

From the desk of...



the *Principal*



September 18, 2020



Dear St. John Families,

As communicated in June, we are moving to a formative testing platform, Scantron, with students testing three times during the school year. This will allow our teachers to identify students' strengths and weaknesses, set instructional goals, and monitor individual progress. Our fall testing will take place the week of September 21 for Grades 3-8. Students will complete assessments in three areas: reading, language, and math. The tests will be completed during ELA and math classes and will not disrupt the daily schedule. Our students in Grade 2 will participate in our winter and spring testing. Attached to the email for the weekly update is an additional attachment with Scantron information.

I wanted to clarify about students who are home due to illness that is not COVID related and signing on for online learning. If a student is home sick, they are not expected to be online for class. Most likely they don't have the needed materials to fully participate. They can make up their missed work once they return. If the student is in a grade that has online learners and they are going to be out of school for an extended period, links are already posted, and the teacher

is prepared to teach both online and in-person learners. If the student is in a grade that doesn't have online learners and will be out for an extended period, parents must give the teacher 24 hours to post the link and prepare materials before the child can be a part of the class virtually. It is not appropriate for students who are on vacation to sign in for virtual learning. Students also may not choose to stay home once or twice a week and learn virtually and then come to in-person learning on the other days. I appreciate your assistance in helping our teachers and students have a productive and consistent classroom environment.

Don't forget to wear your mask and have your family sign in your car window during drop-off and pick-up. Things run smoothly when everyone does their part.

Please consider participating in our service activity at First Fruit Farms next Saturday, 9/26. It is a way that we can bring Christ to the poor and hungry of our community.

Many blessings,

Mrs. Blake

#### *Gold Slip Winners*

Congratulations to our September SJE Gold Slip winners. Thank you for being ready, responsible, safe, and mannerly!

- K- Noel Berterman and Hudson Insley
- 1<sup>st</sup>- Connor Marshall and JJ Brown
- 2<sup>nd</sup>- Anna Mogavero and Emma Dobry
- 3<sup>rd</sup>- Rosie Schmidt and Evelyn Kim
- 4<sup>th</sup>- Kylie Murphy and Hunter Phillips
- 5<sup>th</sup>- Aliana Cole and Enzo Puopolo
- 6<sup>th</sup>- Anakin Sadler and Max Mocny
- 7<sup>th</sup>- Gianna Gargano and Raymond Tuck
- 8<sup>th</sup>- Olivia DiCocco and Duncan Kloiber

#### *Add Our Calendar to Your Phone*

Always be up-do-date with what's happening here at SJE! Be able to check our school calendar quickly right on your OWN calendar! Follow this link for instructions: [bit.ly/calendarSJE](http://bit.ly/calendarSJE).

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### ***Family Income Survey- We are looking for 100% participation.***

Please complete this digital form today ([https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfgzg7It0zs4nQXaAiWsZf9fMw0wOlm8d4ISVkhZrW0CO2\\_yQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfgzg7It0zs4nQXaAiWsZf9fMw0wOlm8d4ISVkhZrW0CO2_yQ/viewform)) for each child that attends St. John. **You can recycle the paper form.**

### ***First Fruit Farms Service Day***

- Sat. Sept. 26
- 9:00-11:30 (or any part of that!)
- All family members and friends welcome!

**Register/Sign Waiver:** [bit.ly/32SJSXE](http://bit.ly/32SJSXE)

### ***Beans and Bread- September 22***

The school will be collecting lunches this **Tuesday, September 22 from 8:00 am-10:00 am** for Beans and Bread. You can find more information about items to be included in lunch bags here: <http://bit.ly/BeansBreadInstruct>. Thank you for your help.

### ***Virtual High School Fairs***

Virtual high school fairs provide the opportunity for families to learn more about our Catholic high school options. From 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, families can engage representatives from Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of Baltimore on the following dates:

- Monday, September 28
- Tuesday, October 6
- Monday, October 19

These fairs are on our website calendar and include this RSVP link:

<https://www.archbalt.org/schools/our-schools/high-school-admissions/virtual-admissions/>.

