



SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL

School Bulletin

February 28, 2020

Upcoming Events



March 2

Stations of the Cross 2:15pm

March 6

Mass with Rosary

March 7

TORCH Auditions 4-7pm
Library Spaghetti Dinner 6pm

March 9

8th Grade Vocations Mass

March 10

Stations of the Cross 2:15pm

March 13

Early Dismissal 11:30 am
End of 2nd Trimester
Middle School Dance 7-10pm

March 16

NO School

March 17

Dress Down Day

March 18

Stations of the Cross 2:15pm
Rising Kindergarten Parent Meeting 7pm

March 20

Report Cards
PTO Lenten Supper

March 25

Open House/Coffee and Chat 8:30am

March 26

Stations of the Cross 2:15pm

March 27

Mass with Student of the Month
Early Dismissal 11:30am

April 2

Stations of the Cross 2:15pm

April 3

Mass with Rosary

April 6

Stations of the Cross 2:15pm
Begin Spring Uniforms

April 8

Mass

April 8-9

No Kindergarten Class
Rising Kindergarten Testing

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Greetings,

It was wonderful to see several of our school families join us at mass on Ash Wednesday to kick off the Lenten season. I was impressed to hear that some of our students are avoiding iPads, devices, sweets, and even TV, during this 40-day Lenten journey. A bit of discomfort and willpower during the Lenten season will serve us all well.

Our first weekly school-wide Stations of the Cross will be Monday, March 2nd at 2:15 p.m. and the 8th grade Vocation Mass with Bishop Burbidge will be held on Monday, March 9th. We are pleased to share that two of our eighth graders have been asked to handle the readings and psalms for this diocesan-wide mass. Someone with a few additional years at SJES told me this week that we also were selected back in 2004. Please join me in praying for our 37 elementary/middle school students and 5 diocesan high school students as they discern their professional calling in the years to come.

The Diocesan Financial Assistance Deadline is Friday, March 13th. If you have not applied at this time, please complete the application as soon as possible because the deadline is firm. This application is also how parish assistance is awarded.

The Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, March 7th at 6:00 p.m. There will be live entertainment by the Elizabeth Lawrence Band and all proceeds will go to the St. John Library. A special note of gratitude is extended to Mrs. Paccassi, (The Keeper of the Books), for continuing this event.

Be checking parent portal as the second trimester ends in two weeks. This will help you stay informed about your student/students' progress this year.

Until next time, let us pray, learn, and serve.

Mr. Macdonald





School News

It is time to start thinking about the end of the year **CYO Sports Banquet**. To make this event a success I need a few parents willing to be on a planning committee. The dinner is not until May 28th, but we need to start planning now. We will meet just once or twice a month until May. If you are interested please contact Kelly Worley kworley@stjohntheevangelistschool.org. Thank you and Go Eagles!

We are always under the assumption that our current families are returning unless we are told otherwise therefore please be advised that the **Materials Fee will be removed from your online FACTS account on starting Monday, March 2nd** if the form and payment has not yet been returned.

Box Tops-Please continue to send in clipped box tops. For scanned box tops please use your receipt and box top app.

Our clinic is in need of girls white tights. Please considering picking up an additional pair to donate to the clinic. We like to have them on hand in the events of emergencies.

Each of the students has received a cardboard rice bowl into which they can place their donations during Lent. All of the funds will benefit **CRS Rice Bowl** which is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services, the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States. Catholic Relief Services is motivated by the example of Jesus Christ to assist poor and suffering people in more than 100 countries on the basis of need, without regard to race, religion or nationality. We ask that students place their contributions into their Rice Bowls and return them to the school office at the end of Lent. For more information, including spiritual reflections, short video presentations on the topic of Lent, and even virtual Stations of the Cross, please see the link below: <https://www.crsricebowl.org/>

Active registered parish families that have **Boys and Girls ages 8 -14 are invited to the Knights of Columbus Annual Basketball Free Throw Challenge** *Hosted by Council 5561*

Sunday, March 1st, 1:30-3:30pm, Trinity Hall - St. John's School

The free throw challenge gives you an opportunity to compete against others your age to see how many free throws you can sink out of 25 tries. Show up anytime to shoot. No pre-registration. This is a free event.

Winners will get a certificate and be invited to the state competition. Drinks and refreshments provided.

Questions? Contact Allan Dianic at allan.dianic@gmail.com

A Night at the Movies



Save the Date. Our PTO is gearing up for our next gala. The event will take place on Saturday, April 25th. Please see the following flyer and sponsor form for more information.



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Dear St. John Families,

The Diocese of Arlington Office of Catholic Schools and St John School continues to work with Local Health Departments and is closely monitoring the health crisis in China and globally associated with novel coronavirus infections (COVID-19). According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), risk to the U.S. public remains low. There are no cases of COVID-19 infection in Virginia and the Virginia Health Departments do not recommend school closures at this time.

