



St. John the Evangelist Catholic School
Jet Gazette Newsletter
May 19, 2023

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

News and Views from Mr. Schmit

Greetings,

It is mid-May. That's my introduction for the week. Let's jump to the rundown!

May 19th Rundown:

- Grandparents 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 on Wednesday.
- 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 out today 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. This meeting is for current 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students and parents.
- 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. Please RSVP using the link on Page 3 if you plan to attend.
- 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 Fun Day on Tuesday, June 6. Teachers will contact you regarding classroom volunteers. We also need a few items and volunteers to help grill hot dogs. Please click [here](#) to view the Sign Up link.
- 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 11:00AM. Feel free to join us in prayer.

- Honors Assembly for 4th-7th Grade: The SJS annual Honors Assembly will be held at 9AM in the Church on Thursday, June 8, 2023.

This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension. We will hear from the words of Matthew as he shares with his audience his account of the Ascension: *“The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, “All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.”* This mission rings true today. After watching our 250 Kindergarten through 8th Graders together JOYFULLY sing an EXUBERANT rendition of “Goodness of God” on Wednesday afternoon, I can say that we are trying our best to live out that mission here at St. John School. It was such an amazingly powerful moment that I didn’t want them to stop. I have been seeing the video shared across Facebook land so I keep watching and listening and God keeps reminding me to have a grateful heart for this community and where He is leading us.

I hope and pray that you have a blessed weekend!

God bless,

Andrew Schmit
Principal



Dates to Remember

MAY

Wed	24	Grandparents Mass 8:20 AM
Wed	24	Happy Birthday Mrs. Minnick!
Thurs	25	Happy Birthday Fr. Robert!
Fri	26	Half-Day-11:30 AM Dismissal
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
Wed	7	8th Grade Graduation Mass 6 PM
Thurs	8	End of Year Eucharistic Procession 11:00 AM
Thurs	8	Last Day for students-Half Day-11:30 Dismissal

JOIN US FOR GRANDPARENTS MASS

Wednesday, May 24th
8:20 AM



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



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. This is a great week to volunteer hours for next school year.



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.

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 for more information or if you have any questions.

Jets Club Hours

7:00 AM-7:45 AM

3:30 PM-6:00 PM

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. 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.



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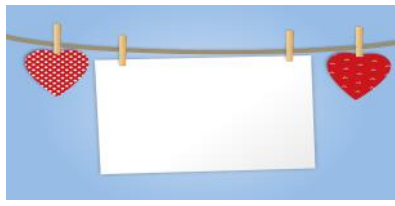
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Stay tuned from information regarding Summer Sports Clinics.



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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 the Justice family, whose Aunt Patti has passed away.
- 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 Mrs. Kelso, Mrs. Gadany, and their girl scouts for cleaning up our front flower beds. They look great!
- To the many families who decorated our halls for Teacher Appreciation Week.
- To the Landaal family for providing lunch for our staff on Monday.
- To the Brehm family 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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MAY 18, 2023

My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?

-- JOHN 14:2

TODAY'S #MICROCHALLENGE
ON THE FEAST OF THE ASCENSION, LET'S BE REMINDED OF THE HOPE OF HEAVEN.

Staff Spotlight

What is the best ice cream treat on a hot summer day?



Mrs. Roche: Soft serve Twist!

Mrs. Farella: Ben and Jerry's Chunky Monkey is the best ice cream flavor as well as anything chocolate!

Ms. Adams: Cookies and cream in a waffle cone! I love going to Northshore Market on Lobdell Lake (formerly known as Gramma Katy's when I was a kid) with my family on the boat on a hot summer day!

Mr. Tucker: Homemade peppermint ice cream. So yummy, and crushing the peppermint candies with a rolling pin is really fun!

Mrs. Kromberg: Mint Chocolate Chip in a waffle cone from House of Flavors in Ludington!

Mrs. Williams: Hudsonville French Vanilla ice cream is the BEST!

Mrs. Anderson: I love Lemon Sorbet or Chocolate/Vanilla Twist! We loved the ice cream shop by our old house in Elba, TC's, but have found that Twist off Linden Road has fantastic ice cream as well...a very close second!

Mrs. Holbrook: White chocolate frozen yogurt from FroYo.

Mrs. Trollman: Peanut butter ice cream in a waffle cone from Cooks Dairy Farm!

Mr. Forsleff: Hot fudge brownie Blizzard from DQ!

Mrs. Wright: I love Uncle Ray's Raspberry Frozen Yogurt with a round of mini golf on the side!

Mr. Garbutt: Plain vanilla ice cream is such a tasty treat. A close second is mint chocolate chip in a sugar cone. Also, a chocolate shake from anywhere but Halo Burger is always good on a hot summer day.

Ms. Brack: A bomb pop popsicle from the ice cream truck.

Mr. Marion: A vanilla cone dipped in chocolate!

Mrs. Dawes: Raspberry frozen yogurt with hot fudge from Uncle Ray's!

Mrs. Bragg: I absolutely love hand dipped ice cream! My go-to flavors are Moose Tracks or any coffee flavors, but I love trying new flavors too. My favorite place to get from is Corner House in Gladwin!

Ms. Schefka: Chocolate chip cookie dough ice cream is my favorite!

Ms. Kozara: A chocolate ice cream cone from Dairy Queen!

Mrs. Haiss: Ice cream is my favorite treat which makes it hard to pick. I do love a chocolate/vanilla twist, but there is nothing like old fashioned hand dipped ice cream!

Mrs. Adams: There is a flavor at Northshore Market that I like called Texas Toffee, which is great!

