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Saint John XXIII Newsletter

Friday March 23, 2018

“I am the handmade of the Lord, let it be done to me as you say”.

Those words, some of the very few that Mary speaks in Scripture, set into motion the process of our redemption. Those words also opened for Mary a life which she could never have imagined, one which must have certainly been blessed with happiness, as well as great sorrow. Simeon told Mary at the very beginning of her child’s life that “a sword of sorrow” would pierce her heart. With so little written about Mary in Scripture, one can only wonder about

these joys and sorrows. What was it like for the one person who was perhaps closer to Jesus than anyone else as she daily came to understand her son's life. What can we learn from her experience of this process of redemption? Whatever it is that you have on your heart this Lenten Season, may you follow in Gods footsteps as he shows you the way.



Dear Saint John XXIII Catholic School Community,

Today we had our annual live presentation of Stations of the Cross as told through the eyes of our Blessed Mother Mary. As you read above, one can only imagine the joys and sorrows Mary must have felt. It is not much unlike all of us, mothers and fathers alike. Although many things in today's world are very different from that of Mary's time, some things will never change....the joys, the pain and the sorrows. At the end of the day, let us all remember that what we, as parents, are here for...to do our best and to do right by our children and most of all...to be the ones God has entrusted...to help get HIS children to heaven and let us all support each other by extending God's grace and mercy that is given to everyone.

As we head into Holy Week, may we all remember all that Jesus has done for us and the role model we all have in our Blessed Mother.

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Important Dates

Tuesday, March 27

Blaze Pizza event

Wednesday, March 28

WoW Rosary 8:05 Cry Room

Mass 8:30

11:50--12:00--12:10 Dismissal

Sunday, April 1

Happy Easter!

Monday, April 9

School re-opens

Extended Day



On Monday, March 26 a new security locking system to our campus will become effective immediately. After the office closes at 3:30 pm, all gates to school grounds will be closed. Please use the new buzzer doorbell located at the main gate closest to the office. To request entry, firmly press the button and wait to be buzzed in. An Extended Day staff member will let you in via our locking system app. **Please make sure the gate closes behind you.**

Thank you for assisting us in keeping our campus safe for our students. Thank you also for your patience during this transition. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Laura Houck at lhouck@saintjohnxxiii.org.

[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!

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.

Community Event



"While the Kids are Away, the Adults Will Play"... Sign Up NOW to attend our adults only, 21+ Community Event on Saturday, April 21 from 6:30-10. This FREE to attend event will have a band, food trucks, games and more. See our [flyer](#) for detailed information, and [click HERE](#) to register. Join us for a fun and relaxing BYOB event!

On-Line Auction



Have you had a chance to check out St. John's On-Line Auction benefiting the Annual Appeal? From St. John parking spots to a Wyoming Fishing Trip, we have a little something for everyone! The auction runs through April 13th... so maybe get together with a group of friends for one of these trips and group outings, or do a "But It Now" for an item that is sure to sell quick. Click [HERE](#) to see what we are offering! (*And once again, thank you again to our donors... we couldn't do this without your generous support!*)

[Dine Out, Make \\$\\$ for SJ!](#)



Does your family like pizza? Interested in trying out a new restaurant in Scottsdale? Then join other St. John families on Tuesday, March 27th anytime between 3-8 p.m. at [BLAZE PIZZA](#) at the Promenade (Scottsdale & FLW). **20% of purchases** made during this time will come back to St. John XXIII. [Bring a hard copy of the flyer](#), show it on your phone, mention you are with St. John when you pay, and 20% of your purchase will be donated to the school. Bach2Rock will DJ to keep up the festive environment, so come on out after school, before practice, or whatever works for your family's schedule. Just come on out and support St. John!

