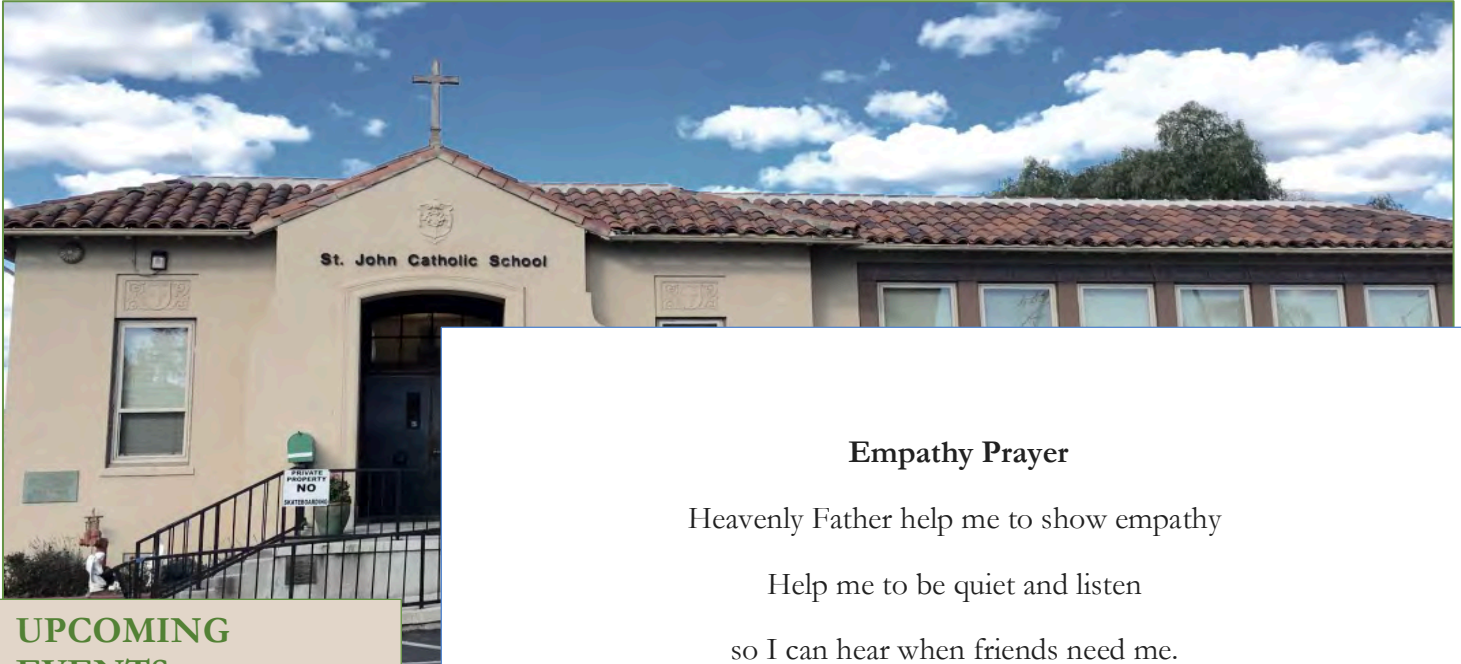


OCTOBER 30, 2019



St. John Catholic School

Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, Oct 31st

Junior High Social
TK-5th Halloween Carnival
TK-5th Class parties
Noon Dismissal

Friday, Nov 1st

Canned Food Drive Begins
All Saints Day Mass
Nacho Sale \$1

Sunday, Nov 3rd

Class Mass 9:30am 1st & 6th

Wednesday, Nov 13th

End of Trimester 1
Grandparents Day Mass
Grandparents Day Reception

Empathy Prayer

Heavenly Father help me to show empathy

Help me to be quiet and listen

so I can hear when friends need me.

Help me to slow down and pay attention

so I can see when friends need me.

Help me to not only think about myself

so I can know when friends need me.

I pray today that you help me grow in empathy

so that I can help my friends

and share your love!

