



# PRIDE

*Obedientia Et Pax*

**Saint John XXIII Newsletter**

**Friday, April 28, 2017**

Dear Saint John XXIII Community,

As we make the turn into the final lap of the school year and the kids are finally seeing the light of summer at the end of the tunnel, I thought I'd share some exciting news to highlight some of the amazing achievements of our

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students. Rather than doing the usual science fair projects we all grew up with, each year we choose to allow our kids to enter competitions to solve real world problems using their science, math, technology, engineering and research skills. These problem solving endeavors teach the kids skills they will use for the rest of their lives. They are learning how to observe a problem, research it and create a solution to solve problems.

One of the main programs we compete in is the US Army's eCybermission. Students select problems to provide solutions in the areas of: alternative sources of energy, the environment, food, health and fitness, national security and safety, and robotics. We were extremely privileged this year to have St. John's students take both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the entire state of Arizona with their work. Ryann Gleason, Ashlyn Godbehere, and Maria Castorino took first place in the state with their creation of a solar power street light and will each receive a \$1000 savings bond for their work. Nicholas Cicora, Sean Dugan, Cristian Martinez, and William Bansberg took 2<sup>nd</sup> place with their creation of a micro-computer heart rate monitor that would call 911 if the person suffered a heart attack then would use GPS to locate them for authorities and will each receive a \$500 savings bond. I'm sure projects like these were exactly what all of us were creating in 8<sup>th</sup> grade when we went to school.

If you know these students, please congratulate them on their achievement and for how well they represented St. John's with their STEM problem solving skills.

God Bless,

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Preston Colao

Principal

## School Notes

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### Important Dates

Monday, May 1

May Crowning  
at Courtyard Prayer

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VPO meeting  
8:15 Rms 5-6

Tuesday, May 2

Teacher/Staff Appreciation

Thursday, May 4

Donuts with Dads  
7:15 Parish Hall

Friday, May 5

Art Walk  
11:00-1:00 and 5:00-7:30 Courtyard

Friday, May 5

Spring Concert  
6:00 Gym

Unfortunately due to construction our school Mass will be canceled  
on Wednesday, May 3rd.

## [Teacher/Staff Appreciation](#)



We are very excited for this year's Teacher/Staff Appreciation Farmers Market on May 2nd. It takes the entire community to make this event a success. The market is based on donations from each grade level. Classroom parents will be receiving a Sign Up Genius with their assigned item shortly. Donations will be accepted May 1st and 2nd. This market has taken the place of the week long celebrations that were held in the past which is why we make this one day extra special. We are looking for parents to share favorite 5 ingredient recipes that will be featured along with the farmer's market items. If you have one please send to [tiffanyaulicino@gmail.com](mailto:tiffanyaulicino@gmail.com) as soon as possible.

Thank You!

Please click on your grade level for sign-up genius link.

[Kindergarten Sign-Up Genius](#)

[First Sign-Up Genius](#)

[Second Sign-Up Genius](#)

[Third Sign-Up Genius](#)

[Fourth Sign-Up Genius](#)

[Fifth Sign-Up Genius](#)

[Sixth Sign-Up Genius](#)

[Seventh Sign-Up Genius](#)

[Eighth Sign-Up Genius](#)

## [Donuts with Dad](#)



Please join us for Donuts with Dad

Date: Friday May 5, 2017

Where: Parish Hall

Time: 7:15am

We look forward to enjoying the morning with many of the dads from this wonderful community! Enjoy Donuts, Coffee and a chance to spend time with your kids...plan on it!

## Volunteer Parent Organization



**Save the Date!**

### **Volunteer Parent Organization (VPO)**

Please join us on Monday, May 1, 2017

for the end of the 2016-2017 school year VPO meeting.

Meet the current VPO Committee Chairs and learn more information about VPO and if you are interested in joining a VPO Committee next year!

