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# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL

PARENT NEWSLETTER

September 16, 2009

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**Be Responsible      Be Respectful      Be Kind**  
**Be Honest            Be Your Best!**

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## *Special thanks to...*

those of you who were able to join in the party planning last Friday for our spring auction.

all of you who came to our back-to-school nights last week. What a terrific school we have!

all of you who were able to join us for our all school Mass today.

**Father Bob** for celebrating our Mass today.

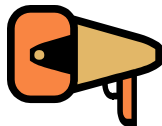
## *Congratulations to...*

our students whose "Be" cards were drawn this week:

<b>Natasha Cohen</b> (2nd grade)	<b>Nicholas Ivy</b> (4th grade)
<b>Claire Jawor</b> (2nd grade)	<b>Lucas Kassman</b> (7th grade)
<b>Riley Lewis</b> (7th grade)	<b>Jack Rollinson</b> (7th grade)
<b>Kole Smith</b> (Kindergarten)	

**Denise** (5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher) and **Justin Peek** on the birth of Ryan Elizabeth on September 7

## *Announcements...*



### A MESSAGE FROM THE ACADEMY OF OUR LADY OF PEACE

The Academy of Our Lady of Peace, an all girls Catholic College Preparatory High School, will be hosting our annual Open House on October 10, 2009 from 9:00A.M.-11:30A.M. We particularly encourage parents of 7th and 8th grade daughters to attend. Faculty and administration will be on campus to answer any questions about the Academy. For more information, please call (619)725-9118 or visit [www.aolp.org](http://www.aolp.org).

### OCTOBER DINE OUT

See attached flyers for Buca di Beppo and Coldstone Creamery. Be sure you print a copy to bring on Wednesday, October 7.

### ST. JOHN SCHOOL

#### ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE

The Catholic Schools in the Diocese of San Diego, mindful of their mission to be witnesses to the love of Christ for all, admit students of any race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the schools. The Catholic Schools in the Diocese of San Diego do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, and national and /or ethnic origin, age or disability in the administration of educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Likewise, the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of San Diego do not discriminate against any applicant for employment on the basis of sex, age, disability, race, color and national and/or ethnic origin.

#### 2009-2010 FAMILY DIRECTORY

The form was in last week's newsletter for information for this year's family directory. Please be sure you have printed out the form and returned it to the office. Deadline is this Friday, September 18. We would like to get the directory published quickly and need all the information. *We are planning to do an email blast each week to remind you to read the newsletter, but we cannot do this until we have all email addresses.* Thank you!



#### PARTY PARTY PARTY

What fun you could have planning our dinner/dance/auction in April! We are still looking for a coordinator. Please notify Suzy Lampe or Annie Kassman if you would like to do this. We have lots of eager helpers but need a coordinator.

#### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association needs volunteers with savvy marketing skills and/or computer/database (Excel) experience. Please call Ann Schaefer at 760-436-5443 if you can help. Thank you!



## FROM COACH BALELO



We are still missing some uniforms from last year. Please bring them to Coach Balelo. Be sure they are labeled so credit goes to the proper person.

Please turn in all permission slips for football and volleyball.

Please notify Coach Balelo immediately if you are interested in coaching.

If your child is participating in an after-school sport, please be sure you have turned in your \$40 sports' fee and your \$50 uniform fee. The \$50 check will be returned when your uniform is turned in. Please write two separate checks both payable to Saint John School.

## FIRE DRILL

We had our first fire drill of the year on Tuesday and your children are to be commended. They completely evacuated

the school in 2 minutes and 59 seconds which is terrific. It took them 5 minutes at our first fire drill last year and the quickest we ever did a fire drill was a little over 3 minutes. Way to go, students!

## **Why Do I Choose to Teach in a Catholic School?**



At our Wednesday back-to-school night, we shared some of our teachers' responses to this question. They are definitely worth repeating, so we will include one each week for a few weeks.

Pope John Paul II once said "To teach means not only to impart what we know, but also to reveal who we are by living what we believe." Teaching in a Catholic school allows me to truly teach what I believe.

## **Project P.L.A.Y**

(Playground Landscape Acquisition for our Youth)

**Mom's Night out? It's a dream come true!** Dream Dinners will be providing food for our Mom's Night Out at The Wine Loft in the Carlsbad Forum, Monday, Sept. 21st (Pre-K-3rd grade) and Wed. Sept. 23rd (4th-8th grade) The cost is \$15 per person, which includes a flight of wine and light appetizers provided by Dream Dinners. If you're an All-Star just check-in at the door. As an added benefit, The Wine Loft will donate back 10% of any St. John School sales made these evenings AND Dream Dinners will donate back 10% of any sign-ups made on these evenings towards the new playground.

**Don't miss the SEPTEMBER 30 deadline to become a Project Play All-Star!** Choose your participation level (\$250, \$500 or \$1,000) and join the many families who have already donated! Info went home two weeks ago, but you can also click on the Project PLAY icon on the school website for more information.