Amen!

Dear Shamrock Family,

I offer to our community an empathy prayer this week so that we may reflect on ways which we may appreciate more empathy from others, as well as means by which we may offer more grace and empathy to those who surround us. We have been reflecting a lot lately on empathy among our classes at St. John. Whether it be attempting to help students better be able to recognize and acknowledge how another may be feeling or what they may be experiencing, or guiding our students toward just better active listening in general, the grace of being empathetic is a virtue which we are trying to model and foster among our students.

NO USE OF GYM 11/1-11/7

Parents, please note that bleacher installation will take place in the gym from 11/1-11/7 and that morning SEP and drop off will need to take place inside or in classrooms, and we will dismiss from the school play yard. Your patience is appreciated!

THE HOLIDAYS ARE QUICKLY APPROACHING!

Please consider ordering your Christmas Tree, Wreath, Swag and Garland from St John's 8th Grade Class! If you don't want a real tree, consider purchasing one for the "Trees for Troops Program" to support military families this Christmas.

Last day to order is 11/12/19

Pick up dates: Dec. 6 from 3-6pm & Dec. 7 from 9:00am-12:00pm

All Proceeds benefit the 8th Grade Class Fund and will help lower the cost of Caritas and other 8th Grade events. Please see attached flyer for more information. You can place an order with any 8th grade family or contact Karen Strawn @ 510-690-4410 or by email

Kstrawn64@gmail.com . The 8th Grade Class thanks you very much for your support and wishes you and yours a Blessed Holiday Season!

Empathy is the capacity to understand what another person is experiencing from within the other person's point of reference; the capacity to place oneself in another's shoes. Empathy is one of the most critical interpersonal skills needed in order to communicate and connect with others. Theodore Roosevelt shared, "Nobody cares how much you know, until they know how much you care." Yet, empathy is also one of the most difficult abilities or skills with which both children and adults struggle. We are finding that contemplating with the heart and putting yourself in another person's shoes can be very challenging to teach. Many people are good at sympathizing with someone, sharing in their feelings, and showing care or concern for another. However, empathy is different. Putting your own thoughts or feelings aside to allow yourself to feel another person's feelings requires intention and a level of emotional intelligence that necessitates practice. As we approach the month of November, a month when gratitude is at the helm, may we as a community attempt to listen to, learn from, and truly love one another.

In Gratitude,

Ms. Paige Child



Announcements

REMINDER

Dear Shamrock Families, please be reminded that all parents/relatives participating in our school Halloween festivities have to have had completed Safe Environment course and have been cleared for Live Scan, you will NOT be allowed pass our front office if any of these two items have been completed. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, thank you for your cooperation!

BELL SCHEDULE

10:05 -10:25 K-2 Recess

10:40 -10:55 3-8 Recess

11:50 - 12:30 K-2 Recess

12:10-12:30 K-2 Lunch

12:15- 12:30 3-8 Lunch

12:30 – 12:55 3-8 Recess

UNIFORM EXCHANGE

Karen Strawn will be holding office hours for Uniform Exchange on Wednesday, Oct 30th from 2:40pm-5:00pm

CSDO ANNOUNCEMENT

“ On November 1st, at 10am, every parent and staff member will receive a text from saying. “You have been opted-in to receive SMS messages from Diocese of Oakland Schools. To opt out, reply No or Stop”

SIGN UP TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

THURSDAY, OCT 31

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084aaba29a2fe3-halloween>

ALL SAINTS DAY

Dress up for All Saints Day on Friday, Nov 1! Father Sergio has invited all students to dress up as their favorite saint on Friday. Please consider this opportunity for your child(ren), as it would be a very special way to represent our Catholic identity as a school.

Thank you for considering!

Dear Shamrock Family

Do you have a gift or talent to share? Do you have a passion or hobby that you would care to share with others? If so, you are in luck, as we need YOUR help! For the second year running, I am really trying to offer the opportunity of various after school clubs which our students could join, for a minimal cost, to enhance and extend their learning experience at St. John. I am inquiring as to if any parents/grandparents are interested in leading an afterschool club for our students, in return for service hours?

