

October 13, 2021



St. John Catholic School

Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish



ON THE HORIZON:

October 14th

Student of the Month Assembly
8:00am in school play yard

Faith Family Activity
9:00am

October 15th

Camp Read-A-Lot
Pop open a good book event

October 20th

2nd – 8th School Mass
1:45pm
(for students and staff only)

October 20th

Shamrock Pride Meeting
(online)
6:00pm
<https://meet.google.com/kgg-ssxn-xfn>

Dear Shamrock Family,

On October 20th at 1:45pm, Fr. Joseph will lead 2nd – 8th grade classes in mass. Students will sit by class in designated pews (with space between classes). This week teachers will review parts of the mass and next week students will have an opportunity to visit the church to know in advance where to sit and to practice reverent church entrance, reverent church behavior, going up for communion/or a blessing, returning to pews after communion/blessing, use of kneelers, and reverent church exit. Distancing, sanitation and ventilation will be in effect. We are looking forward to offering this Eucharist celebration to our students.

Attentively,
Ms. Paige Child

ALL FAMILIES SHAMROCK PRIDE GROUP MEMBERSHIP FEE DUE:

New this school year, all families are required to join and actively participate in the parent organization, newly named the Shamrock Pride Group (SPG). There is a required annual membership fee of \$10 per family. This parent organization membership fee is nonrefundable. Funds will be used to put on special events for our shamrock family! Keep an eye out for more information on how to participate in the Shamrock Pride Group.

CAMP READ-A-LOT READ-A-THON:

Yesterday was the launch of our Camp Read-A-Lot read-a-thon. If you did not receive an email with your child's personalized link please email Mr. Enos ASAP. denos@csdo.org Attached to this newsletter are the daily themes along with the list of prizes students can win for gathering donations. This fundraiser is great way to kick off the year and get our students excited about reading. Our hope is that we can count on you to reach out to family and friends to not only donate to our school but to motivate students to develop and nurture a lifelong love of reading!

With our small class sizes and additional expenses to support learning fundraising is more important now than ever before. With your help we will be able to reach our school goal of \$45,000.00. That's only about \$300 per child. But don't stop there! If we meet our goal the student that raises the most money will become PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY! We will also have prizes and recognition over the next month for students who reach milestones for fundraising and incentives for us as a school to reach our goal. We appreciate your continued support. We need it now more than ever. Thank you.

TRUNK OR TREAT MOVIE NIGHT:

On October 29th beginning at 5pm we will be hosting a TRUNK or TREAT MOIVE NIGHT! All SJCS families are invited to this FREE event.

TRUNK or TREAT:

Our TRUNK or TREAT event will start at 5pm in our school parking lot. We encourage students to come in their costumes and "TRUNK or TREAT" from car to car.

HOW CAN YOU HELP: There are several ways you can help with this event. All items donated and all time volunteered will count for service hours.

We need the following:

TRUNKS! - We have a limited number of spaces to allow for families to decorate their trunks and offer treats to our students. If you volunteer your family will be credited with 4 service hours for decorating your car and passing out candy. There will even be a prize for the best decorated trunk!

TREATS! – We will need treats of all kinds. Donations of \$25 in Halloween treats will earn you 1 service hour. These treats will be used for the Student Halloween Carnival during the school day as well as to be passed out during the TRUNK or TREAT portion of the evening.

MOVIE NIGHT:

Movie night will take place in our school playground shortly after sundown. Families are invited to bring chairs or blankets to sit on. There will be food and snacks available for purchase prior to and during the movie. (The menu may be limited due to health and safety protocols. More details to come)

Families are welcome to attend one or both of these events. In order to keep our students safe, and in addition to our normal covid safety protocols, we are requiring ALL ADULTS (18 and over) to be vaccinated or show proof of a negative covid test dated no more that 72 hours prior to the event. In order to ensure easy entry into these events we ask that you RSVP and send in your proof of vaccination or negative covid test prior to the event. (More details about how to do this will be in an upcoming newsletter.)

Please email Mr. Enos at denos@csdo.org if you would like to volunteer to decorate your trunk to be a part of our TRUNK or TREAT portion of the evening. Please email info@sjcsedu.org if you have questions about covid health & safety protocols.

We look forward to celebrating Halloween with our SJCS family!

