

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL

School Bulletin

December 18, 2020

Upcoming Events



January 4, 2021 School Resumes

January 8Rosary
Early Dismissal 11:30am

January 11-15 Scantron Testing Window I

January 15 Early Dismissal 11:30am

January 18 No School/MLK Day

January 19-22 Scantron Testing Window II

January 25-29 Scantron Testing Window III

January 29 Early Dismissal 11:30am Trimester II Interims

February 1 Re-registration

February 1-5 Catholic Schools Week

February 5Early Dismissal 11:30am

February 6 Open House

February 8Priority Registration

February 12 Early Dismissal 11:30am

February 15 No School/President's Day

February 16 Open Enrollment

Please check the school website for the complete calendar.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Greetings,

A Prayer for Advent

Lord Jesus, Master of both light and darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas. We who have so much to do, seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.

We, who are anxious over many things, look forward to your coming among us. We, who are blessed in so many ways, long for the complete joy of your Kingdom. We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light. To you we say, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

-Father Henri JM Nouwen

Our faculty and staff has fully committed to in-person instruction (against countless obstacles) since our Return to School Committee began thoughtful discussions on a regular basis in June. As a school community, we took a leap of faith and we proudly acknowledge that we were the only school in our area (public or private) offering regular in-person instruction five days a week, beginning on Wednesday, August 26th until the end of the 2020 calendar year.

The first snowfall is a time of wonder, an opportunity to make memories with your families that you can hold for years to come. Since 2020 created confusion, uncertainty, and the occasional heartbreak for all of us, I pray that your family was able to let go of the worry for at least a few moments and let your children enjoy the simple joy of a snow day or two.

Although interactions between parents and staff this year have been uncharacteristically brief and limited, I hope you have been able to recognize how fortunate our students are, to have such a dedicated and talented group assembled within one learning environment. The heart of St. John the Evangelist Catholic School, in our 60th year of Catholic education on this campus, remains our faculty and staff, who continue to teach and inspire our students each day, regardless of the circumstances. Their selfless service and collective sacrifice enabled our school to offer your children in-person education.

Our school has also been blessed to have the support and spiritual guidance of our pastor, Father Charles Smith. As a product of Catholic education, Father Smith understands how the academic mission and spiritual development of our school work together to achieve our goals.

Finally, an invaluable asset to St. John the Evangelist (past and present), is our parents. Through parent, administration, and faculty teamwork, the students have continued to be the beneficiary of the educational process. Thank you for actively participating in our continued journey and let us continue to pray, learn, and serve... the vulnerable and less fortunate.

Mr. Temple Macdonald Principal