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Sunday's Gospel

LK 24: 35-48

*"Why are you troubled?
And why do questions arise
in your hearts?"*

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Upcoming Events

April

25 & 26 – 1st Communion
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6 – Confirmation
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A MESSAGE FROM MRS. MEYMANN

Iowa and CogAT results have already arrived and are being sent home with students in grades 2 through 7 today. Please look for the white envelope containing the individual profile for your child. Overall, I am pleased with the results for several reasons: First, we continue to increase our percentage of students scoring in the above average range for achievement, particularly in math; secondly, quite a large percentage of students who have scored in the below average range in past years are now scoring at grade level; and thirdly, we have a good number of students who are performing significantly higher than predicted, based upon their student ability index score. The concern of those few students scoring lower than anticipated is being addressed by each grade level. Be certain to use the legend to assist you in interpreting your child's results. In general, Stanine scores of 1-3 are below average. Stanines of 4-6 are in the average range, and scores of 7-9 are above average results. The NPR (National Percentile Rank) tells you what percent of those tested performed lower than your child in each area. The Standard Ability Score is an ability predictor related to intelligence and scores of 90-110 are generally considered to be average. As always, please don't hesitate to contact the teacher or me if you have questions or concerns about these achievement results.

Lastly, please do not enter the school parking lot until after 3:20 in the afternoon as physical education classes are now being held outside on these beautiful spring days. If you arrive early and need to enter the school for business or to pick up students prior to dismissal, please park in the overflow parking beyond the maintenance garage.

Enjoy the beautiful weather this weekend!

From the Desk of Mrs. Siemer.... Today you are receiving a Southwest Local School District 2015-2016 School Bus Transportation Request. This form **MUST** be completed and returned to the school office no later than May 11, if your child will be using SW transportation for the 2015-16 school year. This form is only for residents in the Southwest School District who are eligible for transportation.



Friday Folder Flyers

- April/May Lunch Menu
- 2nd – 7th Grade IOWA Results
- Kings Island Coupons
- EWTN Newsletter
- Spirit Wear Order Forms
- Yearbook Order Forms
- 2015-2016 School Bus Transportation Request Form For Southwest Students

Reminders

- Festival Meeting on April 20
- Spirit Wear Order Forms Due April 24

Did you know that **Hiatt's Florist** carries an assortment of 1st Communion, Confirmation and Graduation gifts? Drop by and see all they have to offer. They are located at 1106 Stone Drive.

Thank You, Thank You to everyone who donated to Sr. Rose's Mission collection. The contributions were OUTSTANDING. It was a record year for this very beneficial program.

2015 Fall Soccer

Here at St. John the Baptist we have two unique soccer programs. The first is focused on the Pre-K and K kids and the second is focused on the 1st thru 8th graders. Please read below for more details.

Jaguars Soccer Camp this year is yet TBD due to a number of different factors (one in particular that Harrison Community Center Soccer Fields are not available the week of July 27th) and if we can figure out a location for the camp, then we will send out a separate email regarding Jaguars Soccer Camp.

2015 Fall Soccer Registration is Open until May 4th.

Cost for Little Jags Soccer: \$25

Cost for Jaguars Soccer: \$65 (No Family Fees starting with 2015 Fall Soccer)

Little Jags Soccer

The Little Jags Soccer League is for Pre-K and K kids that want to have fun and learn how to play soccer. We practice and have a game on Friday nights from 6pm - 7pm at the Harrison Community Center.

The league consists of 8 teams and they play a total of 8 games. We will not have practice/games on the Friday night of the Family Picnic or the Harrison Community Center Yard Sale (dates are on the website under the soccer tab).

Jaguars Soccer

The Jaguars Soccer Program is for 1st - 8th graders.

These teams are part of the WCSA Soccer League. You can access the league website at www.wcsasoccer.com This league has both boy and girl teams.

When registrations are closed, we send the WCSA Board a list of all the players and their computer program randomly chooses players to be on certain teams.

We practice two nights a week (Tuesday and Thursday) at the Harrison Community Center and have a game on the weekend at one of our competitor's fields. Once the future home development is complete, we will be having home games on our fields in Harrison. This program has a pre-season tournament, regular season and post-season tournament. You can find more information under the Soccer tab on the main page of the athletics website.

