



# Principal's Bulletin

February 8, 2024

## From the Principal

We hope everyone had a wonderful Catholic Schools Week! It was a great week and we hope our students enjoyed the fun activities!

Last Saturday we ended CSW with Wines to Wishes. Thank you to everyone for your support of this event. It was a fun evening raising money for our school. A very special thank you to Michelle Barsness for all her work as chairperson for Wines to Wishes. It is a significant undertaking and we are extremely grateful to her and all those who helped her and volunteered their time to make this year's event a success. As you can imagine, this event takes a lot of effort and time and as we wrap up this year's event, we look ahead to next year and ask that you consider stepping up and being part of the W2W committee for 2025. We would like more parent involvement in all aspects of the event and request your help. Please contact Michelle Barsness if you are interested in joining the 2025 W2W committee at [barsnessm@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:barsnessm@stjohnnyb.org). Thank you for your consideration.

The virtue for the month of February is cheerfulness which means looking on the bright side of things. Students will be learning about the following saints that lived this virtue: St. John Bosco, St. Philip Neri and Blessed Miguel Pro. They are great examples of the virtue of cheerfulness and are great examples for us as we work to live this virtue. How will you look on the bright side this month and practice this virtue?

Sunday, February 25th we will celebrate with the parish at our grade 3-5 Mass at 10:30am. Join us as we live out our relationship with God by leading and celebrating Mass together with the parish community. Students in grades 3-5, please wear your school uniform to Mass this day.

Here are some important upcoming events:

- We will celebrate Valentines Day with our students on Tuesday, February 13th. We are celebrating a day early due to the start of Lent. Celebrations will include classroom parties and students may wear Valentine colors with jeans or sweatpants.
- Wednesday, February 14th is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Please join us for Mass at 8:30am. If you are unable to attend at that time, St. John's will also offer Mass or a word service with the distribution of ashes at the following times: 6:30am (Word Service with ashes), 12:00pm (Word Service with ashes), 5:30pm (Mass with ashes), and 7:00pm (Mass with ashes).
- Thursday, February 15th we have Stations of the Cross at 9:10am in the Church. You are welcome to join us. The students and staff will have Stations of the Cross once per week during Lent. The other two days in February are Tuesday, Feb. 20th at 9:10am and Thursday, Feb. 29th at 9:10am.
- There will be no school on Friday, February 16th and Monday, February 19th. J-Care available only on Friday, February 16th. Please [register your child](#) online by Feb. 12th at 9:00am if he/she will be attending J-Care. Note that Preschool Care Crew is not available on either day.
- Wednesday, February 21st we will host our 3rd grade Faith, Family, and Fellowship morning. We invite our 3rd grade families to join us for Mass at 8:30am followed by a short program in the Church and then hospitality in the hall.

Blessings to you all. Have a wonderful weekend!  
Ms. Ann Laird

### Upcoming Events:

- Valentine Celebrations  
Feb 13
- Ash Wednesday-Mass 8:30  
Feb 14
- Stations of the Cross  
Feb 15
- No School  
Marathon Reward Day  
Feb 16
- No School  
Presidents Day  
Feb 19
- Stations of the Cross  
Feb 20
- Grade level Mass, gr. 3-5  
Sun, Feb 25; 10:30am

### Tuition Assistance for 2024-2025

Tuition Assistance applications are available for the 2024-25 school year.

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED EVERY SCHOOL YEAR TO BE CONSIDERED FOR AID.**

Go to [www.mytads.com](http://www.mytads.com) and click on the section marked Financial Aid Assessment

#### APPLICATION DEADLINES:

To be eligible for AIM Higher or CSAF grants  
**February 23rd**

For SJB Tuition Assistance  
**March 15th**

# SJB Parish



## Valentines Brunch

**Thursday, February 15,**  
upstairs in Room 206/208 at 9:15 am-11:30 am

We welcome women of all ages to our gathering on Thursday, January 25, 2024. Our speaker will be Kate Walsh Soucheray, who will present "Lent: A Time to Reorient our Lives to the Voice of the Holy Spirit" Join us as we share our faith and time in prayer with one another. Childcare is available. Grab one of our brochures from the kiosks or watch your Flocknote for details.

Any questions? Call Michelle (763-442-4936). Hope to see you there!

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## FISH FRY

**Join us on February 9, 2024**  
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**Meal includes:** Fish, mac and cheese, tater tots, cole slaw, bread and butter, bars/cookies, lemonade, water, and coffee.

**Prices:** \$12/adult, \$8/ages 6-12, free/under 5, \$45/family maximum. Family is children and parents. Checks, cash, credit cards accepted.

The Knights use the proceeds towards SJB School Scholarships, Sharing and Caring Hands, Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest, KOC Free Throw contest, donations to Cana Dinner, Priests for Life, the Laboure Society, and several other great organizations/events.

## Cana Dinner

FEBRUARY 17, 2024



**Steve & Christy Broszko**  
The Sacrament of Matrimony: Recapturing the Good Wine



\$65/couple: Includes a catered dinner of your choice of pork tenderloin or walleye.

Register now with the QR code to reserve your spot!

Married and engaged couples, join us for a romantic evening to celebrate marriage. Happy Hour begins at 5:30pm followed by a candlelit dinner, a witness talk from Steve and Christy Broszko and recall your marriage vows. The evening concludes at 9 pm.



## SAVE THE DATE!

### Ice Fishing with Father Tournament



**When:** February 17, 2024  
11 am-1 pm  
**Where:** Long Lake Beach  
**Who:** 75 parishioners and friends of SJB!

Register by scanning the QR code  
or on our parish website: [stjohnnb.com](http://stjohnnb.com)



### Volunteers needed!

The Cana Dinner is an evening celebrating marriage, filled with fun and laughter! This year's dinner will be table service and so we're looking for some help to pull it off in style!

No planning meetings. As a server, you'll also enjoy the meal, renew your marriage vows and take in the presentation. Please contact me if you are interested in serving at this year's Cana Dinner.

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