COVID-19 VACCINATION NOTICE:

To ensure the safety of our students, any adults attending a St. John Catholic School special event must be vaccinated. This includes, but is not limited to, events such as our Movie Night, Christmas Program, Spring Concert, Annual Auction, etc. Please email info@sjscedu.org with any questions. Please note: Depending on the event a negative covid test may be accepted in lieu of proof of vaccination. This exception will be made on a case by case basis.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE 8TH GRADE CLASS

Traditionally our 8th grade class has the opportunity to raise money at events like the CYO Crab Feed and the school hosted dance. However, due to COVID, they will not be able to participate in these fundraisers this year. Luckily, the class, along with their roomparents, have come up with other ways to earn money for their end of the year activities. This month they will be running the Pumpkin Decorating Contest and Halloween Pictures. Supporting these fundraisers is greatly appreciated, but please know this does NOT count toward your family fundraising requirement. Look for more ways to support 8th graders coming soon!

FAITH FORMATION:

Saint Teresa of Jesus (Ávila)

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/saints/saints-stories-for-all-ages/saint-teresa-of-avila/>

HEALTH & SAFETY:

5 Emotion-Focused Coping Techniques for Stress Relief

<https://www.verywellmind.com/emotion-focused-coping-for-stress-relief-3145107>

SCRIP FUNDRAISING:

Have you ever wondered what SCRIP is and how it benefits St. John Catholic School?

What? Scrip is Fundraising While You Shop®, it turns everyday shopping into cash for your organization when families use retail gift cards to pay for everyday purchases (like gas and groceries) instead of the usual credit/debit card or other money.

How? Profits from your purchases count toward your family's annual \$300 fundraising obligation. Be sure to pay attention to the percentage that each card earns to accurately calculate your contributions. Thank you for supporting St. John Catholic School SCRIP program!

It's not too early to start thinking about buying Halloween candy and treats, Thanksgiving grocery shopping, and Christmas gift-giving!

Limited Time Increased Profit Percentages

Bath & Body Works 12% now 17%

Domino's 8% now 12%

Upcoming Order Due Dates

October 14

October 28

November 11 (There will only be one order placed in November)

Please email Ms. Aimee at asire@csdo.org with any questions.

IN PARISH RATE REQUIREMENTS:

This is just a reminder that to qualify for the In Parish Rate next year (2022-2023 school year) you must have completed the following prior to May 2022:

- Sell \$50 worth of raffle tickets for the Fall Festival
- 20 service hours between the parish and school
(see the Family Service Hour Program for more details)
- Register with the parish and regularly attend mass
- All age appropriate student sacraments complete
- Contribute a **minimum of \$200** to either the school's Annual Fund or the parish through the use of their weekly envelopes/EFT or a combination of both.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT & FINGERPRINTING:

Any parent wishing to volunteer in the classroom, attend field trips, Junior High Socials or enter the school passed the office must have completed Safe Environment and been fingerprinted. Safe Environment can be done online at <http://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/> once training is completed there is a \$5 fee payable to SJCS. Fingerprinting forms can be picked up in the school office. There is a \$34 fee payable to SJCS and due at the time of picking up the form. If you are unsure if you have completed both Safe Environment and Fingerprinting, please call the school office at 510-276-6632 to confirm.

**PRAYER OF
SAINT TERESA OF AVILA**

Let nothing disturb you,

Let nothing frighten you,

All things are passing away:

God never changes.

Patience obtains all things

Whoever has God lacks nothing;

God alone suffices.

CAMP READ-A-LOT

Daily Challenges (Read for minimum of 30 minutes)

- 10/12 – Read to your pet/stuffed animal
- 10/13 – Read a book about animals
- 10/14 – Read a book written by a woman
- 10/18 – Read a mystery book or story
- 10/19 – Read a book with a green cover
- 10/20 – Read a book instead of watching tv
- 10/21 – Read a book written by someone of different race/culture than yourself
- 10/25 – Read a book as a family about a family that's different than yours
- 10/26 – Read to an audience
- 10/27 – Read a book about overcoming a struggle
- 10/28 – Read a "How to" book or cook a recipe out of a cookbook
- 11/1 – Read a book written by a man
- 11/2 – Read your favorite book
- 11/3 – Read a friend's favorite book
- 11/4 – Read a book written by someone who identifies differently than you

If a classes reach 100% participation on at least one of the daily challenges they will be invited to our weekly celebration on Friday mornings.

Don't forget to share the link to your donation website!

