



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

# St. John the Evangelist Catholic School

## Jet Gazette Newsletter

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## **Our Administration and Faculty thank you for your overwhelming support of our PSA Auction!**

"The partnership of staff and parents is one of the most important relationships that sets Catholic Schools apart and helps ensure great spiritual and academic environment for our children. This year's auction fundraiser was a great success not only monetarily but also a great spirit of mutual support. Thank you to all the volunteers, benefactors, staff and attendees for making this year and every year's auction a great success." -Father Robert

"Thank you so much to our PSA, our parents, and everyone who supports St. John the Evangelist School! I am so proud of our parish and its commitment to Catholic education. A special shout out to Mr. Schmit and our entire faculty and staff! They are absolutely amazing and without your support they could not advance the mission of Christ to help form minds and hearts. The auction was an evening filled with joy, fun, and most of all passion for our school and our kids!" -Fr. Ryan

"Thank you for the amazing outpouring of time, treasure, and talent! St. John School is a special place supported by loving and caring families who want to help build and push our school community forward. THANK YOU!" -Mr. Schmit

"Thank you from the bottom of my heart to all the families who supported our school auction. Whether you donated items, purchased items, or prayed for a successful auction, your support and love for our wonderful school is felt by the entire staff. I am so grateful to be part of this amazing school and parish community."

"Thank you parents for all of your love and support! I couldn't feel more blessed to be at St. John's and couldn't get through my first year of teaching without all of you! Thank you!"

"This was a great auction! Thanks for everything you do!"

"Your support at the auction was unlike anything I've seen. Every year I am humbled to be a part of such a giving community. Thank you! From the bottom of my heart thank you. I love being a part of this school. Your support is appreciated more than you know!"

"What an amazing night! Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers and parents for putting forth so much time, talent, and love to make our auction fundraiser a huge success. We could never have this amazing school without your help."

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much" - Helen Keller  
Thank you for supporting SJS, bless each and every one of you!"

"Thank you, for the outpouring of love and support, each of you showed at the auction. Your kind words, support, and generosity towards our school community were greatly appreciated. We have an amazing school community and it is truly a blessing to be a part of it."

"The parents were thoughtful and kind. They went above and beyond with their generous donations, not only financially, but with their time. The students were so excited coming back to school and talking about the auction."

"What a fun auction! I want to say a big thank you to Kelly Ahn for being so positive and encouraging. We truly felt like a big, loving family that night!"

"It is wonderful to see so much love and support for the school. Thank you!!!"

"Thank you to all parents, community, staff, and sponsors for your support of our beloved school. I feel especially blessed to witness your generosity with time, talent, and treasure. I believe in the mission of our school and am overwhelmed with gratitude at your contributions that will help us reach our goals of teaching, learning, and living as Jesus. THANK YOU!"

"A huge Thank you for all the hard work that went into making the auction such an amazing evening and for all the generosity and support of our school."

"I'm always amazed at the amount of work put into the event and sit in awe at the generosity that flourishes without hesitation. Words hardly do it justice, but, **THANK YOU** for your trust, support and partnership while helping shape the future of SJS!"

"Thank you for attending the auction and supporting St. John School. It was an amazing night! Your love for the school was obvious and your positivity was contagious. I am blown away by your generosity. Thank you!"

"God has blessed us in so many ways here at St. John School, but the biggest of them all is our parents. You made our staff feel especially appreciated at the auction. Thank you for that! You are appreciated as well, for we couldn't do all we do without your support!"

"Thank you for all of your support all year long, but especially at the auction. Thank you to all of the volunteers who put on an amazing night, so much fun was had by all. The enthusiasm for Catholic Education is evident and I look forward to the future here at St. John. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!"

"I would like to thank Mrs. Ahn and the whole auction committee for a great job! I would also like to thank Mrs. Claborn, our homeroom parent, who put together a wonderful auction project for our 8th grade class, the beautiful picture of our chapel, with all their little pictures embedded in it. It was a great evening!"

**Our Mission:** St. John the Evangelist Catholic School is a faith-based community dedicated to teaching, learning, and living as Jesus did.

