



June 2, 2021

Dear SJA Families,

Archbishop Lori has lifted the dispensation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days due to the progress made in COVID-19 vaccinations and the decline in cases. His attached letter invites and encourages us "to begin attending Mass in person again, confident that at this time, a return to our parish communities is safe for a majority of us."

We will **graduate the 67th class** from St. Joan of Arc School tomorrow! Fortunately, we will celebrate a Graduation liturgy followed by a Graduation ceremony at St. Joan of Arc Church at 4PM. This event is truly a celebration at the end of a long and difficult year of restrictions. **Faculty, staff, and parish staff are so proud of the Class of 2021!**

Report cards for Grade 8 will be sent virtually on Friday, June 4th. Report cards for PreK through Grade 7 will be sent virtually on Friday June 11th. Test results will also be sent virtually (Scantron: Grades 2 through 8; HSPT: Grade 7).

Important Reminders

- June 9th and 10th—Early dismissal (12:15PM)
- June 9th—Devices/Chromebooks will be collected (Office open for device drop off until 3:30PM)
- June 10th—Office will be open on Friday, from 7:30 AM - 11AM for device returns
- Any damage assessed will be billed to your FACTS account. (Damage assessment list attached)
- Report cards will be held until devices are returned and all FACTS fees are paid.
- All checklist items in your SchoolAdmin account must be completed. Email Mrs. Maid with any questions email@stjoanarc.org

Please order your **yearbook for 2020-21!** (flyer attached) This has been a different but memorable year. You may also place an ad in the yearbook.

Lifetouch has sent a 10% coupon to parents who would like to order school pictures with a deadline of 6/30/21. (flyer attached)

Attention all school band members – both current and former band members:

You are invited to join our top notch summer band program which is open to current and former members. Students will receive all new great music and perform in a concert. Former band members who miss playing their instrument or being in the school band --- use this summer to be prepared to play again in the fall with your friends. The registration form is attached to this newsletter and should be mailed to the Instrumental Music Program-Baltimore. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact Mrs. Thamert (knightchic@aol.com) or call the Instrumental Music Program-Baltimore office at 410-442-5804.

A letter is attached with more details about the summer program and registration information.

SJA students will all be sitting in new desks and chairs in 2021-22! We began to purchase collaborative desks two years ago and will speed up the process this year so that all in grades 1 through 8 will be replaced. Kindergarten and PreK will be happy to return to sitting at tables next year! **If you would like to have a student desk at the end of the year, please let your child's teacher know.**

Fr. Willie and Deacon Ray are recruiting students from 4th grade up to be Altar Servers. A letter with a permission slip is attached. Please contact Deacon Ray with any questions rvanpelt@stjoanarc.org

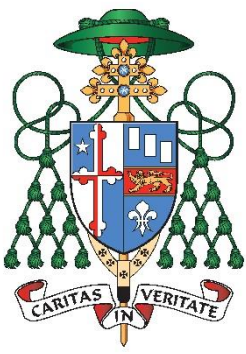
The Archdiocese of Baltimore Catholic Schools is offering a **Summer Learning Program**. Attached is a flyer detailing this six-week program with a registration link. The cost is only \$15!

We are holding **Summer Camps at SJA. Spots will be very limited!**

- **Camp Invention STEM Camp** will be held the weeks of July 5th and July 12th (flyer attached).
 - Discounted fees for early registration
 - Payment made directly to Camp Invention
 - Register at <https://www.invent.org/programs/camp-invention>
- **Elementary Summer Camps** will be held throughout the summer from June 14th until August 20.
 - Children Kindergarten through 5th grade
 - \$50 deposit required for each week
 - Register at <https://www.school.stjoanarc.org/summer-camp>
- **Middle School Summer Camps**
 - **Sports Camps at Absolute Performance**
 - July 12th-16th and July 26th-30th
 - Discounted enrollment fee
 - Payment made directly to Absolute Performance
 - Register through the link on attached flyer
- **Vacation Bible Camp at St. Joan of Arc**
 - 🤝 Helping Hands 🤝 – Catholic Social Teaching, for kids...
 - July 26th-29th
 - Register at <http://www.stjoanarc.org/vbc>

