



St. John Catholic School

Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish

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From the Principal's Desk

Dear SJCS Families,

Thank you for making your child's education a priority. It was a luxury for our teachers to have the opportunity to meet with so many parents last week during parent-teacher conferences. We greatly respect and appreciate your partnership in Catholic education!

On that note, parents have communicated that they would appreciate more information regarding SST meetings. An SST meeting is a Student Success Team meeting and is conducted to create a plan for a student's success. Usually if a teacher notices that a particular student is struggling in an area, be it academically, socially, or behaviorally, a meeting is planned where parents, teachers, and other educational support staff can meet to discuss areas of student strength, areas for growth, as well as to create a list of goals and an associating action plan to assist the student in achieving said goals. This type of meeting allows for proper face-to-face communication about student needs, as well as school to home collaboration toward ensuring student success at school and in life.

St. John Catholic School strives to teach to the whole child. We are not just focused on what our students know but who they are, how they treat others, and how they foster a relationship with Christ. We want our students to know how to think,

problem solve, and lead in a variety of capacities. Our goal is for our students to have a learning environment in which they can uncover their unique abilities and feel secure in using those talents for the betterment of the greater community. We are shamrocks and we are people of integrity!

Blessings,
Ms. Paige Child
Principal
pchild@csdo.org

Excellence in education is when we do everything that we can to make sure they become everything that they can.
— Carol Ann Tomlinson

STUDENT SAFETY is our TOP PRIORITY!

There will be a **mandatory Cyber Safety Parent Assembly** on **Tuesday, October 25th** from **7:00-9:00pm** in the St. John gym. Free childcare will be offered in the school building and 2 service hours can be earned for attendance.

This is a **VERY** important and informative presentation that is sure to help each parent better protect their child from the potential dangers of the internet. We require that one parent per family attend this event so to work in partnership in the protection of our scholars.

Awareness is the first step in prevention, so let's take that step together!

Bell Schedule

In order to increase supervision and ensure optimal student safety, here is this year's recess & lunch

10:00–10:20 K-2 Recess
10:35-10:50 3-8 Recess

11:55-12:15 K-2 Lunch Recess
12:15-12:35 K-2 Eat
12:30-12:50 3-8 Eat
12:50-1:10 3-8 Lunch Recess

Calendar Reminders

PTG Meeting

Thursday, October 13th

Fall Fundraiser Ends

Monday, October 17th

6th Grade Bake Sale

Wednesday, October 19th

8th Grade to Caritas

Monday, October 17th –
Friday, October 21st

Outside Movie Night

Friday, October 21st

Red Ribbon Week

Monday, October 24th –
Friday, October 28th

Mandatory Parent Cyber Safety Meeting

Tuesday, October 25th

Nacho Sales \$1

Wednesday, October 26th



SHOUT OUT!

Mrs. Monica Gioukaris
for chairing the Scholastic Book
Fair last week

Mr. Jeffrey Cuaderno
for offering his assistance with
plumbing maintenance last week

THANK YOU!

Family Service Hour Program

A huge thank you to all of our school families who participated in our Fall Festival! This was a great way to begin – or to continue – your support of your child's school through our Family Service Hour Program.

Families received a copy of the complete policy with the student registration packet, and it's also available on our school website for your reference.

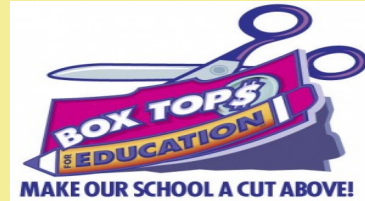
Here are a couple of reminders as you find ways to become involved at St. John Catholic School:

- Service hours for the 2016-2017 school year begin May 1, 2016 and must be completed by April 30, 2017.
- Each family is required to complete 20 service hours during this period.
- Service hours are valued at \$25/hour.
- The following do not count toward service hour requirements: parent-teacher conferences, sacramental preparation meetings, and attendance at CYO events or school production/performance events.
- Service hours are non-transferrable and cannot be carried over to the following year.

Studies show that students are more engaged and are more successful in school when parents are involved. Your support of St. John Catholic School not only helps us together achieve our mission, but it directly impacts your child's success in school. Thank you for all you do!

Help us earn 50,000 Bonus Box Tops for our School!

Thanks to General Mills and Walmart, every Walmart-exclusive Box Tops Certificate that we clip and collect until 11/2/2016 earns our school a chance to be one of 20 Winners of 50,000 Bonus Box Tops!
(That's \$5,000 for our classrooms)



With your help, we can make a difference for our school.

Thank you for all your hard work and support!

In order to submit on time, please turn in all Box Tops by October 26th!!!

