

St. John the Baptist Catholic School Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

August 22—Picture Day/Prepaid
August 27—Mass 8:30am
September 01—Labor Day No School



Welcome back to the library

Our students are excited to be able to come and check out books this year. K4 and Kindergarten check out one book a week and the book stays in the classroom. First, second and third grade students may check out one book a week. Fourth and fifth grade may check out two books for two weeks. Middle School students may check out three books for two weeks.

Caldecott/Newbery Reading Awards

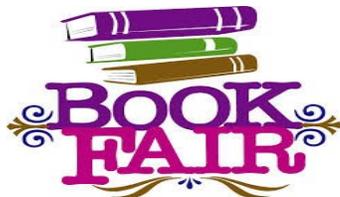
Second Grade students are able to earn the Caldecott Reading Award this year. In the Wednesday folders, you will find the Caldecott Reading Award form. To earn the award, the students read 15 Caldecott books over the school year. The students may read either the Gold Medal award winner or the Silver Honor books. We have many Caldecott books in the school library, the public library has Caldecott and you may already have Caldecott books at home. A complete list of Caldecott Award/Honor books can be found on the following website:

www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/caldecottmedal/caldecottmedal

Third Grade and above are able to earn the Newbery Reading Award each year. In the Wednesday folders you will find the Newbery Reading Award form. This is also reading 15 either Award or Honor books during the school year. There are many Newbery books in our library, the public library, or again, you may have books at home. A complete list of Newbery Award/Honor books can be found on the following website:

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The forms can be turned into the library as our students finish reading their 15 books. If your student earned the Newbery last year, please help them find different titles to read this year. Forms must be turned no later than Friday, May 9, 2015.



It's coming! It's coming!!
October 20-24, 2014 will be our Fall Book Fair. We will be looking for volunteers to help that week. This is always a fun week in the library, surrounded by books and excited students!

† Mass Schedule †

Saturday Evening 5:30pm
Sundays 7:00am, 8:30am, 11:30am & 5:30pm

Weekdays

Monday—8:30am
Tuesday—6:15am & 8:30am
Wednesday—8:30am & 6:30pm
Thursday—8:30am
Friday—8:30am
Holy Days 6:00am, 8:30am & 6:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 5:30pm—6:20pm
Saturday 3:30pm—5:00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday—Thursday 9:00am—6:00pm Friday 9:00am—noon
First Friday 9:00am-9:00pm First Saturday 9:00am—10:00am

St. John's Spirit Shirt—Last day to order is Friday, August 22nd @ 8:00am. Order forms are located on website www.stjohnb.com.

Picture Day is Friday August 22nd. Pictures are prepaid and students must be in uniforms. These pictures will be used in the yearbook.



Grandparents' Day

Please note that there will be no "Grandparents' Day" event associated with the Book Fair this year. We are forming a committee to revamp this event for next year. If you would like to be an active part in the future structure of Grandparents' Day, please contact Elizabeth Doty at elizabeth.doty@adtran.com. Family members are still welcome to attend the Book Fair during designated operating hours.

Family FAITH Night—September 11th

We are very excited to present to the school with another year of "Family FAITH Nights" with our first one on September 11, 2014. The topic of this event will focus on growing together in our faith as a family. Mark your calendars and please make every attempt to participate in this faith experience as a family.

Faith

SAFETY FIRST! Remember to drive slowly on campus at all times. For the safety of all, do not talk on cell phones while operating your vehicle.



REMINDER!

Please remember school starts at 7:55am and students need to be in class ready to begin learning. Proper arrival time is at least 10-15 minutes before 7:55am. Thank you.

(page 20 Parents/Student handbook)

BASC: Before/After School Care hours are 6:45am–7:30am & 3:05pm–6:00pm. This is for students K5-8 grades. K4 may be dropped off at 7:15am.