Peace and all good,
Mrs. Ginger Bahr, Principal
vbahr@stjoanarc.org





ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Recently you may have heard news of the lifting of the general dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass in person during the COVID-19 health crisis, a major milestone in our journey back to normalcy. In light of this important transition, I would like to take the opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to you, the faithful, for your ongoing perseverance in the face of the many unique challenges that this pandemic has posed in our lives. The enduring patience and flexibility of the faithful as we navigate these unprecedented times has been invaluable in aiding our efforts to keep each other safe.

It is with great hope that we look forward to an end to the pandemic and to the complete reopening of our Parish communities for in-person worship. This is indeed a moment worthy of celebration and thanksgiving.

We continue to be mindful of those who have been directly affected by the virus, those that are currently suffering its effects, and those that have lost loved ones. May we keep them always close in thought and prayer.

In light of the continued decline in cases and in hospitalizations, as we progress beyond the long-present threat of COVID-19, I invite and encourage you to begin attending Mass in person again, confident that at this time, a return to our parish communities is safe for a vast majority of us.

As we enter into the celebration of the Year of the Eucharist, let us take this opportunity to not only resume in-person attendance but also reaffirm the importance of the Eucharist in our lives. It has been a constant consolation to know that our parishes have worked tirelessly to make the celebration of the Mass accessible by various virtual means; and while most will continue to do so, I nonetheless encourage you to take advantage of the opportunity to pursue a deeper encounter with our Lord through full and active in-person participation in the Mass.

Please take a moment to watch my [video message](#) where I talk more about the Year of the Eucharist.

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Faithfully in Christ,

Most Reverend William E. Lori
Archbishop of Baltimore

YEARBOOK

+ **COST:** \$23.00 per yearbook

+ **Student acknowledgement ads:** include a picture and a message to your student

+ 1/2 page - \$10

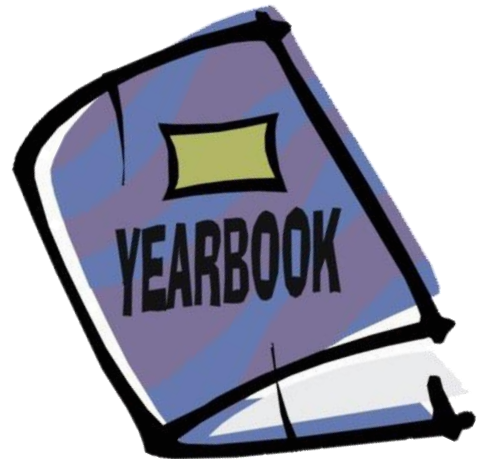
+ Full page - \$15

+ **Order yearbooks at:** <https://commpe.pictavo.com/>

+ You can upload photos for ads on this website, as well as any photos you would like to contribute to the yearbook!

+ **Contact Person:**

+ Gina Sabo- gsabo@stjoanarc.org





St. Joan of Arc Church

222 SOUTH LAW STREET
ABERDEEN, MARYLAND 21001-3398

May 26, 2021

Dear Parent,

I am writing to request your consideration for your child to be an Altar Server at St. Joan of Arc. We have recently received COVID-19 guidance from the Archdiocese that allows us to have Altar Servers at Mass. Although we are at the end of the school year, we want to identify any volunteers who are interested in serving during the summer months.

At SJA, we have a proud tradition of well-trained and dedicated Altar Servers. Serving at the altar is a great privilege and an important ministry for our parish and school. We are seeking boys and girls who will be faithful to this commitment and will take this responsibility seriously.

To be an Altar Server, you should be in the fourth grade or older, and have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and First Eucharist. We will train children to serve both at the School liturgies on Tuesday and at Masses on the weekends. Altar Server training will be done during the School day.

