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**Saint John XXIII Newsletter**

**Friday October 26, 2018**

**Dear Saint John XXIII Community,**

**Tonight is our 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Harvest Festival. Harvest Festival and Field Day are the only community events that trace their start back to the first year the school opened. Twenty years ago, Harvest Festival was**

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**a night where parents brought their costumed children to campus to trick or treat in all of the classrooms where teachers met them and gave them candy....exactly like what it is now, only TOTALLY different. Like the school itself over 20 years, the event has developed into so much more: Candy, bouncies, sugar, games, sweets, music, ice cream, dancing, confectionaries, the cake walk....see the pattern?**

**Joking aside, an event of this size, with well over 1000 people attending, online registration, food, lighting, and parking doesn't happen overnight and is no easy undertaking. I need to thank all of you for making Harvest Festival 2018 happen! The many volunteers all day and all of your support in attending make the night another memorable event for our kids. Whether you're coming as a family, helping with the planning, serving at a booth, or will be cleaning-up in the wake of the evening, your help is very much appreciated. Every year, our Volunteer Parent Organization does such a wonderful job of making the night what so many of you have told me is your child's favorite event of the entire year.**

**Even though none of this happens without the support of the entire community, I especially need to thank Harvest Festival Chair Jackie Gherna, and Co-Chairs Angela Zufall and Katherina Messina, for all of the ground work and planning for this event leading into it. As we clean up each year, Jackie and her team are already making notes and booking things for the following year. Whether it's mapping out the event, overseeing the barn and bouncy arrivals, construction of**

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**the booths, or setting up Chick-Fil-A days during the year to offset the cost for the food; Jackie, Angela and Kathy are on top of it to make the night a success. Their hard work not only provides a great community night for our families, but funds our Student Leader projects for the year, all of the Kinder through 8<sup>th</sup> grade retreat expenses, offsets costs for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Mission Trip to San Diego and provides scholarships for students in need for the Mission Trip. We are privileged to have these woman as part of our community and their leadership is inspirational to me each year.**

**Hope to see you all tonight!**

**God Bless,  
Preston Colao  
Principal**

## School Notes



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## **Important Dates**

**Thursday, Nov. 1**

**All Saints Mass 10:00 a.m.**

**Nov. 5 - 9**

**Fall Conferences**

**Used Book Sale**

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

**Thursday, Nov. 9**

**Veteran's Day Ceremony 8:30**

**Red, White, Blue or Camo**

**Accessory Day**

**Saturday, Nov. 10**

**Open House 10:00-12:00**

## **Harvest Fest 6-9 TONIGHT**



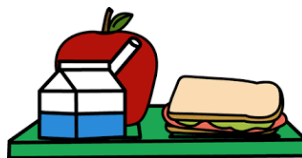
**We look forward to seeing our community at this evening's Harvest Fest from 6-9 p.m. Please be careful as you drive through and park**

**both on campus and in the neighborhoods as there will be a lot of people out and about.**

**If you did not pre-register, you are still welcome to attend! The night-of fee is \$30 cash or check at the entrance. We will be selling water and lemonade as a fundraiser, and we will have some extra pizzas and chick fil a sandwiches available on a first come, first served basis. There will also be a Tropical Sno truck on site. Please bring cash for the event as we will not have FACTS available.**

**Cannot wait to see you all for a fun evening! If you see a volunteer or one of our chairs, please be sure to thank them for all the hard work they put into this event. We love our volunteers!**

### [Lunch ordering](#)

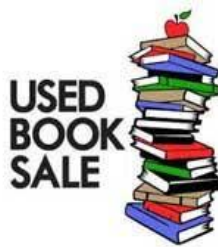


**Thursday is a new month!**

**Please don't forget to order...**

**The deadline for the first week is Saturday at 6:00 p.m.**

## ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE



**Hoping to clear some space on your shelves? Have books that another family or friend might enjoy?**

**The Saint John XXIII Used Book Sale is just around the corner! You can participate by donating to and shopping at our Used Book Sale.**

**All books are just \$1 and proceeds from the sale will directly support our school library. Be sure to stop by throughout the day or on your way to conferences!**

**What: Annual Saint John XXIII Used Book Sale**

**When: November 5-8**

**Where: School Courtyard**

**Donations of used books for all ages are welcome and will be accepted in the office, library, or specially labeled bins in the Ramada beginning October 22nd.**

