

SJB School Parent Newsletter 8.31.18

Dear SJB Families,

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our Parent Night! Thank you for supporting your children's education.

We have a strong extracurricular tradition. Children's Choir has begun and is welcoming new members. Our band program has started, with recruitment events for new students (see below) and lessons for existing band members starting next week. Our fall sports are in full swing, with soccer and cross country events.

We are sharing the ACT Aspire results online. If your child took the ACT Aspire here last spring, you have been sent a link to access the results. You will find directions for how to access your child's scores attached to this newsletter.

Parking Lot: A critically important goal is for students to be safe at SJB School. We have procedures in place for morning drop off and after school pick up that are designed with safety in mind. I would like to take this opportunity to clarify our procedures. Please share them with grandparents or anyone else who drives your children to and from school.

1. If you park in the **school** parking lots before and after school, you may not exit the parking lot until 8:15 for drop off, and when directed to do so by the safety patrol and staff members after school.
2. Cars that park in the middle lot of the school (near the rectory) must wait until the cars lined up next to the school and along Harlem exit first. This is to avoid car accidents in the parking lot.
3. You may park in the church parking lot and exit at any time.
4. No left turns should be made from our parking lot onto Harlem between 7:30-8:30 and 2:30-3:30. We have signs posted near the exit that say this. Please make only right turns at those times.
5. I have had drivers argue with myself, as well as staff members and students, regarding these procedures. At SJB School, we like to set the example, as adults, for how we want our children to behave. Please remember that children are present at all times.
6. Please drive very slowly and cautiously in all of our parking lots. Our parking lots are busy places filled with pedestrians and cars at these times.

I appreciate your help with keeping all of our kids safe!

Have a wonderful long weekend. See you Tuesday!

Blessings,

Dr. Maloney
Principal

Aspire Directions: [Please click here for download instructions](#)

Dear Parishioners,

Fall Kickoff Festival Begins After the Labor Day Weekend Masses

As the seasons shift now from summer to autumn, may we use this time to shift our own perspectives. May we recall that our task as Christian disciples is to look to what Christ has already accomplished and continues to accomplish in us.

We will gather under the tents located at the east and south entrances of the church to celebrated our common bonds as parishioners, being mindful of welcoming newcomers. I encourage everyone to go outside your comfort zone: seek out and meet a neighbor for the first time, or listen carefully to someone from a different generation than yourself. Perhaps you will meet one or more individuals whose parents or even themselves have family roots in one of the five parts of the Church universal: Africa, the Americas, Asia, Europe, and Oceania (the Pacific Islands). The conversations shared over coffee, juice, and a sweet roll will strengthen us as missionary disciples.

“Every Christian is a missionary to the extent that he or she has encountered the love of God in Christ Jesus: we no longer say that we are 'disciples' and 'missionaries,' but rather that we are missionary disciples.” - Pope Francis, Joy of the Gospel 12

I have always believed that our faith in Christ Jesus, which we celebrate at our Sunday Masses, embodies our highest ideals and has the power to change society. St. John Brebeuf Parish is a collection of people from all over the world who strive to live the Gospel daily!

With that in mind, I invite you to deepen your relationship with the parish and the many good people who make it up after all the Masses today and the next two weekends.

God Bless you all!

Father Mike Meany
Pastor

To view this week's parish bulletin, please click here: <http://www.sjbrebeuf.org/bulletins>

Events:

Monday, 9/3 -- Labor Day, No School

Wednesday, 9/5 -- Band Sign-Up Night, 4-6:30 pm in PMC A;
P/SA Meeting, 7 pm in Room 2

Thursday, 9/6 -- 7th Grade Camp Duncan; All School Mass 8:30 am; Gala meeting,
Room C of PMC, 6:30 pm

Friday, 9/7 -- Spirit Wear Day

Sunday, 9/9 -- Scout Mass, 9 am in church

Thursday 9/13 -- Pizza Day, forms due on Tuesday 9/11!!

Friday, 9/21 -- No School, Professional Development Day

Sunday, 9/23 -- SJB School Family Mass, 9 am in church, followed by hospitality in
Room C of PMC hosted by the Athletic Board

Monday, 9/24 -- Catholic High School Fair, all 6th-8th grade parents and students
encouraged to attend, Room A of PMC, 7-8 pm

Tuesday, 9/25 -- Turn in Uncle Pete's Ministry Sack Dinners at morning drop-off

Announcements

Gala Meeting -- The Gala committee will meet on Thursday, 9/6, at 6:30 pm in Room C of the PMC. Please come -- this is a fun way to meet other parents, get involved in an important event, and we would love to have your help! For questions, please contact Alison Selivon, designsbyalison@yahoo.com

Choir has begun, and you can still sign up! Please see the updated information on the website. This year there is a new choir for Polish-speaking children as well! Forms are available from Mrs. Fair, the choir director. <http://www.sjbschool.org/music>

Basketball registration is due. Basketball registration and payment is due NOW. Registration has been extended to September 5th. Registration is here: <http://www.sjbschool.org/athletics>

Junior Jaguars Soccer is due. Please submit your registration and payment by September 5th. Registration is here: <http://www.sjbschool.org/athletics>

Band- New Student Recruitment-includes all 4th Graders and seriously interested 5th-8th Graders, Band Sign-Up Night-Wednesday, September 5, 4-6:30 pm in PMC A.

Wrapped In God's Love Fleece Blanket Project -- The St. John Brebeuf Parish Council is launching the Wrapped in God's Love Fleece Blanket project. This will be a parish-wide project. The hope is that all parishioners from all ministries (including the school) will participate. The goal is to provide hope and kindness to many parishioners who are alone, homebound, grieving the loss of a loved one, dealing with illness, or struggling with life's difficulties by giving them a homemade Wrapped in God's Love fleece blanket. The blankets are easy to make and can be a fun family project. Please look for information in upcoming parish bulletins, as well as announcements at all masses the weekend of September 8-9 to learn more.

From SJB Youth Ministry – ATTENTION 7th AND 8th GRADERS:

- 1) WELCOME BACK from SJB Youth Ministry! We wish all of our school families an exciting and productive school year!
- 2) SJB YOUTH MINISTRY is changing leadership. Mrs. Perez will be retiring at the end of August. There will be a transition team, and Mrs. Perez will be involved with a smooth transition. Please contact our Parish Office at 847-966-8145 if you have any questions.

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