The clubs could range in variety- from cooking, reading, gardening, to dance and beyond and would ideally be held for about an hour, one to two days per week, for a four to six week stint (between January 7th -April 2nd). In order to be eligible to moderate a club, all you would need is to have completed your online safe environment training and have received fingerprint clearance. Please email Ms. Child by **November 1st** if you are interested in moderating a club!

In your email, please share with Ms. Child the following:

- Type of club interested in moderating
- Number of students ideal to join
- Age range/grade level of students ideal to join
- Materials needed for the club/participants
- Meeting dates/times within the January 7th-April 2nd time frame (Mon & Fri not recommended)

Thank you for considering, as I feel this could be a wonderful opportunity for our students!

Attentively,
Ms. Paige Child

TENNIS CLUB VOLUNTEERS

One parent shared her idea of a potential tennis club but would need two additional volunteers to make it possible. Please email Ms. Child if interested in helping with this. pchild@cndo.org

What's Lost CAN Be Found!

Our Lost and Found bin, located just outside the science lab, is overflowing with jackets and sweatshirts, lunch pails, notebooks, and more. If you have any items “missing,” please check the bin. A good number of items are NOT clearly marked with student names, which makes it difficult for us to proactively return items that go astray. Thank you for your cooperation in returning items to the rightful owner!



We are very excited to celebrate Halloween at St. John Catholic School this Thursday, October 31st. Family members are invited to a Halloween Parade for TK-8th graders from 8:00-8:30am in the gym. There will be a Halloween carnival for students in grades TK-5, and the annual Halloween Junior High Social for our students in grades 6-8.

- TK-5th grade Halloween carnival
 - 9:00am-9:20am- TK, K
 - 9:20am-9:40am- 1st, 2nd
 - 9:40am-10:00am- 3rd, 4th, 5th

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 or in conflict with our school values.
- Costumes should be appropriate and modest with no bare midriffs exposed. Skirt length and footwear should be consistent with uniform guidelines.
- Students should be able to see, hear, sit, move comfortably, and breathe in all costumes.
- Please ask your child's teacher if you have any questions.

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!!



OUR GHOSTS AND
GHOULS NEED OUR HELP!
PLEASE HELP PTG BY DONATING
A BAG OF CANDY FOR OUR

Halloween
CARNIVAL
OCT 31 ST

DROP OFF IN THE OFFICE



CARNIVAL SCHEDULE



TK - K >> 9:00 AM - 9:20 AM

1ST - 2ND >> 9:20 AM - 9:40 AM

3RD - 4TH - 5TH >> 9:40 AM - 10:00 AM



WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

HELP SET UP * RUN THE GAMES * CLEAN UP

SIGN UP! IN [SIGNUPGENIUS.COM](https://www.signupgenius.com)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084aabae29a2fe3-halloween>

BE HALLOWEEN Safe

Halloween is a fun, and spooky, time of year for kids. Make trick-or-treating safe for your little monsters with a few easy safety tips.



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HALLOWEEN FIRE SAFETY TIPS

- » **When choosing a costume**, stay away from long trailing fabric. If your child is wearing a mask, make sure the eye holes are large enough so he or she can see out.
- » **Provide children** with flashlights to carry for lighting or glow sticks as part of their costume.
- » Dried flowers, cornstalks and crepe paper catch fire easily. **Keep all decorations** away from open flames and other heat sources like light bulbs and heaters.
- » **Use a battery-operated** candle or glow-stick in jack-o-lanterns. If you use a real candle, use extreme caution. Make sure children are watched at all times when candles are lit. When lighting candles inside jack-o-lanterns, use long, fireplace-style matches or a utility lighter. Be sure to place lit pumpkins well away from anything that can burn and far enough out of the way of trick-or-treaters, doorsteps, walkways and yards.
- » **Remember** to keep exits clear of decorations, so nothing blocks escape routes.
- » **Make sure** all smoke alarms in the home are working.
- » **Tell children** to stay away from open flames including jack-o-lanterns with candles in them. Be sure they know how to stop, drop and roll if their clothing catches fire. (Have them practice, stopping immediately, dropping to the ground, covering their face with hands, and rolling over and over to put the flames out.)

