

## From the Principal

Happy Non-Public School Marathon Weekend! This Saturday, October 7th, is our non-public school marathon event at Central Park in Roseville. Join us for fellowship and a little exercise. The marathon runs from 8:00am - 1:00pm, however, if you are able to, please join us at 9:00am as the SJB community gathers for prayer followed by a lap around the lake. Students who attend the Marathon on Saturday will receive a non uniform pass to be used on Monday, October 9th and will also be entered into a drawing. The SJB area is in the pavilion on the southwest side of the lake at the top of the hill, just past the band shell. Thank you to all who have donated to our marathon so far. After our third collection this week, we are a little over \$8,000 from our goal of \$70,000. We have one final collection date next week, so be sure to ask your family and friends for marathon donations for one final push to meet our goal! Remember, we have an online donation option using the following link: [Marathon Donation Link](#).

This Sunday, October 8th is our Middle School Grade Level Mass. Join us for Mass as our Middle School students serve our parish community by participating in the 10:30am Sunday Mass. MS students should wear their school uniform. I will be in the plaza following Mass with the passes for those middle school students who attend to come to school out of uniform on Tuesday, October 10th. If you have a Mass part please check in with a Middle School teacher upon your arrival. See you at Mass.

Our October virtue is studiousness. Studiousness is seeking knowledge to grow closer to Truth. As we continue our second month of school, this a wonderful virtue for us to practice. Let us all continue to seek knowledge so we can better understand and live in Truth. The saints that we are studying this month are St. Albert the Great, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Edith Stein.

Next week on Tuesday and Wednesday, Jostens will be onsite to take student pictures. All families should have received an email from Jostens with some helpful information about picture day. One important item to note is students should NOT wear green for their photos. Jostens uses green-screen technology so green clothing will not show up in photos. Students may come to school out of uniform on their picture day. Below is the schedule for picture days:

- Tuesday, October 10th  
Grades K-4 plus Mrs. Michelle, Miss Anna and Mrs. Pick classes
- Wednesday, October 11th  
Grades 5-8, Mrs. Sawyer and Miss Mary Ann classes

All SJB students will be photographed. Following picture days, parents will receive an email with information on how to view your child's pictures. You will then have the option to purchase photos if you choose. The retake day will be held on November 14th.

More upcoming important dates for you:

- There is no MV district bussing Monday, October 9th. Blaine routes will run normally. We will follow the same process for morning drop off as we did in September. See more information to the right.
- First Sacrament Parent Orientation Meeting is Tuesday, October 10th from 6-7:30pm in Parish center room 206.

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### Upcoming Events:

- Marathon  
Sat, Oct 7; 8am-1pm
- Middle School Sunday Mass  
Sun, Oct 8; 10:30am
- Final Marathon Collection  
Oct 11
- School Pictures  
Oct 10-11
- Preschool Fire Dept Visits  
Oct 11-12

### No Busing Monday, October 9th

There is No Mounds View District Busing on Monday, October 9th.



Morning drop-off: All students should be dropped off in the north parking lot at the gym door (door #7). Please drive north on 2nd Avenue as normal, past the flagpole door (door #6) and make a right into the north lot. Stay in the line and exit the lot on the east side of the lot. For safety reasons, do not park in this lot and do not turn around and exit out the west side of the lot.

Afternoon pickup will be from the main Church lot as normal.

NOTE: On district no-busing days, the SJB charter buses to the Blaine area will run normally. Preschool drop off and pickup procedures will remain the same.

- MEA is Thursday, October 19th and Friday, October 20th. There is no school for all students in grades preschool through grade 8. J-Care (grades K-8) and Preschool Care Crew will be open. See below for more information and directions for registering your students for these school release days.
- The parish All Saints Day Celebration and Trunk or Treat will be held on the evening of Wednesday, October 25th. Dress up as your favorite saint and join us for a night of fun and trick or treating. More information is below.

Have a wonderful Fall weekend and I look forward to seeing you on Saturday at Central Park for the Marathon and Sunday at the 10:30am Mass.

Ms. Ann Laird, Principal

## School Picture Day



Picture day for all students in preschool through grade 8 will be held next week on Tuesday, October 10th and Wednesday, October 11th.

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## Art at SJB

### Magazine Donations:

Ms. Perez is looking for a specific donation for the Art Room for use in a future middle school art project! If you have magazines at home currently that you are no longer interested in keeping, please feel free to send them with your child to school on their Art day. Magazines that showcase themes focused on homes and gardens are greatly appreciated as they often carry an array of color, and are more school appropriate for use (i.e., Martha Stewart Living, Better Homes and Gardens, Real Simple, Magnolia Journal, etc. ...). Thank you!



