



St. John Catholic School

Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish

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April 6, 2016

Letter from the Principal

My Lord, Jesus,
You have risen to new life!
Give me new eyes with which to recognize
your presence in the world around me.
Sharpen my vision so that I see beyond
the ordinary events of each day and in to
the extraordinary reality of your grace.
Brighten my view of the world with
renewed hope in the coming of your
Kingdom. Soften my gaze so that I view
others with the kind of tenderness and
compassion you showed to so many. May
each day of this Easter season provide
glimpses of your glory. In your sacred
name, I pray.
Amen.

Blessings,
Mrs. Rachel Gonsalves



Now Accepting Applications for the 2016- 2017 School Year

Please share the good news
about St. John Catholic
School with your friends and family! We
are accepting applications now for grades
PreK-7 for the 2016-2017 school year.
Applications are available in the office.

2016-2017 Tuition and Registration

Next Wednesday we will publish our
2016-2017 tuition rates and send
registration packets home for our current
students.

Families in good standing will receive
registration packets, so please make sure
your account is up-to-date. Please contact
the school office at 510-276-6632 if you
have any questions. We are excited about
this year's registration and look forward to
welcoming everyone back to the St. John
Catholic School family for the 2016-2017
school year!

WCEA Survey – Catholic Identity

On Monday, April 11 all families will
receive an email with a link to a survey
about Catholic Identity at St John Catholic
School. The results from this survey will
be used to highlight our strengths and
develop an action plan for our
WCEA/WASC accreditation. Your
feedback is important to us as we work to
make St. John Catholic School the best it
can be.

For families who do not have access to a
computer or Internet access, we will make
our school's computer lab available on
Thursday, April 14 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

As an incentive, there will be a special
reward for classes that reach 100%
participation by the deadline! We will give
you more information about this next
week.

Acceptable Hair Style Reminder

Please review the appearance code in the Parent-Teacher Handbook before getting your child's hair cut. Extreme hairstyles are not permitted. We have noticed an increase in haircuts that do not adhere to our appearance code. We appreciate your cooperation.

See's Candy Fundraiser Top 5 Profit Earners!

Baraan, Evan \$359.47

DeRosa, Isabella \$143.70

Prim, Aleiyah & Alexis \$120.14

Lens, Isabelle \$117.70

Iglesias, Amariah \$109.23

Thank you for all your efforts in raising money for our school!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Thank you St. John Catholic School families and friends for supporting our school's First Annual Fun Run!

What's this for? Tuition alone does not cover the full cost of providing a quality Catholic education for your children. To keep tuition increases as low as possible, families are asked to participate in fundraising events each year to help offset the school's operating expenses.

If you have any questions about this fundraiser, please contact Mr. Enos at 510-276-6632 or at denos@csdo.org.

Sharing God's Mercy – 2016 Bishop's Appeal

We continue to support the annual Bishop's Appeal. Our parish goal is \$28,500. You can mail your contribution directly to the address given – please make sure to mark your donation from St. John the Baptist San Lorenzo so it's credited to our parish. For more information, visit: <http://www.oakdiocese.org/giving/bishops-appeal-2016>

Service Hour and Fundraising Statements

Each family recently received their service hour and fundraising statements for the 2015-2016 school year. Per tuition contracts, each family is expected to complete 20 service hours and raise \$300 in fundraising through eScrip, fall fundraiser, See's Easter Candy Sale, and the FunRun. Remember that all service hours must be completed by May 1, 2016 for this school year. Hours completed after May 1 are credited to the 2016-2017 school year.

NEW! If you still need to complete service hours, St. John Catholic School will accept donations of \$25 Lakeshore Learning gift cards. Each \$25 donation is equivalent to one service hour. These donations will help us offset the cost of classroom materials for the 2016-2017 school year.

Distribution of Student Cumulative File Documents

Please note that St. John Catholic School is not able to make copies of immunization records, birth certificates, baptismal certificates, etc. from students' cumulative files. Information contained in student cumulative files may only be duplicated and sent to another school when a request is made in writing from the school requesting the file. We are not able to provide copies of these documents for any other purpose. Thank you for your understanding.

St. John Catholic School is Going Green (Environmentally!)

We have some great GREEN news to share! Beginning in the 2016-2017 school year, St. John Catholic School's Wednesday Newsletter will be distributed electronically! Electronic communications are more eco-friendly (aka GREEN). In addition, we have wonderful technology resources for our students, and now the school will model efficient and appropriate ways to communicate using these 21st

century tools! You'll want to make sure we have the most current contact information for you so you don't miss a minute of the great things happening at St. John Catholic School! You can check out the Wednesday Newsletter, flyers, and attachment archives for this year on our website:

<http://www.stjohncatholicsschool.org>

2nd Annual Spring Social and Silent Auction - Saturday, April 16, 6-9pm

We are less than 2 weeks away from our Super Hero Episode. Proceeds that are raised from the Spring Social will be used towards new playground equipment and updating the play area. See enclosed flyer for more details! The class with the highest percentage of attendance at the Spring Social will win a pizza party!

Volunteers are also needed, see SignUp Genius for open

spots: <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/20f0d4ca4aa2baaf58-spring>

Summer School Update

St. John Catholic School will not be able to offer summer school on our campus this year. For those students who are required to attend summer school or for families who wish to enroll their children for enrichment, some of our neighboring Catholic elementary schools, St. Leander and St. Clement will be offering summer school this year. Applications for St. Leander's summer school are currently in our office for those interested.

MOVIE FUNDRAISER TODAY!

Don't miss the opportunity to see a special showing of *Mary of Nazareth* for only \$5 today, Wednesday, April 6, 7:30 p.m. Proceeds benefit our school, Capital Campaign and the retired Missionaries. You might consider bringing a cushion to sit on because the movie is over two hours long. There will be plenty of space so invite friends and neighbors to come and enjoy this amazing and powerful story!



6th Grade to Caritas Creek
April 4-8, 2016

Meet and Greet 5th Grade Teacher Mrs. De Young
Thursday, April 7, 5-6 p.m.

7th grade Nacho Sale
Thursday, April 7

School Board Meeting
Thursday, April 7, 6:30 p.m.

Children's Mass (1st and 4th Grades)
Sunday, April 10, 9:30 a.m.

Student of the Month Awards and MUSE Band concert
Tuesday, April 12 8:10 a.m.

5th Grade Bake Sale
Thursday, April 14

8th Grade Retreat @ Holy Redeemer
Thursday, April 14

St. John Catholic School Family Dance and Mini Auction
April 16, 6-9 p.m. in the gym

Progress Reports Go Home
Friday, April 22

St. Vincent de Paul Hot Dog Lunch
For ALL students on Tuesday, April 26

St. John Catholic School Spring Music Concert
Wednesday, April 27, 6 p.m. in the church