



# St. John the Evangelist Catholic School

## Jet Gazette Newsletter

### April 14, 2023

#### News and Views from Mr. Schmit

Greetings,

Just like that we are halfway finished with the month of April. It was a whirlwind of a week here at St. John School. Some of our homerooms had Easter Egg hunts. Some had field trips. However, all homerooms were involved in the learning process. I walked into a homeroom this week that was actively engaged in a math lesson. The teacher was walking around the room, checking student progress, while students took turns in the front of the class, answering division problems by reteaching the necessary steps to their classmates. It was wonderful to observe.

Let's jump to the rundown:

There's 37 days left in the school year rundown:

- Tuition for 2022-23: Remaining tuition for this school year is due at the end of this month. Tuition payments for 2023-24 school year start in May, depending if you selected the 12 month payment plan.
- Lunch accounts: As we approach the final weeks of school please make sure your child's lunch account is paid in full.
- Attendance: We only have 37 school days remaining. Please make sure your child is consistently at school and on time.
- 8th Grade: Please keep our 8th graders, their parents, Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Whitney in your prayers as they embark on the Washington DC trip Sunday morning. They return on Wednesday.
- Open Enrollment: Our open enrollment period continues for the 2023-24 academic year. If you know of family members, friends, neighbors who are interested in a faith based education here at St. John School, please have them visit our website or contact the main office to schedule a tour or shadow visit for their child/ren.
- Family Fun Night: We are having a Family Fun Night on Thursday, April 27 from 4pm to 6pm. There will be activities available along with some refreshments and of course, the Book Fair. We are in need of volunteers for this event. If interested, please contact the main office.

- 2024 PSA Auction: Preparations for our next school year's auction will begin earlier than normal. The auction will still be held in February but we are attempting to jump start preparation for the event. If you are interested in volunteering your time and energy to an enjoyable event and worthy cause, please contact the main office and we will put you in contact with a member of the Auction Committee.
- May Crowning: The crowning of Mary ceremony will take place during the All School Mass on Wednesday, May 3.
- Grandparent Mass: We will be having our annual Grandparents Mass on Wednesday, May 24. A small reception for our grandparents will be held in the Gathering Space of the Church directly after Mass that day.
- 8th Grade Graduation: Everyone is invited to attend the 8th Grade Graduation/Mass on Wednesday, June 7 at 6pm.

The Easter season continues. At our All School Mass on Wednesday, Fr. Robert explained to the children that although we are in the Easter Season, we celebrate Easter every Sunday. This past Wednesday's Gospel reading was the story of the road to Emmaus, which happens to be my favorite Gospel story. Fr. Robert's homily was obviously centered around the symbolism of that particular Resurrection story. The two men from Luke's Gospel account didn't recognize Jesus after he appeared to them as they walked from Jerusalem to Emmaus. However, they finally recognized when they broke bread together (the Eucharist). During his homily, Fr. Robert was stressing the importance of the Mass and asked them what we step into when we celebrate the Eucharist. One of our kindergarten students answered loudly with, "heaven." Fr. Robert exclaimed, "perfect!" I couldn't help but smile. Our youngest students know how important the celebration of the Eucharist is to us as Catholics. We are called to be Easter people, a people of hope who enter into Christ's passion, death, and resurrection each time we are at Mass. We do this to help us be better people in our daily lives, people who love and care for one another. People who support one another, pray for each other, and do everything we can to help those in need. I love this community and look forward to all God has for us in the future.

I hope and pray you have a restful and blessed weekend.

God bless,

Andrew Schmit  
Principal

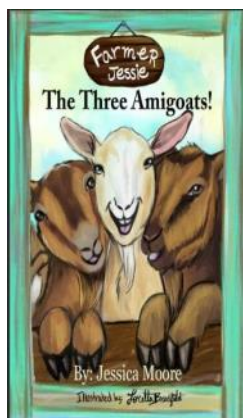
# Dates to Remember

## APRIL

Sun	16	8th graders leave for DC
Wed	19	Author Visit-Jessica Moore
Mon	24	Teacher PD-No School for Students
Tues	25	Book Fair Week begins
Tues	26	K of C Pastoral Appreciation Dinner honoring Mr. Schmit and Sister Mary Ann
Thurs	27	Family Fun Night 4-6 PM
Thurs	27	Mini Golf Challenge Due
Fri	28	GCCS Middle School Fun Night 6-8 PM

## MAY

Wed	3	Mary Crowning at All School Mass
Fri	5	Drama Club presents Shrek Jr.
Sat	6	Drama Club presents Shrek Jr.
Sat	6	Education Foundation Derby Dinner
Wed	17	Spring Concert 2 PM
Wed	24	Grandparent Mass
Fri	26	Half-Day-11:30 AM Dismissal



### Author Visit

School parent and Author, Jessica Moore, will be visiting on Wednesday, April 19th, to share her second book, "The Three Amigoats," with our students. Flyers were sent home earlier this week with information on how to order a copy of her new book. See attached flyer for details.

### REMINDER

We are now into the 4th quarter and the end of the year is quickly approaching. Please be sure to pay all remaining tuition balances by the end of April. Many students also have negative balances in their lunch accounts. Please be sure to pay those fees as soon as possible.

## Book Fair

Week of April 25th

Book Fair Information can be found [here](#).



You can sign up to volunteer at the Book Fair [here](#).



### CALLING ALL READERS (and Golfers)!

You are invited to participate in The Hole in One Mini Golf Family Challenge. The challenge is to create a mini golf hole. The winner gets to go to Uncle Ray's for ice cream and play a round of mini golf with Mr. Schmit.

See Attached Flyer for more details!



