



St. John the Evangelist Catholic School

Jet Gazette Newsletter

February 25, 2022

News and Views from Mr. Schmit

Greetings,

It was AWESOME seeing the smiling faces of our students this week! It was a great week at SJS, with the new mask guidance coupled with the welcome changes to the contact tracing and quarantine rules. Although we are a private, Catholic School, we were directed to follow the health guidelines set forth by the Genesee County Health Department. Many of you shared your thoughts and feelings about the masks and safety guidelines and I thank you for your honesty and openness with me and I appreciate your understanding as we tried to do our part to follow the county's guidelines while trying to maintain an education environment focused on Jesus. This 2021-22 school year has been a crazy ride and we will continue to pray and focus on Jesus as we move into the final months of the school year.

Here is the last Friday before Lent Rundown:

- Covid Protocols...
- Prayer Room: Thank you to all the parents who have joined us for prayer the last couple of weeks as we have welcomed the Blessed Sacrament for times of Adoration. We will continue to bring Jesus over to our prayer room every Friday until the end of the school year. If you are interested in coming to the school to pray on Fridays, please see page 2 for a link to the Signup Genius.
- Weekend Mass: We look forward to seeing you at Mass this weekend. Last weekend my family was one of nearly 20 school families in attendance at that specific mass. This is awesome! Our mass times are on Saturdays at 5pm, and Sunday mornings at 8:30, 10, and 11:30.
- Ash Wednesday: The school-only Ash Wednesday Mass is at 10AM this week. Although the contact tracing and quarantine protocol has been drastically changed we will maintain our current school year's Mass protocol through the month of March.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences: The March Parent-Teacher conferences are scheduled by request. Our teachers are setting up conference times with you throughout the week, with a bulk of the conferences to be held in-person on Thursday, March 3. Due to the conferences we will have half days on both Thursday and Friday this coming week.
- Early Childhood Information Night: Our preschool and kindergarten staff is hosting an Early Childhood Information on Thursday, March 10 from 6pm-7pm. Both our preschool and kindergarten enrollment is doing very well and we aren't even in March, yet.
- Re-Registration: We have exceeded our re-registration goal for the 2022-23 school year. 90% of our current Preschool-7th Grade students are re-enrolled for next school year. This is great news!
- Tuition Assistance: Tuesday is the deadline to submit for tuition assistance through the Diocese of Lansing. Please see page 2 for more information.
- Student Behavior: Mrs. Roseanne Burrows, a St. John parishioner and former substitute teacher for us will be coming to our school once a week for the remainder of the school year to help give our students emotional and behavior support. Her 37 years of experience as a special education teacher is going to allow her to work with our students, teaching them emotional and behavior strategies, allowing our kids to learn how to work through peer to peer interactions, problem solving, and to treat one another with kindness and respect.

Everything going on around us should make us all pause several times daily to pray and reflect on what is important. As we move into the Holy Season of Lent this coming week it is a wonderful opportunity for us to continue taking a hard look within ourselves. I know I have struggled at maintaining a consistent, faith-filled approach to my daily life and know I need to improve so that I can be the husband and father my family needs me to be. I am reminded of this as I read from Luke chapter 6, our Gospel passage for this weekend's Mass, "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit." As I shared last week we as adults need to set the tone for our kids. We need to be a good tree, producing good fruit. This will only happen if we are firmly rooted in Christ and putting him first in all that we do and say.

I hope and pray that you have a blessed weekend.

Andrew Schmit
Principal

Dates to Remember

MARCH



Tuesday	1	Tuition Assistance Applications for Diocesan Grants Due
Tuesday	1	March is Reading Month Begins-Wear a shirt with Writing.
Wednesday	2	Ash Wednesday-No Snack Line Available
Thursday	3	Happy Birthday Ms. Adams!
Thursday	3	Half-Day for students-Parent Teacher Conferences 11:30 AM Dismissal
Friday	4	Half-Day for staff and students 11:30 AM Dismissal
Monday	7	Happy Birthday Mrs. Boyle!
Wednesday	9	Happy Birthday Mrs. Cislo!
Thursday	10	Happy Birthday Mrs. Anderson!
Thursday	10	Early Childhood Information Night –6 PM
Mon	14	No School for Students-Teacher PD

Tuition Assistance

The window to apply for tuition assistance is now open. Applications are due by March 1st if you would like to be considered for grants from the Diocese of Lansing. You must fill out this application to be considered for any form of tuition assistance from the St. John School Scholarship Fund or from the Diocese of Lansing Scholarship Program. Please note that tuition assistance is only available for students in grades K-12. Preschool students are not eligible for tuition assistance.

The link for the application is : <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>

March is Reading Month

March is just around the corner! You know what that means? Time to read! Did you know that reading for 6 minutes a day can reduce stress by 68%? And children can learn 4,000-12,000 words a year simply by reading! Reading is the cornerstone for education. March is our time to shine! The theme for March is Reading Month...Escape with a Good Book. We have several opportunities to celebrate reading as a school. Please see the attached calendar. Happy Reading!