CAMP READ-A-LOT

Prizes

\$1 Donation - You Get A Reading Sticker

\$5 Donation - You Get A Slap Bracelet

\$10 Donation - You Get A Magic Wiggle Jiggly Book Worm

\$25 Donation - You Get A Sticky Ball

\$50 Donation - You Get A Sensory Fidget Toy

\$75 Donation - You Get A Mini Cube Puzzle

\$100 Donation - You Get A Gold Foil \$100 bill

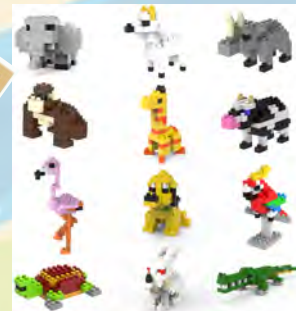
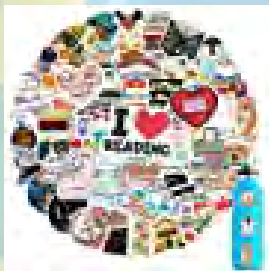
\$150 Donation - You Get A Mini Building Blocks Animal

\$200 Donation - You Get A Voice Activated Spider Pet

\$350 Donation - You Get A Portable Megaphone Bullhorn

\$500 Donation - You Get A Mini Arcade Retro Machine - 200 Retro style games

\$1,000 Donation - You Get A Bean Bag Reading Chair





Please submit the bottom portion with your pumpkin entry. You can bring payment and your pumpkin to the 8th grade classroom any morning from 10/25-10/29.

Name: _____

Grade: _____

Paid _____ Payment Type _____



HALLOWEEN PICTURES



Please support the 8th Grade Class! Each picture is just \$1.00.

You'll be emailed a digital copy of the photo.

Pictures will be taken on Friday, October 29th.

NOTICE: YOU MAY ONLY TAKE PICTURES WITH PEOPLE IN YOUR OWN CLASS!

Name: _____ Grade: _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

You can add more people on the back of this paper.

JOIN US FOR
OUR
1ST

SAVE THE DATE!

MOVIE NIGHT &

TRUNK
or
TREAT

SJCS

FUN, TREATS, & A MOVIE!
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29
AT 5:00PM
ST. JOHN SCHOOL PARKING LOT
FOR MORE INFO SEE OUR
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

PLEASE NOTE: ALL ADULTS ATTENDING THIS EVENT MUST BE VACCINATED OR HAVE PROOF OF A NEGATIVE COVID TEST

SCRIP ORDER 2021 - 2022

Family Name _____
 Name & Grade of oldest child _____

****Orders Due by October 14, 2021.

Entertainment	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Century Theaters	4%	\$25		
Century Theaters Single Admit	8.5%	\$11		
Gas	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Arco	1.5%	\$50		
	2.5%	\$250		
76	1.5%	\$25		
		\$100		
Shell	1.5%	\$50		
		\$100		
Grocery	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Lucky/Savemart	2%	\$25		
		\$100		
Safeway	4%	\$25		
		\$100		
Smart & Final	3%	\$25		
		\$100		
Target	2.5%	\$25		
		\$100		
Sprouts Farmers Market	5%	\$25		
		\$100		

Fast Food/Restaurant	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Applebee's	8%	\$25		
Chipotle	10%	\$10		
IHOP	8%	\$25		
Olive Garden	8%	\$25		
Starbucks Coffee	4.5%	\$10		
		\$25		
Retail	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Amazon.com	2%	\$25		
		\$100		
Old Navy	14%	\$25		
		\$100		
Macy's	10%	\$25		
		\$100		
Marshall's/TJ Maxx	7%	\$25		
Ross	8%	\$25		
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	\$25		
		\$100		
Walgreens	5%	\$25		
		\$100		

Please refer to www.shopwithscrip.com for a complete list of participating vendors.

Write In Orders** (use back side of form if needed)	%	\$	QTY	Net \$

*Payment must be included with this form. Make checks payable to St. John Catholic School
 Turn completed forms to School Office or send back in with your student.
 Orders will be ready in about 1 week.*

Cash Check # _____

Orders Due by THURSDAY, October 14, 2021 10:00 AM.

TOTAL \$ _____

- I will pick up my Scrip Order at the school office I will pick up my Scrip Order at SEP
 Please send home Scrip Order with eldest child

Purchased By (please print) _____ Phone # _____

I understand that Scrip is like cash and St. John Catholic School is not responsible if your Scrip order is lost or stolen.

Signature _____ Date _____