The CDC has issued travel warnings for China and South Korea to avoid all non-essential travel due to the COVID-19 outbreak. The CDC provides guidance to travelers and information regarding other destinations with apparent community spread at the following site:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>

Preventative measures are the same ones we take to prevent the spread of the flu, the common cold and other viruses. The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to this virus. The CDC recommends these preventive actions:

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

Stay home when you are sick.

Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash, then wash your hands as mentioned above.

Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

In addition, school guidelines state that students need to be *fever free for 24 hours* (CDC considers a person to have a fever when he or she has a measured temperature of at least 100.4 °F [38 °C]) **without** the use of fever reducing medication before returning. The 24-hour rule also applies to illnesses involving diarrhea.

Your Primary Health Care Provider, local Health Department and the CDC website have more detailed information available.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/index.html>

<http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/surveillance-and-investigation/novel-coronavirus/>

Thank you for keeping our school healthy,

Andrea Konsin, RN

DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Office of Catholic Schools
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Academic Year 2020-2021

What is the program?

The Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program provides financial assistance to families in Catholic schools in the Diocese of Arlington through funding from diocesan parishes as well as the *Rooted in Faith~Forward in Hope* Capital Campaign Endowment. It is open to all qualified students whose parents might not otherwise be able to pay the full cost of tuition.

Who is eligible?

- Students attending or accepted by a Diocese of Arlington Catholic school (K-12).
 - *Preschool and Pre-K are not eligible.*
 - *Not applicable to students of private Catholic schools associated with the Diocese and/or international students.*
- Students who are Catholic and members of a parish in the Diocese of Arlington or military base parish.
- Families who reside within the boundaries of the Diocese of Arlington and are registered and active members of a diocesan parish or a military base parish.

How do I apply?

- Submit financial aid assessment application and all supporting tax documentation by due date
 - Applications will be completed electronically online at online.factsmgt.com/Signin
 - *Only one application is required per family.*
- Remit processing fee.
- Families seeking aid for students in *BOTH ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL* should follow the high school submission date.

Due Dates: **HIGH SCHOOL**

January 10, 2020

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

March 18, 2020

Awards

Awards are made for *ONE ACADEMIC YEAR* and are based on each family's demonstrated financial need. Individual schools determine the amount and the distribution of all awards for each academic year. The schools will contact families when award decisions have been made. Once these final award decisions have been made, the schools will then credit the tuition accounts of approved families.

\$3,678,975 awarded in 2019

● For more information ●

Questions regarding process

Mallory Sigmon
703.841.2519
mallory.sigmon@arlingtondiocese.org

Questions regarding application

FACTS Grant & Aid
1.866.441.4637
<https://factsmgt.com/parent-resources/grant-and-aid/>

Award decisions

Please contact [your school](#).

Diocesan Tuition Assistance

<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Catholic-Schools/Tuition-Assistance/>

Office for the Protection of Children and Young People Volunteer Background Check Application Instructions

Instructions to Complete the Application

Step 1: Use the following URL to log into the OPCYP Background Check Application site:

https://secure4.arlingtondiocese.org/OPCYP_Application/

Step 2: If you are a new user, choose “Create Account.” If you have logged in before, please use your Username and Password. If you have forgotten it, please input your email address and reset your password.

Step 3: Provide all the information requested and answer the questions as thoroughly as possible.

Step 4: Once you have completed the application, please **print a copy of the Central Registry Form before selecting the Red Finish Button (ONLY if you are able to print double sided – if not the school liaison will print one for you)**. This document is required to get notarized by you and then turned in to the school office. The school office will then mail this form out. You may contact our Parish Office at 540-347-2922 to schedule an appointment to have this form notarized free of charge by Rosemary Coakley.

Step 5: The OPCYP Liaison will be reviewing your paperwork to ensure all the information has been correctly entered. If there is a question or an issue with your paperwork an email will be sent with instructions explaining the issue(s) and the next steps.

Please keep your Username and Password in a safe place. It is the key to access your OPCYP portal.

Step 6: Now that you have completed the online Background Check Application Process you will need to schedule your VIRTUS training course. Please find scheduling information for VIRTUS at the website provided below.

virtusonline.org

Nota Bene

The Diocese of Arlington is committed to ensuring the privacy and security of your information. It does not sell or share its information with outside vendors. To this end, regular electronic audits are conducted on our systems to provide you with the utmost confidence that your information is being securely stored and used appropriately.



Interested in Band or learning a Musical Instrument at St. Johns?

Have you ever wanted to learn to play an instrument? Now is your chance to let us know. The school wants to add an elective next year, but we need to hear from you. Please fill out the survey below if interested: Grades 4-8th

Name: _____

Grade: _____

Instrument: _____

Any Experience? _____

Please turn into office or your teacher by: March 6, 2020

FUNDRAISER

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS AVAILABLE

Please join us for a spaghetti dinner sponsored by
THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
to help benefit:
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST SCHOOL'S LIBRARY
Adults \$10 - Kids \$5

Vocal Entertainment by:
ELIZABETH LAWRENCE BAND

SATURDAY MARCH 7 2020

STARTS AT 6 P M
MERCY HALL

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF BOOKS FOR THE ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST SCHOOL LIBRARY. PLEASE HELP US FILL THE LIBRARY SHELVES

*Monetary donations are gratefully accepted, please specify St. John School Library.
 Mrs. Teresa Piccasi, Keeper of the Books*



ST. PATRICK'S DAY CANDY GRAMS!

