

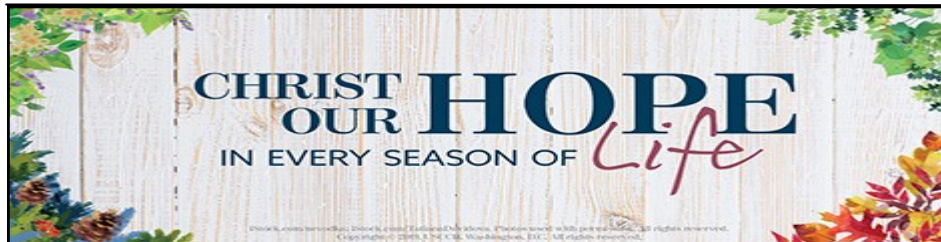


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. John the Evangelist Catholic School

Jet Gazette Newsletter

October 4, 2019



Respect Life Sunday

This Sunday we celebrate Respect Life Sunday. Let us pray for a culture that cherishes every human life from conception until natural death.

News and Views from Mr. Schmit

Good afternoon!

What a crazy weather week! I just viewed a meme that read, "Temperature went from 90 to 55 like it just saw a state trooper." Fantastic. The weather may be difficult to keep up with here in mid-Michigan but our students and teachers keep doing amazing things inside the classroom, which should help us cope with our *Pure Michigan climate*.

Over the next couple of weeks, I want to share with you some tools we are going to provide to assist our parents in raising well adjusted, solution oriented, loving, and caring disciples of Jesus. We will include a section in our Jet Gazette, starting next week, with helpful links to parenting articles and other material to help inform and guide us as parents. Also, I'm pleased to announce that Mrs. Kasey Cronin, Director of GCCS, and I will be hosting a parent night in mid-November (date still to be determined) to discuss ways to help our students with conflict resolution and bullying prevention.

However, for this week I want to utilize the rest of my space to introduce The KNOW program which will help our students learn how to keep themselves safe in all environments they encounter.

The KNOW program is the newest program to ensure children's safety designed specifically for the Diocese of Lansing. Both parents and students are encouraged to attend together. The KNOW program has 4 goals:

- ***Empower children and their parents to KNOW how to identify and talk about safe, respectful behaviors and situations.***
- ***To help children KNOW how to identify and talk about behaviors and situations that are not safe.***
- ***Help adults appropriately respond to concerns about being unsafe and/or disrespected.***
- ***Inspire Christian communities to greater integrity and authenticity in creating unfailingly safe environments for children.***

Parents AND students are invited to the GCCS KNOW Program Presentation hosted in the Powers auditorium on October 9th at 6:30.

RSVP for the KNOW Program: <https://forms.gle/iHySYm7dkUKYkAar9>



Thank you and God Bless,

Mr. Schmit

PARENT CALENDAR



October

Sun	6	Respect Life Sunday
Mon	7	Picture Retake Day
Tues	6	Middle School Curriculum Night 5:30 PM—Math and Spanish –see page 3 for details
Wed	9	All School Mass 8:20 AM
Fri	11	No School for Students-DOL Teacher PD
Sun	13	Protecting God's Children Training
Tues	15	GCCS Mass at Powers for Grades 5-8
Mon	21	Happy Birthday Mrs. Whitney! 
Thurs	24	Prayer Service 2:45 PM-Hosted by 8th Grade
Thurs	24	Trunk or Treat-Stay tuned for more details
Fri	25	End of First Quarter
Mon	28	Records Day-No School for students
Wed	30	No All School Mass—All students will attend mass on Friday, November 1st for All Saints Day
Thurs	31	HAPPY HALLOWEEN 
Thurs	31	Half-Day for students-GCCS Teacher PD Dismissal at 11:30 AM

AUCTION 2020 UPDATE

From Auction Chair Kelly Ahn

Do you belong to a local country, hunting or social club? If the answer is YES, please let us know!! Their 'busy season' is wrapping up for the year and NOW is the time to inquire about a donation for our upcoming auction! We are so thankful to have received our first auction donation from SPRING MEADOWS COUNTRY CLUB in Linden! Mini memberships, golf passes, dinner certificates and custom package donations make GREAT silent auction items and contribute to the SUCCESS of this year's event!! Please kindly ask at your club TODAY!! Please contact Kelly Ahn (kahn@stout.com) to report donations.

