

Friday, January 30, 2009

Dear Parents,

The February calendar is included on the back of this note.

February dates:

February 1 – Primary Choir will sing at the 10:00 a.m. service

February 2 - PTL Meeting 7:00 p.m. Parish Hall

February 4 – Chapel choir 2nd grade

February 4 – 8th Grade Confirmation Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the church

February 8 – the Junior Choir will sing at the 10:00 a.m. service

February 9 – Beta Club Induction 7:00 p.m. St. John Church

February 11 – Chapel choir 3rd grade

February 11 – Freshman Orientation Meeting 6:00 p.m. High School Cafeteria

February 13 – Early Dismissal at 12:10 p.m. for Kindergarten – Grade 8. Preschool, Extended Care and After School Care will run their regular schedule.

February 13 – 3rd Quarter Mid-term

February 16 – No School – President’s Day

February 18 – Chapel choir 4th grade

February 18 – Mid-terms go home with the students

February 22 – the Junior Choir will sing at the 10:00 a.m. service

February 23-27 – Preschool registration in the school office

February 25 – Chapel choir 5th grade

February 25 – the Junior Choir will sing at the 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday service

BETA CLUB INDUCTION

The date for the Beta Club Induction will be 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 are attached to this note.

Acolyte Schedule

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

Saturday, January 31 at 6:30 p.m. Jacob Lochhead and Jacob Cowan

Sunday, February 1 at 7:45 a.m. Alyssa Hoops and Madison Kueker

Sunday, February 1 at 10:00 a.m. Joseph and Justin Marks

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

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:

January 31 – the boys will play their first game of the regional tournament at Steeleville Public at 2:00 p.m. against St. Mark's.

Monday, February 2,3,4,6 – Jacob Boys 7th Grade Basketball Tournament

Tuesday, February 3 – Girls volleyball vs Trinity away 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 5 – Girls volleyball vs St. Marks' away 6:00 p.m.

Fri & Sat, Feb 6 &7 – PDR B-team Volleyball Tournament

Saturday, February 7 – Boys State Basketball Tournament

Wednesday, February 11 – Girls Volleyball vs Evansville away 4:00 p.m. (A-team game is 1st)

Fri & Sat, Feb. 13 & 14 – St. Mary's A-Team Volleyball Tournament

Tuesday, February 17 – Girls volleyball vs St. Mary's home 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 19 – Girls volleyball vs Coulterville home 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 24 – Girls volleyball vs Red Bud Lutheran home 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 26 – Girls volleyball vs Red Bud Catholic home 6:00 p.m.

Fri & Sat, Feb. 27 & 28 – St. John Invitational Volleyball Tournament

PTL FUNDRAISER

Don't forget to check out the Pampered Chef! The party/show will run until February 3rd. If you would like to look at a larger book we have one in the school office.

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.

CHAPEL OFFERING FOR FEBRUARY

The chapel offering for the month of February has been designated for Hearts for Jesus.

HEARTS FOR JESUS

Our annual Hearts for Jesus campaign begins next Monday, February 2 and will continue through Friday, February 27. The district office has recommended that the money donated this year will be directed to Unity Lutheran School in East St. Louis. We will send a portion of the collection to Unity, but the bulk of the donations will go to the St. John New Facility Fund.

The school record for collections is \$3215.18. That will be the goal we are going to try and beat. If we are successful, during an assembly, I will have the hair on my head cut off (hopefully it will grow back – what little there is). A student from the winning class will be chosen at random to make the first cut. This is a great mission opportunity. Let's really go after the record this year.

YEARBOOK ORDER

Don't forget to order your yearbook! 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