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Saint John XXIII Newsletter

Friday, September 16, 2016

Happy Friday!

We all know how important it is to go on retreat – to take time to hear God’s voice in his purpose and plan for us and to reflect on our own mission. We all need to “retreat”. Our students need it, our faculty and staff need and yes, even our Principal Mr. Colao needs it as well which is where he is today...at a Diocesan wide “retreat” along

with all of the other Catholic elementary and high school Principals. Our peace and prayers are with him.

As the Coordinator of Campus Ministry Projects at Saint John XXIII Catholic School, I am continually amazed at how busy we are as a school and a community and how so much of the busy-ness revolves around our students BEING the hands and feet of Christ! The students of our school serve our community but also serve by learning how they can help to make our school the best it can be! We have only just begun the school year and already we have supplied our Diocesan schools with much needed school supplies, started a pen pal program, added 3 new Spirit of Service opportunities for our families, and last week...collected enough food to stock the pantry of Saint Joan of Arc until Thanksgiving...over 175 boxes of food total with the leadership of our students and the help of our very gracious and giving community! September isn't even over yet!

As part of service to our school, every year, we have several opportunities to take our 7th and 8th Grade student leaders to a variety of off campus events to enhance their leadership training. Today I had the honor of taking 25 of our amazing Leaders to Bourgade High School for a Leadership Day that is put on by their Student Council. It is truly one of my favorite events to attend. Student Leaders from Saint John XXIII along with other leaders from all of our Diocesan elementary schools, spent the day engaged in activities for team building, communication, goal setting, Parliamentary Procedure, and idea sharing. A great time was had by all (see picture!) On behalf of Student Leadership, we look forward to using what was learned today to help all of us continue to BE the

Hands and Feet of Christ!
Thank you and God Bless,

Patti Jasinski
Coordinator of Campus Ministry Projects



School Notes

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September 19-21

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 - **State of the School Talk** 8:15 a.m. Rooms 5 & 6
- Tuesday, September 27
- Fall Athletic Pictures**

Volunteer Parent Organization (VPO)



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Please join us on Monday, September 19th
 for the **FIRST VPO** meeting of the 2016-2017 school year!
 Meet the current **VPO** Committee Chairs and learn
 more information on your selected/interested event or area where you are needed!
 Every hour you share your time and talents
 with our community is a much needed gift.

See you there!

Date: 9/19/16

Time: 8:15

Location, Rm 5-6

Catholic Education Arizona



"Our self-funded tax credit SCHOLARSHIP program here at St. John XXIII has made a huge difference in our community and has aided many families with a significant reduction in tuition. Last year we collected and distributed almost \$400,000 in scholarship money to our students. That's real money. With your support and participation this year will be even bigger. Look for more CEA announcements and information about this exiting program in the coming days!!!"

Directory



Please look for an email regarding our school directory....

AscendSMS



We are mid way through the first quarter. Progress reports are available online.

Cross Country



Cross Country Season starts Tuesday September 20 at 7am. Practices will be held every Tuesday morning at 7am and and Thursday afternoons after 3:05 dismissal at Jack Rabbit Park.

The season runs until November 11.

Hope to see you there!

Any questions, please contact the coaches-Andie [Landa-
andiemi@aol.com](mailto:landiemi@aol.com) or Shevaun [Teevan-shevaunmarie@gmail.com](mailto:teevan-shevaunmarie@gmail.com)

Spirit of Service



Please check out the Spirit of Service Website for new postings! We just added a volunteer opportunity to help Maggie's Place as a race day volunteer on Sunday October 2nd from 6am to 11am. Many hands needed! Please see the website for details AND TO SIGN UP! Sign-ups for Saint Vincent de Paul Dining hall on the way!!!

Ways of Worship



Saint John XXIII Middle School Retreats

Hosted by NET Ministries

Saint Patrick's Parish - Fenlon Hall

10815 N. 84th Street Scottsdale 85260

6th Grade Tuesday October 4th

7th Grade Wednesday October 5th

8th Grade Thursday October 6th

8:00am to 2:30pm

Please see teacher pages for VERY IMPORTANT details!

Rosary Sunday



The Diocese of Phoenix will be hosting Arizona Rosary Celebration on Sunday October 26, 2016. They will be celebrating 41 years and honoring Mary under her title Our Lady of Mercy. The Diocese will also be having a poster contest. Students interested in participating Grades Kindergarten – 8th grade can pick up a flyer with detailed information from the school office. Please remember you are representing our school and Parish. All entries for the Diocese of Phoenix must be received by Thursday, October 6, 2016 12:00 Noon or be postmarked by September 30, 2016. Artwork is to be drawn free hand by the student. Please turn in your entries to Mrs. Miller or to the Front office.

SCRIP



Restaurants, Restaurants, Restaurants

Going out to eat?

Help support our school! We have a wide variety of restaurant gift cards available:

Carraba's, Cheesecake Factory, Chili's, Chipotle, Flemings, In & Out, Macaroni Grill, Maggiano's, North, Olive Garden, Olive & Ivy, Outback, Paradise Bakery, P.F. Changs, Pei Wei, True Foods, and more

Scrip Sales Hours:

Monday-Thursday

7:30 – 8:15

2:30 – 3:15

Friday

7:30 – 8:15

12:15 – 1:00



It's Box Top and Labels for Education clipping time!

Help our school reach our goal of collecting 15,000 Box Tops. Just by clipping Box Tops and sending them into school, we earn cash. Clip Box Tops from hundreds of your favorite products. Turn in your Box Tops to your homeroom teacher.

Nurse Notes



Dear Parents,

Thank you for all your donations of disinfecting wipes and great smelling hand soap. All are coming in handy! Your children are great handwashers!

Handwashing is the best defense against spreading germs and illnesses!

If anyone has any new or unused boys and girls underwear size 6 or 8 or any white socks these would be most appreciated by those who need them unexpectedly at school for life's "little accidents."

Thank you so much for your continued generosity.

Joan Sirven, RN, BSN, NCSN
School Nurse

Parish Corner



Pirate Night

Attention 6th, 7th, & 8th Grades: Ahoy Matey! Pirate Night is coming!

You are invited to join us for our next Middle School Experience: Pirate Night.

It includes a live band, food and Pirate Games. (Pirate Ball)

You do not want to miss the event.

Friday, September 16: 6:30pm – 9:00pm

Cost: \$20/youth

A list of event go to: <http://goo.gl/FfwZAn>

To register online go to: <http://goo.gl/9bfqwy>

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