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Saint John XXIII Newsletter

Friday October 5, 2018



Hello Saint John Families!

Mark your calendars! Friday October 26th, from 6pm to 9pm, we are celebrating the 20th Anniversary of Harvest Festival! Looking back to when it all started as a Trunk or Treat in the parking lot of Saint Bernadette's Church to Saint John XXIII 20th Harvest Festival is pretty impressive. Now here we are celebrating 20 years with a fabulous family filled festival sponsored by VPO. Our campus will be transformed into a carnival for this special evening. The courtyard will be lined with classroom sponsored booths and prizes. You and your family can stop by the photo booth, get your face painted, or take a spin at the cake walk. The field will become a play land with 6 bouncies for all ages. The always super fun Wipe Out obstacle, Rockwall, and Vertical Rush will be up and running. There will also be a few new bouncies to enjoy as well. On display will be the winners from the Pumpkin Contest and you know how impressive those pumpkins are! Our DJ this year has some special effects that he'll be providing while spinning his tunes. I'm pretty sure that dance floor will be jam packed with dancers. You will be able to preorder your dinner for the evening and enjoy pizza from Barros or a chicken sandwich from Chick Fil A and top it off with a snow cone from Tropical Sno. Drinks will also be available for purchase, water, tea, and lemonade. Proceeds from the food, Tropical Sno, and beverages goes to help our 8th grade students that will be going on the mission trip and other student activities. Finally, I can happily report that the Dunk Tank will be run by our Student Leaders! Proceeds from the Dunk Tank will go to support the many leadership retreats that Mrs. Jasinski sends our students to. As you can see, there is so much to enjoy so please make sure you go online and register for family for

this event. For some of you, this may be your first Harvest Festival, and I can guarantee that your child will tell you that it was the best night of their life. For those that I know it will be your last, I can only say THANK YOU for always making this night a huge success. As you know, it is a family event and we will always be family here at Saint John XXIII Catholic School. With that said, please look on your teachers website for the Harvest Festival sign up genius so you can help with your classroom sponsored booth. There is also the school wide sign up genius where you can sign up for other important tasks that we need your help with.

Finally, I couldn't do it without my amazing Harvest Festival team, Angela Zufall, Kathy Messina, Carly Larrabee, and Carl Fischer. Thank you all so much and we look forward to seeing you and your family on Friday October 26th.

Sincerely, Jackie Gherna

Click here to sign up for the school wide sign up genius: [School Wide Sign Up Genius](#)

Click here to preregister for the 20th Anniversary Harvest Festival: [Saint John XXIII](#)

(Preregistration ends on 10/23, bracelets and preorder food vouchers will be distributed on 10/24)

School Notes



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SCRIP

Important Dates

Thursday, Oct. 11

Mass 8:30 (day change)

QTR. 1 Ends

Friday, Oct. 12

No School

Monday, Oct. 15

No School

Oct. 17-24

Sock Drive

Friday, Oct. 28

Harvest Festival 6:00--9:00



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 with any questions.

Scrip Sales Hours:

Monday-Thursday

7:30 – 8:15

2:30 – 3:15

[Tommy Hilfiger](#)

SCHOOL
UNIFORMS
by TOMMY HILFIGER

If you have purchased a plaid skirt and were promised a khaki skirt from Tommy Hilfiger, please stop by the office and pick it up.

Thank you!

[Fall spiritwear](#)



Our new sweatshirt is now available for pre-ordering.

[Please visit our website](#)

Mother/Son Outing

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the moms and their sons who came to play at CrackerJax last Friday. We loved seeing you out in a social environment. Looks like a ton of fun was had! Let's do it again next year... but we will change things up a bit, and are taking suggestions for a new location!

The VIG Gives Back



WAY TO GO St. John community! To those of you who visited the VIG in September and mentioned St. John when you paid your bill, the VIG is donating back to St. John \$112! Thanks for participating!

