

THE VOICE

St. John the Baptist Catholic School

2/26/21

CALENDAR

Monday 3/1

Spirit Monday

Wednesday 3/3

Smoothies at the Gate

Graduation Pictures

Makeup Pictures

Pictures for all new
Students

Parent Auxiliary
Meeting 7:00PM

Used Uniform Sale -
after school in the hall

Thursday 3/4

Used Uniform Sale -
after drop-off in the hall

Friday 3/5

Early Dismissal

KofC Lenten Supper

Virtue-Month of
February
Honesty

Dedication of the Month
The Holy Name
of Jesus

Good Evening SJB Families,

I would like to thank everyone who has offered prayers for my father. Please continue to pray for him as he recovers from a fractured leg. Thank you to all of our families and their friends for your Jog-A-Thon support. Please make sure to send in your slips for each \$10 donation. This will get you entered into the Spin to Win drawings each Friday morning. I hear lots of excitement surrounding our Spartan Run. Each student who collects \$100 will be invited to participate in this annual obstacle course.

Spin to Win Winners for this week:

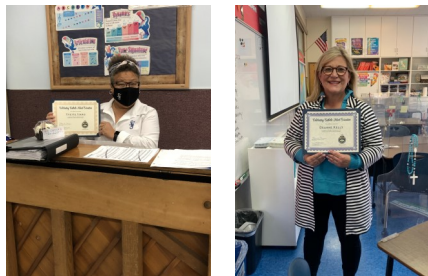
Kaden Keup 6A Pierre Attalla 5B Ryan Hill 3A Simeon Oliver 4B Grace Linares K1 Aiden McGrath 6A

Lenten Confessions

Please keep our 2nd grade students in your prayers as they make their final preparations for their first confession on Saturday, March 13th. Beginning next week students in grades 3 — 8 will go to confession as we continue our Lenten journey.

Milestone Anniversaries

Each year the diocese recognizes our teachers who have reached milestone anniversaries serving the students. We have two milestones this year. Mrs. Yvette Itano (20 years) and Mrs. Deanne Kelly (10 years). We thank both of them and all of our teachers who tirelessly serve our precious children each day!



Holocaust Writing Contest

We have two students in the finals of the Chapman University Holocaust Writing Contest. We wish Alana Merritt and Emily Nelmida continued good luck. We are proud of all of our students who wrote about the atrocities of the Holocaust.

Virtue of the Month - HONESTY

Being honest and trustworthy means not only protecting and proclaiming the truth; it includes practicing what we preach. No one aspires to be a hypocrite, to say one thing and do another. To be trustworthy we must strive to be men and women of integrity (*Virtues in Practice; Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia Congregation, Nashville, 2021*). Our Honesty drawing winners for this week are:

Kennedy Reyes 2B Silas Oliver 2B Grace Melgoza 6B Anne Doan 2B

March 3- Photo Day

We will be taking all make-up photos this coming Wednesday. New students, students who were absent, students who have returned from distance learning, and current distance learners. We will also be taking graduation photos of 8th graders. The link below will allow parents to purchase photos. It will work for purchasing both the upcoming photos (3/3) as well as those that were already taken this past October. <https://vando.imagequix.com/g1000821776#login>

