



# St. Joan of Arc School

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Dear SJA Families,

On Sunday, Archbishop Lori presided at the 8:30AM liturgy at St. Joan of Arc. During his homily, he reflected on the Gospel in which Jesus asked two of John's disciples who were following Him, "What are you looking for?" He asked us to think about our "end game" and what we are searching for in our lives. I pray that St. Joan of Arc School will help every student and their families to find peace, love, joy, and hope in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We are honored to be a part of your journey.

## Messages from the Advancement Director:

**Only 11 more days left to take advantage of the re-registration discount!** On February 1st registration will increase to \$200. To begin this process, go to <https://stjoanarc.schooladminonline.com>  
Log-in to your account and complete the '**Registration form**' to begin the re-registration process.

As you re-register, please remember to submit a **Catholic Discount Form** signed by your pastor.  
<https://a54f25105f29b27fe943-4e9f31119b388a10b8af2cac271f2c1a.ssl.cf5.rackcdn.com/Catholic-Tuition-updated-form-2021.pdf>

Only 9 more days left for your child to participate in the **Annual Fund Student Participation Challenge!** This is a grade versus grade challenge. Encourage your student to look for spare change, do extra chores, or dip into a piggy bank. The Challenge will end on January 29th.

Please share **SJA's Open House** on your Social Media account. Remember, any family that you refer who stays for a year earns a \$500 tuition rebate for your family the next school year.

<https://www.facebook.com/school.SJA.org/photos/a.818886274802735/3911183152239683/>

If you would like to apply for **financial aid** in the 2021-22 school year, please log into your FACTS account <https://online.factsmtg.com/signin/3QD7M> and go to Grant and Aid to do so. In order to qualify for all available assistance, your application must be completed by February 28, 2021.

**Waste Free Wednesday returns!** Bring your lunch in reusable containers to save the environment. (Flyer attached)

Mrs. Dandino would like to begin holding rehearsals for the **SJA Voices** (remote and in-person students) in anticipation of the time when we can hold live productions. The permission slip is attached and due by Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Catholic Schools Week** will take place from January 31<sup>st</sup> to February 5<sup>th</sup> this year. This year's theme is **Catholic Schools: Faith, Excellence, Service**. We plan to honor all aspects of our community that contribute to St. Joan of Arc School. (Flyer attached)

Peace and all good,  
Mrs. Ginger Bahr, Principal  
[vbahr@stjoanarc.org](mailto:vbahr@stjoanarc.org)



### **Saturday & Sunday—Celebrating our Parish**

- Students speak at Liturgies about St. Joan of Arc School
- Open House by appointment
  - Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Email Advancement Director  
[email@stjoanarc.org](mailto:email@stjoanarc.org)

### **Monday—Celebrating our Community**

- Students in grades PreK through 5 collect items and make cards for Good Samaritan Ministry
  - PreK and K—small jars of peanut butter and jelly
  - 1<sup>st</sup> grade—cereal
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade—Macn' Cheese
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade—laundry detergent (regular sizes)
  - 4<sup>th</sup> grade—canned soups and stews
  - 5<sup>th</sup> grade—toiletry items (regular sizes)
- Students in middle school collect socks and make cards for Veterans at Perry Point VA Hospital



### **Tuesday—Celebrating our Families**

- Families are invited to attend Liturgy at 8:30AM via livestream
  - [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCE\\_2giKU0NCDUGLdvvuz5rg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCE_2giKU0NCDUGLdvvuz5rg)
- Students make a special gift for parents

### **Wednesday—Celebrating our Faculty**



- We show our appreciation for our teachers

### **Thursday—Celebrating our Staff**

- Each class shows appreciation to staff members for their dedication

### **Friday—Celebrating our Students**

- Pajama Day for all!
- Teachers plan a surprise for their class

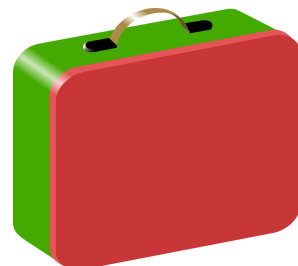
# **Waste Free Wednesday Returns**



**When: Begins January 27, 2021**

**Why: To help the environment by reducing the amount of school waste**

**How: Bring your lunch into school in 3 reusable containers**





## ST. JOAN OF ARC VOICES PERMISSION SLIP

The St. Joan of Arc Voices is a chorus of students (grades 4-8) who sing for the school liturgies, school concerts and other special events. We will be learning songs for the Mass as well as secular songs of all genres. We will be singing with masks on and learning by “oral tradition” till it is deemed safe by the CDC and AOB.

All students are expected to observe the St. Joan of Arc Student Behavior Code during all rehearsals. A chorus is a “team sport” in that everyone works together for the same goal. The St. Joan of Arc Voices is a service club using music to raise spirits, help in worship and help the community.

Rehearsals will take place during the school day on Friday beginning February 5th. They will be on a rotating schedule so that students will not miss the same class each week. Remote students will learn their parts with Mrs. Dandino by appointment.

If you would like your child to be part of the St. Joan of Arc Voices, please sign the permission slip below and have your child turn it in to their homeroom teacher by Tuesday, January 30, 2021.

We'll make a JOYFUL NOISE!!

Mrs. Donna Dandino

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My child, \_\_\_\_\_, has my permission to participate in the St. Joan of Arc Voices.

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Parent or Guardian

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Signature Date