March Jeans Day

During the month of March, students may pay \$1 for the privilege of wearing jeans on certain days. All proceeds from this collection will go to Catholic Charities. Jeans must be free of rips and tears. Dennis Uniform shirts are still required. Students do not need to pay on Fridays which are already regular Spiritwear days. Students may pay \$1 daily or pay for all days in advance (\$10). **Students must be in full St. John Uniform on Wednesdays for Mass.**



The following days are considered Jeans Days:

March 1,3

March 7, 8, 10

March 15, 17

March 21, 22, 24

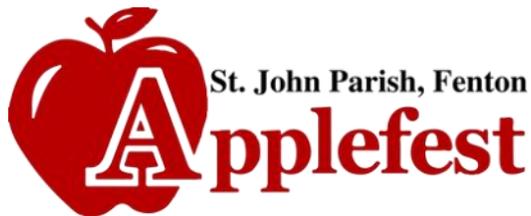
Adoration Sign Up for Parents



We now have the privilege of having Adoration in our new Prayer Room every Friday from 9 AM until 11 AM. In order for us to have Adoration, we must always have one person remain in the Prayer Room with Jesus as students enter and exit. If you are interested in coming to pray before the Blessed Sacrament, please sign up for a time [here](#). This sign up includes all Fridays through the end of March. Next month, a new sign up will be sent out for April



Save the Date!!



From the Applefest Committee

Happy New Year to all!!! It's been a long time, but we are happy to announce that we do plan on celebrating the return of Applefest and it will be our 50th Anniversary!! The core team recently met and would like to invite all of you for an all committee meeting to discuss Applefest 2022. We hope that you can be in attendance:

Wednesday, March 9th @ 7 PM

Founders Hall

Hosting a "festival" during a pandemic was no easy feat!! The last two years were difficult, but as a parish and with some creativity we still were able to provide our community some celebration and present the parish with nearly \$200,000!!! Thank you to all for your prayers, support, and encouragement! Again, we look forward to planning for 50th Anniversary of Applefest and we will need all hands on deck. Hope to see everyone at the meeting.

Please feel free to reach out to me directly with any questions or concerns.

Miriam Sage

810-287-2060

Log Your Volunteer Hours

To log your volunteer hours, go to our school website and click on the "Good Stewards" tab. Then, you can click on "Submit Parent Volunteer Hours." If you have questions, about how to log hours, please contact the office.



Athletics Update



Basketball Prep Clinic for 3rd and 4th graders

Starting this Sunday, students in Grades 3 and 4 are invited to participate in a basketball skills clinic. The clinic will be from 1 PM to 3 PM in the gym. Please remember to bring dry shoes and a water bottle. Questions? Contact Wes Nolde at 810-625-0275 or wesnolde@gmail.com.

Boys Basketball

Admission: Adults \$2, Students \$1, 5 and under FREE



7/8 Grade

Gold Team

Sat 2/26 vs. Holy Family Gold 8 AM @ Powers
Thurs 3/3 vs. St. Robert White 7 PM @ St. Robert

Green Team

Sat 2/26 vs. Holy Family White 9 AM @ Powers
Mon 2/28 vs. St. Robert White 7 PM @ St. John

5/6 Grade

Green Team

Mon 2/28 vs. Holy Rosary 5 PM @ St. John
Mon 3/7 vs. St. Robert White 7PM @ Holy Family

Gold Team

Thurs 3/3 vs. St. Robert White 5 PM @ St. Robert



GO JETS!

A special thank you to those who made this day happen

Andrew Schmit
Angie Haiss
Matt Forsleff
Cherish Miotke (Auction Chair)
Michelle Pagnani
Krystal Fatolitis-Payne
Stephanie Claborn
Kelly Boike

Kim Rogers
Kristi Hosner
Kelly Ahn
Kelli Doherty
Patti Bonura
Hillary Valko
Adrienne Kane

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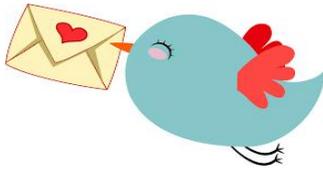
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ON A PERSONAL NOTE...

Prayers:

- For Mrs. Anderson and her family on the passing of her mom (Sam's grandma), Annette Kennedy.
- For the Iordanou family on the passing of Alex's grandmother, Tina Iordanou.
- For Dr. Neubeck, who is ill (Mrs. Roche's dad and grandpa to James and Anna)



Congratulations:

- To Boston Thomas and his family on the birth of his baby brother, Denver.