If you have any questions, please email or call Mike Lipp at stjbsoccer@gmail.com or [513-582-6389](tel:513-582-6389).

Looking Ahead for Volunteer Opportunities

A few more volunteer opportunities are out there for parents or perhaps college students home for the summer in May. Check your calendars because we need your help on Wednesday, May 13 for our annual Goodwill Games. This is a morning devoted to participating in physical activities at the Community Center for Grades K-5. The Jr. High students help conduct the games and the 6th grade students take their Kindergarten pals from station to station. Your help is needed as supervisors to walk the students to and from the Community Center and around to the various events. A volunteer form will be coming home in the Friday folder soon.

Another date you might want to arrange to be at school for is our 7th annual Mini Relay for Life. It is scheduled for Wednesday, May 27. Our students participate in walking around the parking lot for the day along with learning about cancer prevention. Money is raised through a staff contest, luminaria sales, basket raffles, and our Hope Highway. We honor cancer survivors and remember those lost to this disease with a Luminary ceremony, too. In the six years we have held our own Relay for Life, we have raised over \$10,000 for the American Cancer Society!

Any information or questions about these events should be directed to Mrs Ziegler. Thanks!

Congratulations to the 5/6A Girls' Basketball team. They won the Mercy Tournament Championship with a victory over St Ignatius. The Players are:

Abby Boeing

Ashley Bley

Marisa Dalessandro

Claire Duebber

Ashley Enginger

Nora Ludwig

Kelsey Mangold

Morgan Meisel



Congratulations to the Dean, Jansen, Land, Mayer, Ward, Lonneman (Nick, Kelley, Eva), McAlister, Welter, Wilhelm, Beck, Reis families. These students will be enjoying lunch next Friday with Fr. Jeff and Ethan Moore for being the top sellers of the Lottery Tickets.

Thanks to all who participated in selling tickets! There are still chances available if you would like to purchase them.



A Festival meeting is scheduled for this Monday, April 20th in the Community Room starting at 7:00pm. Please plan on attending!!

Thank You from the PTC

St. John the Baptist PTC would like to extend our appreciation to the number of the businesses and individuals that donated supplies, gift cards/certificates and items to raffle for Trivia Night which was held on March 14. Big thanks to Mary and George Steelman for the number of hours that they put into what has become a tradition and a sellout event for St. John's.

Thanks also to Mike Thompson, BJ McAlister, Bryan Knoop, and all the volunteers that worked the event and assisted with the preparations.

A special thanks to the Western Union Quartet for some wonderful entertainment.

Thanks to all the following: Andrea Souders with 31, Auto Zone, C & C Tire, Cindy Abrams with Pampered Chef, The Coffee Peddler, Colleen Fields, Cracker Barrel, Langens, Domino's Pizza of Harrison, Edgewood Designs, El Mariachi, Ertel Cellars Winery, Fenton Rigging, Fit To A Tee, Framing by Faith, Fritsch's of Harrison, Geraci Fine Jewelry, Greendale Cinemas, Hiatt's Florist, Hubert Company, Jack's Pets, Kelly Harrison, Kings Island, Langen Meats, LaRosa's, Laura Roell, Lisanne Thompson, McDonalds of Harrison, Market Street Grille, Marla Ziegler, Michelle Eppinghoff with Tastefully Simple, Minges, O'Charley's, Parlour on the Avenue, Perfect North, Remke, Robin's Nest, Sassy's Hair Salon, Skyline Chili, Sue Beck, Shawnee Lookout Golf Course, Spaws, St. John's Brownie Troop 45345, Susan Klare, Susie Pfeiffer and the teachers of St. John the Baptist.

Thanks to all the efforts of the students and families in participating in this and the many other PTC fundraisers. The efforts of all are evident in the PTC funding of the "facelift" of the school cafeteria and the enhancement of the hallways of both buildings. Upcoming and exciting improvements will include school gym renovations, playground equipment and other visible projects. The PTC appreciates your support.

Parish News and Extras

Lotto Winners!!!

Congratulations to the weekly Lotto winner! Bill & Mary Ann Meyer won \$100 for the week of 4/13 with ticket #0701. The winning ticket was sold by Megan & Lizzy Meyer. It was pulled by Jessica Hollerman & Angie Land.

