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## Sunday's Gospel LK 24:13-35

"Were not our hearts burning  
within us  
while he spoke to us on the way  
and opened the Scriptures to  
us?"

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## A MESSAGE FROM MRS. MEYMANN

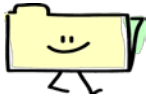
It is sometimes easy to forget the miracle taking place at Mass each week as we gather in church! The second grade students will be experiencing the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend. We pray each of them carries the awe and joy of this Sacrament in their hearts as they continue on their faith journeys.

The season of test administrations has nearly reached its end. Our Iowa and CogAT results for school analysis arrived just before Easter break, and the student data is now being prepared to be sent home with families. As a school, we typically perform among the top 25% of those taking the Iowa Assessment, and that trend has continued. Both our math and reading scores are strong, across every grade level. Parent reports are being sent home next week. Please take the time to review your child's progress, noting relative strengths and weaknesses. As a staff, we use these results to identify areas of the curriculum needing further development or expansion and other results are helpful in identifying students for services such as supportive reading or our enrichment program. In the upcoming weeks, our 8th grade Algebra students will be taking the state end of course exam in the hope all will earn a high school credit for their advanced math class. Our Archdiocese Catholic High Schools have been recently awarded for how well students have been performing in their Advanced Placement classes. Many St. John the Baptist graduates will be taking such classes once they reach high school, allowing them to get a jump on their college majors.

Abraham Lincoln stopped by this week to visit the fifth through eighth grade students. Honest Abe discussed his life and the challenges that have faced our nation throughout our amazing history.



Is your child taking part in the Thursday afternoon Lego Robotics classes? About 20 of our students in second through fifth grade are being introduced to this new STEM experience. A large group of students has also communicated to me a desire for an afterschool chess club, and so we will likely be offering such a program in the fall. Whether a chess master or a beginner, all grade levels will be welcome to participate!



### Friday Folder Flyers

- Miami University Enrichment Flyers
- May Lunch Menu
- 2016 Yearbook Order Form
- Partners in Faith
- Educational Outfitters Flyer



Tickets are going fast for our upcoming production of 'Disney's The Little Mermaid Jr.' on **May 4, 5 and 6**. We would LOVE to see all of you there! Extra order forms are in the school office!

You can also pre-order flowers & candy grams for your favorite actors and actresses! Just print off the order form on **Page 4 of the Jaguar Journal**.

We look forward to seeing you there!!!

-St. John the Baptist Drama Club

## LaSalle Volleyball GRADE SCHOOL NIGHT

Monday, May 1st



JVB vs Walnut Hills	5:00pm
JVA vs Badin	6:00pm
VAR vs Badin	7:00pm

Free admission to all grade school students  
Wear your school uniform, spiritwear or LaSalle shirt!  
Prizes given and a chance to win a t-shirt!

**Cub Scouts: The Adventure Begins** ~ Boys, do you like camping, swimming, roasting marshmallows and learning archery? Would you like to build a model car from scratch and race it against your friends? Do you like arts & crafts? Laser Tag? Bowling? Cub scouts do all this and more!

Parents, would you like to see your son develop responsibility and a sense of good citizenship? Would you like to see him become a young man who cheerfully serves others? When he grows up do you want people to think of trustworthiness, loyalty and helpfulness when they hear his name? Do you want to join him in the adventures described above? Then cub scouts is definitely for your family!

Cub Scout Pack 408 is holding its spring signup night on Thursday, 5/4/17, at 7 PM in the school cafeteria. Cub Scouts is open to all boys in 1st thru 5th grades. For more information or if you can't make it on Thursday, contact Joe Combs at [513-202-4031](tel:513-202-4031) or [jcombs10@gmail.com](mailto:jcombs10@gmail.com). Boys in 6th through 12th grades can join the Boy Scout Program for even greater adventures: horseback riding, rock climbing, sailing, canoeing, whitewater rafting and shooting sports, just to name a few. While the signup night is targeted toward cub scouts, you can also contact Joe at the number above to learn more about boy scouts.



**It is time to tee it up!** If your son or daughter is interested in learning the game of golf, already plays or is just curious, now is the time to sign up for St. John Golf Team! Last year we were able to fill teams at each level: varsity, junior varsity and instructional. The golf team is recommended for grades 5--8. However if an individual is younger than 5<sup>th</sup> grade but they can shoot the necessary scores & handle his/herself on the course they are welcome to try out for the team.

Tryout rounds will take place at Robins Nest May 7<sup>th</sup> thru June 11<sup>th</sup>. We will also hold an informational meeting prior to the first tryout. I will get specific dates for the tryouts and informational meeting as we get closer to May 7<sup>th</sup>. By league rules, each golfer will be required to play four 9 hole rounds at Robins Nest to determine which level they will compete at for the season.

Please email Trevor Ward at [wardtp1625@gmail.com](mailto:wardtp1625@gmail.com) if you are interested or have any questions about the golf program. Please include the students name, grade level, contact information and golfing experience in your email.

## MAY PROGRAMS

Harrison Branch Library

[Harrison@CincinnatiLibrary.org](mailto:Harrison@CincinnatiLibrary.org)

### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS:

#### Scavenger Hunt

Stop into the library any time during the month of May to do our Mo Willems Scavenger Hunt! Find the pictures around the library and turn in your sheet to get a piece of candy. The pictures move so you can complete the hunt once per day all month! For ages 12 & under.

#### Movers & Shakers

Mondays, May 01, 08, 15 & 22, 2017

10:15 AM - 10:45 AM and 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM

You and your child will shake it together! Sing, dance and enjoy music, movement and fun! For children ages 1 – 4 and their caregivers.

#### Family Storytime

Wednesdays, May 03, 10, 17, 24 & 31, 2017

10:30 AM - 11:15 AM and 1:00 PM – 1:45 PM

Enjoy books, songs, activities and more, while building early literacy skills. For children and their caregivers.

#### Tales to Tails\*

Wednesday, May 03, 2017

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Practice reading to Peaches, our certified therapy dog. Call the branch at 513-369-4442 to sign up for a 10 minute session with Peaches. For ages 5-12.