



Family Mass
This Sunday is our first Family Mass of the school year. Mass will be at 9:45am and there will be a reception afterwards in the Parish Hall.

Please bring a snack to share with other families. You may bring your snack to the Parish Hall as early as fifteen minutes before Mass begins.

Calendar Items

- 9/17 Mid-Quarters Go Home
- 9/18 Entertainment Money/Orders Due
- 9/18 FSA Mom's Night Out
- 9/20 Family Mass, Catechetical Sunday, 9:45 am
- 9/20 SJB Music Series Inaugural Event
- 9/20-25 Cultural Diversity Week
- 9/25 No School-Staff Development
- 9/27 Virtus Training, Parish Hall, 1-4pm
- 10/2 Guardian Angel Gala, Misericordia, 7pm
- 10/2 Sunday Evening Mass begins, 6:30pm

Entertainment Book Sale



This is the last week of our Entertainment Book Fundraiser. Coupon books are available for \$20, and your family will be credited \$8 per book sold toward your annual fundraising commitment.

All books and/or funds raised are due this Friday, September 18. If you do not purchase or sell your Entertainment Book, you must return it to the school office. **Any-**

one who does not purchase their book or return it will be charged \$20.

The Entertainment Book Fundraiser is a great way to work toward the \$400 family fundraising requirement and help your friends and family save money doing the things they love. This year, Entertainment is happy to offer over \$18, 200 in savings.

If you have any questions on the Entertainment Book Fundraiser, please contact Mary Jo in the Logan Office.

Concert Premiere



Please join us this Sunday, September 20, as SJB hosts the world premier of Jacob Bancks's Concert Mass for chorus and orchestra entitled "Mass For All Saints". The event will be held in our Church at 7pm. Tickets are now on sale for \$25.

Jacob Bancks is SJB Parish's Music Director and the director of our school chil-

dren's choir. In addition to composing this piece for several months, Jake is also pursuing his doctorate in Music Composition from the University of Chicago. We hope to see you on September 20 to support Jake and his hard work!

Please call the Parish Office at 773-486-4300 if you would like to purchase a ticket. Tickets will also be available at the door the evening of the event.

SJB Cultural Diversity Week

Next week, SJB will celebrate Cultural Diversity Week. During this week, students will learn about each other's ethnic heritages as well as explore new cultures from around the world. Ms. Petie will be working on projects with each grade level. Below is a list of events for the week:

Monday, 9/21: Ms. Petie and art students' will display cultural designs in the lunchroom showcasing where all the students of SJB are from!

Wednesday, 9/23: Students will bring in

something from home that represents where they are from. Students will share with their class a bit about their family heritage.

Thursday, 9/24: If you have a food, treat, music or artifact you would like to share from your heritage, please bring it to school before 10:45 am on Thursday, September 24. Students will enjoy food from cultures around the world in the lunchroom.




2009 St. John Berchmans Walk-a-Thon


Walk-a-Thon is just around the corner. This is our first major fundraising opportunity of the school year, and it's a wonderful chance to continue to strengthen our SJB community. After 1st-8th graders celebrate their weekly Mass together, the entire school (PreK-8) takes a leisurely walk down historic Logan Boulevard to the Eagle monument and back. We carry signs, cheer, and have a great time. When we return, students will enjoy a hot dog lunch prepared by the FSA Hospitality Club.

Remember, if you successfully collect \$200 you will have fulfilled your family's fundraising commitment for the first half of the school year. Please be sure to return your permission slips and registration fees as soon as possible. In order to be eligible for prizes, all pledges and monies are due by October 2.




Save the date, October 9 from 9-11:30, and join us for this fun and spirited event. 


2009-10 Paperwork

In this week's Family Folder you will receive a note that lists missing paperwork in addition to forms requested last week for the 2009-10 school year. We ask that you submit these forms by Wednesday, Sept 30. Students missing any health, dental or vision forms will be excluded from classes as of Thursday, Oct 15. 

Lunch Orders

October lunch order forms were sent home in last week's Family Folder and are due no later than tomorrow Friday, September 18 and with payment in cash or check. Please contact Ms. Raghda in the Logan School Office if you have any questions. 

Late Payments


This year, SJB is charging a late fee for any tuition that is not turned in by the printed due date in the School Handbook. For the month of September only there will be a grace period through Friday, September 18 at 12pm (noon). Any payment received after that will be considered late and families will receive a late charge. 

Guardian Angel Gala




Mark your calendars for Friday, October 2 for SJB's Second Annual Guardian Angel Gala! All funds raised at the Guardian Angel Gala go directly to support

scholarships at SJB. This year, we will be honoring Monsignor Kenneth Velo of Big Shoulders Fund for his continued support of our school.

We hope you can join us for this event. Tickets can be purchased in the school office or at www.guardianangelgala.org. Please contact Mary Jo in the school office if you have any questions about the Gala. 

Walk To School Day

Please mark your calendars for Walk/Bike to School Day on Wednesday, October 7. All students who walk or bike to school on October 7 will receive a special for participating. More information will be available next week. 





Orders Due by Thu 10/1
Phone/Internet Due 10/5
Pick Up: 10/8

Remember, cell phones and other electronic devices are not allowed, and the school is not responsible for these items. These items must be turned off and left in student backpacks.



Join the SJB Google Group

 Would you like to receive a weekly email reminder about SJB events and happenings? If so, visit our website (www.stjohnberchmans.org) and submit your email for the SJB Google Group. This group consists of SJB parents, grandparents, alums, and

friends who want to stay in touch with events and happenings. If you register, you'll receive one email a week with a link to the weekly updates. Please contact Mary Jo Dunne (773.486.1334) with any questions. 

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