Can't Win If You Don't Buy A Ticket

2015 Summer Swimming Lessons



East Central Swim Team will be offering swimming lessons this summer to kids ages 4 and up (May take **POTTY TRAINED** 3-year-olds depending on child's ability and available space). **You do not have to live in the area to take part in our swimming lessons.** Each session will consist of eight, forty-minute classes all taught by Lifeguard Certified Instructors. All lessons will be \$65 per child with a special \$60 rate for those who sign up for Session 1. We will cap all lessons to 30 students so get registered quickly.

The East Central Swim Team is proud to announce its schedule for 2015 Summer Swimming Lessons.

Swimming Lessons run Monday — Thursday for two weeks.

Session 1 (April 27—May 7)

4:00-4:40

4:45-5:25

Session 2 (May 11—May 21)

4:00-4:40

4:45-5:25

Session 3 (June 1-June 11)

12:30-1:10

1:15-1:55

6:30-7:10

7:15-7:55

Session 4 (June 15- June 25)

12:30-1:10

1:15-1:55

6:30-7:10

7:15-7:55

Each group will focus on stroke instruction, water safety, and pool safety to get your child ready to swim this summer and for a lifetime.

Registration days will be on Tuesday, April 21 and Thursday, April 23 from 5:00-7:00 PM at East Central High School Pool Entrance Door #18.

Checks can be made payable to: **East Central Swim Team or ECST.**

You may also register by email to bsloveless@sunmandearborn.k12.in.us

or by phone 812-576-4811 x 11603

(Provide Child's name, Age, Session Number, and Class Time)

(A spot will not be held until payment is received)

Hamilton Badin High School is now accepting reservations for several Summer Camps they have available. Please go to www.badinhs.org/2015_summercamps.asp for more information and to reserve your spot!!

LaSalle High School Volleyball Grade School Night

Friday, April 24th

LaSalle vs. St. Xavier

JVB 4:45pm

JVA 5:45pm

Varsity 7:00pm

Free Admission for all grade school students

Wear your school spiritwear

Games and Giveaways between matches!

LaSalle High School Band

Be a better person, Christian and musician by joining the Pride of La Salle Band! "Faith - Music - Excellence" is our motto. Info meeting April 20 in the La Salle Band Room. Email director Brian Fischer - BFischer@LaSallehs.net for questions and to RSVP.

La Salle Band is hosting three new summer camps in the summer of 2015 - students can learn or develop their talents in three areas: Band, Percussion, or dancing and spinning flag with our Color Guard camp. Register online at www.lasallehs.net/2015summercamps

ROCK OUT FOR CANCER CONCERT

Have you got your tickets yet? Join the National Band **The Guess Who** with "The Classic Rock Experience" **Midnight Special**, **GIVEHOPE** and the **UC Cancer Institute** in their effort to **ROCK OUT CANCER** on Saturday, June 20th at the Horseshoe Casino. All proceeds benefit **GIVEHOPE** and **UCCI**. Tickets are \$80 for general admission and include dinner by the bite featuring restaurants Gold Star Chili, Rock Bottom Brewery, Via Vita, Palomino, Bella Luna, Horseshoe Casino, and desserts by Patricia's Wedding cakes. **There will be a live auction and raffles.**

VIP tickets are \$160 and include the above plus meet and greet with the band before the concert, reserved seating area, VIP only cash bar area with bar service from seats, goodie bags, free valet parking plus the opportunity to nominate a cancer patient / survivor / or someone who lost their battle with cancer, to be highlighted during the event. **These seats are limited so order early.**

Super VIP tickets \$500 feature an **exclusive after party with the band**, front row reserved seats with cash bar service from seats, goodie bags, and free VIP parking, parking plus the opportunity to nominate a cancer patient / survivor / or someone who lost their battle with cancer, to be highlighted during the event. **These seats are extremely limited.**

Thank you to our sponsors Gold Star Chili, BSI Engineering, WCPO Channel 9, CTI Restaurants Uno's and Taco Bell, US Bank, Ripple Junction and Microsoft.