We hope to resume in-person School Mass in September. For Altar Servers who serve at School liturgies, we coordinate assignments with the class teachers. For Altar Server scheduling on weekends (during the summer), we will coordinate directly with parents via email so that you choose the weekends that you want your child to serve.

If you have any questions please contact Deacon Ray at rvanpelt@stjoanarc.org. If you approve of your son/daughter being an Altar Server, please have them return the permission slip to their home room teacher.

In Christ,
Fr Willie F. Franken

-----Parent Permission-----

____ (X) Yes, I give permission for my child to become an Altar Server at SJA.

Parent Name: _____ Email: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Phone Number: _____

Jesus Invites St. Joan of Arc Welcomes

410-272-4535 FAX 410-272-9025 email: parish@stjoanarc.org



IF YOU ARE HERE YOU ARE AWESOME

Ultimate CAMP GUIDE

Welcome to St. Joan of Arc's 2021 If You Are Here You Are Awesome Summer Camp! We look forward to providing your child with the best summer ever! SJA is offering 10 weeks of camp, making it easy to fit one or more weeks into your schedule. To register go to <https://www.school.stjoanarc.org/summer-camp>



WEEK 1: LET'S TRAVEL AROUND THE WORLD PART 1 - JUNE 14 - 18, \$240

We will travel around the world in 5 days! 5 Countries in 5 Days! Fun facts, games, traditions and food samples from around the world, ending the week with an International Dance Party!!!



WEEK 2: NATURE WEEK - JUNE 21 - 25, \$240

Nature Nature Nature! Learn about critters and their habitats, as well as our outdoors with Mrs. Simmons!



WEEK 3: PATRIOT WEEK - JUNE 28 - JULY 2, \$240

Hot Dogs, Baseball and Apple pie! This week is all things USA!



WEEK 4: CAMP INVENTION RECHARGE JULY 5 - 9, SEE SEPARATE REGISTRATION

Camp Invention is a high-energy, hands-on STEM camp.



WEEK 5: CAMP INVENTION ELEVATE JULY 12 - 16, SEE SEPARATE REGISTRATION

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WEEK 6: ART/MUSIC - JULY 19 - 23, \$240

Come ready to create!



WEEK 7: VBC WEEK - JULY 26 - 30, \$160

This is an add on to SJA VBC. Hours for this week are M - Th 11:30 am - 5:00 pm and Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.



WEEK 8: CREATIVE CHEFS - AUGUST 2 - 6, \$240 + SUPPLY FEE (\$50)*

We will cook all week preparing dishes that the kids will eat from fresh ingredients. Everyone will learn kitchen safety and how to use kitchen tools to make yummy foods!



WEEK 9: CREATIVE CHEFS SWEET TREATS-AUGUST 9 - 13, \$240 + SUPPLY FEE (\$50)*

Cooking again, but this week it's all about the treats! We will cook tasty desserts and candies! YUM!



WEEK 10: SPORTS WEEK - AUGUST 16 - 20, \$240

This week is all about sports! We will be outside and active!!!

*The \$50 supply fee for the Creative Chefs weeks need only be paid once. Due to COVID, all Creative Chefs Campers will be supplied with their own kid friendly knives, measuring cups, measuring spoons, canisters, utensils, etc. These will be sent home with the camper at the end of the week for them to keep!

YES : We're doing it!

Vacation Bible Camp, Live and IN PERSON at Saint Joan of Arc again!!!



Vacation Bible Camp @ SJA
July 26th - July 29th

Save the Dates - for VBC!
Several Adult Volunteers Needed.

- Age 4 Pre-K thru Grade 5 invited to attend
- Middle / High School Teens invited to help
- Stories, Crafts, Games, Music, Snacks

Registration info available online:
www.stjoanarc.org/vbc

No Surprise: Space / Capacity is Limited.

Start Registration with this Clickable / Downloadable / Printable Form

---> [VBC 2021 Registration Form](#)

Dates / times for this year:

Monday July 26th thru Thursday July 29th, from 9am to Noon each day.

Materials Fee is \$25 for 1 Child.