**\*Please make sure books are in gently used condition and the**

**content is appropriate for our school campus.**

**Questions? Contact Mrs. Houck in the library, Sarah Kyle**

[sarahmkyle@yahoo.com](mailto:sarahmkyle@yahoo.com) or **Katie Khoury** [katiemooney79@gmail.com](mailto:katiemooney79@gmail.com)

## [Twenty Years of Blessings](#)



**Did you know many of our Annual Appeal gifts come from corporate matches? Check with YOUR company to see if they can match a portion of your Annual Appeal donation!**

## [Catholic Education Arizona \(CEA\)](#)



**Will you owe AZ taxes this year? Would you like a say in where some of your dollars are directed with those taxes? CEA is a wonderful option to help with Catholic school tuition. Your tax dollars CAN benefit St. John directly! [Click here for more details.](#)**

## [Veterans Day Ceremony](#)



**Veterans Day is a special celebration both across the country and here at St. John. We will be hosting a special morning prayer and Flag Ceremony on Friday, Nov. 9th at 8:30 a.m. If you are, or know of a current service member or veteran, we invite you and them to join us on campus for this event. Please email [kbutler@saintjohnxxiii.org](mailto:kbutler@saintjohnxxiii.org) with your name and contact info so we may share more details. We look forward to having our veterans and their families join us on campus for a morning dedicated to showing our appreciation and respect.**

[Script](#)





**Still in need of Halloween costumes, decorations, or treats?**

**We carry cards for Target, Walmart, Fry's, Safeway, Visa (you can use at Costco) and many other retailers, so you can stock up on Halloween treats. You can purchase SCRIP cards from us using, cash, check, or your FACTS account.**



**Benefit Mobile App - You can now buy gift cards through the "Benefit Mobile" app. Benefit Mobile is a free app that allows you to buy gift cards at the time of use (online or immediately as needed) while linking the purchase to the Saint John XXIII Catholic School Scrip program account. Users link their credit card or bank account, and gift card purchases can be for the exact amount. Very easy to use and our school will earn a percentage of each purchase!**

**1. Download the Benefit Mobile app. It looks like the image above.**

**2. Create Your Account**

**3. Search in "Beneficiaries" for Saint John XXIII Catholic School or  
by using our zip code: 85254**

**4. Under "Campaigns" choose "General Fund."**

**5. Link your Bank Account or Credit Card Information, and follow  
the directions on the app.**

**6. Once your account has have been activated, start shopping!**

**7. If your family or friends use the app, let us know their name so  
we can link their name to your account.**

**8. If you have questions regarding the app please contact Benefit  
Mobile directly.**

**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**

## Running Club and Fitness Club



**Running Club,**

**Thank you for your continued investment and support of running club. I would like to make a disclaimer. RC meets on Tuesday and Thursday, 7:10 in the courtyard. At 7:20 we walk to the gym/field. If your child comes after 7:20 we are either in the gym/field. Please do not assume it is cancelled unless otherwise stated.**

**This Tuesday, October 30th Running Club is canceled.**

**Fitness Club,**

**Due to a schedule conflict, FC will begin Friday, November 2nd, at 7am, in the gym.**

**GO PRIDE!!!**

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[Parish Corner](#)



**St. Bernadette is hosting a potluck brunch for Catholic women of all ages and stages (that means you)! It will be held on November 3. Join us for morning mass at 8:30, with brunch immediately following at 9:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall.**

**The Brunch will follow the Blessed Is She model. Blessed Is She is a wonderful Catholic Women's organization that seeks to create community among Catholic women**

**Come enjoy food, conversation, and prayer together. We are blessed to have its co-founder Beth Davis join us! She will have Blessed Is She products available to purchase and she will give us a little background on this beautiful ministry!**

**Please RSVP through this link: <https://blessedisshenet/the-blog/blessed-brunch-scottsdale-arizona/>**

**Or by contacting Melissa Graziano at [mgraziano@saintbernadette.com](mailto:mgraziano@saintbernadette.com).**

# Healing Mass



The Franciscan Friars of the Holy Spirit will be celebrating the 5PM Saturday Vigil Mass on October 27th

As Christ invites all who are weary and burdened to come to Him, we welcome the whole parish to come find strength, refreshment, and healing in the love of the Father through the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Following Mass, the evening will include worship, Eucharistic Adoration, and an opportunity to receive individual prayer for healing.



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OCTOBER 27TH  
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