Fundraising ... What's the difference?

St. John Catholic School relies on fundraising efforts to cover operating expenses not covered by tuition alone. Tuition and fees pay for only 80% of our annual expenses, which include insurance, facility maintenance, utilities, curriculum, salaries and benefits, etc.

Each family is committed to participate in our school's fundraising efforts to raise \$300 in profit for the year. This is accomplished by participating in SCRIPT, Fall Fundraiser, and our Fun Run this spring, for example. Any funds not raised by the May 1 deadline will be rolled over to FACTS.

In addition to the school's efforts, many of our classes also fundraise to offset the cost of science camps, Caritas, and graduation fees. *These expenses are not part of the school's operating budget, and participation in class-sponsored fundraisers does not apply to the school's \$300 annual commitment per family.*

St. John Catholic School appreciates your support for both the school and individual class fundraising efforts.

Parent-Teacher Group General Meeting

Thursday, October 13th
7pm



PTG website is



sjcsptg.weebly.com

Attention *Volunteers:*

Adults who volunteer at our school, including as chaperones or drivers on field trips, must be fingerprinted and complete Safe Environment Training. *This is a diocesan mandate.*

Finger Printing

- Fingerprinting Services of America, 225 W. Winton Avenue, Suite 120, Hayward, CA. 510-440-8000
- You must pick up a form from the school office and pay the \$34 fee to SJCS.

Safe Environment Training

- www.virtusonline.org
- Must be completed PRIOR to beginning service.
- Must be completed every three years.
- There is a \$5 fee payable to SJCS- Please turn in

SCRIP Fundraising Orders

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 ~~13%~~ now 18%

Fandango ~~4%~~ now 8%

This round of orders due Thursday, October 13th!

Is your child interested in Alter Serving?



There will be training for Alter Servers on **Wednesday, October 26th** at 7:00pm in the Church.

If your child is interested, please fill out the attached Alter Server Application and turn it into the school no later than **Wednesday, October 19th!**

SJCS School Calendar

The calendar for this year will be available on our school website

www.stjohncatholicschool.org

Please check it out to stay up-to-date.



We are very excited to celebrate Halloween at St. John Catholic School on Monday, October 31st. Families are invited to a Halloween Parade for PreK-8th graders from 8:00-8:30am in the school gym. October 31st is a noon dismissal day with SEP available both before and after school. Students are allowed to come dressed in a Halloween costume on this day.

In order to ensure the safety of our students and that the values of our Catholic school are upheld, please adhere to the following costume guidelines:

- Please do not send your children with weapons or in costumes that depict extreme violence, blood, or gore. Costumes should not be suggestive of anything inappropriate and in conflict with our school values.
- Please do not allow your child to come to school in a costume that includes a scary mask.
- Costumes should be appropriate and modest with no bare midriffs or shoulders exposed. Skirt length and footwear should be consistent with uniform guidelines.
- Students should be able to see, hear, move comfortably, and breathe easily in all costumes.
- This year there may be **NO CLOWN COSTUMES** of any kind!

With your help, we will enjoy a fun and safe Halloween celebration with our family at St. John Catholic School!

Thank you and Happy Halloween!!

Saint John's PTG PRESENTS

HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA



SJCS students, family, and friends join us for an Outdoor Movie Night. Spend the night under the stars in your Halloween Costume as we present HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA. Save 30% on Pre-Order tickets with a meal.

CONCESSION
STAND
OPTIONS

Hot Dogs
Chips
Drinks
Nachos
Candy
Ice Cream
Popcorn

**WHAT TO
BRING**

Chair

Blanket

Friends

October 21, 2016 – 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Where: St. John School Playground

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Tickets Only \$2.00 Tickets w/ Meal \$5.00*

*** Meal Includes Hot Dog, Chips, & Drink**

Return Ticket Orders on or before 10/19/2016 to School Office/Teacher

STUDENT NAME: _____ GRADE _____

OF TICKETS ONLY: \$2.00 x _____ = \$ _____

OF TICKETS W/MEAL: \$5.00 x _____ = \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED = \$ _____

Additional tickets available at the door.

Tickets sent home the day of event!

Upcoming training date : Oct. 26th @ 7 pm
St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
Altar Server Application
in the church

Thank you for your interest in becoming an altar server at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in San Lorenzo, CA. Altar serving is an honored ministry for Catholic youth and a beautiful way to celebrate the joy of our faith through active participation in liturgy. **Please complete this application and return it to your Religion or CCD teacher, DRE, or parish office.** An altar serving coordinator will contact you for training schedule.

