joseph Hall)

Good Friday, April 7th

12:00pm: Stations of the Cross

3:00pm: Solemn Good Friday Liturgy (traditional with incense)

8:30pm: Tenebrae - A Service of Darkness and Shadows

*****The Church will be open all day for your prayer*****

Holy Saturday, April 8th

10:00am: Egg Hunt

12:00pm: Blessing of the Food (Church)

8:30pm: The Great Easter Vigil (with incense)

Easter Sunday, April 9th

7:30am: Easter Sunday Mass

9:30am: Easter Sunday Mass (Choir, with incense)

11:30am: Easter Sunday Mass

Join us for our Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8th at 10am. This is a great way to kick off your Easter celebration. Hope to see you there. The Egg Hunt is still in need of volunteers to make this great event happen! These hours count towards your school volunteer requirement. We are also in need of middle schoolers and high schoolers to help run games. Please sign up on our Sign Up Genius here: [SJB Egg Hunt Volunteer Signup](#)

There are several people entering the Church during Easter including some SJB school families. Please pray for them and all those who have chosen to enter the Catholic Faith.

Upcoming Events:

No School - Good Friday

Friday, April 7

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 8 at 10:00am

No School - Easter Monday

Monday, April 10

No Busing

Friday, April 14

Grade 8 Retreat

April 17

Rite of Christian Initiation



Our elect and candidates in the Becoming Catholic RCIA program are nearing their reception into full communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. Please continue to pray for our candidates, their sponsors and catechists as they prepare to become Catholic!



We have several parents from the school who will be celebrating sacraments at the Easter Vigil this year: Liz Grosjean, Saira Voller, Ricky and Stephanie Longnecker, Joe Knudtson, Emily Blageo and Jessica Bosquez

For information on the Becoming Catholic RCIA program, contact Jill Fink, Director of Catechesis at 651.633.1540 ext. 1280 or

finkj@stjohnnyb.org.

Finally, a reminder that there is no school for all students in grades preschool thru grade 8 tomorrow, Good Friday, April 7th and Easter Monday, April 10th. There is no Care Crew or J-Care available on either day.

The entire staff of St. John the Baptist wishes all our families a Blessed Triduum and Easter.

Ms. Ann Laird, Principal

Yearbooks - Final Order Opportunity!

Order a 2022-2023 SJB Yearbook now! Our yearbook includes student pictures from preschool through 8th grade as well as candid photos that are taken throughout the school year. The cost is \$12 per book, and the books will arrive before the end of the school year.



Orders need to be placed by April 7th using the following link:

<https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A09827506>

April After School Art

Join Mrs. Perez for an after school art class this April! She is offering 4 sessions where students will have the opportunity to add some color and texture to their bedroom wall or to their door with a wreath shaped with love, and made in the color way of your choice! Class is open to students in grade K-8, but note that students will need to know how to tie a knot.

Students will complete a wreath at each session, so sign up for one session or multiple dates and make wreaths gifts!

Heart-Shaped Fabric Rag Wreath

Who: SJB students in kindergarten – grade 8

Time: 2:30-4:00 p.m.

When: 4 separate Thursday sessions; 1 wreath per session
4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27

Cost: \$15 each session

Class Maximum of 15 students



Sign up your student on the [Art Page](#) of the SJB website: [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.

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

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Week Confessions

Sunday, April 2 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm
(Communal Reconciliation for Lent – with twelve priests)
Tuesday, April 4 7:00 am – 8:20 am
Wednesday, April 5 3:30 pm – 5:20 pm

Holy Thursday, April 6

7:00 pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper – with incense
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass and until midnight (St. Joseph Hall)

Good Friday, April 7

Noon Stations of the Cross
3:00 pm Solemn Good Friday Liturgy (Traditional) – with incense
8:30 pm Tenebrae: A Service of Darkness and Shadows

Holy Saturday, April 8

10:00 am Egg Hunt
12:00 pm Blessing of the Food (Church)
8:30 pm The Great Easter Vigil – with incense
No 4:30 pm Mass

Easter Sunday, April 9

7:30 am Easter Sunday Mass
9:30 am Easter Sunday Mass (Brass, Organ & Choir)*
– with incense
11:30 am Easter Sunday Mass (Brass & Organ)*
*30 Minute Organ Prelude prior to Mass
No 5:30 pm Mass

Please note, the Easter Sunday Mass times differ from the normal Sunday Mass times. The times will be back to the normal schedule the following Sundays



Holy Saturday, April 8, 2023

10:00 am 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 Egg Hunt will be held outside so please dress for the weather! The rest will be indoors.