[Shop at AmazonSmile for SJ](#)



We have an exciting partnership between Amazon and St. John where a percentage of every purchase you make on Amazon will come back to Saint John XXIII. This is a super easy way to make money for St. John on items you already are shopping for! Click [HERE](#) for the special AmazonSmile

website (or use this link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/35-2351339>). Once you click and approve the request to support Saint John XXIII , there is nothing else to do! (Except maybe share the link with your family and friends!!)

Spirit of Service



New Service opportunities are HERE!!! Please see our Spirit of Service tab on the website for details and to signup!!

Saint Vincent de Paul

Family Pizza Making Night

Friday May 18, 2018

Volunteer and learn how to make handmade pizza! Friday Night Pizzas are a beloved tradition at St. Vincent de Paul; we make 150 pizzas every Friday for guests in our family dining room. This volunteer opportunity is a great bonding activity. Duties may include but are not limited to: rolling dough, topping the pizza, slicing and boxing the pizza, cleaning.

Saint Vincent de Paul

Hearts and Hands Days

Saturday April 7 and Saturday May 5

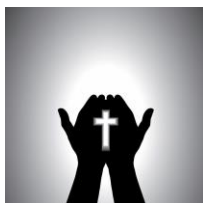
Volunteers engage in craft projects that are centered around the themes of offering blessings, love, hope, and motivation to our guests. In addition, activities may include but are not limited to: making hygiene packets, making sack lunches, sandwiches, and more. Specific activities vary depending upon the need that month.

Student Leadership



Thank you to all the students who submitted an application for Student Leadership 2018-2019! We will begin interviews when we return from Easter Break! We look forward to forming our new Leadership Team for next school year!

Ways of Worship



Wednesday Rosary Group

7:55 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. in the Church Cry Room

Please join our Ways of Worship Volunteer parents as they lead a Rosary for all those who would like to attend. Little ones are welcome as well! It's so good for our children to see and hear us as we pray for them and others who are special to us. Our group is growing and we'd love to have you join us in

prayer!

Live Stations of the Cross

A huge thank you to all of our 7th and 8th grade students who participated in bringing us the presentation of Stations of the Cross today in our courtyard. This is a very moving presentation of Jesus' journey to the cross as seen through his beloved mother, Mary. In her words, we experience the pain and the sacrifice that has been made for us to have eternal life in HIS name. If you were unable to attend, please talk to your child about this special afternoon and ask them to share what touched their heart:)

SCRIP



Easter Break is almost here. Are you traveling, don't want to spend time in the kitchen? We have gift cards for numerous great restaurants including

Fox restaurants, Cheesecake Factory, Chili's and many more.

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 with any questions.

Scrip Sales Hours:

Monday-Tuesday

7:30 – 8:15

2:30 – 3:15

Wednesday

7:30 – 8:15

11:45-12:15

Teen & Jr. High Volunteers Needed For
Blessed Sacrament Kindergarten & Preschool
Easter Egg Hunt



To help with set up, check in, snack area, crafts, run games, and clean up.

Event is Saturday March 24th, 2018 9am-noon all volunteers report at 8:15am at the school playground area.

Please arrive by 8:15 to help set up, and/or choose what area you would like to run, please stay after event to help clean up and take down. Please bring your school's volunteer forms for signatures, otherwise signed volunteer form will be provided.

Sign up to volunteer by contacting Heather Fraher at:

hfraher@blessedsacramentscotts.org

[Parish Corner](#)



Saint Bernadette
Roman Catholic Parish



Holy Thursday, March 29th at 7:00 PM
Followed by Adoration in Ramada
until Midnight

Good Friday, March 30th at 3:00 PM
with Veneration of the Cross

Stations only at 7:00 PM

Blessing of Easter Food and Baskets, Saturday, March 31st
at 11:00 AM in the Ramada

Holy Saturday Vigil, March 31st at 8:00 PM

Hospitality to follow. Please note this is an extended service with
baptism.

Easter Sunday, April 1st Liturgies:

8:00 AM in Church

8:15 AM in Parish Center

10:00 AM in Church

10:15 AM in Parish Center

12:00 Noon in Church



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