**1st Annual St. John Eagles Golf Tournament TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13:** Info went home last week, so be sure to sign up soon. \$250 per person at The Crosby in Rancho Santa Fe includes lunch, goody bags, cocktails and dinner. Open to men or women. Spouse not golfer? Have them join you for dinner for an additional \$55.

**Keep Clipping those Box Tops!** There is a year-long contest (with monthly updates!) for the K-5 class and the 6-8 class that brings in the most! Winning class gets a free dress day and in-class Breakfast Party at year's end. Each class has a collection box, so bring them in any time! Box Tops brought in \$2,061.30 last year!

**Thanks for supporting Project PLAY!**



## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 17** 7:00 P.M. School Board Meeting

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 20** Catechetical Sunday  
10:30 Mass

*Saint John teachers will be commissioned as catechists.*

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 24** 7:00 P.M. Eagle Group Meeting



## A Message from Ann McGinnis



### **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

Dismissal for the Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place during the 9:00AM Sunday Mass. All children in grades K-5 are encouraged to attend. NO PRESCHOOLERS PLEASE.

After the Opening prayer, the celebrant will call the children forward for dismissal. They will gather at the base of the altar and then process out to the parish hall with their leader. The children will return to the church during collection time. They will celebrate the same Liturgy of the Word that is being celebrated in the church but will use the Children's Lectionary rather than the standard adult version. There is not a registration fee for this program and attendance is not taken. Parents are welcome to attend with their children and help with supervision.

We would love to offer the Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:30 AM Mass but are in need of reliable volunteers. Please call the Religious Ed Office at 436-0664 if you can help us provide this special opportunity for our parish children.

### **Sunday Morning Pre-School**

All 3, 4, and 5 year olds are invited to enroll in our Sunday Preschool Program. The goal of the program is to nurture each child's loving relationship with Jesus and our Catholic community. The program takes place in the St. John School Preschool building from 8:50am-9:10AM and begins Sunday, September 27th. Children begin by meeting in a large group for singing and then proceed to age level classrooms for a lesson, craft and prayer. Registration forms are available in the back of the church, parish office and the Religious Education Office. Children must be registered before attending their first session. Please call the Religious Ed Office at 436-0664 for more information.

## SCRIP NEWS !!!



Many thanks to the families who registered their credit cards through the e-Scrip program, made gift card special orders last week or purchased gift cards through the school office.

Remember it is never too late to register your credit cards through the e-Scrip program! If you would like the Scrip Committee to register for you, just return the e-Scrip form, completely filled out. The form can be found in the Scrip Packet, sent out to each family the first week of school. If you prefer to register the credit cards yourself, just contact Clare at [leucadia@pacbell.net](mailto:leucadia@pacbell.net) for instructions. Extra Scrip Packets are available in the office if your family has not received one.



**The first scrip gift card special order will be in this Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup>.** If you placed an order please stop by the office by the end of that day to pick up.

More gift cards will be added to the school scrip box this Friday. Stop by and see what is available for immediate purchase! Upcoming should be gas cards, Henry's and Buca di Beppo. Henry's is a returning participant to the scrip program. Buca di Beppo is our dining out event next month.


Please continue to re-register/register your Albertsons or Ralphps cards at your local stores.

Finally, regarding Smart and Final gift cards; if yours is not scanning, ask the clerk to type in the card number. Let them know to type in the numbers following the first 5 digits, which are always 91111. If this does not work, just return the card to the school office and we will happily replace it for you with another.

**Eagle Group Meeting**  
**Thursday, September 24**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**Parish Hall**  
**Come one, come all!**

**Dine Out Opportunity**  
**Wednesday, October 7**  
**Buca di Beppo**  
**and**  
**Coldstone Creamery**  
**Join us for food and fun!**



**Buy GIFT CARDS**  
**every day**  
**in the office!**




*We are the Body of Christ.*  
*Our life is mission.*

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

St. John School, a Christ-centered environment, empowers our children to gain a thorough understanding of the Catholic faith, achieve their highest academic potential, and share Christ's love through Christian action.



*School Wide Learning Expectations (SLEs)*

**A graduate of St. John School will be a spiritual and well-rounded**

**CHRIST-CENTERED PERSON** who:  
 Follows the teachings of Jesus to love God and others.  
 Respects and protects everything that God has created.  
 Prays any time, any place.  
 Learns and understands the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church.  
 Takes part in the Mass, other liturgies, and sacraments.  
 Demonstrates thankfulness for the gift of faith.

**ACTIVE, LIFE-LONG LEARNER** who:  
 Always tries to do his or her best.  
 Is excited to learn as much as possible.  
 Is a polite and careful listener and communicator.  
 Thinks carefully to plan and make decisions.  
 Learns from both mistakes and successes.

**RESPONSIBLE CITIZEN** who:  
 Accepts responsibility and consequences for actions.  
 Shares time and talent with others.  
 Respects self and others.  
 Makes healthy choices.  
 Is helpful and courteous.  
 Demonstrates good sportsmanship.