Children must be accompanied by adult

Questions? Email
livermontj@stjohnnyb.org

[SJB Egg Hunt Volunteer Signup](#)

Totus Tuus Summer Youth Program



2023 Themes: The Mystery of Salvation and the
Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary

Grade School Day Program

The day program is for students entering grades **1-5 in the fall** and is \$50. The program runs **Monday, July 24 through Friday, July 28, 2023** from 9:00 am - 2:30 pm and includes songs, skits, games, prayer, small groups, Mass, recess and large group presentations. We will end the week with a human sundae and water fun!



Middle School & High School Evening Program

The evening program is for students entering grades **6-12 in the fall** and is \$25. The program runs **Sunday, July 23 through Thursday, July 27, 2023** from 7:00 pm - 9:15 pm and includes large group presentations, small group discussions, games, and night prayer. Students need to register whether they attend one day or the full week.



Totus Tuus is a Catholic summer youth program dedicated to proclaiming the Gospel and sharing the Catholic faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship taught by college students. The program is split into the grade school day program and the middle school/high school evening program.



[Totus Tuus Registration](#)

ALL 6-12 GRADE STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL

GOOD FRIDAY RETREAT

COME FOR ALL OR JUST SOME OF THE RETREAT

ATTEND ALL SJB LITURGIES
CRAFT / PRAYER / REFLECTION / LIGHT DINNER /
WALKING ROSARY / **VIEWING OF MEL GIBSON'S
PASSION OF CHRIST (RATED R - NEED PARENT
PERMISSION)**

12 PM ————— 10 PM

04.07.23

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
YOUTH ROOM
ALL ARE WELCOME!

CONTACT MIKAYLA
ANDERSON OR SARAH
WILDER WITH QUESTIONS!

andersonm@stjohnnyb.org,
wilders@stjohnnyb.org

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Good Friday Retreat

Students in grades 6-12 are invited to Youth Ministry's Good Friday Retreat which will be on April 7th from 12pm-10pm and will include attendance at the Stations of the Cross, Good Friday Service and Tenebrae as well as a themed snack, dinner, rosary walk and a showing and discussion of the 2004 film, *The Passion of the Christ*. Parental discretion is encouraged for the film (see below).

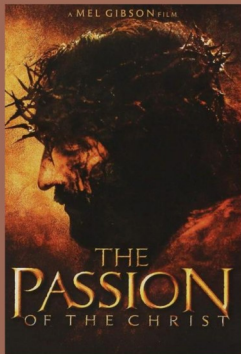

The Passion of the Christ

2004 Film by Mel Gibson

Youth Ministry Showing and Discussion
During Good Friday Retreat - April 7th, 4:30 pm - 8:30 pm
6th-12th graders welcome with parent approval

Parental discretion is highly encouraged. While this film is a beautiful and powerful witness to the historical event of the crucifixion, it is not for everyone. We encourage parents to discern if they would like their son/daughter to watch this film or if they would like to pick them up from the Good Friday Retreat at 4:30 pm.

IMDb - Parent Guide
Nudity (3); Violence & Gore (16); Profanity (2);
Alcohol (4); Frightening & Intense Scenes (9)
For a description of each instance check out
the IMDb parent guide in the QR Code

Let's glow

8TH- 12TH GRADE STUDENTS
ARE INVITED TO

YOUTH GROUP PROM

FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2023
7:00-9:00PM IN THE
SJB YOUTH ROOM

COME READY TO PARTY
IN YOUR BEST DRESSED
NEON!

Contact Mikayla Anderson, High School Youth
Minister with Questions!
andersonm@stjohnnyb.org, 651-633-8333 x1218

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Youth Group Prom

On Friday, April 14, from 7-9pm our youth group is hosting their second annual YOUTH GROUP PROM! This year's theme is NEON. Students in grade 8-12 are invited to attend with a fun night of dancing, snacks and games. Contact [Mikayla Anderson](#), High School Youth Minister with any questions!

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
Jill Fink
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