<h3>MENU</h3> <p>FISH DINNER ... \$13.00 3 Pieces of Cod (Fried or Baked) French Fries Cole Slaw Applesauce Dinner Roll</p> <p>"KID'S MEAL" \$6.00 Macaroni & Cheese with Fries and applesauce</p> <p>ALL ORDERS ARE CARRY OUT ONLY WITH CURB-SIDE DELIVERY</p> <p>FR. HARVEY ACTIVITY CENTER located directly behind St. John Church 600 N. Adelaide St. Fenton, MI 48430</p> <p>All purchases support the many charitable works of K of C Council 7418</p>	<p>We are accepting ONLINE ORDERS — Use the QR- code below to access order forms and make advance payment Please complete orders by Thursday, midnight</p>  <p>PHONE ORDERS — (810) 629-3560 1:00pm – 6:30pm Fridays</p> <p>DRIVE UP ORDERS — Advance orders & payment are preferred, however drive-up orders are accepted!</p> <p>Debit/Credit Card payment is preferred. Please make checks out to: Knights of Columbus 7418</p>	<h3>Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry</h3> <p>SERVING EACH FRIDAY OF LENT 4:30—7:30 PM</p> <p>March 4, 2022 March 11, 2022 March 18, 2022 March 25, 2022 April 1, 2022 April 8, 2022</p> <p>No Fish Fry on Good Friday, April 15, 2022</p> <p>Phone 810-629-3560</p>
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**K of C Lenten Fish
Fry starts next week!**

Building Foundations of Faith

Today's #microchallenge from bustedhalo.com



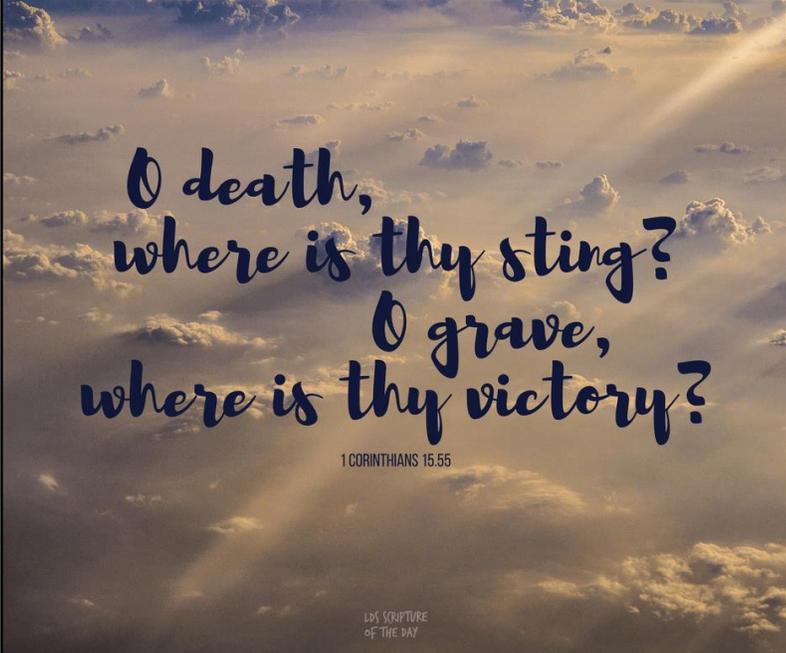
You are the light. Never let anyone -- any person or any force -- dampen, dim, or diminish your light.

— JOHN LEWIS

TODAY'S #MICROCHALLENGE

IF YOU EXPERIENCE ANY FEELINGS OF UNWORTHINESS OR SELF-DOUBT TODAY, PAUSE TO REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE BEAUTIFULLY AND WONDERFULLY MADE BY GOD.

To stay up to date with parish events, here is a link to the weekly parish bulletin: <https://www.stjohnfenton.org/bulletin.html>



O death,
where is thy sting?
O grave,
where is thy victory?

1 CORINTHIANS 15:55

LDS SCRIPTURE
OF THE DAY



Staff Spotlight

Mrs. Minnick
First Grade Aide and Resource

How long have you worked at SJS? This is my 2nd year.

What is your alma mater? Liberty University

What is your favorite thing about working in a Catholic school? Watching the students get excited to learn about God.

Tell us about your family: I've been married for 19 years. I have two boys, Duncan (13) and Sean (8).

Do you have any pets? Yes. We have Springer Spaniels, Lola (2), Tully (3), and Rory (12). We also have 11 puppies, 4 weeks old.

What are your favorite hobbies? Weekend trips with my family, Skiing, shopping, sledding, and swimming.

What are your favorite foods? Popcorn, Mexican, and salads

What is one thing you will NOT eat? Sushi or Stew

If I could go anywhere on vacation, it would be: Ireland

What is one of your favorite children's books? There's a Monster at the End of the Book

What is one of your favorite bible stories? The parable of the Prodigal Son

What is your favorite movie? Napoleon Dynamite

What is your favorite season and why? Fall. I love how the weather feels.

What is the best way to spend a snow day? Coffee, book, fire, popcorn.

What was your first job? Working at Wendy's

This or that? WINTER EDITION

Hot Chocolate or Coffee

Ice Skating or Sledding

Frozen or Ice Age

Read a Book or Watch a Movie

Fuzzy Socks or Slippers