***Keep an eye out for future "Dining Out and Giving Back" events as we partner with local restaurants throughout the year.**

Christmas Card Contest



We know it's only October, but we need to get a jump on this year's official St. John XXIII Christmas card! All St. John students from grades Kinder-8th are invited to submit an original piece of religious artwork to the front office. One entry per person please... we have a lot of students who will be submitting, and we want to be fair! Please see [THIS FLYER](#) for more details to be considered. Entries must be submitted by Tuesday, November 20th. The winning submission will be used for this year's official St. John XXIII Christmas card. Good luck!

Pumpkin Contest



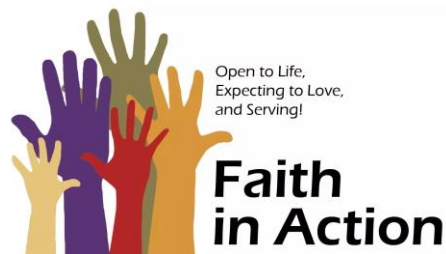
Harvest Fest is just around the corner and some students have started working on their ideas for the annual Pumpkin Contest! 1st-5th grade students are creating their design during Art Class. Kindergarten students, and all Middle School students - the contest is open to you too!

Please see THIS instruction sheet, pick up copies of the pumpkin form in the office, and drop off your completed entry by Thursday, October 11th.

Winners will be announced at courtyard prayer on Friday, October 19th.

Good luck!!

[Faith IN Action](#)



4th Grade is hosting a SOCK drive!

October 17-24th

Our awesome 4th grade will be collecting socks for Shoebox Ministries beginning on Wednesday "SOCK"tober 17th! Shoebox was founded in 1988 with a specific goal of meeting the personal hygiene needs of the homeless and working poor. Please help us by donating new mens socks which will be used in hygiene boxes for the homeless at Christmas time.

Thank you in advance and God Bless!

Spirit of Service



Volunteers needed Friday October 13th at Blessed Sacrament for their Parish picnic.

Please go on our Spirit of Service page for details

<http://saintjohnxxiii.org/spirit-of-service/>

Running Club



Running with friends is fun!

Mileage and Attendance records continue to be broken, 58 runner's on October 4th!!!

Dates to Remember:

October 9th: September running certificates will be handed out

November 17th: Register for IRONKIDS FUN RUN on ACTIVE.COM

We will announce the date for semester awards in the coming weeks!

Thank you to parents for investing in your child's health and well being.

Coach D

Parish Corner



Greetings in Christ,

Bishop Olmsted has heard from many of you about how the current scandals surrounding the Church have affected you, and now he would like to hear from all of you.

Go to: Fidelity.DPHX.org and take a few minutes to share your thoughts. Bishop Olmsted will review your responses and share the information with his brother Bishops.

We launched this new website in response to the scandal so that we could share with you the systems of accountability that are in place to provide protection and accountability in the Diocese of Phoenix.

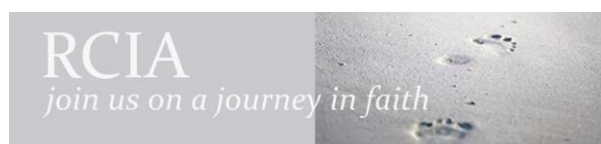
Additionally, we want to share with you good resources about current events, as well as ways to find healing through prayer.

Through this new website, Bishop Olmsted is asking all of us to:

Keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, our Savior and Lord.

Together we must continue to go forth in our mission as disciples of Christ and faithful witnesses of His Gospel — always keeping our eyes fixed on Him.

May God bless you.



ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- **Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?**
- **Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?**
- **Would like a daytime class while your kids are at school?**

We would like to offer an opportunity for our St. John parents that are interested in becoming fully Initiated into the Catholic faith with sessions taking place once a week during the school day.

Sessions focus on the teachings of the Catholic Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter Vigil. You are welcome to participate in the

process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

For information please contact Melissa Graziano at 480.905.0221 or email mgraziano@saintbernadette.com

Not sure why it has gigantic spacing.... I hope you are able to re-format it. Let me know if you have any issues.

Peace!

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