

Thursday, January 22, 2009

Dear Parents,

January dates:

Sunday, January 25 – the Junior Choir will sing at the 10:00 a.m. service

Wednesday, January 28 – the chapel choir will be the 1st grade

BETA CLUB INDUCTION

The date for the Beta Club Induction has been postponed to Monday, February 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the church.

WIN A BEAUTIFUL CURIO CABINET

St. John has been gifted with a beautiful oak curio cabinet by Mrs. Joann Whittom. The school will be selling tickets to raffle it off at the PTL Spaghetti Dinner on March 11. Tickets will be going on sale shortly. The cabinet will be on display in the window of the old Curves establishment near Gilster Mary-Lee.

KRISPY KREME DOUGHNUT SALE

The eighth grade class will be taking orders for Krispy Kreme doughnuts from February 2-9, 2009 to help with the expenses of their class trip. Order forms will be sent home with next Thursday's note.

TUITION PAYMENTS

Remember tuition, registration, after school care payments should be turned in to the school office. The preschool fees can still be turned in downstairs. All records will be kept at the school office.

Acolyte Schedule

If you are unable to acolyte please try to find someone to fill your time.

Saturday, January 24 at 6:30 p.m. Jaclyn Colvis and Lindsay Hammel

Sunday, January 25 at 7:45 a.m. Jared and Courtney Johnson

Sunday, January 25 at 10:00 a.m. Sarah Hecht and Deanna Hohgreffe

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is alive and well. If your child is between the ages of 2 ½ and 17, consider the spiritual enrichment he or she can receive during this 45 minute session. You are welcome to sit in on the class if you're not sure your little one is ready. If you aren't sure he/she can sit still in church after sitting in class, be assured that Sunday School is an active time.

Your child might resist because "I learn all that stuff during the week!" Sunday School teaches some familiar Bible stories as well as not-so-familiar stories. Real-life applications are taught in a different setting than the daily Religion class that our St. John students learn so well.

Sunday School is designed to accompany the Christian education we are all giving our children in their daily lives at school and at home. We meet from 9-9:45 every Sunday!

BOOSTER CLUB NEWS AND GAME SCHEDULE

The Booster Club will have a meeting on Tuesday, January 27, at 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Hall. Please try to attend. A note was sent home today with information.

There will be a Booster Club Dance on February 15th at the Parish Hall from 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. Grades 5-8 from St. John, St. Mary's, Chester Grade School and St. Mark's are invited.

Games:

Thursday, January 22-25 – Boys All Lutheran Basketball Tournament at St. Mark's
Saturday, January 24 – Girls State Basketball Tournament
Wednesday, January 28 – Boys Basketball vs St. John Nashville/Okawville 6:00 p.m. home (Parent Night)
January 30-Feb. 2 – Boys Regional Basketball Tournament
Thursday, January 29 – Girls Immanuel Murphysboro C-team Basketball Tournament
Monday, February 2,3,4,6 – Jacob Boys 7th Grade Basketball Tournament
Saturday, February 7 – Boys State Basketball Tournament

SPIRIT WEEK

Next week, January 26-30, St. John cheerleaders would like to have all students show their support by participating in "Spirit Week"! The boys basketball team will be participating in the All Lutheran Tournament in Steeleville this weekend. Next week the boys will start the regional tournament on Friday night by facing St. Mark's Lutheran at Steeleville Public School at 8:00 p.m. The girls will be participating in a tournament at Immanuel Lutheran School in Murphysboro. Please show you support next week. The list of events are attached to this note and there will be a short pep assembly next Friday, January 30th!

PTL FUNDRAISER

Attached you will find information for a Pampered Chef fund-raiser. The party/show will run until February 3rd. Please be sure to check the attached paper for all the information.

CHAPEL OFFERING FOR JANUARY

The chapel offering for the month of January has been designated for the American Heart Association.

SCRIP ORDERS

We have extra! Are you going to be shopping at Shoe Carnival, Amazon.com, The Limited, or PetSmart in the next six months? If so call Kelly at the church office and get some of the extra cards we ordered. Remember use the gift cards just like you would use cash, you will earn money for your school, and money you can use toward your registration and tuition fees for the 2009-2010 school year.

HEARTS FOR JESUS

Mark your calendars! February is "Hearts for Jesus" month. More information to follow.

YEARBOOK ORDER

If you are interested in a yearbook this year the price will be \$15.00. Please send the money to the school office in an envelope with your child's name on the front. The yearbooks will arrive during the summer and will be sent home in the first day packet next school year. The 8th grade students that order a yearbook will either be sent home with a younger brother/sister or sent to them through the mail. Please turn in yearbook money by February 6th.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

St. John will be holding their preschool registration for the 2009-2010 school year beginning the week of February 23-27. We will again be offering an Extended Care Program. Class sessions for the 3 year-old program will be 8:15 – 11:15 a.m. and the 4 year-old session 11:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. Students wishing to enroll must have reached the age of 3 for the three-year-old and 4 for the four-year-old before September 1, 2009. More information to follow in the weeks ahead.

Have a great weekend!

Christopher Urquhart