If your children are going to **Halloween parties** at others' homes, have them look for ways out of the home and plan how they would get out in an emergency.

Did you know?



Decorations are the first thing to ignite in **900** reported home fires each year. Two of every five of these fires were started by a candle.



Your Source for **SAFETY** Information

NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169

Canned Food Drive

November 1st-20th



Items Requested:

- Canned cranberry sauce
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruit
- Stuffing (boxed)
- Gravy (non-perishable)

Help us reach our goal of 1,075
(5 items per student)

8th Grade Fundraiser

NACHO SALE

\$1.00



Friday, Novmeber 1st

Thank You For Your Support!

SCRIP ORDER 2019 - 2020

Family Name _____
 Name & Grade of oldest child _____

****Orders Due by November 7, 2019.

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	7%	\$10		
		\$25		
Retail	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Amazon.com	2.25%	\$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, November 7, 2019 10:00 AM.
Get a head start on 2019-2020 fundraising!

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

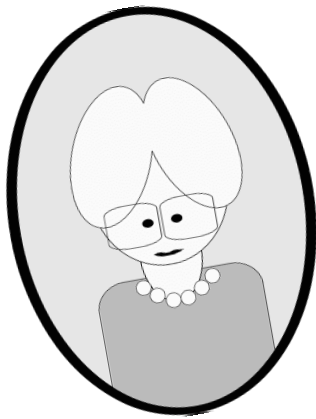
Purchased By (please print) _____ Phone # _____

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 _____

PLEASE JOIN US FOR
St. John Catholic School's

GRANDPARENTS



Day!



Wednesday, November 13th



Mass at 8:30am in the Church
followed by a light breakfast
and reception in the school gym



Invite Grandparents or a Special Person to Join Us!

Sponsored by the St. John PTG

Please RSVP by November 8th

Name of Grandparent(s) or Special Person:

Shamrock Grandma and Grandpa Apparel

Submit orders to the office ATTN: Kristen Elliott
Questions? kelliott@cso.org



Get Grandma and Grandpa decked out in
Shamrock gear just in time for
Grandparents Day (November 13th)

Orders Due: Friday, November 1st
Orders delivered Tuesday, November 12th

Colors Available: Gray Green

Design: Grandma or Grandpa (circle one)

Sizes Available: AS AM AL AXL A2XL* A3XL* A4XL *
(add \$3 to cost for 2XL+)

for more options visit www.sjcsshamrockshop.weebly.com

Crew Neck T- Shirt \$15 quantity _____ size _____ color _____ design grandma/grandpa

Women's V-Neck Shirt \$16 quantity _____ size _____ color _____ design grandma/grandpa

Hooded Sweatshirt- \$25 quantity _____ size _____ color _____ design grandma/grandpa

Full Zip Up Hoodie \$27 quantity _____ size _____ color _____ design _____ grandma/grandpa

(design on the back)

Crew Neck Sweatshirt \$25 quantity _____ size _____ color _____ design grandma/grandpa

Child's Name _____ Grade _____

Email Address _____

Total Amount \$ _____

Make checks payable to St. John Catholic School

St. John's Class of 2020

CHRISTMAS TREE, WREATH, EVERGREEN SWAG & GARLAND FUNDRAISER



DOUGLAS FIR

SIZE	PRICE
5' – 6'	\$65.00
6' – 7'	\$72.00
7' – 8'	\$82.00
8' – 9'	\$86.00



NOBLE FIR

SIZE	PRICE
5' – 6'	\$83.00
6' – 7'	\$95.00
7' – 8'	\$110.00
8' – 9'	\$138.00
9' – 10'	\$170.00



NORDMANN FIR

SIZE	PRICE
5' – 6'	\$77.00
6' – 7'	\$88.00
7' – 8'	\$100.00
8' – 9'	\$122.00
9' – 10'	\$153.00



24" ROUND WREATH

SIZE	PRICE
24"	\$43.00



EVERGREEN SWAG

SIZE	PRICE
24"	\$38.00

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

DOUGLAS FIR

Your donation of a fresh cut Douglas Fir will be directly shipped to a military base in the Western US the first week of December. Thank you for your support!

