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### Upcoming Events

- ◆ **Nov. 15** - Board of Trustees Meeting (Choice) 5:30
- ◆ **Nov. 18** - Holiday Parade 10:00
- ◆ **Nov. 21** - DARE Gr. 5
- ◆ **Nov. 21** - Candle Sale Pick up 3:00-6:00 Gym
- ◆ **Nov. 22-26** - No School
- ◆ **Nov. 26** - Apparel store closes at midnight
- ◆ **Nov. 28** - PA Hallow App Presentation 6:00 Gym
- ◆ **Nov. 29** - Birthday Mass 8:20
- ◆ **Nov. 29** - Arby's Night 5-8pm
- ◆ **Dec. 4** - Advent Prayer Service 8:10
- ◆ **Dec. 4** - Ms. Beth Visits 4K
- ◆ **Dec. 5** - DARE Graduation 11:00
- ◆ **Dec. 5** - Mid-terms sent home
- ◆ **Dec. 8** - Immaculate Conception Holy Day Mass 8:20

### From the Principal...

"If the only prayer you ever say in your whole life is 'thank you' that would suffice."

- Meister Eckhart (German Catholic theologian)

Thanksgiving holds a special place in the Catholic faith as a time to joyfully acknowledge and express gratitude for the blessings bestowed upon believers. Rooted in the biblical appeal to give thanks in all circumstances, Thanksgiving is an opportunity for Catholics to gather with family and friends, recognizing the abundance of God's providence. The feast encourages a spirit of humility and appreciation for the blessings of both the material and the spiritual realms. It is a moment to reflect on the interconnectedness of all creation and the importance of a grateful heart. As Catholics come together to share a Thanksgiving meal, the celebration extends beyond the dinner table, prompting a commitment to live out the Gospel values of love, generosity, and compassion in daily life. Thanksgiving thus becomes a sacred practice of recognizing and responding to the graciousness of God in both tangible and intangible ways. We urge you to spend time with family this Thanksgiving and give glory to God for all the goodness in our lives.

God Bless,

*Dr. Robey*

### No School – Thanksgiving Vacation

There will be **no school** November 22-26. Classes will resume on Monday, November 27. Wishing everyone a Blessed Thanksgiving!



### Immaculate Conception Mass

Please join our students for the Immaculate Conception Holy Day Mass on Friday, December 8 at 8:20am. This is a holy day of obligation.

### Care-and-Share

Thank you to everyone that has donated canned goods and breakfast items to the Care-and-Share Drive. This



week we are collecting baking items which may include flour, sugar, etc. For the last two weeks of November, the collection theme is



personal hygiene items, such as shampoo, toothpaste, toilet paper, etc. The culmination of the drive will be toys for the Christ Child Society. Toys for ages infants to grade 3 are due by December 12. The toys will be presented to the Christ Child Society members at our children's Mass on December 13. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated. Let's keep filling those classroom boxes!

### Christmas Program

Don't forget to mark your calendars and invite your friends and family to our Christmas Program on Thursday, Dec. 21 at 6:30pm at Corpus Christi Church. Students will need to be dressed in their Christmas finest – no jeans, sweatpants/shirts, and shirts with sayings or graphics. We look forward to seeing you at the Christmas program.



### Reconciliation

Grades 3-8 will celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday, December 20 beginning at 9:00am. This sacrament is important to celebrate during the Advent Season leading up to Jesus' Birth!

### Altar Server Training

Grades 5-7 had altar server training on October 20. Thank you to Deacon Mark Hibbs and his wife Christine for providing this training to our students.



### Honor Roll Students

Congratulations to these students for making honor roll for first quarter.