Coming Soon!!! 1st meeting of the 2020 Auction Committee: date to be announced shortly.....

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE:

February 22, 2020

SCHOOL PICTURE INFORMATION

School pictures will be sent home on Monday. Our retake day will be Monday, October 7th, for any students who did not have their picture taken or for any students who wish to have their picture retaken. If your student is getting a retake, please send in the photo package you wish to return. **Please note that if you ordered a package that included a classroom composite, the composite will be delivered separately at a later date after all students have been photographed and retakes are finished.**



Protecting God's Children Virtus Training

All St. John School volunteers are required to take the Virtus training. There is an upcoming session being held right here at St. John in Fenton.

Sunday, October 13th
1 PM

Please register at virtus.org. Call the school office for registration information.

SEND MONEY TO SCHOOL INFORMATION

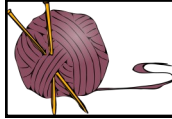
Send Money to School is the online website we use to manage our lunch accounts. We have been able to utilize it for collecting various other students fees. Due to some changes at the company itself, they will be eliminating the "SCHOOL STORE" function in 2020. In the meantime, we are unable to add any new fees to the program. Therefore, we will be unable to collect field trip fees online. Until further notice, field trip fees should be sent to the school in the form of cash or check only. We appreciate your patience as we research a temporary solution for this school year.



News from the Art Department

Mrs. Stickel has many exciting things planned for this year. She is looking for the following items if you have extras at home:

- Yarn for weaving projects
- Fabric for an all grade sewing unit (Fleeces are best for new fiber artists, but any fabric can be used)
- Paper towel/toilet paper rolls (Just keep sending these in for ART and STEAM)



SOCKTOBER

This month, our SJS Student Council is asking families to participate in Catholic Charities' Socktober campaign. All month, we will be collecting socks for the Center for Hope Community Closet. They accept all donations of new or gently used socks, even mismatched socks will do. There will be a collection box in the lobby.



Middle School Curriculum Night

Next Tuesday, October 8, we will have a middle school curriculum night for Math and Spanish. The math curriculum meeting will take place in Mr. Garbutt's room starting at 5:30pm, followed by a Middlebury Spanish meeting in the Library at 6pm. An online Spanish teacher from Oxford virtual will be present along with Mrs. Kasey Cronin and Mr. Schmit. This bonus curriculum night will allow parents to meet Mr. Garbutt, Ms. Beaham from OVA, and Ms. Alyatim.

ST. JOHN JETS ATHLETIC NEWS



Upcoming Athletic Events

7/8 Football

Oct. 9 vs. Bendle
Oct. 16 vs. Atherton

5pm @ Powers
5pm @ Atwood

5/6 Flag Football

Oct. 6 vs. Holy Family Panthers
Oct. 6 vs. Holy Family Gold

1:30pm @ Powers
2:30pm @ Powers

7/8 Girls Basketball

Oct. 5 vs. Holy Family Panthers
Oct. 12 vs. Holy Family Blue
Oct. 16 vs. St. Robert

10 am@ Powers
9am @ Powers
5pm @ St. Robert

5/6 Girls Basketball

Oct. 7 vs. Bishop Kelley
Oct. 10 vs. Holy Family Gold
Oct. 14 vs. Holy Family Panthers

5pm @ St. John
5pm @ Holy Family
5pm @ Holy Family

Cross Country

Oct. 8 vs. Goodrich and Fenton

4:15pm@ Silver Lk Pk

HELP WANTED

We are in need of a concessions chairperson for this school year. This is a position that receives tuition credit. Responsibilities include coordinating concessions volunteers and shopping and restocking concessions items. Please let us know if you are interested.

Help is needed at the 7/8th grade football games:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054EABAD23A3FA7-78football>



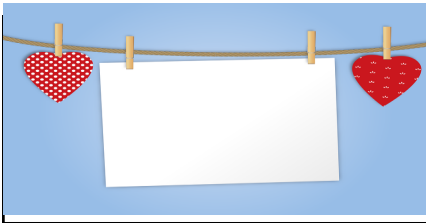
Hope in a Box

Catholic Charities in Flint is asking for extra donations of personal care items. There is a shortage of these items on their shelves right now. Some of the items they

need include:

- Soap
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Razors
- Deodorant

If you have any of these items to donate, please send them to school and we will make sure they get to Catholic Charities.