**ART CLASS**

### After-School Art Classes:

Fall after-school art classes are being offered this October for students in grades K-8. View the class list and register your child for a class or two on the [SJB Art Page](#) of the school website or by clicking on the links below. Be sure to note the age requirement for each class as some classes are appropriate for different ages. Fees for classes will be charged to your Tads accounts.

[After-School Art Class  
Descriptions](#)

[Fall Art Class  
Registration](#)

## J-Care on School Release Days – MEA



J-Care will be available during MEA break, October 19-20 for students in grades K-8. Cost for each day is \$37 per student if preregistered by 9:00am on Thursday, October 12 (\$47 if after). There is an additional \$10 fee for Thursday, Oct. 19th for the field trip cost.

field trip cost.

Please Note the Following Regarding School Release Days:

- Hours of Operation: 7:00am-6:00pm (Hours may be altered based on number of students signed up.)
- Cancellation: If you are signed up for the school release day and cancel within one week of the actual school release day, you will be charged the full amount. No exceptions. You may cancel prior to the one-week window of the school release day. The cancellation must be written and signed by the parent/guardian.
- Lunch is not provided by the school or J-Care on school release days, so please send a lunch with your child(ren). Milk will be provided at no additional charge. If you do not send a lunch with your child(ren), you will be called to bring a lunch.
- Uniforms are not required on school release days.

All students who attend J-Care on school release days, must have a current J-Care registration on file. The registration form may be found on the SJB website and returned to the school office. Find this form and more information about J-Care on our website. [2023-2024 J-Care Information](#)

Questions? Contact MacKenzie Kantor at [kantorm@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:kantorm@stjohnnyb.org) or via the J-Care cell phone 651-261-9113.

J-CARE MEA BREAK  
OCT 19TH - OCT 20TH

Oct 19th- Field Trip: Pinehaven Farms

Additional \$10/ Kid. Join us as we play in corn pits, go through corn mazes and pick pumpkins to take home!

Bus leaves @ 9:00am returns @ 1:40pm

Oct 20th- Mystery Boxes:  
Figure out all the mystery boxes before the time runs out!



**CARE CREW:** Care Crew is available on October 19th and 20th from 7am-5:30pm for preschool students. Registration should be completed online at the following link:

Please register here: [Preschool Care Crew Registration](#)

Questions? Contact Mrs. Andrea Schroeder at [schroedera@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:schroedera@stjohnnyb.org) or 651-633-1522 ext. 1209

**OUR PRESCHOOL IS HIRING!**

Preschool Assistant Teacher  
Monday - Friday  
7:30am - 12:30pm

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Tuesday and Thursday  
7:30am - 12:30pm

After School Care Crew Staff  
Monday - Friday  
2:30pm - 5:30pm

Contact Our Preschool Director  
Andrea Schroeder  
[schroedera@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:schroedera@stjohnnyb.org)

**St. John Baptist**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

# SJB Parish News

## Becoming Catholic – Sacraments, RCIC & RCIA

**First Sacraments** of Reconciliation and Eucharist are prepared for and completed during grade 2. Registration is needed. Parent Orientation Meeting is Tuesday, October 10 at 6:00pm in room 206.

To register for First Sacraments, go to St. John's website at [www.stjohnnb.org](http://www.stjohnnb.org) and click on the Register for Programs tab.

### Another RCIA Session Offering Time Friday Mornings.

Becoming Catholic RCIA sessions on Thursday evening from 7:00-9:00pm have begun. There is still room for more participants. There has been some interest in having a Friday morning class from 9:15-11:15am. If you are interested in either sessions contact Jill Fink, Director of Discipleship at 651.633.1540 ext. 1280 or [finkj@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:finkj@stjohnnyb.org). Becoming Catholic RCIA is for any adult who is thinking about the Catholic faith and desires to be baptized, confirmed or receive holy Communion. Sessions begin in the fall and candidates come into the church in late March at the Easter Vigil.



Contact Jill Fink, Director of Discipleship for more information at [finkj@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:finkj@stjohnnyb.org) or 651.633.1540 ext. 1280

**JOIN ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

# ALL SAINTS DAY PARTY

COME  
DRESSED UP  
AS YOUR  
FAVORITE  
SAINT




WEDNESDAY,  
OCTOBER 25

5PM TO  
7:30PM

5PM -6PM - PIZZA (\$2 PER SLICE,  
\$1 DRINKS - ST. JOE'S HALL)

6:10PM - BLESSING IN  
CHURCH, TRICK-O-TREATING  
AND GAMES TO FOLLOW IN  
PLAZA