Click the below link for tickets

<http://www.eventbrite.com/e/rock-out-cancer-concert-2015-tickets-13648985483?aff=eac2>

Like the facebook page and share with your friends – Watch for special announcements

<https://www.facebook.com/ghroc>

GCPAS Brings REAL Jersey Boys to Cincinnati

Spawned by the success of the Broadway hit, *The Jersey Boys*, Lee Shapiro, Don Ciccone and Gerry Polci, all former members of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, decided to regroup and recreate the magic that led to all of the great music generated throughout the 60's, 70's and 80's. Joined by Jimmy Ryan (The Critters, Cat Stevens, Paul McCartney, Carly Simon, Jim Croce, Rod Stewart, Elton John), Larry Gates (Janis Ian, Michael McDonald, Phoebe Snow, Desmond Child, Daniel Freiberg, Rick Derringer) and Russ Valesquez (Luther Vandross, Carole King, The Ramones, LL Cool J, Paula Abdul, Sting), the Hit Men perform all of the classic music they have been associated with over the years.

The Hit Men will be performing in Cincinnati on Saturday, May 9 at the McAuley Performing Arts Center located at 6000 Oakwood Ave. in College Hill at 7:30 PM. The show is presented as part of a series by the Greater Cincinnati Performing Arts Society. The Hit Men performance is the finale to their 2014 – 2015 season and proceeds for the series support Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky Catholic elementary schools. Tickets are \$35 in advance, \$40 day of show. For tickets and show information go to www.gcparts.org or call [513-570-0652](tel:513-570-0652).

PARISH LIFE NEWS & EVENTS

The Parish Life Team hopes all of you had a very Blessed Easter

J.U.L.I.E.T.'S (**J**ust **U**s **L**adies **I**nto **E**ating **T**ogether) The next two JULIET'S luncheons will be held **this Thursday, April 23** and **May 28, 2015** at **11:30 a.m. at Monk's Kitchen** on Harrison Avenue near Dry Fork Road. Call Phyllis Morris @ [\(513\) 202-0449](tel:513-202-0449) for further information. You don't need to RSVP to attend - just come anytime you can make it.

COFFEE, CHOCOLATE & CRAFTS Plan to attend CCC **this Saturday, April 25, 2015** from **9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. in the Community Room**. Due to May 30th being our Junk in the Trunk sale, **CCC will not be held in May**. If you want additional information or have any questions, please contact Pam Reiter @ [513-738-1710](tel:513-738-1710). This event is open to all and children under the age of 18 are always welcome when accompanied by an adult.

ROSE'S CHAIN GANG: CROCHET Next class is **Thursday, April 30, 2015** in the **Community Room**. If you have any questions or want additional information, please contact Rose Page @ [513-353-1435](tel:513-353-1435).

BOOK CLUB The next Parish Life Adult Community Book Club gathering will be on **Saturday, May 2, 2015** from **10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Community Room**. The book we will be discussing is "Me Before You" by JoJo Moyes. There is no cost involved to participate. If interested in participating and/or you want more information, please contact Kathy Wirsch @ [812-637-3604](tel:812-637-3604) or mkwirsch@fuse.net. Books will be available at the Harrison Library for your use.

R.O.M.E.O.'S (**R**etired **O**ld **M**en **E**ating **O**ut) The next lunch gathering for the men of the parish, their friends, and/or family members who wish to share fellowship and make new friends will be held on **Tuesday, May 5, 2015** at **11:30 a.m. at MONK'S RESTAURANT** on Harrison Avenue near Dry Fork Road. Please call or email (tkdahmann@hotmail.com) Tom Dahmann @ [513-367-9134](tel:513-367-9134) for additional information. You don't need to RSVP to attend – feel free to come anytime you can make it.

Junk in the Trunk Sale – May 30, 2015 9am to 2pm, in St. John's parking lot. Buyers needed!! Come out and see what "treasures" you may find. Look for the registration form to be a seller in upcoming bulletins. \$20 registration fee, with \$10 returned after the sale when your space is cleared. Contact Karen Thomas for more information. Karen.thomas1952@yahoo.com

WE NEED YOU to help keep this ministry alive. Won't you consider joining us? If you want to find out more about the SJB Parish Life Team please contact Patty Dean @[513-367-9814](tel:513-367-9814) OR padean72@hotmail.com.