Every hour you share your time and talents with our community is a much needed and appreciated gift.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Date: 5/1/17

Time: 8:15am

Location, Rm 5-6

## Spirit Night



**Come and Support Saint John XXIII at**

**Chick-fil-A: School Spirit Night!!**

**Thursday, May 11th**

**5-7 pm**

**Join us for cow appearances, fun and friendship!**

**Chick-fil-A: Scottsdale 101**

**7000 E.Mayo Blvd**

**Bldg 2**

**480-419-6039**

## Safe Environment



As part of our continued efforts to ensure a Safe Environment for our children, we would like to share a resource with parents addressing Internet Safety. This material was provided to us by the Diocese of Phoenix. We hope it is helpful to our families as we work together to raise Responsible Christian Leaders.

[Please click here for information.](#)

Blessings,

Mary

## Art Walk



WHEN: FRIDAY, MAY 5TH

TWO SESSIONS: 11:00AM-1:00PM AND 5:00PM-7:30PM

WHERE: ST. JOHN XXIII COURTYARD

ALL STUDENTS WILL HAVE A SELECTED, PRE FRAMED ART PIECE ON DISPLAY  
AT THE ART WALK.

[PRE ORDER YOUR CHILD'S FRAMED ARTWORK TODAY!](#)

COST: \$25 PRE-ORDER UNTIL MAY 4TH (PICK UP DAY OF ART WALK)



\$30 IF PURCHASED DAY OF THE ART WALK

Monies raised through the sales of the event will benefit the ART PROGRAM.

Complete form below and return to front office before Thursday, May 4th

Any questions? Contact Michelle Bucci at [michelle9027@gmail.com](mailto:michelle9027@gmail.com)

## Student Leadership



Thank you to all of our 6th and 7th grade students who turned in applications for the 2017-2018 Student Leadership Team! Interviews will begin next week. Please check your emails to find out when YOUR interview is scheduled. Peace and Prayers to all!

## Faith in Action



5th Grade Water Drive

May 8-12

With temps in the triple digits, life on the streets goes from unbearable to deadly. Homeless men, women, and children in our community urgently need your help to survive the blistering summer heat. Help our 5th grade help our Valley homeless by donating bottled water May 8-12! All donations will be picked up by Saint Vincent de Paul to be used in our community and local Parish sites.

## [Spirit of Service](#)



Saint Vincent de Paul – Pizza Making Night

Friday May 19, 2017 – 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Join our Saint John families as they prepare over a 150 pizzas to serve to guests in the family dining room! Please see the sign up for details. Recommended age is 13 with an adult.

## [Ways of Worship](#)



**May Crowning 7:50am**

**Monday May 1, 2017 in the Courtyard**

One of the defining aspects of being Catholic is devotion to Mary. May Crowning, the feast that recognizes Mary as queen of heaven and earth. How many queens does one get a chance to meet in a lifetime, much less crown? Please join us on Monday to honor and celebrate our Blessed Mother Mary. Everyone is invited...ALL are welcome!

**Growing in Abundant Grace**

**[Annual Appeal](#)**



**Our goal is 100% participation. We are currently at 42% participation. Your help will make the difference and help us do even more wonderful things here at Saint John XXIII Catholic School. No matter the amount, every gift counts.**

**Thank you for your continued support.**

## RUN WITH PRIDE



**No sign-up required... All are welcome! We meet most Monday and Thursday mornings at the gate at 7:15 a.m., and run from 7:20-7:40. You can earn cool prizes and get in shape at the same time. Please bring an extra pair of shoes since the field can be wet!**

**Quarter 4 Schedule:**

**5/1, 5/8, 5/11**

**Awards- May 19th**

**Any questions can be directed towards Michele Richardson or Joan Sirven.  
Happy Running!**

## Nurse Notes



Dear Parents,

In preparation for the new school year, please take the time to review your child's immunization record and schedule a doctor's appointment for your child's yearly physical. Get it done early!

