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Saint John XXIII Newsletter

Friday September 7, 2018

Dear Saint John XXIII Community,

We were blessed this week to have had the opportunity to help those most in need with our Annual Back-to-School Drive, led by the 2nd graders. In the past, we have always done a school supplies drive for St. Matthew's Catholic School in Phoenix, but we are changing it up a bit this year. In talking with the school, we learned of a bigger need

they had with basic care kit items. So many of their classrooms go without simple, basic necessities because of funding deficits and income issues for parents that it effects the school deeply. Teachers don't have wipes to sanitize, paper towels to clean up, tissues and hand sanitizer for sick kids, or simple first aid supplies for students as the school has no nurse.

As parents, we dread the pain of school shopping and fighting crowds, but we are blessed to be able to provide items that make our school safer during cold and flu season and limit the spread of germs throughout the year. Thank you for helping to provide for this same need for other kids in our diocese. The gifts you have brought in will make a huge difference right away for the kids and staff of St. Matthew's Catholic School.

God Bless,
Preston Colao
Principal

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Important Dates

Wednesday, Sept. 12

Rosary 8:00 a.m. Cry room

Mass 8:30 a.m.

Thursday, Sept. 13

Mass of Remembrance for

Fr. Pete

- Spirit of Service **6:30 p.m.**
- 2nd Grade Faith IN Action
- SCRIP **Monday, Sept. 17**
- St John XXIII Running Club **VPO Meeting**
- Safe Environment **8:15 a.m.**
- Parish Corner

The VIG Gives Back



The VIG at McDowell Mountain is generously partnering with local schools during the month of September. Anytime you visit, let your server know you are with St. John XXIII and a portion of your meal will be donated back to our school. The ENTIRE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER!

[Check out their flyer for more details.](#) **Maybe plan a night out with some moms, or an outing with the kids to enjoy their great patio... just some ideas to take advantage of this great promotion!**

Mother/Son Outing



How about a date night with your best guys? Please join us at CrackerJax on Friday, September 28th for a fun, all-inclusive, activity filled evening! [Click on THIS FLYER](#) for all the details.

Grab a big group and join us! Please RSVP by Tuesday, September 25th by filling out this [Mother/Son Outing](#) on-line registration form. The cost is \$25 per person and your FACTS account will be charged for the event.

Any questions? Please contact Kristen at kbutler@saintjohnxxiii.org

[20 Years of St. John XXIII](#)



Did you know that we are celebrating our 20th year of existence THIS YEAR? How exciting! We would love to hear from past (and current) students and families. Send us your favorite memories, photos, stories or well wishes so we can share them with our community. We'd love your help to reach out to friends and families who are past members of St. John and ask them to contribute as well! (*We don't necessarily have current emails and addresses of all alums, so your help with this would*

be greatly appreciated.) #20YearsTogether #GoPride

Send emails to: kbutler@saintjohnxxiii.org Subject Heading: 20 Years

Ring Found



If you have lost a ring here at school, please stop by the office and describe the lost ring to Liz or Bonnie. Hopefully we will be able to return the ring to its owner.

Ways of Worship



Momnipotent - A morning for Moms

"Balancing Act"

Thursday September 27th

8:00 to 10:30

Everyone is invited and all are welcome:)

Join us as we begin our morning with Mass then head to Parish Hall for a session of "Momnipotent". We will be exploring the feminine gift of Attentiveness, ways we can simplify our lives and ways we can insert quiet and time for prayer. Please see the sign up genius if you are interested. Signing up is not a commitment, it just gives us an idea for numbers. Click on the "Momnipotent" link to learn more about what it means to be "Momnipotent"

Sign up link

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f4daaa92ca7ff2-moms2>

About Momnipotent

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kmlIO3mBFVU&t=17s>

[Spirit of Service](#)



**Feed My Starving Children SJXXIII Community Packing event
Wednesday November 21st from 1:00 to 3:00 (We have early release
this day for Thanksgiving weekend)
SJXXIII has once again reserved 121 spots for this event – it fills every**

year so sign up soon!

