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Saint John XXIII Newsletter

Friday March 2, 2018

Dear Saint John XXIII Community,

As we finalize the details today for a celebration of our 8 eighth graders who will receive Christian Service Scholarships to Catholic High Schools tonight on campus from Bishop Olmsted, we are also finalizing details for our annual 8th grade mission trip. Monday, our 8th grade class arrives to campus with their parents to celebrate Mass together before heading off to San Diego to serve in

our annual Mission Trip. This is our 6th year conducting the trip and it gets better each year.

Our students will serve each day at a variety of locations including food banks, breakfast and lunch service to the homeless and at a senior center, tutoring at an inner-city Catholic school, setting up a safe house for human trafficking victims, and working in a garden that grows food for preschoolers in the inner city without access fresh fruit and vegetables just to name a few. Each night, after their 12 hours of service from 5AM-5PM, our kids will eat dinner, then begin 4-5 hours of retreat activities with youth ministers from the Diocese of San Diego and the local Diocese owned and operated University of San Diego.

I am privileged each year to be part of this transforming journey and still hear from alumni when this time of year comes around who reach out to tell me they remember the week and how much it transformed their faith. I would ask all of you, like I ask all of our alumni, to keep us all in your prayers for the joy that this week will bring to our kids. This experience culminates our identity and mission as Catholics, serving others as the hands and feet of Christ and growing in that purpose for the rest of our days.

God Bless,
Preston Colao
Principal

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March 5-8

8th Grade Mission Trip

Wednesday, March 7

WoW Rosary 8:05 Cry Room

Mass 8:30

Thursday, March 8

QTR. 3 Ends

March 9 & 12

School Closed

March 13 - 16

Toiletry Drive

[CEA Scholarship Applications](#)



Catholic Education Arizona (CEA) Scholarship Applications for the 2018-2019 school year are now open. Deadline for applications is April 17, 2018. Parents will be notified by letter from CEA on or before June 30, 2018.

Parents/legal guardians need to go to www.fairapp.com to apply.

School Code: 700

School Password: cea700

CEA



There is still time!

Contributions can be made on-line at: www.ceaz.org or at

<http://saintjohnxxiii.org/cea-tax-credit/> **Designate Saint John XXIII**

Catholic School so your tax dollars benefit our students here at St. John.

Please consider taking the tax credit and investing in our children's future.

Contributions can be made until **April 17, 2018**. Thank you again for making a difference!

Running Club



Running club is cancelled for this coming week!

Used uniform sale



Are your children growing like weeds? Are they in need of some uniforms at a great deal? Drop by the Spirit Store in the gym on Wednesday, 3/7 from 7:30-8:30 and Thursday from 2:30-3:30 for annual Used Uniform Sale.

Poetry Contest



Calling all poets! Get ready to let your creativity shine! The 18th Annual Saint John XXIII Poetry Contest will begin March 15th and runs through March 28th. All students in grades K-8 are eligible to participate. One winner per classroom will be chosen to receive a \$10 gift certificate toward our upcoming Spring Book Fair!

Please see below for rules and entry form. Please do not write student names on the poem, only the entry form.

[Click here for Poetry Rules](#)

[Click here for Poetry entry form](#)

All entries are due back to the library by Wednesday March 28, 2018. Parents, we could use your help! We are looking for parents to help judge the contest.

If you have any questions, or are interested in judging, please contact Sarah Kyle at sarahmkyle@yahoo.com.

[Annual Appeal](#)



Stronger Together

LAST CALL FOR ITEMS! The Development Office is putting together some fun items to be used as part of our Annual Appeal drive, and we need the St. John community's help. Do you have, or do you know someone with a cool getaway trip, a unique "experience" (box seats to the big game, front row seats to the hot play or concert, private behind the scenes tours of the best restaurant in town, etc.) or something else creative? It takes a village to help make the connections and pull together items that our community will love. If you know someone, or are willing to donate an experience or package, please contact

Kristen (kbutler@saintjohnxxiii.org) with the details. Thank you so much... we truly are "Stronger Together" as we push to reach our \$200,000 goal for this year's Annual Appeal.