### ***Friday Spirit Day Uniform Schedule***

**September 25-** Wear Ravens shirts/ purple or black.

**October 2-** Wear pink/red/white shirts with your gym pants for Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

**October 9-** Wear fall color shirts with your gym pants.

**October 23-** Wear any St. John t-shirt with your gym pants.

### ***"Masked Eagle" T-shirts Available to Order***

SJE Eagles have certain days each month that we can show our SJE pride! Eagles young and old can wear ANY SJE branded shirt, e.g. Race for Ed shirts from prior years, our Blue Ribbon t-shirt, etc.) Can't find one? Is it wrecked? Stained? Did your brother lose it? Or do you simply want a new one? Probably mom and dad want one too! Order online today through Mon. Sept. 21. Delivery will be the week of Oct. 5. **Order new SJE shirts here:** [bit.ly/maskedEAGLE](http://bit.ly/maskedEAGLE)



### ***HASA News***

#### **Eagle Spiritwear**

Our eagle spiritwear is now available to order online through our website. In addition to belts, headbands, ponytail ribbons, and keychains, we now have ear savers to attach to masks. You can order here:

<https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/stjohnhydeseaglespirit?token=971959510> (You can always find this on our website in the Resources section or by searching "Eagle Spiritwear")

#### ***Volunteering and VIRTUS***

If you want to volunteer and/or **attend activities in the future when our building is open to visitors**, you must be current with the VIRTUS screening and training. Complete or update your certification easily online at <http://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/>. Please contact Mary Beth Bressler at [stand@stjohnschoolgv.org](mailto:stand@stjohnschoolgv.org) if you have any questions.

#### ***Travel Information for Families***

Any student (attending in-person) or staff member traveling to a state with a positivity rate for COVID-19 of 10% or greater during the period of their stay, must notify the school. Persons electing to proceed with this travel will be required to quarantine upon their return until such time as either

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they provide evidence of a negative test result for COVID-19 and are asymptomatic or they complete an entire 14-day quarantine.

## Parish News

### *Sunday Bulletin*

For the latest news and updates from St. John Church, visit

<https://www.fataonline.com/bulletins/StJohnHydes>

### *Virtual Parish Mission*

#### **“God Gives Us Gifts...What Are Yours?”**

The COVID-19 pandemic forced us to cancel our Lenten Parish Mission with David Sanborn, but THE MISSION IS BACK AND NOW IT'S



VIRTUAL! No masks required for this virtual event that will help you discover your spiritual gifts and how to apply them in your life and for the advancement of the mission and vision of St. John parish.

This live Zoom event will be on **Sunday, September 27** and **Monday, September 28** at 6:30 PM. Click [here](#) to sign up for the Mission (or call the parish office at 410-592-6206). Be sure to complete the “[My Spiritual Gifts Survey](#)” ahead of time to discover your own spiritual gifts.

### *Publicity Volunteers for Upcoming Parish Bicentennial*

In preparation for the parish’s upcoming 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, we’re looking for volunteers to help with publicity and communications. For more information, contact Jenn Ehrlich at [ehrllichje@sjehydes.org](mailto:ehrllichje@sjehydes.org) or 410-592-6206, ext. 104.

## Calendar

*Monday, September 21-* "Masked Eagle T-shirt" Orders DUE

*Tuesday, September 22-* Hot Lunch- Hot Dogs/Beans and Bread Lunches

*Wednesday, September 23-* ☺

*Thursday, September 24-* ☺

*Friday, September 25-* Purple Friday- Wear your Ravens gear or purple and black shirts with your gym pants.

*Saturday, September 26-* Service Day at First Fruits Farm

*Monday, September 28-* Virtual High School Fair

*Tuesday, September 29-* Hot Lunch-Chick-fil-A

*Wednesday, September 30-* ☺

*Thursday, October 1-* ☺

*Friday, October 2-* Wear pink/red/white shirts with your gym pants for **Breast Cancer Awareness Month.**



Preschool to Grade 8  
Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00-4:00

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*St. John the Evangelist Long Green Valley*

**A Virtual Parish Mission**

# **GOD GIVES US GIFTS...**

## **WHAT ARE YOURS?**

*with David Sanborn*

**Sunday, September 27**

**Monday, September 28**

**6:30 p.m.**



During this mission, David will help us to answer God's call for us. We will explore our gifts and learn how to cultivate them. Then, we will hear how we can apply our gifts to advance the mission and vision of St. John Parish.

*You are invited to participate in this live Zoom event from the comfort of your own home - no masks required! The talk will be presented via Zoom, so you'll need a computer or other device to download Zoom (free) and access the webinar. Once you register, detailed instructions will be emailed to you. The Mission will also be recorded and will be available via our website for later viewing.*

### **What are your spiritual gifts? Take the survey...**

The "My Spiritual Gifts Survey" is available at [www.sjehydes.org](http://www.sjehydes.org) or [click HERE](#) to download. Be sure to complete it before the Mission to discover your own spiritual gifts.

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to Sign Up for the Mission  
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### **About David Sanborn**

The New York Times has said that Sanborn "draws from a seemingly limitless well of feeling." That well, according to Sanborn, is the unmerited love of God. Sanborn studied and prepared to become a missionary and then a Protestant pastor. While preaching a series on the Gospel of John through the lens of the early Church Fathers, Sanborn encountered the reality of the Catholic Church as was received, into the Church on the eve of the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation,



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