

# PRINCIPAL'S BULLETIN

May 14, 2026



## From the Principal

Greetings from the Principal's office! As we continue through this beautiful spring season, I want to take a moment to thank you for your continued support and partnership throughout the school year. Spring is always a wonderful reminder of growth, renewal, and the many blessings we share as a Catholic school community. Even as the days grow busier and the finish line of the school year comes into view, I encourage all of our students to persevere and finish strong, as Father Paul told us in his homily on Wednesday. Together, we can encourage our students to remain focused, kind, and committed through these final weeks of the year.

On Tuesday, our school community gathered for our St. Florian Assembly to honor the firefighters who so faithfully serve and protect our community. We were grateful for the opportunity to recognize their courage, sacrifice, and dedication to helping others through demonstrations and fun activities. St. Florian is known as the patron saint of firefighters. We thank all of the firefighters and first responders in our community for the important work they do each and every day.

We are also excited for our Spring Band Concert taking place tonight! I warmly invite all families to attend and enjoy an evening filled with music and celebration. Our student musicians have worked incredibly hard preparing for this performance, and tonight is a wonderful opportunity to showcase their talents, dedication, and growth. We are so proud of all of our students and look forward to celebrating their accomplishments together. Thank you, Mrs. Amy Nelson, for all your hard work and dedication in preparing our musical students for tonight's concert!



Thank you again for all you do to support our school community. May these final weeks of the school year be filled with joy, perseverance, and many opportunities to celebrate our students' successes.

God bless,  
Dr. Weingartz

### Upcoming Events

Spring Band Concert; 1:15 & 7:00pm	<b>May 14</b>
Memorial Day weekend - No School	<b>May 22 &amp; 25</b>
Gr. 8 Recognition Ceremony	<b>May 27</b>
Preschool End of Year Celebration, 6:30pm	<b>May 27</b>
8th grade Graduation Mass, 6:30pm	<b>May 28</b>
Class Picnics	<b>June 1</b>
Last Day of School + Track & Field Day	<b>June 3</b>

### Quick Links

- [2026-2027 District Bus Registration](#)
- [2026-2027 School Calendar](#)
- [Preschool Page](#)
- [Virtus Information](#)
- [SJB Spirit Wear Store](#)

## Message From the Health Office - Medications

The end of the school year is fast approaching! If your student has medications in the Health Office (daily medications, inhalers, EpiPens, over-the-counter medications, etc.), please make arrangements with the Health Office to collect them by the end of the day on June 3rd. You can contact Ms. Denise at [healthoffice@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:healthoffice@stjohnnyb.org)



Any medication remaining in the Health Office after the last day of school will be disposed of properly. Thank you in advance for your partnership.

## School Spirit - Feed Your Neighbor Days

Our weekly donations on School Spirit Days help support our parish food shelf, and during the summer months, the need continues, however, donations slow down quite a bit. With our school year winding down, we only have 2 food collection days left this school year to help stock the shelves: May 15th and May 29th.



**FEED THE HUNGRY**

**If your family is able to send in a few extra items during these last collection days, it would make a big difference for families in need. Every can, box, or bag helps!**

Let's finish the year strong by spreading JOY, showing kindness, and living out the virtue of generosity.

*Thank you for helping care for others in our community!*

## PICNIC VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for some volunteers to help at our end of the year picnic on Monday, June 1st. **All volunteers MUST be Virtus compliant.**

[Class Picnic Volunteer Signup](#)



## Upcoming Dates for Uniforms

We know that many of our students have unused non-uniform passes and are planning on the exact right day to use them. Below is some information on dates for the rest of the year that may be helpful. These dates are not all-inclusive. Please be mindful of appropriate dress on Mass days and individual field trip days for your child's class.



- **Monday, June 1st - Class Picnic Day** - students may come to school out of uniform - dress for the weather in comfortable clothes and tennis shoes since they will be outside most of the day
- **Tuesday, June 2nd - Classroom cleanup day** - students may come to school out of uniform - students will be cleaning and packing in their classroom
- **Wednesday, June 3rd - Last Day of School and Track & Field Day** - students should wear school spirit shirts (bottoms may be student choice) and tennis shoes



**PRECHOOL  
SPRING PROGRAM**

Wednesday, May 27, 2026  
6:30pm in the Church

Come celebrate the end of the  
2025-2026 school year!