SIZE	PRICE
6' – 7'	\$68.00



Make A Donation

Description: PLEASE HELP SUPPORT ST. JOHN'S 8TH GRADE CLASS WITH THE PRESALE PURCHASE OF A CHRISTMAS TREE, WREATH, SWAG OR GARLAND. YOU MAY ALSO DONATE TO THE "TREES FOR TROOPS" PROGRAM.

THE PROFITS OF THIS PROGRAM WILL BE USED FOR 8TH GRADE CLASS FEES (CARITAS CAMP, RETREAT, GRADUATION, GRADUATION DINNER DANCE, ETC.)

Product Pick-up date: Friday, December 6th and Saturday, December 7th

Location: St. John's School parking lot

Hours of operation: December 6th 3:00PM-6:00PM and December 7th 9:00AM-12:00PM

Contact Name, Email & Phone: Karen Strawn (510) 690-4410
Kstrawn64@gmail.com

Acceptable Forms of Payment are Cash or Checks made payable to: **SJCS Please put 8th Grade Fundraiser and name of 8th Grader you purchased from in the memo section of the check**

Additional Information: Sales tax and shipping/handling are included in price



24" CROSS WREATH

SIZE	PRICE
24"	\$46.00



CEDAR GARLAND

SIZE	PRICE
1'	\$4.00

LAST DAY TO ORDER: 11/12/19



EARN CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL

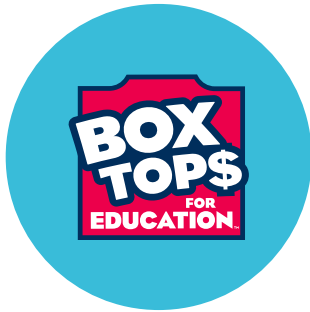
NO MORE CLIPPING. ALL YOU NEED IS YOUR SMARTPHONE.

The NEW and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

LOOK FOR THE NEW LABEL:

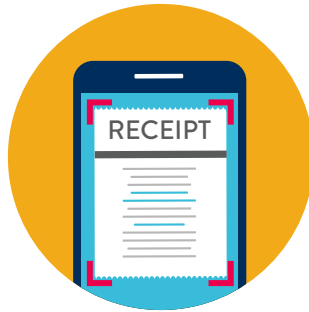


HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:



BUY BOX TOPS PRODUCTS

You can find Box Tops on hundreds of products throughout the store.



SCAN YOUR RECEIPT

Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



EARN CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL

Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated at BTFE.com.

You do not need to clip or send Box Tops labels to school.



BOX TOPS CLIPS ON PACKAGES

Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store as packages transition to the new Box Tops labels. **You can still clip these and send them to school.** Please make sure each clip has a valid expiration date.



BUY
BOX TOPS
PRODUCTS



CUT
OUT THE BOX TOP
FROM EACH PACKAGE



SEND
YOUR BOX TOPS
TO SCHOOL

SEE PRODUCTS & LEARN MORE ABOUT THE BOX TOPS APP AT BTFE.COM

THE ALL-NEW BOX TOPS IS HERE!
DOWNLOAD THE APP:



THE OLD BOX TOPS CLIPS



Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store.

You can still clip and send them to school.

Every valid Box Tops clip is worth 10¢ for your school. Make sure each one has a clearly visible product acronym and expiration date.

** All valid Box Tops clips submitted per the Program Rules by a Coordinator(s) of (an) eligible, enrolled school(s) will be honored.*

THE NEW BOX TOPS LABELS



Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Participating brands are starting to change their packaging from a traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Top label.

If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. **Box Tops are still worth 10¢ each for your school.** The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.