### Performance Dates/Times

Wednesday, May 3rd	1 PM @ SJ Activity Center
Friday, May 5th	6 PM @ Powers
Saturday, May 6th	11 AM and 5 PM @ Powers



**PLEASE RSVP & PAY ONLINE:**

<https://stjohnfenton.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/109/responses/new>  
**OR SIGN UP BELOW**

NAME	PHONE	NO. ATTENDING
PLEASE RETURN TO WELCOME DESK OR PARISH OFFICE		



This is a catered event, reservations can not be accepted after April 17th and payment is not accepted at the door.

Please submit above form with a check made out to Knights of Columbus #7418.

Credit Card payments can be made when reserving online with the QR code or at the link above.

**JOIN US FOR A FUN EVENING & GREAT DINNER!**

Open Enrollment is taking place now. If you know anyone looking to transfer schools or enroll their young child, please let them know about St. John School. Encourage them to set up a tour or call the office for more information. Your recommendations are our best form of marketing. New families can find a link to register for the 2023-2024 school year on our website. You can also share that link with them by clicking [here](#).

### From the PSA

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week is just around the corner! At St. John we like to celebrate our teachers all month long! Please help us by sponsoring a lunch or decorating the school etc. See details by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b44aca823a7f94-staff1#/>

Feel free to shower your teacher with love anytime! The official Teacher Appreciation Week is May 8th - 12th. More updates and reminders will be in the Jet gazette closer to May.

Any questions please let us know!

### VIRTUS Refresher Training

#### REMINDER!

If you have received an email reminder from Mrs. Haiss regarding the Virtus refresher course, please be sure to complete the course as soon as possible. If you have questions, please call the office.

### Volunteer Hours

Don't forget to log your volunteer hours. The form to log hours can be found on the school website under the "Good Stewards" tab. As a reminder, families are charged \$10 per unfulfilled volunteer hour. Thank you for all the time you give to make our school and parish a wonderful place.

ST. JOHN FOUNDATION ANNUAL  
**JOCKEYS & Juleps**  
DERBY DINNER

INDIVIDUAL TICKETS  
**\$100**  
Cocktail Hour:  
5:30  
Race Time:  
6:50  
Southern Dinner  
Cuisine to follow

NOT LUCKY BUT  
*Blessed*

Sat | May | 06 | 2023

Grab your hats and place your bets.  
Come dressed in your Derby best  
and enjoy a mint julep or belly  
up to our bourbon bar.

Purchase tickets or  
make a monetary  
donation with just a  
quick camera scan  
of our QR-Code.

Education in Faith

**Birchview**  
Outdoor Wedding & Event Center  
16300 Linden Rd. • Linden

If you would like more  
information about sponsorship  
opportunities & benefits please  
contact Barb at (248) 250-2036 or  
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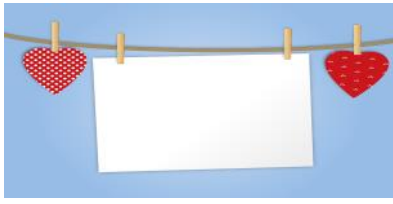


## ATHLETICS

- See attached flyer for Powers Camp of Champions information. Flyers will be sent home with students next week. Please note: registration forms should be mailed to Powers.



Spiritwear has been restocked. Place your order today. Click [here](#) to order.



# ON A PERSONAL NOTE...

## Prayers:

- For Ms. Jennings and her family. Her mother, Sandy Jennings, has passed away.
- For safe travels for our 8th grade class and their chaperones who will be traveling to Washington DC this week.
- For all the victims of the MSU shooting, especially for former SJS student, Nate Statly. There is a GoFundMe account set up to support his family for those who wish to donate. Click [here](#) to access the GoFundMe page.
- For Mrs. Bragg's one-month old nephew, Holton, who needs surgery.

If you have any prayer requests you would like in the Jet Gazette, please email Mrs. Haiss.



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#DAILYJOLT  
APRIL 12, 2023

Christ Jesus who died --  
more than that, who was  
raised to life -- is at the right  
hand of God and is also  
interceding for us.

-- ROMANS 8:34

**TODAY'S #MICROCHALLENGE**  
DO ONE THING TODAY THAT REMINDS YOU OF GOD'S LOVE  
FOR YOU. THAT COULD BE TAKING A WALK OUTSIDE, MAKING  
A BOUQUET OF FLOWERS, OR CALLING AN OLD FRIEND.

## Staff Spotlight

What is a special Easter tradition in your family?



**Mrs. Kromberg:** We always read Benjamin's Box before we go to church and open the Resurrection Eggs!

**Mrs. Farella:** We usually attend the Easter Vigil on Saturday evening and then gather on Easter Sunday for a family dinner.

**Mrs. Bragg:** This year we started a new tradition of baking hot cross buns on Good Friday! While we made these buns, we talked about the special meaning these buns have for us as Christians. The cross on top reminds us that Jesus was crucified. The spices we added are symbolic of the spices used to prepare Jesus' body for burial in the tomb. We used active yeast so the dough would rise as a reminder that, in 3 days, Jesus will rise!!!

**Mr. Marion:** Andiamo brunch

**Mrs. Holbrook:** Gathering for a big Easter dinner with all of our aunts, uncles, cousins, siblings, nieces, and nephews.

**Mrs. Wright:** Our special Easter tradition is to go the Easter Vigil mass on Holy Saturday.

**Mr. Tucker:** Hiding Cadbury Crème Eggs around the house to find.

**Mr. Garbutt:** A special family tradition we have is decorating cookies with lots of icing and candy, then not eating them until Easter Sunday.