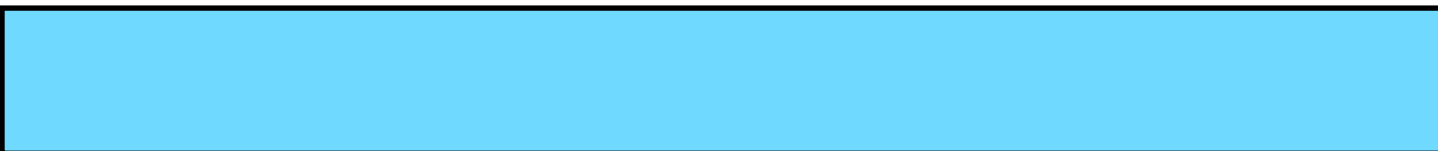
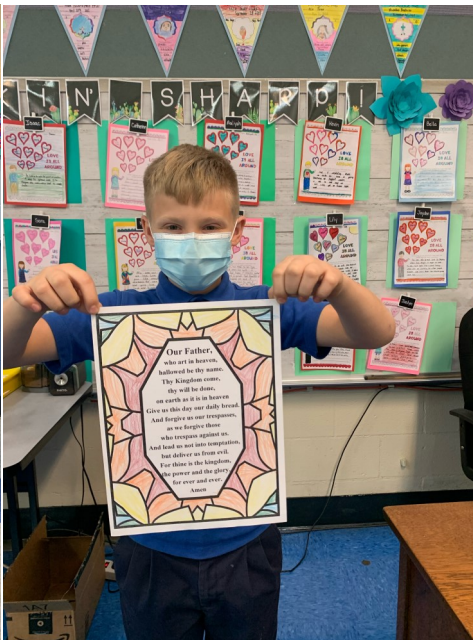
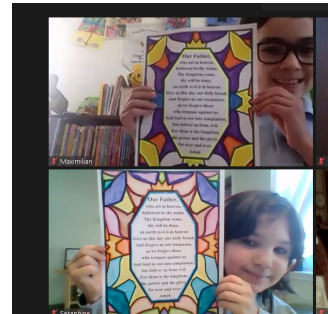
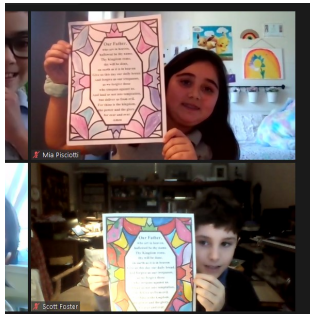
**+Together in Christ,
Mrs. Viles and Fr. Damien**

“Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

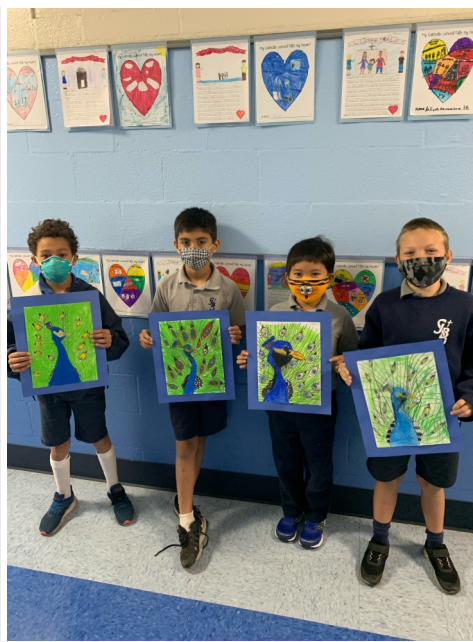
John 4:14

3B SPOTLIGHT ON CURRICULUM

3B has been focusing on Lent and creating goals to prepare for Easter Sunday!



3B has also been working hard to become published authors! During our nonfiction units of study for Reading & Writing Workshop each student picked their favorite animal to research and study. Then, each student drew their animal and wrote a report to teach others about what they learned!



SPIRITUALITY

Second Friday of Lent

“Be patient with yourself this Lent. This past year has been difficult in many ways. Take your journey one day at a time.” www.usccb.org (Daily Inspiration for Your Lenten Journey – 2021 Calendar)

Looking to Increase Your Prayer Time – Join us 1 day a week for 10 mins this Lent!

Thursday Mornings, please join us in the Church courtyard by the Our Lady of LaVang Statue at 8:05am to pray a decade of the Rosary for our students, faculty, families and any special intentions. Everyone is welcome!

Daily Morning Prayers and Birthday Announcements:

SJB morning prayers (& birthday announcements) are available on our school website (sjbschool.net) & on Facebook

Prayer Basket:

This week let us lift up our prayers for the intentions of: Mrs. Araceli Herrera, 1B Teacher

We pray for God’s blessings on the families of:

Mateo Mercado; Alana, Ayden and Makayla Merritt; Zachary Mills; Elijah Mitchell; Thomas Mitchell; Brandon Molina; Isabella Molina; Atzalia Mondragon; Riley Monohan; and Nicholas Monterroso.

Special Intentions:

- We ask for prayers for all of those in our St. John the Baptist school community who are battling cancer.
- We pray for all those affected physically, emotionally, or financially by Covid-19.
- We pray for all those special intentions in our prayer basket and those undergoing medical procedures or testing this week.

