



# St. John the Evangelist Catholic School

## Jet Gazette Newsletter

### May 26, 2023

#### News and Views from Mr. Schmit

Greetings,

It was a blessing to welcome so many grandparents and parents to our annual Grandparents All School Mass. The church was filled with joyful people, together worshipping our Mighty God and our Youth Choir sang beautifully, once again. God is good. Let's jump to our second to last Friday of the school year rundown:

May 26, 2023 Rundown:

- **NWEA Data:** I am still pouring through our Spring NWEA MAP data with Mark Callahan, the Director of GCCS, however I have some exciting news regarding the Spring tests. If you recall, SJS 3rd-8th Grade students not only took the Reading and Math tests but we added the MAP Science test as well to set a baseline for measurement going into next year. I'm pleased to let you all know that each of our 3rd-8th grades scored above the national norm and all but one of our grades scored above the private school norm. Mr. Callahan has already met with several of our teachers this Spring to dissect their data so as to inform their instructional preparation for next school year.
- **Upcoming Football Meeting:** The Powers Catholic Football coaching staff and hopefully the new GCCS 7th/8th Grade Coach will be at SJS on Wednesday, May 31 at 5:30PM in the cafeteria (8th grade parents: an email was sent from Coach Tyler Wellman with an incorrect time for our meeting, just so you are aware). The purpose of the meeting is to discuss all things Powers Catholic Football while giving important information regarding the upcoming training and season for the Jr High and High School teams.
- **Volunteer Breakfast:** Our volunteers will be celebrated with the annual "Volunteer Breakfast" on Thursday, June 1, in the Grand Hall of the Activity Center. The second annual recipient of the Kelly Ahn Volunteer Award will be announced during that event.
- **Lunch Balances:** Our last day of serving lunches will be Wednesday, June 7. Please be sure to have your balances paid in full as soon as possible.
- **8th Grade Clapout:** The annual 8th Grade Clapout will take place at the close of school on Friday, June 2. Our homerooms will line up in the courtyard and cheer on our 8th grade class as they exit the school, together, for their last day of school at St. John.
- **Fun Day:** Plans are coming together for the return of Fun Day on Tuesday, June 6.

- Save the Date: Our final day of school is a half day on Thursday, June 8. Before we have the end of year celebration in the back parking lot, Dcn Larry will again lead a Eucharistic Procession throughout the school, beginning at 10:45AM. We will end up in the cafeteria for a time of Adoration and worship. Feel free to join us in this awesome time to thank God for a wonderful school year!
- Honors Assembly for 4th-7th Grade: The SJS annual Honors Assembly will be held at 9AM in the Church on Thursday, June 8, 2023.
- Join us for Mass this weekend, celebrating the Feast of Pentecost: Saturday at 5pm, and Sunday morning at 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30.

As I wrap up the week here at school, now that everyone has gone home for the weekend, I have been listening to my Jesus music to get my heart and mind centered on what's important. I have been playing "King of My Heart" over and over. It's a simple, repetitive song, reminding listeners that God is Good. "You are good" is sung over and over, along with "You're never gonna let me down." A simple praise/prayer of crying out to God for me as an imperfect individual who is trying to live (and fail from time to time) as the best version of myself as a husband, father, administrator, coach, son, brother, uncle and whatever else people want to call me. I know I'm not alone. Sometimes it's good to let go and let God because after this week that seemingly lasted a month, that's all I can do. I hope and pray that this is an encouragement and reminder to someone else out there who is reading these words (I think we might be up to about 15 people by now) on this beautiful Friday afternoon.

Have a blessed weekend and I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday!

God bless,  
Andrew Schmit  
Principal

# Dates to Remember

## MAY

- Sun 28 Happy Birthday Mr. Tucker!
- Mon 29 Memorial Day-No School
- Wed 31 Football Meeting 5:30 PM –Cafeteria

## JUNE

- Fri 2 8th Grade Last Day/Clapout
- Fri 2 Preschool Last Day
- Fri 2 Happy Birthday Mrs. Flannery!
- Tues 6 Fun Day
- Wed 7 8th Grade Graduation Mass 6 PM
- Thurs 8 Honors Assembly (4th-7th Grade) 9 AM-Church
- Thurs 8 End of Year Eucharistic Procession 10:45 AM
- Thurs 8 Last Day for students-Half Day-11:30 Dismissal
- Sun 18 Happy Birthday Mr. Ronthi!
- Mon 19 Happy Birthday Mrs. Williams!
- Sun 25 Happy Birthday Mrs. Roche!