There will be a program by the  
preschoolers followed by cookies  
& refreshments.

Please drop your preschooler  
off in their classroom by 6:15pm



## Summer J-Care at SJB

With summer quickly approaching, we are busy planning for a fun-filled summer of activities and events. J-Care offers a fun and unique experience that gives kids the opportunity to meet new friends and socialize, explore and discover new interests, be physically active and create lasting memories. J-Care will be heading off to all kinds of different places.

**SUMMER J-CARE IS AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS  
ENTERING GRADES K-8 AT SJB IN THE FALL OF 2026**



J-Care registration is now open. To find summer registration materials go to the [J-Care page](#) of the school website and click on [Summer J-Care](#) for calendars, registration materials and more.

Contact MacKenzie Kantor- J-Care Director with any questions: [kantorm@stjohnnyb.org](mailto:kantorm@stjohnnyb.org)

## District Busing 2026-2027



If your family resides in the MV district or you utilize busing within the district boundaries, please take a few moments to complete the registration for the 2026-2027 school year.

[2026-2027 District Busing Registration Form](#)

Note: The registration form asks for Student ID, you may either leave this spot blank.

Any families who utilize the two SJB charter buses to the Blaine area, registration for this service will come at a later date.

## Summer Tutoring at SJB

The teachers below are available for summer tutoring for St. John's students. Your child can work on maintaining skills they have acquired during the school year and work on gaining new skills.

Please contact the individual teachers below to schedule days and times for your child.



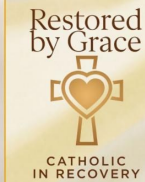
<b>Becky Germscheid</b> Math and Reading PK - grade 3	Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday Contact Ms. Germscheid for hours ½ hour or hour sessions <a href="mailto:germscheidb@stjohnnyb.org">germscheidb@stjohnnyb.org</a>
<b>Maria Koskie</b> Math Kg - grade 4	Monday and Wednesday Contact Mrs. Koskie for hours ½ or hour sessions <a href="mailto:koskiem@stjohnnyb.org">koskiem@stjohnnyb.org</a>
<b>Diane Ptak</b> Reading Kg - grade 5	Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday Contact Ms. Ptak for hours ½ hour and hour sessions <a href="mailto:ptakd@stjohnnyb.org">ptakd@stjohnnyb.org</a>
<b>Christy Reina</b> Reading Kg - grade 5	Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday Contact Ms. Reina for hours ½ hour or hour sessions <a href="mailto:reinac@stjohnnyb.org">reinac@stjohnnyb.org</a>
<b>Laurie Maxwell</b> Math grade 4-7	Tuesday and Thursday ½ hour and hour sessions <a href="mailto:maxwelll@stjohnnyb.org">maxwelll@stjohnnyb.org</a>

Cost is \$35 for each half hour session and \$50 for each hour session.

**Cancellation Policy: We require a 24 hour cancellation notice. If you cancel less than 24 hours before your session, you will be charged for your session.**

# Restored by Grace Day Retreat

Saturday, May 16, 2026 at 8:00 am



Whether you are walking a path of recovery through a 12-step program, seeking freedom from addictions, compulsions, or unhealthy attachments, or simply longing for deeper healing in your life, you are warmly invited to join us for this special one-day Catholic in Recovery retreat. All people of faith—and those in recovery programs without a specific faith focus—are welcome to attend. Rooted in the Catholic tradition, this retreat centers on Jesus Christ as the true source of hope, strength, and transformation in our recovery journeys. Through prayer, reflection, sharing, and the sacraments, we will explore how surrendering to God's mercy and grace can bring lasting freedom and peace. Come as you are—no prior Catholic background is required—and experience the fellowship and healing that comes from placing Christ at the heart of recovery.

Scan the QR to Register



Location: St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 835 2nd Avenue NW, New Brighton, MN 55112  
Contact: Chris Seiple, phone: 612-790-8410, email: cseiple71@yahoo.com

[Register Here](#)

# Thinking of Becoming Catholic?

OCIA Information Session

Sunday, May 31  
9:30 am

(time convenient between the morning Masses)

in Room 206

No registration necessary.  
Come for information for yourself or to give a friend.



For more information contact Jill Fink, Director of Discipleship  
651-633-8333 ext. 1280 or jfink@stjohnnyb.org

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