WISH YOUR FRIENDS, STUDENTS, TEACHERS, CHILDREN A
HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY BY SENDING THEM A CANDY GRAM!

CANDY GRAMS WILL BE DELIVERED TO STUDENTS ON
TUESDAY, MARCH 17TH.



March 9TH-13TH



\$1 EACH

PURCHASE YOUR CANDY GRAM BEFORE OR AFTER SCHOOL

Proceeds will be used to host the 8th Grade Dinner Dance.



PARENTS

Are you aware of the effects of technology and social media on your children and teens today?

Come hear an expert with 30+ years of medical experience discuss what she has seen and how to create positive solutions for your family.

Mary Camarca, MD
Emergency Room Pediatrician
Saturday March 14
7:00 pm

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church
Monsignor Hannan Hall
6720 Union Mill Road
Clifton, Virginia

The event is free, however please **RSVP** to BarbRemington6@gmail.com

This event is for ages 18+.



St. John the Evangelist School PTO invites you to
Join us on the red carpet for

A Night at the Movies

PREMIERING AT
★ **MERCY HALL**
Saturday April 25th, 2020
6pm - 10pm ★

Escape to Hollywood for an evening of festivities and fundraising
benefiting our 'leading artists' - our students and our school!

★ **LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS!**

★ **FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK:**
@SJES 2020 Spring Auction

★ We welcome you
to dress for a casual
movie night...
or channel your inner
movie star!

DANCING
LIVE MUSIC
FOOD & DRINK
AND SO MUCH MORE!

\$35.00 per ticket
\$60.00 per couple

Tickets are available for purchase at the
Elementary School Main Office
or via email at
auction@stiohntheevangelistschool.org

★ Interested in sponsorship opportunities or donations for the live or silent auction? ★
Contact us at the email above or call 540-347-2458



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Dear Valued Friend,

St. John the Evangelist School PTO is hosting the annual Spring Fundraiser on April 25th, 2020, and we'd like to extend the invitation to you!

Please consider joining us on the red carpet for 'A Night at the Movies', a Hollywood themed event full of movie magic and festivities benefitting our most important 'lead artists' – the children of our school!

St. John's PTO has always made its mission to foster a sense of community with the students and to support the school in achieving great things for the future. These achievements are made even more possible through the generous donations we receive from members of our community, and we implore you to help us continue this year!

The goal for our 2020 event is to raise \$15,000 to be used for technological advancements throughout the school, specifically new ActivPanels, interactive display boards that deliver a seamless and integrated learning experience in the classroom. The funds for this awesome technology will be raised through a combination of ticket sales, live and silent auction items, raffles, and your generous sponsorships.

For information about sponsoring our event, or if you would like to make a donation of goods and/or services for the auctions, we invite you to see details on the following page.

If you have any questions, would like to purchase tickets, or need further information, please contact us at auction@stjohntheevangelistschool.org. You can also follow us on Facebook @SJES 2020 Spring Auction for some fun details!

On behalf of the students, parents and faculty of St. John the Evangelist School, we thank you for your time and consideration!

God Bless,

Margherita Warhurst

PTO President

SJES 2020 AUCTION DONOR INFORMATION

Company/Organization: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

PLEASE COUNT ME IN FOR:**SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

- CENTER STAGE - \$2,000.00**
Table for 10; advertising on invitation, full page in program, at entry and throughout event
- STAR - \$1,000.00**
4 tickets; advertising on invitation, ½ page in program, at entry and throughout event
- PREMIER - \$500.00**
2 tickets; ¼ page advertising in program; advertising at bar
- SPOTLIGHT - \$250.00**
Advertising at tables

Please provide a high-resolution logo for advertising to auction@stjohntheevangelistschool.org**AUCTION DONATIONS**

ITEM/SERVICE: _____

FAIR MARKET VALUE: \$ _____

Special Instructions/Restrictions: _____

Expiration Date (if applicable): _____

PHANTOM TICKET

Can't attend but still want to support our school? Purchase a Phantom Ticket!

- I would like to purchase _____ # Phantom Tickets, I am enclosing my check here!
(tickets \$35.00 per person/\$60 per couple)

Please return this form by email to: auction@stjohntheevangelistschool.org and we respond with arrangements for online payments.

You can also mail this form, along with your generous donation*, to:
St. John the Evangelist School / ATTN: Gala Committee
111 John E. Mann Street, Warrenton, VA 20186

Please make all checks out to: *St. John the Evangelist School PTO***THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT!****Donations may be tax deductible. Please consult your tax advisor. Tax ID # 54-062-9663*