# PARENT CALENDAR



## March

Mon	2	March Jeans Days Begin
Mon	2	March is Reading Month
Mon	2	Prayer Service Make-Up Date-2:45 PM Hosted by 6th grade
Thurs	5	Half Day for Students-11:30 AM Dismissal Parent-Teacher Conferences
Fri	6	Half Day for Students-11:30 AM Dismissal Genesee County Catholic Schools PD
Sat	7	Happy Birthday Mrs. Boyle!
Mon	9	Happy Birthday Mrs. Cisló!
Tues	10	Happy Birthday Mrs. Anderson!

## Parent Teacher Conferences

Spring Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, March 5th from 2 PM to 6 PM. These conferences are held on an as needed basis only. Your child's teacher will communicate with you how these conferences will be scheduled. If you have questions regarding a conference for your child, please contact the homeroom teacher. There will be a half-day for students with dismissal at 11:30 AM on that day.



## March Jeans Days

This year, all proceeds from our March jeans days will go to benefit Catholic Charities in Flint. Our staff and students were very moved during Catholic Schools Week when Vicky Schultz (president and CEO of Catholic Charities in Shiawassee and Genesee counties) brought to our attention the continued need of the Flint community.

### How do our March Jeans Days work?

Students may pay \$1 for the privilege of wearing jeans on certain days in March. Jeans should be free with rips and tears. A uniform shirt must still be worn. This is valid on all Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays in March. All students should be in full St. John uniform on Wednesdays for All School masses. Students do not need to pay on Fridays which are already regular spiritwear days. Students may pay daily. If you wish to pay for all days in advance, the cost is \$12 for students in K-8.



The deadline to submit your FACTS application for Tuition Assistance for the 2020-2021 school year is March 1, 2020. Application fee is \$30. Please use this link:

<https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>

## ST. JOHN JETS ATHLETIC NEWS



### Upcoming Athletic Events



#### 7/8 Boys Basketball

**Feb 29** vs Holy Family Panthers  
**Mar 4** vs St. Robert Mustangs  
**Mar 7** vs St. Robert Blue

11 AM @ Powers  
7 PM @ St. Robert  
10 AM @ Powers

#### 5/6 Boys Basketball (Green)

**Mar 2** vs. St. Robert Blue  
**Mar 9** vs Holy Family Gold

7 PM @ St. Robert  
6 PM @ Holy Family

#### 5/6 Boys Basketball (Yellow)

**Mar 9** vs Holy Family Blue

5 PM @ Holy Family



**READ ALL ABOUT IT!!!**

## New Family Open House and Kindergarten Roundup

**March 12th  
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM**

**Help us spread the word!**

## DONATIONS NEEDED

### ART

Mrs. Stickel's art classes are focusing on different types of needle work and fiber arts exploration, such as sewing and embroidery. These are not only good skills to have, but they help with fine motor skill growth and mastery.



Grades 2-5 will be creating and sewing their own stuffed animal/monster pillows. Middle school students will be creating embroidered wall hanging self-portraits. To help with these projects, we are looking for donations of fleece, felt, fiber fill, and embroidery floss. If you have any extras of these items, please send them in to the office.

### STEAM

Mrs. Custodio is requesting donations of 2-liter plastic bottles. No other sizes are needed at this time. If you have any clean, empty bottles, please send them to the office.

## Disciple Maker Index Survey

The link to take the Disciple Maker Index Survey remains open until March 1st. Click [here](#) to take the online survey or pick up a paper copy at the parish office or the welcome desk at church.

## AUCTION 2020 UPDATE

Dear St. John Friends and Families,

We would like to offer our heartfelt appreciation for your support of the 2020 St. John School Auction. Your attendance, purchases and contributions have helped us to raise much needed funds to support the students of St. John School. These resources will go directly towards programs, experiences, and materials necessary to enhance a full, quality education for each one of our students.

One of the elements of our school that we are most proud of is our partnership with our families and community. This active and dynamic relationship is an **essential** piece to our continued success. On behalf of the students, staff and families of St. John School, THANK YOU for your ongoing support. We couldn't do it without you!

St. John school is a faith-based community dedicated to teaching, learning and living as Jesus did. With your continued support we can carry forth with our mission. God Bless!