RSVP for the volunteer breakfast [here](#).

### Save the Date

Join us for the 8th grade Clapout on Friday, June 2nd. Homerooms will line up in the courtyard to congratulate and clapout our 8th graders as they exit the building. The 8th grade will exit at the 3:30 dismissal bell. Parents are welcome to join us. If you are joining us, please park by the Activity Center. Do not leave your car unattended in the loop line.

### 2023-2024 School Year

We are still working on finalizing the calendar for the 2023-2024 school year. So you can begin planning, the first day of school will be Tuesday, August 22nd for grades K-8. It will be a half-day. Our first day of preschool will be on Wednesday, August 23rd. We will publish the final calendar



## Congratulations First Communicants!



Fun Day will be on Tuesday, June 6th. Please send your child to school prepared to be outside. Students should bring a water bottle and wear sunscreen and hats.

## Student Medications

Student medications are available for pick up in the school office. Any medications not picked up by the last day of school will be sent home in your child's backpack.



## Library Books

Don't forget to return all library books and textbooks before the end of the school year. If you have questions about library books, please contact Ms. Jennings at [tjennings@sjseducation.com](mailto:tjennings@sjseducation.com)



## HELP WANTED

As we are looking ahead to the 2023-2024 school year, we are in need of parents to help supervise at drop off, pick up, and at lunch/recess. If you are interested in helping out with our morning or afternoon loop OR being a lunch supervisor, please email Mrs. Anderson at [danderson@sjseducation.com](mailto:danderson@sjseducation.com). Supervisors can earn tuition credit or volunteer hours. You can work once a week or multiple days per week. We are willing to work around your schedule. We are looking to fill several open spots.

## Scrip Orders/Raise Right

The last day to order physical gift cards from the Scrip program (now known as Raise Right) will be June 5th. Orders must be placed by 9 AM. You can continue to place online orders for e-gift cards throughout the summer.

## REMINDERS

The end of the year is quickly approaching. Please be sure to pay all remaining tuition balances ASAP

### LUNCH FEES

Many students have negative balances in their lunch accounts. Please be sure to pay those fees as soon as possible.

## JETS CLUB REGISTRATIONS

### FOR 2023-2024

We are now taking registrations for Jets Club for the 2023-2024 school year. Registration packets are available in the office.

Please be sure to register for Jets Club if you think you may need extended care at any time throughout the school year. Drop-in Jets Club will be extremely limited and must be pre-approved through the office before 3 PM each day. Please contact Mrs. Anderson at [danderson@sjseducation.com](mailto:danderson@sjseducation.com) for more information or if you have any questions.

### Jets Club Hours

**7:00 AM-7:45 AM**

**3:30 PM-6:00 PM**

### 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.

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](#).

## CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

From Mrs. Kitching

In the midst of this EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL, our parish is making a Carpet of Flowers for Jesus. At the 11:30 AM Mass on June 11, our Corpus Christi procession will pass down the central aisle of the church over a carpet of flowers which we will make. JOIN IN - WE NEED YOU!!! This is a perfect way to involve your family in a wonderful parish celebration. Here is a photo of a traditional Corpus Christi carpet made of flower petals:



Our carpets will be made not of real petals, but of tissue paper on poster board backing. Your whole family can help; it is relaxing and gratifying - and a gift of your time and effort to honor our Lord! We provide the poster board (with a design - or you make your own) and the tissue. All you need to supply is a pencil and white glue.

Contact me, or drop by the parish or school office and pick up your materials. Materials will also be available this Sunday at Coffee & Donuts. Individual carpets are due by June 8. Here's a sample made by a 10 year old.



If you have already taken materials, share how it is going - and if you need more tissue, let me know! I'll get it to you

## APPLEFEST NEWS

The Applefest Committee is looking for a new chair and co-chair for the Kiddie Games tent. If you are interested, please contact Miriam Sage at [miriamisage@gmail.com](mailto:miriamisage@gmail.com). This is a great week to volunteer hours for next school year.



**Join Annie Kitching and Sandy Shaker for six fun nights of creativity this summer!** (Come to them all or just those you choose.) These artistic experiences are being planned so that everyone will be delighted at what they take home. And, we will incorporate a little prayer and some Catholic customs and traditions into the mix. Mainly it will be a fun and a relaxed time to visit with old friends and new ones, too. Snacks will be provided.

