

March 24, 2021



# St. John Catholic School

*Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish*



## **ON THE HORIZON:**

Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>  
See's Candy Pick-Up  
4:30 – 5:30pm

Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>  
Palm Sunday

Dear Shamrock Family,

As you may already be aware, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provided updates on Friday to their K-12 school guidance [Operational Strategy for K-12 Schools through Phased Prevention](#) to reflect the latest science, relaxing its physical distancing requirements between students in most classroom settings. Recent research out of Massachusetts, reveals that the usage of at least 3 ft distancing is now being recommended with universal masking and additional precautions.

Our state will be looking at the CDC recommendations very carefully and provide the CA County Health Departments with their revisions (if any). Our two counties will then provide additional review and revisions (if any). I will be on the Alameda County Health call tomorrow to hear of any new guidance from the county. **We, at SJCS, will not be reducing the distance between students at this time.**

Attentively,  
Ms. Paige Child



## **EASTER TRAVEL & GUESTS:**

This is just a reminder that should your family travel or welcome guests from out of the state, that the expectation is that your student(s) quarantine for 10 days before returning to school for in-person learning. Please, be conscientious and considerate of the health and wellness of our ENTIRE community. I will reiterate, that we can only remain open for in-person learning as long as our school community remains healthy. Each and every family's decisions affect our ability to offer an onsite learning platform at this time. Please be considerate, cautious and honest. Should your family travel out of state or welcome guests from out of state, PLEASE email Ms. Aimee to notify her that your child will participate in distance learning until the 10-day quarantine has expired. Also, should you be concerned about your exposure to COVID-19, again, we expect for you to contact the office and for your child to participate in distance learning.

**SEE'S CANDIES FUNDRAISER PICK-UP TOMORROW 3/25!**

If you have a large order or your student is still in distance learning we will be distributing See's Candies orders outside of the school from **4:30pm – 5:30pm on Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**. If your student attends on-site classes we will send your order home with your student. Email Mr. Enos with any questions.

[denos@csdo.org](mailto:denos@csdo.org)

**SECOND ROUND FOR ONSITE LEARNING:**

TK-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents-

At this time, we are offering the second, and likely final, opportunity for students to join on campus, for in-person learning, beginning April 12<sup>th</sup>. Should your child currently be participating in distance learning and you wish for them to transition to in-person learning, we ask that you review the relevant health & safety and onsite learning documents linked below and then complete and submit the attached Parent Acknowledgement Form for Onsite Learning, via email, to Aimee Sire- [asire@csdo.org](mailto:asire@csdo.org) by and no later than Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

<https://www.stjohncatholicschool.org/st-john-catholic-school-covid-19-safety-plan.html>

**RETURNING REGISTRATION LETTERS COMING SOON!**

Parents please keep a look out for returning registration letters for the 2021-2022 school year which will be going out in early April. This letter will include updated tuition rates and a form to be turned in with your registration payment. In May, enrollment packets will be distributed to those families who have paid registration for the 2021- 2022 school year and are up-to-date with their tuition and fee payments. If you have any questions about your status, please contact Ms. Aimee, our school bookkeeper, M-F 8am - 3pm at 510-276- 6632 or [asire@csdo.org](mailto:asire@csdo.org). We thank you for helping St. John Catholic School run efficiently and meeting our financial obligations.

**FOR SOME INSPIRATION:**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rLY174n\\_KWA&t=167s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rLY174n_KWA&t=167s)

**LENTEN RESOURCES:**

Activities for Holy Week-

<https://holyweek.pastoral.center>

**SCRIP FUNDRAISING:**

Only 2 more times to order SCRIP to earn money towards your 2020-2021 fundraising obligation!!

Visit [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) to browse over 700 vendors. While there, you can create an account to place orders for physical gift cards or egift/digital cards. If you prefer to submit orders directly to the office please use the attached order form. Orders must be submitted online or to the office by 10am on Thursday, March 11. Please email Ms. Aimee at [asire@csdo.org](mailto:asire@csdo.org) with any questions.

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

Significant dates for the 2021 – 2022 School Year

August 18<sup>th</sup> - *First day of school* / November 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> - *Thanksgiving break* / December 20<sup>th</sup> – January 31<sup>st</sup> - *Christmas break* / April 15<sup>th</sup> – April 22<sup>nd</sup> *Easter break* / June 7<sup>th</sup> *Last day of school*

**NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR!**

Please share the good news about St. John Catholic School with your friends and family! We are accepting applications now for grades TK-7 for the 2021-2022 school year. Applications are available in the school.

**REFER A NEW SHAMROCK FAMILY AND SAVE \$\$\$**

St. John Catholic School administration is interested in YOUR referrals of new shamrock families for the 2021-2022 school year. Current school families who refer a new family that is accepted and begins the 2021-2022 school year will receive \$400 OFF a tuition payment during the upcoming school year!

Here's how it works:

- A currently enrolled school family refers a new, unassociated, non-family member to St. John Catholic School (Meaning someone new to the school community; No siblings of current students; no former students, etc.\*\*)
- The prospective family contacts St. John to enquire about enrolling and tells us that you referred them.\*

*(\*New families must indicate the name of the current school family that referred them upon INITIAL CONTACT with the SJCS.)*

- After the new school family is accepted and starts school at SJCS in the 2021-2022 school year, your family will earn \$400 off a tuition payment during the 2021-2022 school year.

Just advise the new\*\* family to reach out to Ms. Aimee at (510) 276 -6632 or [asire@csdo.org](mailto:asire@csdo.org). Remember, tell the new family that they must mention that they have been referred by you! We encourage you to share our school website with prospective families you may know. <https://www.stjohncatholicschool.org>

*\*\*Family members, extended family, previous SJCS families/ students, legacy families do not qualify.*

*Referral is non-transferable. The St. John Catholic School administration will notify current families of earned tuition incentives. The \$400 tuition incentive will be given to current school families for each new family they refer (not per each new student). There is no limit to the amount of referral incentives a current family can receive. This referral incentive program is only valid until 8/5/2021 and only for families enrolling for the 2021-2022 school year.*

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT TUITION ASSISTANCE:**

Applications are now available for FACE (Family Aid – Catholic Education) and BASIC financial aid.

The BASIC Fund is available for new students whose families meet all the application requirements. The deadline to apply is March 31, 2021. For more information, please go to [www.basicfund.org](http://www.basicfund.org) or see the link on our website. Current families please expect your renewal information early to mid-February, due back in April. Please also note, new siblings for current BASIC Fund students must request a link to apply for a new student. Like last year, BASIC renewals will be processed online.

FACE applications are available online only at <https://online.factsmgmt.com/signin/3FVYB> or see the link on their website. This application requires documentation for income received in 2020. The deadline to apply is April 30, 2021.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE READ:** All families wishing to be considered for SJCS tuition assistance through the school must first apply for FACE before April 30, 2021. If you are currently receiving aid or wish to apply for the 2021-22 school year, you must first complete a FACTS application and apply for FACE before consideration for SJCS tuition assistance. If you have any questions regarding FACE, BASIC, or SJCS tuition assistance, please contact us. Deadlines established by FACE and BASIC are firm; a missed deadline will mean a missed opportunity.



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 The Children's  
Partnership

## Let's Talk: COVID-19 Vaccines

A webinar for families to learn more about the vaccines, where and when you can get vaccinated, school re-openings, and where to turn for more resources and information.

Thursday, March 25, 5:30 pm PT  
Register: [bit.ly/LetsTalkVaccine](https://bit.ly/LetsTalkVaccine)

