



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



SEPTEMBER 15, 2014

ST. JOHN EAGLES



Feast of St. Francis School Mass THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2 AND COLLECTION FOR ANIMAL SHELTER

To celebrate the memory and the message of St. Francis of Assisi, every year we collect supplies for the Lawrence Humane Society. Items needed include: **Clorox bleach, paper towels, cat litter (non-clumping clay), blue Dawn dish soap, laundry detergent, toilet paper, peanut butter, new dog (Kong Toys) & cat toys, towels, washcloths, sheets, and blankets.** Help our homeless animal friends by sending donations to the school. Items will be taken to the Humane Society on Oct. 6. The St. Francis school mass will be on Thursday, October 2. Students are invited to bring one special **small** stuffed animal that they can bless during the mass. After school on Oct. 2, families can bring their real-life pets from home to the Blessing of the Animals at 3:30pm. The blessing will be on the south side of the school blacktop.

The Parish Social Concerns Committee, Secular Franciscan Brother Jacoba Fraternity, and the newly-formed Earth Care Committee will present the Feast of Saint Francis program, "Creating a Climate for Solidarity: From St. Francis to Pope Francis to You." This program will help us explore how climate change affects the world's poor. Through this dynamic multi-media presentation, we will dig in deeply on questions of Creation care and social justice on September 30, 7:00 pm in the church basement.

2014-15 Student Directories

The school office will soon send home student directories. Please notify Linda Alexander alexander@saint-johns.net if you need to update contact information or if you would like to **NOT** have address, telephone, email published.

St. John Talking Points

Samantha Romero, Director of Stewardship and Development, and I are assembling Talking Points about the school. These authentic reflections from you can be used to help spread the word. Please email one of us your thoughts that you think would be helpful to share with others.

Auction News

The Auction Office needs your help! We are looking for parents to help with the Classroom Plate Project for the Friday Night Auction. If you are willing to help your child's class create a fingerprint art piece, please contact the auction office at auction@saint-johns.net

Attached to the newsletter please read the list of ways you can help. A ticket purchase form is also attached. Make your purchase of tickets now: **EVERYONE** who purchases their auction tickets by Oct. 22, will be entered to win **\$100** to spend at the auction – 5 winners will be selected! Even if you don't win that prize, you can guarantee your seat at the auction by purchasing your ticket today. Just complete the Bill My Account form attached to this newsletter.

Auction Chairs: Meredith Lang, Amy Cast, Nicole Sabatini

Grandparent Day

Every family should receive an invitation to Grandparent Day today to share with grandparents or special family friends. Additional invitations are available in the school office. Grandparents and special friends of the family are invited to visit St. John School on October 13. We will have two sessions of Grandparent Day. Fourth through Eighth grades from 8:30-9:30 and Preschool through third grade from 9:45-10:45. We have lots of fun activities planned for this special day.

Trek and Treat Fun Run

October 30, 5:30 pm



When: Thursday, Oct. 30, 5:30-6:30.

Who: St. John Families (students, graduates, grandparents, etc)

What: One mile Fun Run dressed in Halloween costumes (optional). Followed by Halloween treats.

Where: Across the street from the school in South Park using the Marathon Club route around the park.

Cost: \$5 per runner/walker plus one bag of treats per family. The treats will be combined allowing each participant a sample of all the treats. **Go Green: Bring your own water bottles. Water will be available as well as cups.**

Coordinators: Krista Thomas & Nikki Weigel

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
15 3:35 Marathon Club	16 7:30 Alleluia Singers School Pictures—all grades	17 7:15 Marathon Club	18 7:30 Alleluia Singers 8:30 Mass/planned by Middle School 3:30 Tech Club (4th-8th)	19 3:30-5:30 Middle School Volleyball	20 21
22 3:35 Marathon Club Innisbrook Fundraiser ends	23 7:30 Alleluia Singers 9:00 6th grade to Theatre Lawrence	24 7:15 Marathon Club	25 7:30 Alleluia Singers 8:30 Mass/planned by 4th grade Qantas Class/Virtue Awards 5:30 School Council	26 Spirit Day/80s Day	27 Oktoberfest 28
29 3:35 Marathon Club	30 7:30 Alleluia Singers	1 7:15 Marathon Club	2 7:30 Alleluia Singers 8:30 Mass/Feast of St. Francis/planned by Middle School 3:30 Blessing of Pets 3:30 Tech Club	3 8:00-11:00 pm Middle School Party 2:50 Cookie Sales	4 Grocery Cards & trashbags sold 5 After Masses

Innisbrook Fund Raiser

PTO Innisbrook Fundraiser is underway. All proceeds support the general operating budget of the school which benefits all students of St. John School. **Sales end September 22.** Ordering is done online. The St. John School ID is #118627. Please consider contacting your out-of-town supporters.

PRAYERS



Matthew Antonic, David and Scarlett's father, is recovering from an injury.

Looking Ahead

Sept 16 School Pictures
 Sept 19 Middle School Volleyball
 Sept 23 6th to Theatre Lawrence
 Oct 2 Feast of St. Francis/blessing of animals
 Oct 3 8-11 Middle School Party
Oct 13 Grandparents' Day (note change of date)
 Oct 14 6-8th to Literature Festival
 Oct 14 4th grade to KS History Museum
 Oct 17 St. John Spelling Bee
 Oct 22-24 No School Conferences
 Oct 28 6th to Benedictine Abbey
 Oct 30 All Saints Day Mass
 Oct 30 5:30 Trek and Treat
 Oct 31 2:50 Halloween Parties
 Nov 11-14 7th to Denver, CO
 Nov 18 11:00 6th Theatre Class performance
 Nov 21 No School Auction prep
 Nov 22 St. John Benefit Auction
 Nov 26,27,28 Thanksgiving break
 Dec 22-31 Christmas break
 Jan 1,2 Christmas break

- Many thanks to everyone who uses a Target Take Charge of Education RED card. When using this card, 1% of purchase goes to St. John School. St. John School received \$1,308.99.
- St. John 5th Grade Girl Scout Troop 42004 is collecting household used batteries. A drop box for used batteries is located outside the school office. Used battery collection bags are also available.
- Mrs. Malsbury needs a volunteer to check off student names on Tuesdays. (12:00-12:40). Please contact Mrs. Malsbury if you can help. sjslunch@saint-johns.net.
- Parents of students in third through eighth grade can check students grades by going online to Educonnect. The website to access your students' grades is <https://saint-johns.eduk12.net> From this site, click USER LOGIN and then enter the user name and password you received in the email sent out from the school. For assistance, contact the school office.
- **Reminder—School Pictures on Tuesday, September 16**

• The Virtue of the Month for September is Respect.

**St. John Auction
November 22, 2014**

**Bill My Account for Benefit Auction Tickets
\$100 per ticket**

For School Families Only

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Total Amount: _____

Bill in:

One Installment _____

Two Installments _____

Three Installments _____

Return form to the school office