

January 24, 2024



St. John Catholic School

Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish



ON THE HORIZON:

Wednesday, January 24th
Altar Serving Training @
7:00pm (church)

Thursday, January 25th
Middle of Trimester 2

Friday, January 26th
Noon dismissal- Open
House Prep
SEP is available

Sunday, January 28th
CSW Mass @ 9:30am
School Open House 10:30am
– 12:30pm

**Monday, January 28 –
Friday, February 2nd**
Catholic Schools' Week

Wednesday, January 31st
School Mass @ 8:30am
Progress reports go home
*with SOME students

Dear Shamrock Family,

I am very much looking forward to celebrating Catholic Schools' Week (CSW) with our shamrock family! I hope to see all school families at our kick off to CSW mass at 9:30am **THIS** Sunday. Our eighth graders and kindergarteners will lead us during this special family mass and serve as greeters, lectors, ushers, eucharistic ministers and choir participants. Thereafter we welcome ALL to our school open house event from 10:30am – 12:30pm. I encourage you to invite friends and family as well. Come by the school and visit with our school family and adore the great work that our students create at St. John. A list of all CSW activities are included in a flyer below. Let's go shamrocks!

Blessings,
Mrs. Paige Villalobos
Principal
pchild@csdo.org

BIBLE QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. – Hebrews 13:8

STUDENT LEARNING EXPECTATIONS:

We live our faith - We serve others - We are lifelong learners

FAITH FORMATION:

Sunday Connection- The Gospel Explained: <https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/>

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2024-2025 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 2024-2025 school year. Applications can be completed here:

[St. John Catholic School Application 2024-2024 English](#)
[St. John Catholic School Application 2024-2025 Spanish](#)

TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR 2024 – 2025 SCHOOL YEAR:

The FACE application for the 2024-2025 School Year is now open on FACTS. The application will remain open until March 31st, 2024. Please be sure to “reapply” or “apply” for FACE if you need assistance and believe your family qualifies. Awardees are not automatically awarded each year, they must re-fill out an application for FACE each new school year.

Please also be sure to “CHECK” the box for *Family Aid-Catholic Education* under “*Other Organizations.*” Lastly, please remember that families may only have either a FACE or BASIC award, but not both. More information is in a flyer below.

SJCS ANNUAL AUCTION- PARENT HELP NEEDED:

Parent leadership is needed to make this year's annual Margaritas and Must Haves school auction possible! Please click the link below to learn more about how you can help. Please sign up by this Friday, January 26th.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4CAFAA2EA1FA7-47391322-auction>

Thank you in advance!

DONATIONS TO OUR WOODSHOP

Thank you for your recent donations! I can't wait for you all to see our wood shop at open house. The items to complete our workbenches as well as other much needed items have been purchased. We're always updating our donation lists [Here's the link to our Amazon wish list](#) & [Here's the link to donate](#). Donations of Amazon Gift Cards are always welcome to! Service hours will be awarded at \$25/hr. So every \$25 spent equals 1 service hour.

SEE'S CANDIES FOR EASTER:

Another See's Candies fundraiser will be launching mid-February so that orders can be ready in time for Easter! This is one of the fundraisers that counts toward each family's \$300 fundraising obligation. More information to come regarding orders, but if you are interested in earning service hours for helping sort and package orders (likely the week of March 18th) please email Mrs. Villalobos. (pchild@cndo.org). Thank you in advance!

LADIES NIGHT BUNCO AT ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL:

SJCS ladies are welcomed to a night of Bunco at SJCS. More details are provided in the flyer below. Please sign up below to rsvp.

[Let The Good Times Roll Sign Up LINK](#)

DIOCESE PROVIDED EVENT:

Chastity Project - The *Catholic Daughters of the Americas* from the Immaculate Heart of Mary present a double feature event held at St. Raymond, Dublin on February 3, 2024 that will discuss two important talks: Gender and the Theology of Your Body and Purified. Both parents and teens (13+) are invited to learn more about these topics together and to participate in Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. For more details and to register for this event click [here](#).

SJCS SCIENCE FAIR 2024:

It was an honor to get to attend last night's SJCS Science Fair. There were so many school families and staff in attendance and multiple awesome projects to review! We offer special thanks to teachers for all of their efforts toward guiding students through the scientific process, and specifically to Mrs. Vidal for her careful planning and for hosting such an interactive event! We congratulate our middle school science fair project award winners including:

6th grade: Idelle, Charlotte & Jeremiah, 7th grade: Liam, Evan & Paulo, 8th grade: Andrea, Alyvia & Lizbeth

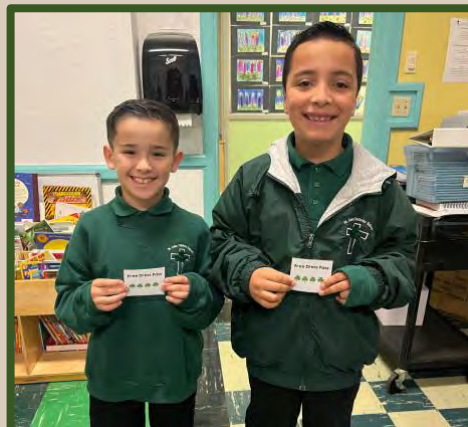


BABY STROLLER NEEDED:

If you or someone you know has a used baby stroller that can be donated to St. Vincent de Paul, please contact LeNora Carroll @ lenoracarroll@comcast.net Thank you!

