

NOVEMBER 13, 2019



St. John Catholic School

Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, Nov 14th

PE Uniform 6:15 pm

PTG Meeting 6:30 pm

Friday, Nov 15th

Nacho Sale \$1

Wednesday, Nov 20th

Canned Food Drive ENDS

Cookie Dough Fundraiser

Noon Dismissal

Friday, Nov 22nd

Report Cards Go Home

Student of the Month

Breakfast & Award

Assembly

Nov 25th- Nov 29th

No School

Thanksgiving Break

Dear Shamrock Family,

Last Friday Ms. Amy and I led a school-wide Gracious Space Assembly on kindness and making our school a friendlier place. Ms. Amy shared a demonstration with water and food coloring, depicting for the students just like how one drop of dye can create a bowl full of color, one kind act can make a person's day brighter. During this Thanksgiving month, we will focus on ways to be gracious, kind, and empathetic toward others. Ms. Amy will be visiting classrooms to conduct class lessons and we will erect and "wall of gratitude" on which students can acknowledge the kindness of others among our school community. Not just in November, but all throughout the year, our goal is to instill in and model for our students the importance of community and inclusiveness.

I invite your family to consider this a time to discuss and focus on gratitude at home. Perhaps share one thing for which you are grateful each day and make an effort to share at least one extra act of kindness with another, so to model a gracious space for children everywhere they go. Together we, the SJCS family, can make our community a safe, welcoming, supportive, and gracious space for all.

May Christ's light surround and embrace you.

With Love,
Ms. Child

Announcements

REMINDER

Dear Shamrock Families, please be reminded that all parents/relatives participating in our school activities 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 not 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 Reces

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Please visit our school website to access the school calendar.

<http://www.stjohncatholiccschool.org/calendar.html>

If you would like to subscribe to/ add our calendar to a device just add this link

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/ch3o3n0fpm4v0tpth3ntm38lq4%40group.calendar.google.com/public/basic.ics>

CANNED FOOD DRIVE

4TH grade canned food drive began on Nov 1st and ends on Nov 20th. We ask that each St. John student help reach our goal of 1,075 (5 items per student). Help support our local community members who are less fortunate than we. Please see flyer attached for more information.

SCRIP

Now is time to order SCRIP for your holiday grocery shopping and Christmas gift giving!

There will only be one scrip order this month on Nov. 7, Please not that this is one of the 2 scrip orders before Christmas, the second one will be on Dec.12

What is Scrip?

Scrip is Fundraising While You Shop®, it turns everyday shopping into cash for SJCS 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. Did you know there are over 700 retailers to choose from? Visit www.shopwithscrip.com for a complete list of participating vendors!

Our School Mantra

We live our faith.

We serve others.

We are life – long learners.

We are people of integrity.

We are Shamrocks!

ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS:

Adults (18+) who volunteer at our school, including as chaperones or drivers on fieldtrips must be fingerprinted and completed Safe Environment Training. This is a diocesan mandate.

Finger Printing

You must pick up a form from the school office and pay the \$34 fee to SJCS

Safe Environment Training

<http://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/>

Must be completed PRIOR to beginning service.

Must be completed every three years.

There is a \$5 fee payable to SJCS- Please turn in with your certificate

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!

8th Grade Fundraiser

NACHO SALE

\$1.00



Friday, Novmeber 15th

Thank You For Your Support!

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)

The members of St. Gerard Women's Club at St. John's Church are holding their famous Christmas Bake Sale and Raffle in the Community Room, 264 E. Lewelling Blvd., San Lorenzo after the 4:30 pm Mass on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 and after all the Mass' starting at 7:30 am on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8. There will be a Continental Breakfast available on Sunday, December 8 and the raffle will be held after the 11:30 am Mass on Sunday (you do not have to be present to win). Come, enjoy and support this event with lots of great baked goods, raffle prizes and "trinkets & treasures" table and know that all proceeds go to St. John's Church. If you like to donate baked goods, you can bring them to the Community Room throughout the weekend. For more information contact Juanita Velasquez, President, @510-688-0669.

Thanksgiving Safety



The kitchen is the heart of the home, especially at Thanksgiving. Kids love to be involved in holiday preparations. Safety in the kitchen is important, especially on Thanksgiving Day when there is a lot of activity and people at home.

- Stay in the kitchen when you are cooking on the stovetop so you can keep an eye on the food.
- Stay in the home when cooking your turkey and check on it frequently.
- Keep children away from the stove. The stove will be hot and kids should stay 3 feet away.
- Make sure kids stay away from hot food and liquids. The steam or splash from vegetables, gravy or coffee could cause serious burns.
- Keep the floor clear so you don't trip over kids, toys, pocketbooks or bags.
- Keep knives out of the reach of children.
- Be sure electric cords from an electric knife, coffee maker, plate warmer or mixer are not dangling off the counter within easy reach of a child.
- Keep matches and utility lighters out of the reach of children — up high in a locked cabinet.
- Never leave children alone in room with a lit candle.
- Make sure your smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the test button.

Did you know?



Thanksgiving is the leading day of the year for home fires involving cooking equipment.

Have activities that keep **kids out of the kitchen** during this busy time. Games, puzzles or books can keep them busy. Kids can get involved in Thanksgiving preparations with recipes that can be done **outside** the kitchen.



**NATIONAL FIRE
PROTECTION ASSOCIATION**

The leading information and knowledge resource
on fire, electrical and related hazards



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.



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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.



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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.