Everyone ages 3 and up are welcome!

FMSC exists because of volunteers just like you who generously give their time and energy to feed starving children in desperate need around the world. YOU are an essential part of FMSC.

<https://volunteer.fmsc.org/Register/group/ReservationConfirmation.aspx?sid=197670&gid=1490767&num=100&event=0#.W2YYFaRICEe>

[2nd Grade Faith IN Action](#)



Care Kit Drive

2nd Grade would like to thank our entire Saint John community for all of your generous donations this past week. With your help, we are able to assist Saint Matthews school and help them to keep their kids just a little healthier this school year! You are all such a gift and we thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ!

God Bless!

[SCRIP](#)



Get out of the heat of the kitchen this week and treat yourself to dinner out. Stop by the SCRIP cart. We have over 25 restaurant gift cards to choose from: from Chipotle to Fox restaurants, and recently added California Pizza Kitchen. All SCRIP purchases go to help St. John XXIII Catholic school and remember it does not cost you any more than what you were going to spend! Thank you!!

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-Thursday

7:30 – 8:15

2:30 – 3:15

Friday

7:30 – 8:15

12:15 – 1:00

[Running Club](#)



Parents, we had a great week of running club. The kids enjoyed dressing up in crazy socks and their favorite superhero.

Dates to remember:

September 11th: Patriotic Day. Dress in RWB!

September 13th: Military appreciation Day. Wear cammo or 1 of the 5 branches of service!

September 18th: Bandana Day

September 20th: Favorite Sports Team Day

November 17th: IRONKIDS FUN RUN. Go to Activekids.com and register \$20.

[Safe environment](#)



ALL volunteers MUST complete the training yearly BEFORE they can be allowed on campus for various events and as a volunteer. The school is required to verify completion of this training prior to approving

volunteer/event visit requests.

Please register for a class on the Roman Catholic Diocese of Phoenix website – Safe Environment Training (SET) page.

[Click here](#) to be directed to the Safe Environment Website. Simply click on the “Register for a Class” link on the homepage and find the class, time, and location that meets your needs.

A copy of the Diocesan Policy and Procedures for the Protection of Minors is available for viewing in the front office.

Face to Face Interview

As part of the Diocese of Phoenix Safe Environment compliance process, you will need to have a Face to Face Interview with our school’s Safe Environment Coordinator Mary Hepsen or designee following your 2 hour foundation training, Keeping the Promise Alive. Interviews will be held on most Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:15am, 8:45am, and 9:15am from September to December. Please see Sign Up Genius link below for scheduling an appointment. Thank you for helping to keep our children safe.

[Face to Face Interview sign-up HERE](#)

LOCATION: School Office

Please Note:


Face to Face Interviews will only be held AFTER a participant completes the 2 hour foundation class, Keeping the Promise Alive.

[Parish Corner](#)

Atrium Sessions Resume



We are looking forward to resuming Atrium sessions on 9/24/18 and we are pleased to welcome Catie Weasler to the Religious Education team. It's going to be a great year and we look forward to seeing you very soon.



In Loving Memory

Fr. Peter Rossa

Mass of Remembrance
September 13th
6:30 pm with
Bishop Nevares
Reception to follow

Please join us as we remember Fr. Peter Rossa

Peter Anthony Rossa III was born on October 23, 1964 in Bath, Maine. As a priest in the Diocese of Phoenix for 14 years, Fr. Rossa served at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Scottsdale, St. Timothy in Mesa, and then the remainder of his years shepherding some 1,350 families at St. Bernadette in Scottsdale and at the parish school St. John XXIII. While at St. Bernadette, Fr. Rossa created the Adoration Chapel, oversaw the construction of a gym at St. John XXIII school and a beautiful new permanent church building.

If you would like to serve at this Mass as a liturgical minister, please contact Penny at 480/905-4429; or by email at: pcunningham@saintbernadette.com.



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