**Who should come?** Adults of all ages (adults are welcome to bring children 8 and older with them.)

**When is it?** Tuesdays July 13, 20, 27, July 10, 17 and 24.

**Time and place?** 6:30—8 p.m. Gospel Room in the church.

**Cost?** A small donation will be asked to cover the cost of each project, *but don't let finances keep you from coming!*

**JUNE 13** - A sure-fire way for you to create your own holy card and/or to make a lovely frame for a holy card of your choosing.

**JUNE 20** - Decoupage a beautiful cross or tray. This is a fun craft with delightfully satisfying results.

**JUNE 27** - Make your own pocket shrine; honor the saint you most love with a tiny shrine; be restrained or bling it up as much as you like!

**REGISTER** by calling the Parish Office or go to the parish website!



# ATHLETICS

## FOOTBALL MEETING

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**Powers Camp of Champions Registration Form is attached to the Jet Gazette email. Be sure to sign up ASAP!**

Girls 2023 Fall 5th - 8th grade

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## VOLLEYBALL SKILLS CLASS


Join us for fellowship and fun.  
Bring a water bottle and wear gym shoes only  
\$15 per session - can pay at the door.

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TUES/THURS 4:30 - 6:00PM  
JULY 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27  
ST. JOHN FENTON GYM

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SIGN UP HERE:



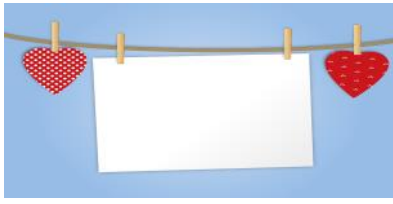
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# ON A PERSONAL NOTE...

## Prayers:

- For Shanna Meissner, Timmy's mom, who is recovering from surgery and will start a 12 week journey of chemotherapy next week.
- For Chris Ebbitt, uncle of Elijah and Patrick Garbutt, who is ill.
- For Gary Arman, grandfather of Luke and Ryan Repke, who is ill.
- 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.

## Thank You:

- To all the families who came to celebrate Mass with us this week for Grandparents Mass.
- To the PSA for providing coffee and donuts for our grandparents.
- To the Guerra family and Wax Orthodontics for providing lunch for our staff on Monday.
- To the Schmelzer and McFarlane families for providing breakfast for our staff on Thursday.

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

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#DAILYJOLT  
MAY 25, 2023

A humble soul does not trust  
itself, but places all its  
confidence in God.

-- ST. FAUSTINA

**TODAY'S #MICROCHALLENGE**

TODAY, TRY PLACING ONE PART OF YOUR DAY, LIKE YOUR  
COMMUTE HOME FROM WORK OR DINNER PREPARATION,  
INTO GOD'S HANDS, ALLOWING HIM TO PROVIDE FOR YOU.



## Staff Spotlight

What is a must-have at a summer cookout?



**Mrs. Whitney:** Taco Salad

**Mrs. Trollman:** Corn on the cob

**Mrs. Dawes:** Homemade potato salad

**Mrs. Holbrook:** Smoked pulled pork sandwiches

**Mrs. Kromberg:** Hamburgers and brats!

**Mrs. Anderson:** I will only eat steak if it is cooked on the grill so I always look forward to the warmer months!

**Mr. Marion:** Slow-cooked BBQ ribs and corn on the cob

**Mr. Tucker:** Homemade potato salad with dill pickles

**Ms. Scheffka:** A summer cookout must have watermelon!

**Mrs. Roche:** It's a toss up between fruit and pasta salad!

**Ms. Wharff:** Potato salad!

**Mrs. Minnick:** Grilled chicken kabobs and watermelon salad. Oh and a margarita!

**Mr. Garbutt:** Hamburgers and Sour Cream and Cheddar Ruffles are a must. And an ice cold pop.

**Mrs. Wright:** Sweet corn and BBQ chicken are my favorites for summer grilling.

**Mrs. Adams:** A good burger with tomato, dill relish or dill pickles, and mustard is perfect!

**Ms. Adams:** There's so many yummy foods, I can't just pick one! But my Uncle Steve's pasta salad is very good and it only comes around a couple times in the summer, so it's a hot commodity, and a classic hot dog with ketchup are my favorites.

**Mrs. Williams:** Mediterranean tomato and cucumber salad

**Mrs. Salerno:** Mom's homemade potato salad!

**Mrs. Haiss:** Deviled eggs or pasta salad

**Mrs. Konett:** Hot dogs, potato salad, and pasta salad