SAVE THE DATE

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Save the date for the St. John XXIII community event!

Parents Night Out "*While Kids are Away, Parents will Play*" on **Saturday,**

April 21st from 6-10 p.m. We invite all St. John parents to come out for a night of great live music, food trucks, cash bar and "big kid" games. This isn't an auction... just an evening of fellowship and fun. Grab your date, grab a group of friends and come out to get to know your community a bit better! Help us celebrate the school we have chosen for our children. More details to come.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are in the need of a few good volunteers for our Staff Appreciation Committee! This committee oversees the once a month staff luncheons that are much loved by our teachers and staff! There is a great system in place with the current committee, but they need more hands to help out the day of and do a little planning behind the scenes. Do you (and a friend or three) have one day a month to donate your time? Please contact Kristen (kbutler@saintjohnxxiii.org). Thank you so much!

Spirit of Service



The Spirit of Service committee is comprised of parent volunteers organizing service opportunities that exist in our local community for children and their parents to contribute their time and efforts acting as the Hands and Feet of Christ as a R.E.A.L. Catholic community while building relationships and participating in active Catholic Stewardship.

We are currently putting together service opportunities for March and April at Saint Vincent dePaul, Miracle League, Pueblo Norte Assisted Living Facility and Harvest Compassion as well as a couple of new organizations we are very excited to partner with!

Let's ALL be the Hands and Feet of Christ!!

Ways of Worship



Please join us on Friday March 23rd in the courtyard as our 8th graders portray living "Stations of the Cross" as seen from the eyes of our beloved Mother Mary. This is a deeply moving and touching re-enactment. We hope you will be able to join us on Friday March 23rd at 11:30 in the courtyard as we reflect more deeply on the Scriptural accounts of Christ's passion.

Enrichment Registration



Register Now for SESSION THREE! Our LAST session of the school year.

Session 3 STARTS the week of MARCH 5th and runs until MAY 11th!

Many classes have a maximum amount of students, so please register as soon as possible.

Description of all classes on the website...

To register, go to our school website: www.saintjohnxxiii.org, go to PARENTS tab, Click on Extended Day, then drop down to +Enrichment Class Offerings

Click on --->Online Enrichment/Extended Day form

The following are the Enrichment Class Offerings:

MONDAYS: Chess Emporium / Golf Squad (NEW Company!)

TUESDAYS: CodaKid / NEW! Tennis w/ Seth Korey / Drama

WEDNESDAYS: Bricks4Kidz / Young Rembrandts

THURSDAYS: ASL Club (Sign Language) / i9 Sports

FRIDAYS: Cheerleading / Crazy Cool Science / Preach Volleyball Performance

[SCRIP](#)



Congratulations Saint John XXIII Catholic School!

Our school collected over 5,000 Box Tops.

The class Box Top Winners are

1B and 6th Grade.

Thank you for all of your support!!

Please continue to support the school by clipping Box Tops for our next collection. Help your class to win a party, bring in your Box Tops!

Scrip Sales Hours:

Monday-Thursday

7:30 – 8:15

2:30 – 3:15

[Safe Environment Foundation Trainings](#)



Our diocese is now hosting SET Foundation Training every 1st Wednesday of the month, 9:30 am—11:30 am.

Diocesan Pastoral Center (DPC)

400 East Monroe Street

Phoenix, AZ 85004

[Parish Corner](#)



Saint Bernadette
Roman Catholic Parish

**Lenten Journey to the Cross
at St. Bernadette**

CONFESSIONS
Saturdays 3:00 PM

HEALING ROSARY
Fridays 6:30 PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Fridays 7 PM

LENTEN MISSION
March 18-20

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE
March 21 6:30 PM

**Also join us Friday evenings for our Fish Fry
Dinners sponsored by the Knights of Columbus!**



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