\$50 max for 2 or More Children in a Family.

No family pays more than \$50.

Camp Invention is returning to St. Joan of Arc this summer!

In partnership with the National Inventors Hall of Fame ® (NIHF), St. Joan of Arc is pleased to, once again, offer the nationally acclaimed Camp Invention ® program to children entering kindergarten through sixth grade. This exciting summer adventure provides lessons that explore connections between science, technology, engineering and innovation. Two weeks of the Camp Invention program are available. Each session features different hands-on STEM experiences where children will use teamwork, creative thinking and problem-solving skills to invent unique solutions to real-world challenges. Week one begins July 5, 2021 and week two begins July 12, 2021.

<https://www.invent.org/educators/camp-invention>



Week One — 7/5/2021 - 7/9/2021 Recharge

Recharge is designed to refresh students' imaginations and renew their self-confidence. Hands-on challenges spark creative problem solving, build familiarity with key STEM concepts and guide students to see that their ideas have value and their innovative efforts can change the world. <https://invent-web.ungerboeck.com/programsearch/moreinfo.aspx?event=32156>

Week Two — 7/12/2021 - 7/16/2021 Elevate

Imaginations soar as children learn about flight with the help of their very own flight simulation robot, discover ways to protect Earth's ecosystems, sketch and build prototypes while protecting their intellectual property, and design the ultimate sports complex with inspiration from the real-world inventors behind their favorite sports!

<https://invent-web.ungerboeck.com/programsearch/moreinfo.aspx?event=32163>

Discover all the fun you'll have at camp: <https://youtu.be/aX4r8bQSsJA>.

Calling all students entering grades 7-9!!!

Want to be a part of STEM camp, but disappointed that it is for campers up to 6th grade? Would you like to earn volunteer hours/experience at SJA's STEM Camp (July 5-9, 2021 and/or July 12-16, 2021 from 9am-3:30pm)? You will build leadership skills and gain mentorship experience as you help the instructors lead a week of creativity! The cost for the week is \$135. If you are interested, register here: <https://www.invent.org/programs/leaders-in-training>

Internship for High School Students available at SJA's Summer STEM Camp

Leadership Interns will work closely with SJA instructors and Camp Invention® and Invention Project® participants to help them explore STEM concepts and become creative thinkers who can invent a better tomorrow. (SJA's STEM Camp will run July 5th - July 9th and July 12th - July 16th from 8am-5pm.) You will get at least 45 volunteer hours for each week (you may do one or both weeks). If interested, you can apply here: <https://www.invent.org/programs/leadership-intern>

Summer Band Clinic - 2021

What a year it has been! We are excited to share the details of our upcoming summer band clinic. Playing a musical instrument is a year-round activity, and as we continue our path towards in-person instruction, we have developed a plan which will enable us to continue your child's musical development over the summer. Participation is especially important for beginning students.

FORMAT: The instruction aspect of the clinic will be an online activity, but we are planning a safe, socially-distanced in-person concert at the end of summer band. If we are not able to hold an in-person concert due archdiocesan or state rules, then a virtual concert will be held. The clinic will consist of three distinct bands: beginning (those completing their first year), intermediate and advanced; your school band director will determine the level. Summer band instruction will take place over 3 weeks and our 4th week will be our dress rehearsals and the concert.

INSTRUCTION DATES: The summer clinic will begin on Tuesday, June 29 and will be held three times per week ending Thursday, July 15. **Sessions will be held Tuesday evenings from 6:00 – 9:00 pm; Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 – 4:00 pm; and Thursday mornings from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm.** Each session will be divided into three 45-minute activities: a sectional, band rehearsal, and music theory and games. A short break will be held between each activity. Students can complete all three activities in one day or they may divide them over the three days. The program can be tailored to fit individual family needs, and participants may attend as often as they like --- there is no limit. Note: the Tuesday sessions will be recorded for those students who need to miss that week; student names will not be recorded. Recorded sessions will be available for viewing upon request only; please contact your school band director for the link.