Cafeteria Reminder:

Parents are welcome to join their student for lunch after Labor Day. Please remember to do the following:



Please notify the homeroom teacher, the office and cafeteria at cafeteria@stjohnb.com you are coming for lunch by **8:30am**. Please indicate to the cafeteria if you are purchasing a lunch for yourself.

If you are not purchasing a school lunch, you are welcome to bring a brown bag lunch. **We ask that no outside restaurant food or carbonated drinks be brought in to the school for parents or for students.**

Thank you for your cooperation.



Come to Ladybug Rosary!



You don't have to be a 'lady' to come pray the rosary with us. Everyone is welcome! We meet at church on Tuesday at 8am and finish before the 8:30 Mass. We look forward to seeing you!



Saint of today: St. Bernard Clairvaux

St. Bernard, **Abbot** and **Doctor** of the Church **St. Bernard** was born of noble parentage in Burgundy, France, in the castle of Fontaines near Dijon. Under the care of his pious **parents** he was sent at an early age to a **college** at Chatillon, where he was conspicuous for his remarkable piety and **spirit** of recollection. At the same place he entered upon the studies of theology and Holy Scripture. After the death of his mother, fearing the snares and temptations of the world, he resolved to embrace the newly established and very austere institute of the Cistercian Order, of which he was destined to become the greatest ornament. He also persuaded his brothers and several of his friends to follow his example. In 1113, St. Bernard, with thirty young noblemen, presented himself to the holy Abbot, St. Stephen, at Citeaux. After a novitiate spent in great fervor, he made his profession in the following year. His **superior** soon after, seeing the great progress he had made in the spiritual life, sent him with twelve monks to found a new monastery, which afterward became known as the celebrated **Abbey** of Clairvaux. **St. Bernard** was at once appointed **Abbot** and began that active **life** which has rendered him the most conspicuous figure in the history of the 12th century. He founded numerous other monasteries, composed a number of works and undertook many journeys for the honor of God. Several Bishoprics were offered him, but he refused them all. The reputation of **St. Bernard** spread far and wide; even the **Popes** were governed by his advice. He was commissioned by Pope **Eugene III** to preach the second Crusade. In **obedience** to the Sovereign Pontiff he traveled through **France** and Germany, and aroused the greatest enthusiasm for the holy **war** among the masses of the population. The failure of the expedition raised a great storm against the saint, but he attributed it to the sins of the Crusaders. **St. Bernard** was eminently endowed with the gift of miracles. He died on August 20, 1153. His **feast day** is August 20.



Volunteer Service Sign-up Sheet

Dear Parents,

As you know, it takes the efforts of many volunteers to provide the many programs, etc. we are able to offer here at St. John's. Please consider signing up for at least one area to volunteer. WE NEED YOU! You may return to the office through your student's homeroom teacher. Thanks for your dedication and commitment.

Sherry Lewis

I would like to help with the following volunteer activities!

(please print)

Name(s): _____ Phone _____

Email(s) _____

(Please include all emails that you would like to have information/updates sent)

School Board

- Strategic Planning Committee
- Development Committee
- Public Relations Committee

PTO

- Box Tops for Education/Tyson/Campbell's Soup Labels
- SCRIP Gift Card Sales
- Teacher/Staff Appreciation and Hospitality
- Wednesday Newsletter
- Fall Festival Committee
- Landscape
 - Landscape Coordinator
- Used Uniform Sales
- Field Day
- School Supply Kits

Other School Volunteers

- Library

Crusader Club

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Concession Coordinator | <input type="checkbox"/> Track and Field Coach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball Coach | <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer Coach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball Coach | <input type="checkbox"/> Cheerleading Coach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Team Parent | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Fine Arts

- Band Parent Volunteer
- Drama Parent Volunteer

Gala Team

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorations Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Food & Beverage Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Donations Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Silent Auction Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ticket Sales Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Ticket Processing Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Sponsors Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Games Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Check-In Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Check-out Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program Committee | |