

# PRINCIPAL'S BULLETIN

October 23, 2025



## From the Principal

Greetings from the Principal's office! What a fantastic week it has been!

I want to extend a heartfelt **thank you** to all the parents and guardians who attended our teacher conferences last night and will be attending tonight. It was truly wonderful to see so many of you engaging in meaningful conversations about your child's progress with our amazing teachers. Your support and partnership play a huge role in their success, and we're grateful for the strong connection between home and school.

Looking ahead, we're getting excited for two fun celebrations next week! First, our **All Saints Party** is coming up on Wednesday night, October 29th and we can't wait to see how students honor the lives of the saints in such creative and respectful ways. It's always a beautiful reminder of our school's faith-filled community and values that we hold dear here at SJB! The evening begins with a blessing at 6:10pm followed by trick-or-treating, games and more! Optional pizza dinner will be available for purchase from 5-6:00pm. See below for the details including a pumpkin carving contest!

Then, on **Friday** of next week, we'll wrap up the week with our **Halloween Parties**! Students may come to school on October 31st out of uniform, dressed in Halloween colors or an appropriate Halloween-themed shirt. Jeans or sweatpants are okay to wear. Since it is Friday and we won't have our regular school spirit day, we encourage students to still bring an item for the SJB food shelf for those in need in our community.



As always, thank you for your continued involvement and support. We love having you as part of our school family!

God bless,  
Dr. Weingartz

### Upcoming Events

Wines to Wishes Call-A-Thon	<b>Oct 27</b>
All Saints Party	<b>Oct 29</b>
Halloween Classroom Parties	<b>Oct 31</b>
Picture Retake Day	<b>Nov 11</b>
Gr. 5 Faith, Family and Fellowship	<b>Nov 12</b>
SJB Information and Open House	<b>Nov 13</b>
No District Busing	<b>Nov 24-25</b>

### Quick Links:

- [2025-2026 School Calendar](#)
- [Preschool Page](#)
- [Virtus Information](#)
- [Educational Benefits Form](#)
- [SJB Spirit Wear Store](#)

### After School Art - November

#### Art A-La-Carte: Woods

Tuesday, November 18

Students Grades K-3

Thursday, November 20

Students Grades 4-8

\$25

Choose from random unfinished wood projects to create something of your own design or use a project idea. An array of art supplies for completion will be provided.



All Classes are 2:30-4:00pm

#### Thanksgiving Turkey Watercolor Painting

Monday, November 3

Monday, November 10

Students K-8

\$20

Create a fun turkey drawing first using drawing skills and techniques, add layers in a composition, and complete with a variety of media including a simple watercolor technique.



ART CLASS REGISTRATION

### Poinsettia Fundraiser

The 8th grade class is working on raising money for a really exciting trip to Washington, D.C., in May 2026! To help cover the costs of the trip, they are selling beautiful poinsettias that you can use to decorate your home for the holidays. The poinsettias come from Pletscher's Greenhouses, and they are known for being really pretty and great quality. Plus, they come in red, pink, and white, so you have options for what matches your holiday decor!



4 1/2" pot – \$13.00

6 1/2" pot – \$18.00

8 1/2" pot – \$28



Order online at the following link: [Poinsettia Order](#)

Stop at the school office to order and pay via check (to St. John's) or cash. Orders will be accepted through November 12th.

Orders may be picked up in St. Joseph Hall on

Fri., Dec. 5 from 2:30-3:30pm

Sat., Dec. 6 after 4:30pm Mass

Sun., Dec. 7 after 8:30am or 10:30am Masses

EXPERIENCE THE TERROR

**DRIVE THROUGH IF YOU DARE**

**HAUNTED CAR WASH TUNNEL**

October 25, 26-28 | 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**SILVERSTAR CAR WASH**  
630 GREEN HAVEN PKWY | ANOKA, MN 55303

BECOME A MEMBER TODAY:  
[SILVERSTARCARWASHES.COM](http://SILVERSTARCARWASHES.COM)

FREE FOR MEMBERS | \$29 NON-MEMBER

**WE'RE DONATING 10% OF OUR PROCEEDS TO:  
ST. JOHN'S THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH SCHOOL**

## Saint Grams and All Saints Day Coloring Contest

The SJB Student Ambassadors are hosting two activities for our students for All Saints Day. These are both optional activities for students.

### Saint Grams

Student Ambassadors are sponsoring Saint Grams. These are notes that may be purchased to send to other students or staff at SJB. They are 25¢ each or 5 for \$1.00 and will be sold in the classrooms next week, October 23 - 28. All grams should be filled out and returned to school no later than Wednesday, October 29th and will be distributed on Friday, Oct. 31st.



### Coloring Contest

Ambassadors will also be sponsoring a coloring contest for our students. Coloring sheets will be distributed to students next Thursday, October 23rd and are due no later than Wednesday, October 29th. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for each grade.