CONCERT AND DRESS REHEARSAL: The dress rehearsals and concert will take place outside during the evening hours the week of July 19. We hope to hold a dress rehearsal for each band at a local Catholic elementary school on Monday, July 19 with a rain date of July 20th. The time for each band will be posted as soon as possible. The concert will be held Wednesday, July 21st with a rain date of Thursday, July 22nd. The concert report time and start time will be posted as soon as possible. While it is highly encouraged, participation in the dress rehearsal and concert is not mandatory in order to take part in summer band. **In the event we are unable to have an in-person concert, the dress rehearsals and concert will be held virtually.**

FEE and REGISTRATION: \$112 per child. Access to this program will be available ONLY to families who are registered. There is no limit to the number of sessions your child may attend. Access codes, times for specific levels and materials will be sent to you when we receive your registration form and fee. To guarantee you receive the code, times and materials prior to the start, registration forms and fee must be received in the band office by June 15th. If you prefer to have the materials mailed to you rather than emailed, please indicate that on your registration form and include an additional fee of \$7.00 to cover the extra expense.

EQUIPMENT: To fully participate we ask that everyone have video capability and a device with a microphone, a cell phone or tablet should suffice.

If you have any questions, please call your teacher or the music program office at 410-442-5804, or check our website, www.instrumentalmusicprogram.org.

Please return the summer band form by **June 15, 2021** to ensure you receive all materials prior to the start of summer band.

Summer Band Registration Form 2021

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM-BALTIMORE * P.O. Box 418 * West Friendship, MD 21794

School _____

Child's Name _____ Instrument _____

Child's Name _____ Instrument _____

Parent's Name _____

Home Address _____

Email Address (required) _____

Materials: _____ emailed _____ mailed (add \$7.00)

Amount Enclosed _____

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Please make all checks payable to Instrumental Music Program-Baltimore. The registration form above needs to be mailed along with your check to the above address. If you wish to pay by credit card (a small fee will be assessed), please call the music program office at 410-442-5804. Registration forms may also be emailed to instrumentalmusic.baltimore@gmail.com.



Middle School Baseball & Softball Skills Camp



Learn the fundamentals of hitting, fielding and throwing to take you game to the next level!

This camp includes instruction on proper hitting mechanics, fielding fundamentals, and throwing mechanics. Instruction will be provided by our professional coaching staff at ASP.

Dates: July 12-16

Times: 6-7:30pm

Cost: ~~\$160-Regular~~, SJA Discount \$125

Click [HERE](#) to Register



Middle School Run, Jump, & Lift Camp



Develop the skills necessary to dominate the field, court, or diamond in the Middle School Run, Jump, and Lift Camp!

This camp includes age appropriate strength, speed, and agility training for athletes of all sports and ability levels. Coaching is provided by our Certified Strength & Conditioning Specialists.

Dates: July 26-30

Times: 6-7:30pm

Cost: ~~\$160-Regular~~, SJA Discount \$125

Click [HERE](#) to Register



SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAM

ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



6 Week Virtual Academic Program

July 5th – August 13th

ELA & Math

Open to students entering grades 3 through 8

All courses will include:

- Content knowledge and skills essential for a smooth transition to the next grade.
- A combination of teacher-led instructional videos, independent practice, and interactive class meetings each week.
- Approximately 90 -120 minutes of classwork and meetings per week.
- Remote class meetings are staggered on Wednesdays and Thursdays mornings to allow for students to take both ELA and Math.
- Specific days and times will be available on the registration form

\$15 per course

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for details and registration information.



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Offer is only available on portraits ordered online through June 30, 2021 11:59pm CST. Use coupon code SCHOOL21 to receive 10% off purchase of \$10+. Enter the coupon code at checkout to redeem the offer. Not valid for adjustments on prior purchases or after the promotional period, or with any other offer. Products, prices, availability, and offers are subject to change without notice. Shutterfly Lifetouch, LLC has the right to cancel an order due to altered, unauthorized, or ineligible use of discount.