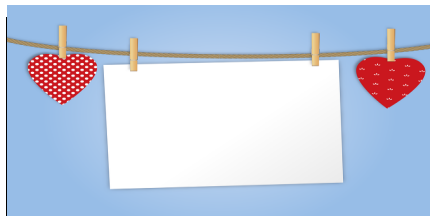
\*\*\*STAY TUNED for updates and highlights from this year's event.\*\*\*

**THANK YOU** for your continued support!



# Thank you to our sponsors!





# ON A PERSONAL NOTE...

## Congrats:

- To the Gadany family on the birth of Tiffany and Isabella's nephew, Archer.

## Prayers:

- For Ms. Brack and her family on the passing of her father, Mr. Leroy Johnson.

## 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.

### Eucharistic Miracles

As part of our Catholic faith, we believe in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. This means that we fully believe that the body and blood of Jesus have taken the place of bread and wine during the consecration at Mass. Watch this amazing video, "[The Veil Removed](#)," to see a portrayal of what happens during the Holy Sacrifice at the Altar. Each Sunday from now until Palm Sunday, the parish will highlight one of the many Eucharistic miracles recognized by the Catholic Church. Last week, the focus was the Eucharistic Miracle of Bagno di Romagna. To read more about this miracle, click [here](#).

### Today's #microchallenge from bustedhalo.com



### Lent

We are in the 3rd day of Lent, but it's not too late to make a Lenten promise to grow in your faith. Here are a couple great articles from Busted Halo.

- "[Why Do We Give up Something for Lent?](#)"
- "[25 Great Things You Can Do for Lent](#)"

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

### Cooking for Crowds Food safety class

Nearly 50 people attended the class held here at the parish on February 1st offered by the Michigan State University Extension. Lisa Treiber, food safety educator and one of the presenters, sent this note: "Thank you for bringing together such a great group of people! I enjoyed sharing information with them and the questions that were asked were very good." If you did not pick up your certificate, they are in the parish office. And here is some feedback from some of the participants:

*"I was pleased to know there are so many things we are already doing right."*

*"I learned so much!" (from multiple people)*

*"Thank you, this was so worth it."*

Anyone interested in attending a session at a future date is invited to call the parish office. If there is enough interest we can schedule another two hour class.



## Staff Spotlight

How does our staff celebrate snow days?



**Mrs. Sticckel:** By staying in my pajamas as long as possible!

**Mr. Garbutt:** I like to enjoy the extra time playing with my boys (5 and 2 1/2) and trying to get ahead and planning and checking papers, but it ends up that I just play with my boys.

**Mrs. Wright:** Snow days are for catching up on sleep and for watching a good movie and reading.

**Ms. Bade:** I like to relax by the fire, binge watch some shows, and catch up on work.

**Mrs. Custodio:** Hanging out at home, playing games, and watching movies with my kids

**Mrs. Dawes:** Going to lunch with Tim, when he is able to stay home, Cooking and Baking, Catching up on school work and house work

**Mrs. Farella:** On snow days, I get caught up on school paperwork and lesson planning with coffee and a warm fire. Then on to housework and sometimes a Hallmark movie in between.

**Mrs. Salzano:** By having coffee with my dog on the couch!

**Mrs. Whitney:** Hanging out with my sons. We play games and watch movies.

**Mrs. Adams:** I use the time to work on school work, grading and inputting grades. I always cook dinner on those days because I have more time.

**Ms. Wharff:** On snow days, I love to snuggle with my puppy, Beau! I also take the time to enjoy drinking hot coffee, catching up on Netflix, and tackling some books in my "to read" pile. I LOVE snow days, but always miss my kindergartners!

**Mr. Schmit:** After sending alerts and waking everyone up at 5:30 a.m., I come into work for a little while and also spend some time with my daughters.

**Mrs. Ratke:** Hang out with my kids and play board games.

**Mrs. Roche:** Generally, we do not leave the house! There is always a movie, some kind of baking (courtesy of Maggie), and games and puzzles. Comfy clothes all day is law! :)

**Mrs. Haiss:** On snow days, I love to stay in my pjs, enjoy my coffee, and watch some TV. I also love to bake or make a pot of soup and I usually catch up on laundry.