## Wines to Wishes 2026

Classroom Themed Basket Letters			
<a href="#">K-7 Ms. Germscheid</a> Outside Play	<a href="#">K-8 Mrs. Benson</a> Disney	<a href="#">Rm. 101 Mrs. Koskie</a> Bake It 'Til You Make It	<a href="#">Rm. 102 Ms. Ptak</a> Snack Basket
<a href="#">Rm. 103 Mrs. Paige</a> Gift Cards Galore	<a href="#">Rm. 104 Ms. Livermont</a> Crayola	<a href="#">Rm. 105 Ms. Anthony</a> Building Blocks	<a href="#">Rm. 106 Ms. Madson</a> Legos
<a href="#">Rm. 107 Mrs. Deptula</a> How to Draw	<a href="#">Rm. 108 Ms. Reina</a> Movie Night	<a href="#">Rm. 109 Mr. Ziebol</a> Star Wars	<a href="#">Rm. 110 Mrs. Maxwell</a> Catholic for Children
<a href="#">Rm. 111 Mrs. Carroll</a> Sports	<a href="#">Rm. 112 Mrs. Troxel</a> STEM Kits	<a href="#">Rm. 3 Ms. Fink</a> Cozy Reading Day	<a href="#">Rm. 4 Mr. Steffl</a> Valentine's Day
<a href="#">Rm. 5 Mrs. Dompierre</a> Hot Chocolate/Coffee	<a href="#">Rm. 6 Mr. Englund</a> Dogs	The class in each grade band (K-2, 3-5, and 6-8) whose basket raises the highest donation at Wines to Wishes 2026 will win a <b>Donut Palooza Party</b> in their classroom!	

All parents should have received a letter with information regarding the Class Baskets. Click on your child's room/teacher to link to the letter online. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity!

We still have openings for volunteers to help at our first annual W2W Call-A-Thon on Monday, October 27th.



**Date:** Monday, October 27, 2025

**Time:** 1:30–4:30 PM

**Location:** St. Joseph Hall

We'll have everything ready for you — all you need is your cell phone and your enthusiasm! We will have call scripts, business lists, and Q&A sheets along with friendly faces & support plus some snacks and drinks. Ready to help? Whether you can stay for an hour or the whole afternoon, your participation makes a difference!

Sign up today using this link: [W2W Call-A-Thon Sign Up](#)

**SJB Family Events**  
**All Saints Party**  
 Wednesday, October 29, 2025  
 5:00-7:30 pm

5:00-6:00 pm Pizza for Sale  
 6:10 pm Blessing in Church  
 Trick-or-Treating, Games,  
 Photo Spot, Carved Pumpkin  
 Contest and Bonfire


*Dress as your favorite saint!*




**Adult Volunteer Signup**

**Student Volunteer Signup**


**All Saints Party**



**Carved Pumpkin Contest Rules**

1. Pumpkin must be real, no artificial pumpkins.
2. Pumpkin must be carved.
3. Pumpkin must be carved as a saint or other religious theme.
4. Pumpkin can be embellished with other materials in addition to being carved.
5. Pumpkin must be dropped off at the Welcome Desk on Tuesday, October 28 or Wednesday, October 29 by 5 pm along with the completed contest form. *(Forms will be at the Welcome Desk.)*
6. Pumpkins will be judged in one of three age categories: Middle School, High School and Adult.
7. Winners will be announced at the end of the All Saints Party.

Questions? Contact Jen Livermont at [livermontj@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:livermontj@stjohnnyb.org)



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**Knights of Columbus**  
Saint John the Baptist Council 14250  
 New Brighton, Minnesota

**Waffle Breakfast**

**Join us on Sunday, October 26**  
 9:00 am - Noon



**All you can eat:** waffles, scrambled eggs, sausages, syrup and sugar-free syrup, butter, fruit for the waffles, orange juice, coffee, milk, water. A gluten-free option is available on request.



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

835 2nd Avenue NW,  
 New Brighton, Minnesota 55112

Married & engaged couples are invited to

**BUNCO!**  
 Game Night & Nachos

**Saturday, October 25th**  
 5:30-7:30pm

- Couples (and children) are invited to enjoy the nacho bar from 5:30-6 before Bunco & margaritas begin!
- Childcare available following dinner
- Free will offerings accepted (suggested \$20/couple)

**RSVP by**  
 Thursday, October 23





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**November Family Formation**  
**Parent Program**  
 Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> 6:00-7:30pm  
 St. Joseph's Hall



**Reclaiming Identity in our Culture**

Optional dinner will be served at 5:30 in St. Joseph's Hall. The program starts at 6:00pm. Pat and Kenna Millea are national speakers and founders of This Whole Life Podcast. They will engage us in exploring the cultural environment and practical ways we can strive to lead saintly lives and families. All adults are welcome!




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