ON A PERSONAL NOTE...

Thank You:

- To Father Ryan for blessing our pets today on the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi.

If you have a prayer request for the Jet Gazette, please let Mrs. Haiss know.

Building Foundations of Faith

As Catholic parents, we are called to provide moral education and spiritual growth for our children. What better example than to learn and grow in faith yourself? Visit this Jet Gazette feature weekly for thoughts, articles, and tips to strengthen and deepen your understanding of our Catholic faith.

Respect Life Sunday

When we think of Respect Life Sunday, our mind tends to think of the beginning stages of life. It is important for us to remember the importance of the end stages of life as well. The elderly need our time, love, and compassion as much as anyone. "Understanding, Respecting, and Promoting the Dignity of Every Life" reminds of how the smallest acts can make the biggest difference.

Today's #microchallenge from bustedhalo.com

Let go of any resentment you might be feeling toward someone who has hurt you.

To stay up to date with parish events, here is a link to the weekly parish bulletin: <https://stjohnfenton.org/bulletins>



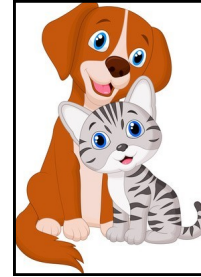
St. Francis of Assisi Pet Blessing

Send us your pictures for the yearbook!



Staff Spotlight

This week, our staff shares fun facts (and pictures) of their furry family members.



Ms. Wharff



Meet my labradoodle, Beau. He is 10 months old and the sweetest boy. He loves cuddling with mom, chasing fall leaves, playing fetch, and TREATS!

Mrs. Minock

We have three spoiled beagles. Ivy, Pearle, and Opal!



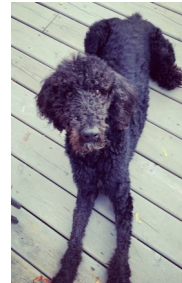
Ms. Roberts



This is my Rosie girl!

Mrs. Stickei

This is my poodle Todd. He has a rare genetic condition that makes his hair fall out every couple of months, but he's living the dream right now with a full head of curls.



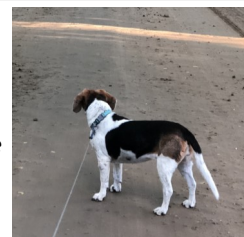
Mrs. Ratke



I have a dog named Benny and he is my shadow. My family loves him a lot!

Mrs. Davidson

Our sweet Daisy Davidson. She is our 13 year old beagle. She loves her walks and going up north to the lodge with my husband.



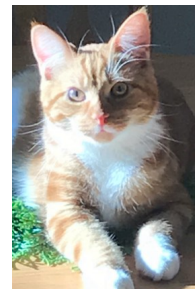
Mrs. Custodio



My dogs bring me smiles everyday!

Mrs. Boyle

Our cat, Teddy, loves to pounce on our dog, Mo's tail. He likes to play with the tops of Natalie's bottles, too! (CAT FOR SALE) —> lol.



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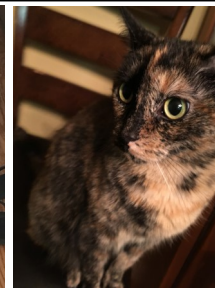


Matilda



Gracie

Ms. Feazel
Meet Gracie and Matilda!



Mrs. Haiss
Hank is our two-year old yellow lab. He loves to play fetch and steal fresh baked goods off the counter. Our Kitty is not impressed by his shenanigans.



Ms. Jennings
Godiva is my 10 year old chocolate lab. She loves to go boating but does not swim. Her very best friend is Eugene the stray Cat that I rescued from the woods behind our house. They love to be together inside or out. At night, Godiva barks to call Eugene home. In a few minutes, they both show up at the garage door.



Mr. Schmit
I am not a dog person. I am a Maximus person.

Mrs. Werschky: I have a beautiful black lab that is very gentle and loving. She isn't happy unless she is leaning against you. She gets very excited when people come to visit, and believes that they are there for her. :) I also have a Cat that is part Siamese, and very mischievous!! His favorite creature is my dog, and he loves to snuggle up to her to sleep.

Mrs. Dawes: I no longer have house pets. All my pets are backyard pets. I love feeding and watching the squirrels, foxes, and birds.

Mrs. Cislo: My dog's middle name is Hip Hop Bee Bop.

