

September 06, 2023



St. John Catholic School

Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish



ON THE HORIZON:
Thursday, September 7th
Back to School Night @
6:00pm

Friday, September 8th
STAR testing window closes

Monday, September 11th
Picture Day!
Beginning at 8:15am

9/11 Peace Prayer Service
2:30pm in the gym
Families are welcome!

Tuesday, September 12th
Festival Meeting @ 6:30pm
All are welcome to attend to
learn
how to support!

**Wednesday, September
13th**
All School Mass @ 8:30am
Families are welcome!

Dear Shamrock Family,

I look forward to seeing you at Back to School Night tomorrow evening, September 7th! Our all-school session will begin in the gym **promptly** at 6:00pm. The all-school session will include general school information and reminders pertaining to all school families. From there, at approximately 6:30pm, parents will be excused and invited to the school building for one, 30-minute informal “Check & Chat” session during which parents are invited to visit various classes, at their leisure, to inquire with teachers about class procedures or curriculum.

During Back to School Night, Ms. Maddy Babcock has offered her time to supervise up to twenty school children during back to school night (between 5:50pm – 7:10pm) for a flat fee of \$5 per student. She will **ONLY** accept cash and no change will be available. If you have a need for this service, please sign up using the signup genius link below and plan accordingly for Thursday. Again, we can only accommodate supervision of 20 students. Please sign each child up individually.

Sign up genius
link- <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4CAFAA2EA1FA7-child>

We are excitedly anticipating the upcoming Fall Festival which is a long-standing St. John tradition! This year's Fall Festival will take place on Saturday, September 30th, so please mark your calendars! School families are responsible for participating, as part of our school service hour program. Parents may offer two hours of service volunteering in a festival booth or may purchase \$50 worth of raffle tickets to meet the expected requirement. Doing both and/or offering donated goods is also very much appreciated! More information about the festival will be shared tomorrow evening. Likewise, additional information about the festival is included in flyer form below.

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

BIBLE QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

Whatever you do, do from the heart, as for the Lord and not for others – [Colossians 3:23](#)

SAFETY IN PARKING LOT:

Parents & guardians, please use extreme caution when driving through the parking lot(s). Please look out for and offer the right of way to all students and school families traveling to and from school on foot.

FAITH FORMATION:

Podcast resource for younger learners of faith: [Catholic Sprouts](#)

STUDENT LEARNING EXPECTATIONS:

We live our faith - We serve others - We are lifelong learners

Father, I pray each child finds some form of joy as they come to school each day. And that they become passionate about something. It could be science, art, music, math, reading - anything. I just pray that each child is provided an environment that promotes and fosters a joyful and passionate outlook for each student.

In Jesus Name, Amen!



MEDICATIONS ON CAMPUS REMINDER

Policy

- All medication administered require parent/guardian authorization.
- All prescription medication and aspirin require physician and parent/guardian authorization.
- *Medications are to be kept in the school office*
- An exception will be made if the school has a "Permission to Carry and Self-Medicate" form on file, signed off on by both the parent(s) and student's physician.

Procedure

- Parent/Guardian is to bring the medication to the office.
- A request form for each prescribed medication must be completed by the student's physician, signed by physician and signed by parent. Faxed forms from the physician are acceptable.

Please contact Ms. Aimee with any questions.

FUNDRAISING WITH RAISE RIGHT:

Have you ever wondered what Raise Right (Formerly SCRIP) is and how it benefits St. John Catholic School?

What? Raise Right 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.

Please refer to www.RaiseRight.com for a complete list of participating vendors. Orders can be placed through Raise Right's website or the attached paper form.

The first Raise Right (Formerly SCRIP) order of the 2023-2024 school year is due on Thursday, September 14, 2023. Please contact Ms. Aimee at asure@csdo.org for more information on the Raise Right (formerly SCRIP) program or information on how to enroll online.

REMINDER: SHAMROCK PRIDE GROUP MEMBERSHIP FEE DUE:

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 and must be paid before 9/20/23. 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.

VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

1.) Volunteer Background Checks are required for any person who would like to volunteer, chaperone, or attend class parties. Anyone who wants to enter the school, past the office lobby, during school hours needs to be fingerprinted.

- One time, no expiration.
- Forms can be picked up in the office
- There is a \$34 fee per person payable to SJCS

2.) Safe Environment Training completion is required for any person who would like to volunteer, chaperone, attend class parties, or anyone who wants to enter the school, past the office lobby, during school hours needs to have a current Safe Environment Certificate on file.

- All volunteers will have to complete training through www.virtusonline.org once every 3 years.
- There is a \$5 fee payable to SJCS.

SJCS STUDENT INVITATION:

Our Lady of Grace School has so thoughtfully invited our SJCS students to participate in their OLG Fest Talent Show. Participation is totally optional and a flyer is attached below. OUR school will host our own talent show during OUR Fall Festival on 9/30. Details on that will be provided.

St. John's Festival Donation Wish List

On September 30, we will hold our annual Festival. The festival is a community event that helps raise funds for the church and school. We are asking all parents that would like to make donations in exchange for service hours to purchase as a donation or make any of the items listed below.

Beverages: Please take donated items to the office by Friday September 22. Thank you for your support!!!