If you have any special prayer intentions you’d like added to our bulletin, please email Suzanne Mello @ daveandsuz5to2@gmail.com.



This Sunday, February 28th, the SJB Knights of Columbus will be resuming our monthly breakfast. We will be offering 3 different types of to-go **breakfast burritos** after the 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 masses. Drinks available to-go as well! All proceeds from this event will support pro-life organizations and needs. Hope to see you there!



Parish Corner

Join our pastor, Fr. Augustine Puchner, on his radio podcast on SpiritFilledMedia.org/Radio. Father’s program airs **Tuesdays** (Pacific Time) at 11 a.m. & 4 p.m., **Thursdays** at 8 a.m. & 3 p.m., and **Fridays** at 3:30 p.m..

Every Friday during Lent, **Stations of the Cross** will take place in the Church: In Vietnamese at 6:30 p.m. In English with Spanish texts at 7:45 p.m. Please join us in prayer!

WE'RE HAVING AN ONLINE FUNDRAISER!

Dear Family and Friends,

We are so excited to announce that we have teamed up with Tiny Saints® to host a contact-free, online fundraiser!

From February 1-28, 2021, family and friends can shop from the comfort of home to support our fundraiser. All they need to do is select our organization name from the dropdown menu at www.tinysaints.com. All proceeds from every order from our supporters will go directly to our fundraiser.

Tiny Saints® sells a variety of products including rosaries, plushies, board books and lanyards, all available for purchase. At \$5-15, Tiny Saints® products make fun, affordable gifts for everyone.

This promises to be an exciting fundraiser! Don't forget to visit www.tinysaints.com this February and select our organization from the dropdown!



[tinysaints.com](http://www.tinysaints.com)



THE TIME TO **GIVE BLOOD** IS NOW

St. John the Baptist School American Red Cross Blood Drive

**Thursday, March 11, 2021
9:30am to 3:30pm**

Location: 1021 Baker Street, Costa Mesa
In the School Hall

To schedule your donation appointment, signup on-line at
www.RedCrossBlood.org Use Sponsor Code: **stjohncm**
For questions about the blood drive
email Adriana Velez (SJB blood drive chairperson) at advelez@ymail.com.

PLEASE ALLOW A MINIMUM OF 1 HOUR FOR THE ENTIRE DONATION PROCESS

Photo ID Required to Donate

All donors are required to wear a face mask

Want to know if you are eligible to donate? Call the Red Cross Donor Support Center at 1-866-236-3276

All blood donations will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies.
Results available to the donor within 7 to 10 days.
Visit redcrossblood.org/COVID19antibody for more information

Download the Blood Donor App | RedCrossBlood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767



 **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**[®]

PRAY for the UNBORN

www.40daysforlife.com

Pray and Fast to Save a Life!

The 40 days for Life campaign encourages prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil to end abortion. You may go to www.40daysforlife.com/costamesa and find information about their mission, devotionals, resources for life and the opportunity to sign up to pray in front of Planned Parenthood on Nutmeg Place in Costa Mesa.

If you would like to be a prayer warrior from home, please sign up [HERE](#).

Or email: 40daysCostaMesa@gmail.com Provide your name and the day and time you will commit to praying at home by yourself or with your family.

Please try to pray at least 20 minutes, perhaps saying a rosary, for the preborn, their mothers, their fathers, clinic workers and pro-life advocates. You will be partnered with a prayer warrior that is out on the sidewalk praying on the same day you pray from home.

The prayer campaign starts Wed. Feb. 17 and is for 40 days until March 28. Please consider this as one of your Lenten prayer commitments.

SJB GYM FUND

We are now on OfferUp!
Please check out the items
that we have available! Just
search "SJB GYM FUND"
and our items will appear.
Be sure to follow us and
watch for our newly listed
items! Let's build that gym!



Now Available:



Prayer/Story/nap panel, Jesus walking on water on one side and Noah's Ark on the back.
Comfy washable cotton. 40"x30". Good job Grandma Judy! Go SJB GYM FUND!

For questions contact Emy: 714-604-7469 or Judy: 714-400-4004