Name: _____ Birth Date: _____

Parent(s) Name (s): _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Zip Code: _____ Phone Number: _____ e-mail: _____

Registered parishioner at _____

Please check all that apply:

Baptized Catholic Reconciliation First Holy Communion

Please attach copies of applicant's certificates of Baptism and First Holy Communion.

Age: _____ Grade _____ I attend St. John Catholic School and am available for school liturgies and celebrations.

Recommendations

Each altar server applicant must get two (2) references; one from his/her religious education teacher, and the other from his/her parent or guardian.

I, the (religion, CCD teacher, other adult) of _____ authorize him/her to apply to serve as an altar server at St. John the Baptist Church. I verify that this child has received the minimum required sacraments, and has demonstrated leadership skill, reverence, and responsible behaviors to successfully serve in this capacity.

Signed: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

I, the parent/guardian of _____ give permission for him/her to apply and serve as an altar server at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. I agree to support my child in his/her ministry by ensuring my child serves as scheduled and on time, and makes arrangements to find a replacement if my child cannot serve on a scheduled date.

Signed: _____

Entrenamiento

fecha: Octubre 26 del 2016

Iglesia Católica San Juan Bautista
Aplicación para Acólitos

a las 7:00 PM
en la Iglesia.

Gracias por su interés en servir como Acolito en la Iglesia San Juan Bautista de San Lorenzo, California. El servicio de Acólitos es un ministerio de honor para los jóvenes Católicos y una bella manera de celebrar el gozo de nuestra fe a través de la participación activa en la liturgia. Por favor llene esta aplicación y regrésela a su maestro de Religión, CCD o la oficina parroquial. El coordinador de acólitos se pondrá en contacto con usted para el entrenamiento.

Nombre _____ Fecha de Nacimiento _____

Nombre de los Padres _____

Dirección _____ Ciudad _____

Código Postal _____ Numero de Teléfono _____ Correo electrónico _____

Parroquia en la que está registrado _____

Por favor indique lo que aplica:

Bautizado Católico Reconciliación Primera Comunión

Por favor adjunte copias de certificados de Bautismo y Primera Comunión

Edad ____ Grado ____ Yo atiendo a la Escuela de San Juan y estoy disponible para las liturgias y celebraciones de la escuela.

Recomendaciones

Cada acolito aplicando tiene que tener (2) referencias; una d su maestra de educación religiosa, y la otra de sus padres o custodio.

Yo, (maestra de CCD u otro adulto) de _____ autorizo a él/ella a que aplique para servir como acolito en la Iglesia San Juan Bautista. Verifico que este joven ha recibido los sacramentos mínimos requeridos y ha demostrado habilidad en liderazgo, reverencia y conducta responsable para servir exitosamente en esta capacidad.

Firma _____

Relación al solicitante _____

Yo padre o custodio de _____ doy permiso a él/ella a que aplique para servir como acolito en la Iglesia Católica San Juan Bautista. Me comprometo en apoyar a mi hijo/a en su ministerio asegurándome que mi hijo/a sirva según su horario y a tiempo, y hacer arreglos de encontrar un sustituto cuando mi hijo/a no pueda servir en la fecha de su horario.

Firma _____

SCRIP ORDER 2016 - 2017

Family Name _____
 Name & Grade of oldest child _____

****Orders Due by October 13, 2016.

Entertainment	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Century Theaters	4%	\$25		
Century Theaters Single Admit	10%	\$9.50		
Gas	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Arco	1.5%	\$50		
	2.5%	\$250		
Chevron	1%	\$50		
	1%	\$250		
Shell	2.0%	\$50		
		\$100		
Grocery	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Lucky/Savemart	2%	\$25		
		\$100		
Safeway	4%	\$25		
		\$100		
Smart & Final	3%	\$25		
		\$100		
Target	2.5%	\$25		
		\$100		
Whole Foods	3%	\$25		
		\$100		

Fast Food/Restaurant	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Applebee's	8%	\$25		
Chipotle	10%	\$10		
IHOP	8%	\$25		
Olive Garden	9%	\$25		
Starbucks Coffee	7%	\$10		
		\$25		
Retail	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Amazon.com	3%	\$25		
		\$100		
Old Navy	14%	\$25		
		\$100		
Macy's	10%	\$25		
		\$100		
Marshall's/TJ Maxx	7%	\$25		
Ross	8%	\$25		
Sports Authority	8%	\$25		
		\$100		
Walgreens	6%	\$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 Wednesday envelope.
 Orders will be ready in about 1 week.*

Cash Check # _____

**Orders Due by THURSDAY, October 13, 2016 10:00 AM.
 GET A HEAD START ON YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING!**

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 _____