SLE AWARD WINNER:

Sebastian and Cameron in 2nd Grade





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DEPARTMENT OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

January, 2024

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Thank you for entrusting your students to our administrators, teachers, and staff in the Catholic schools in the Diocese of Oakland. Our school communities are blessed to have faithful, diligent, and virtuous teachers, principals, and staff to count on for an excellent Catholic education.

Our short and long-term goal is to retain our wonderful educators while attracting qualified and Catholic, mission-oriented educators; to do so our schools must provide an adequate annual salary increase that reflects the cost of living and recognizes the professional qualifications and training of our Catholic school educators.

In the Summer and Fall of 2023 our Finance Committee resumed work on the Catholic Schools Department salary scale as part of our ongoing efforts to adjust educator salaries. The consultants facilitating this process have worked with many dioceses across the country. This year, the salary increases reflect a differentiation between credentialed and non-credentialed teachers and principals with slightly higher raises being earned by our educators who have invested the time and treasure in attaining professional licensure.

Support Staff	Teacher Salaries			Principal Salaries	
Instructional Assistants & Office Staff	Non-Credential Increase	BA Credential Increase	MA Credential Increase	Non-Credential Increase	Credential/MA Increase
3.3%	5.0%	7.5%	8.5%	10.0%	12.0%

Personnel costs represent the majority of school expenses. The staffing composition and projected salaries were reviewed and analyzed by the Department of Catholic Schools/LCA Leadership Team to determine necessary tuition increases for each school. School specific tuition rates will be communicated by individual school sites.

Thank you for your continued commitment to Catholic education in the Diocese of Oakland. We are honored to partner with you and our school communities as they work to make God known, loved and served.

At your service,

Andrew Currier, Ph.D., Superintendent

St. John Catholic School

OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 ~ 10:30AM – 12:30PM



Please join us for our

Open House

Come see the great things that are happening at St. John!
Meet faculty, staff, families and students.



You Belong Here!

Visit St. John Catholic School and discover how our dedicated
faculty and staff are building a foundation for your
child's success academically, socially, and spiritually.



270 E. Lewelling Blvd. San Lorenzo, CA
TK – 8th Grade
(510) 276-6632 ~ stjohncatholicsschool.org



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



MONDAY : SPIRIT DAY
(WEAR ST. JOHN ATTIRE
OR CYO UNIFORM) /
SCHOOL RALLY



TUESDAY : PJ DAY (CROCS
ARE OK BUT NO SLIPPERS)
/ KAHOOT AT 1:15

WEDNESDAY : UNIFORM
WITH FREE DRESS SHOES
(CHURCH APPROPRIATE) *NO
CROCS* / BINGO

THURSDAY : CULTURE DAY /
DOOR DECORATING CONTEST
JUDGING + MOVIE THAT MATCH
WITH DOOR

FRIDAY : OLYMPIC DAY /
WEAR YOUR CLASS SHIRT

January 29 - February 2

St'John Catholic School

Calling ALL Ladies!
IT'S TIME FOR

BUNGO

LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL

AT

St. John's

Friday, February 23rd

STARTS AT 6:30pm

270 E. Lewelling Blvd.
San Lorenzo, CA

Bring \$10 and an appetizer or
dessert to share.
Ladies Only Event (21 and over)!

RSVP by 2/9/2024
(Check the school newsletter
for the SignUpGenius link to sign up)



Save the Date:
Margaritas and Must
Haves School Auction

May 18th @ 6:30pm

At St. John Gym

A Prayer for *Catholic Schools*



Catholic Schools
Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.

Almighty God,

You sent forth your Son as a beacon of hope for all people.

As Teacher, he has given us the prime example of the importance of education. As disciples, we look to him for inspiration and strength.

Thank you for the many people who have dedicated their lives in service to our Catholic schools.

Thank you for the teachers and administrators who sustain our schools.

Thank you for the parents who have given support and witness to the importance of Catholic education.

Thank you for the students who work hard to further their education.

Bless Regis Jesuit High School and the many people who advance our mission.

May our school be a home for those who seek to grow in openness, faith, love, intellect and commitment to justice.

In your name, we pray. Amen.