#### 6th Grade

Giselle Binard	High Honors
Elliott Brown	High Honors
Benjamin Dixner Young	High Honors
Mason Fisher	High Honors
Penelope Kiedrowski	High Honors
Zofia Michalski	High Honors
Destiny Romero	High Honors
Tristan Smith	High Honors

#### 7th Grade

Everett Brilla	High Honors
Prudence Goettelman	High Honors
Levi Jones	High Honors
Sean Miller	High Honors
Rosalyn Paye	High Honors
Isaac Pieschek	High Honors

#### 8th Grade

Gabrielle Binard	High Honors
Adam Kurek	High Honors
Amelia Michalski	High Honors
Raymond Paye	High Honors
Patrick Shefchik	High Honors
Ruby Ullman	High Honors

### Christmas Parade

The Sturgeon Bay Holiday Parade will be this Saturday, Nov. 18. Our theme is "Santa and his Little Helpers". Line up begins at 9:15am at Sawyer Park and finishes at the intersection of 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave & Jefferson. There still is time to sign up your child to join in on the fun. Call the school office by tomorrow morning at 9:00! We could use candy donations and empty buckets with handles to use to pass out candy during the parade. Thank you so much!

### Advent Prayer Services



Preparing for Jesus' birth is an important time of the year, especially for Catholics.

We will gather as a school family every Monday for a weekly Advent Prayer Service at 8:10am throughout Advent. Advent calendars can be found in the family folders today. Advent begins Sunday, December 3.

### Welcome Ms. Smith

SJB warmly welcomes our new PM Administrative Assistant, Ms. Smith! She joined the office staff yesterday. Her email address is [kay.smith@johnboscoschool.org](mailto:kay.smith@johnboscoschool.org). We will learn more about her in our next newsletter.

### DARE Graduation

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade DARE class will have their last class November 28. DARE graduation is scheduled for December 5 from 11:00-11:45 in the Music Room. Parents are invited to attend.



### Dressing for Winter Weather

With this week's weather, it is difficult to think about dressing warmly, but last week's weather proved otherwise. Please have your students dress appropriately: **hats, gloves, mittens, snow pants, and boots**. Once it snows, if students want to play off the blacktop, they must wear snow boots/snow pants. Snow boots are not to be worn inside the classrooms. We go out for lunch recess unless the wind chills or temperature is below 0, so dress warm! The office has limited extras.

### Annual School Fund Drive

The Annual School Fund Drive is underway with donors investing over \$45,000 in our school as of 11/13. Hopefully by the time you are reading this, we will have hit our \$50,000 goal by 11/15 and unlocked an additional \$5,000 donation. We have one donor challenge remaining:

- Receive \$5,000 from new donors by 11/30 for an additional \$5,000 – we're over halfway there!

Thank you to those that donated thus far. If you haven't already, please consider making a donation today. You can donate by check to St. John Bosco, 730 W Maple Street, Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235 or online at [johnboscoschool.org/annual-fund-drive/](http://johnboscoschool.org/annual-fund-drive/) or by scanning:

Thank you for your support!



### PT Conference Dinner Thank You

The teachers say thank you to the parents in grades 1 and 5 for the delicious meal that was provided last Tuesday during Parent Teacher Conferences. And then, with extra donations, teachers were treated to pizzas on Thursday night too. Special thanks to Karyn Solum, Katie Rankin, and Renee Borkovetz for organizing the meals. It was greatly appreciated! We are so blessed at SJB with wonderful families!



### Dictionaries for Grade 3

Ken Glasheen from the Sturgeon Bay Breakfast Rotary Group presented our third graders with new dictionaries yesterday morning. Thank you so much to the Rotary Members. Our students are so excited to learn new words!



### Grade 2 Learns about Measurements

Grade 2 became carpenters during



Math class this past week. They created tables out of popsicle sticks using their measuring and cutting skills. Way to be like St. Joseph second graders!

### Candle Sale Pick Up

Reminder: If you placed an order for SJB candles, the first pick up date is next Tuesday, November 21 from 3:00-6:00pm in the SJB gym. If you still want to order one, there is one more chance. See the form in your family folder today! Thank you for supporting SJB!

### Hallow App Parent Presentation

Parent Association will be holding a parent presentation about the Hallow App on Tuesday, November 28. Please see the flyer in the family folder.

### Arby's Fundraising Event

Please help support the seventh grade DC fundraising efforts by eating at Arby's on Wednesday, November 29. See the flyer in today's family folder.