<i>Beverages</i> <i>1 Service Hour</i>	<i>Exchange</i> <i>4 cases of water or</i> <i>5 – 12 packs of Soda</i>
<i>Baked Goods – St Gerard's Cake</i> <i>Booth 1 Service Hour</i>	<i>Exchange</i> <i>2 Cakes or</i> <i>2 Pies or</i> <i>4 Dozen cupcakes or treats</i>



St. John Catholic School

CHORAL PROGRAM

Liturgical Choir - open to all students
2nd grade and up.

Mondays, 3:30-4:00, Room 17

NEW Honor Choir - details to come

Wednesdays, 3:30-4:00, Room 17

Sign Up Here:

<https://forms.gle/fUYD97zeaFtLiRbU7>



Parents, please note that students signed up for choir will be required to sign into SEP and you will be charged for SEP during choir practice.

Photo Day Is Coming!

September 11, 2023

Order Online: [Click Here](#)



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LITTLE SHAMROCKS

You are invited to the 14th annual Little Shamrock Basketball League!!!



- This program is for **any** Pre K, Kindergarten, and 1st grade **Boys and Girls from any school** interested in learning about basketball
- Online sign ups can be found by going to the St John CYO web page **stjohncyo.weebly.com** And click on registration forms
- The cost will be **\$75** and will include each participant will receive 1 T-shirt to keep and 1 gift at the end of the season. **Games/sessions will begin Saturday, September 14 at 10:00 am** and run thru October 27th
- **No birth certificate or proof of address is required for Little Shamrocks**
- Games and practices will be held on select Saturdays and Sundays, all in the St John's gym. Each session will consist of 30 minute practice where the children will learn basic fundamental skills and 1 hour game immediately following practice.
- Games will be played on 8ft hoop and use a 27.5 basketball
- Any questions contact **Coach Joe Thomas @ jothomas@csdo.org**

Date goes as follows - 9/16, 9/23, 10/4, 10/14, 10/15 10/21, 10/22, 10/28

Saturdays start at 10am

Sundays start at 4pm





Harvest Festival

“Hope & Faith are the seeds we Harvest”

ST JOHN’S FESTIVAL

*******Wrist Band Presale*******

For Saturday, September 30 Only!!

Regular Festival Hours Saturday 10pm to 9 am

**Advance special pricing
for Saturday only!!!**

Regular price for wristbands is \$30.00 at the festival.
Wristbands are good all day Saturday.

**Wristbands are \$25.00 for the first wristband.
All additional wristbands will be \$20.**

Order Form Below

Child's Name _____ Grade _____

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Wristband Qty _____ @ \$25.00 = _____

3rd Wristband Qty _____ @ \$20.00 = _____

Check _____ / Cash _____

****Please make checks payable to St. John’s School****

ALL FORMS DUE SEPTEMBER 22TH



CRAFTERS AND VENDORS WANTED
Saturday September 30th 10:00am-3:00pm

****Setup is 8:00AM to 9:00AM****

Spaces are only \$35.00

****Signups Before 09/22 Include a Continental Breakfast****

Questions? Contact Juanita Velasquez@ sjcsfallfestival@gmail.com

Please Make Check out to St John's Catholic Church

Mail Checks to: SJCS

Attn: Fall Festival

270 E Lewelling Blvd, San Lorenzo CA 94580

Name _____ Phone _____

Name of business _____ email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Type of item sold _____

Paid _____ Check # _____



YOU ARE INVITED TO THE *St. John's Parish* Fall Harvest Festival

"Hope & Faith Are The Seeds We Harvest"

FREE ADMISSION

Saturday - September 30th, 2023

10:00AM - 10:00PM

Carnival Games For All Ages * Amazing Food
& All Day Entertainment

Food Booths

Knights of Columbus:

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chili & Steak Sandwich

Filipino Booth:

Lumpia, Pancit, BBQ Skewers & Adobo Bowl

Latino Booth:

Tacos, Quesadilla, Antojitos, Tostilocos & Frescas

Sweet Treats Cafe:

Sweet & Savory Crepes, Creme Brulee', Ube Pancakes,

Banana Fritter, Halo Halo, Boba Drinks, Ice Latte,

Coffee, Tea & Hot Chocolate

8th Grade Booth:

Popcorn, Assorted Candies, Root Beer Float

CYO Booth:

Margarita, Beer & Other Alcoholic Refreshments

Entertainment Schedule

10:00AM: Parade

10:10AM: Opening Prayer (Fr. Sergio)

10:15AM: St. John's Cheerleaders

10:30AM: Blind to Reason Band

12:30PM: Various Dance Group & Performers

2:00PM: Talent Show

3:30PM: Latin Rhythm Boys Band

6:30PM: Reflex 80's Band



Raffle Ticket Available for Purchase: \$5.00 Each

WIN THE GRAND PRIZE OF: \$5,000

****Minimum of 350 raffle ticket books must be sold for the first Prize****

2nd Prize: \$1,000 - 3rd Prize: \$600

Drawing: Sunday, October 1st, 2023 At 11:00AM

Need not present to win!!

264 E. Lewelling Blvd. - San Lorenzo, California

For More Information Call: (510) 351-5050

All Food Are Cooked on Sight