## Immunizations

If your child is entering Kindergarten and/or 6th grades there are vaccines required by state law before the first day of school . This includes DTAP, MMR, Polio for entering Kindergarten and Meningitis, Tdap for entering 6th graders.

## Sports Physicals

If your child is going to participate in 5th-8th grade after-school Athletics, school policy requires your child must have a copy of a physical done. The Sports Physical form is on our school website in the athletic tab or your health care provider can use their own form.

Please provide me with a copy of your children's updated immunization records and sports physicals when completed!!!!

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you.

Joan Sirven, RN,

[SCRIP](#)



**The temperature is starting to heat up, why not cool off with some delicious ice cream from Cold Stone and Dairy Queen. We carry \$10 Gift cards.**

**NEW - We now carry \$10 Panera Bread Gift cards.**

**(Paradise Bakery is now Panera Bread.)**

**Remember you can use your FACTS account to purchase SCRIP!**

**For questions stop by the SCRIP cart before or after school or email Pegge**

**Gentry, at [pgentry@saintjohnxxiii.org](mailto:pgentry@saintjohnxxiii.org) with any questions.**

**Scrip Sales Hours:**

**Monday-Thursday**

**7:30 – 8:15**

**2:30 – 3:15**

**Friday**

**7:30 – 8:15**

**12:15 – 1:00**

**[Enrichment Class](#)**

**Arizona Instruction Proudly Presents:**



**JOIN US IN THE GYM FOR OUR EXCITING SPRING MUSICAL!**

**SHOW TIME IS 6:00pm to 7:00pm**

**ON TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2017**

**\*\*FREE ADMISSION\*\***

[Parish Corner](#)



**It's time to register for Vacation Bible School**



**June 5th - June 9th**

**9:00am - 12:00pm**

**Cost: \$55/per child before May 1st**

**\$70 after May 1st**

**To volunteer for VBS [click here](#)**

**To register for VBS [click here](#)**

Attention 5th Graders -7th Graders you are invited to Preview the New EDGE Program before next year. Includes Open Gym, Games, Food, Friends and Jesus!

Come join on us Tuesday or Wednesday.



**EDGE Preview: Session "Unfinished!"**

Preview the program before you sign up!

- Tuesday, May 2nd (6:30pm—8:20pm)
- Wednesday, May 3rd (6:00pm—7:30pm)

Open to 5th—7th Grade!



To RSVP email [jstafford@saintbernadette.com](mailto:jstafford@saintbernadette.com) or  
<http://www.saintbernadette.com/edge-prview/>





## KINGDOM COME

Edge Summer Camp // 3 Churches – 1 Camp

San Francisco de Asis (Flagstaff) | St. Bernadette | St. Timothy (Mesa)

June 8-11, 2017 // Tonto Rim Christian Camp (Payson)

June 8th – Sunday, June 11th:

To Register:

<http://www.saintbernadette.com/edge-camp/>

\$325/ per student

Open to incoming 6th – 8th Graders 2017-2018

Canoeing/ Paint Ball/ Scooters

Online Registration:

Attention 8th Graders:

Time to sign up for Steubenville West:

“Steubenville is a great opportunity for teens to share their faith with other young teens without having peer pressure requiring them to act a certain way, no one is judging them. They can be crazy in an innocent way. This is a safe-zone. As a result, this allows them to step out of their comfort zone and experience Christ in a way that will surprise them. Hearing your son's first words when returning home be, “I can't wait for next year!”.

What more can you ask for.

Attending Steubenville has been a growing experience for Kaleo when it comes to Adoration and was one of his memorable experiences. Kaleo has also grown in his faith by

attending the past 2 years. He is excited to be a life teen leader. He wants to continue to grow in his faith journey and I believe his experience at Steubenville played a part in that.”

--Parent of 10th grader at Brophy College Prep.

For More information or to register go to: <http://www.saintbernadette.com/steubenville-west/>



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