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Sunday's Gospel LK 17:5-10

"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

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A MESSAGE FROM MRS. MEYMANN

Surpassing our Walk-a-Thon goal is the finale of a sensational week! God has smiled upon the students of St. Johns during these last few days with many blessings, leaving our Parent Teacher Committee in a great position for carrying out our budgeted commitments and for planning for the future needs of the school. Thank you to Mrs. Lipps, Mrs. Besl, and Mrs. Rehn for all the planning and organizing it takes to bring about a successful Walk-a-thon. Thank you to our students and parents who traveled neighborhoods and phoned family and friends to collect pledges or spent the today walking or serving lunch. The rain held off and provided us with a cloudy but pleasant day for our walk and a fun-filled afternoon of dancing and raffle drawings. Our PTC generously supports our school by budgeting for safety items, field trip transportation, teacher professional development and resources, as well as student assemblies and special celebrations. This year, part of the Walk-a-thon profits will be put toward continuing to expand our use of technology in the classrooms. Mr. Morgeson's 6th grade class was our top fundraising homeroom.

Junior Achievement Day is a great way to teach our students about economics, saving, spending, and banking. Community members take over as the teachers and our students truly benefit from the games and other activities designed to introduce youth to these important life skills. Thank you to Mrs. Pitzer for finding a way to bring these lessons to our Kindergarten through Fifth grade students as well as orchestrating a community service day for Mr. Ward's business students at Harrison High School. What a great day of community building and learning for both groups of kids!

In the midst of a busy week of special events, the St. John the Baptist teachers carried on with instruction and assessing student learning. One of my favorite classroom visits involved seeing and hearing Mrs. Schwab's 8th grade English class presenting their imagery projects to accompany their reading of John Steinbeck's The Pearl. If you remember your Steinbeck, his work is loaded with descriptive language. Students chose a quote to explain and present visually. It was clear the words had come to life for them by the paintings and drawings, cakes, photographs, and models created by each student.

The end of the first grading period is October 14. Please note this is an early release day and students will be dismissed at 2:30 p.m. Ascend is a great parent tool for staying on top of your child's progress in each subject. We will be sending home hard copies of report cards on October 25; however parent/teacher conference sign-ups will once again take place online. Conferences will take place on October 27 from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m. and again on November 2 from 4 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.



Friday Folder Flyers

- October Lunch Calendar
- Lifetouch Pictures

Reminders

- Missionary Childhood Assn. dues are still being collected.
- Toy and Clothing Sale is on October 8. If interested in selling items, please contact Jennifer Reis @ dkreis4@gmail.com

The St John the Baptist Science Club met for the first time this school year on September 27. They had the first of a series of competitions, dubbed the “Archimedes Competitions.” The students were to build a structure with a 5cm² piece of cardboard, 20 bamboo skewers, and a roll of scotch tape, that would hold a can of soda, with the largest volume under it. The students had 35 minutes to complete their structure.

Evan Roell completed a structure with 148,176cm³ under his, with Ben Wernke, and Jacob Cornelius following with 72,529cm³ in second. Megan Pierani and Nate Hammann finished in third, while Madison Schroder and Cecilia Rice finished fourth. Impressive structures were built by all.

Next month is the annual “Naked Egg Drop” competition on October 18 at 3:45. Students are to build a device to catch a raw unprotected egg, dropped from the roof of the gymnasium. The device should be 30cm by 30cm, and as thin as possible. The thinnest device wins. The score is determined by dividing the height of the drop, by the height of the student’s device. In short, the smallest device wins. In the past, approximately half of the devices succeed in safely catching the egg.

Good luck to all the students!!

Found - Junior Achievement Volunteers

A pair of women’s glasses was found outside on the playground after the students enjoyed shaved ice on Thursday. If you are missing them, please give the school office a call at 367-6826.



Walk-a-thon Wrap-Up

Today was the BIG day! We exceeded our goal of \$16,000!

The students brought in \$18,000 in pledges.

The students earned a month of Mondays out of uniform and a Halloween day of FUN! **The first Monday for out of uniform is Monday, October 3.**

The top turn in student today was **Alexis Lange**.

Mrs. Schwab's homeroom turned in the most today with \$980.

Highest Homeroom overall was **Mr. Morgeson** with \$1,600. They will receive an ice cream social.

The highest Homeroom Participation with 100% of all students turning in pledges was Ms. Walter and Mrs. Clarke! Amazing job by all!

The top student overall was **Nicole Griebel**. Way to go Nicole!

The top family was the **Schroder Family**.

Raffle Prize Winners

\$50 for \$50 Raffle winners was **Logan Hunter** and **Titus Land**.

Grand Prize \$150 winner was **Elijah Dunn**.

Principal for the Day was **Nolan Abrams**. Better watch out SJB!

We would like to thank our generous t-shirt sponsors. All of them are featured on the back of the shirts worn by the students today.

Gold level- Brater Winter Funeral Home

Silver level- Fenton

Bronze level- Staubach Plumbing, Lindsey's Shaved Ice, Stacy Heating and Air, McDonalds (Bright/Brookville), The Beacon, LSM Homes, Kroner's Towing, Bickers Metal Products, Maxwell Construction, and Langen Meats.

An additional thank you to the **McDonalds in Bright** for donating the apples for lunch today!

We cannot thank everyone enough for your overwhelming generosity to SJB PTC. The students did an outstanding job of bringing in pledges!



GOLF OUTING 2016

St. John the Baptist School - Harrison

Benefiting the 2017 Graduating 8th Grade Class
(Sponsored by the 8th Grade Parents)



Saturday October 8th, 2016

Grand Oak Golf Club

370 Grand Oak Drive West Harrison, IN 47060

Registration: 12:00pm

Golf (Scramble Format): 1:00pm Shot Gun Start

\$80 Per Golfer - Includes green fees, cart, lunch, dinner, drink tickets, & door prize

Mail Completed Form & Payment to: **StJB 8th Grade Golf Outing / Angel Cupp**
1038 Oak Haven Lane
West Harrison, IN 47060

REGISTRATION & Payment DEADLINE: October 5th, 2016

For Registration After Deadline, Contact Either Chrissy @ 513-608-3864 chrissymcalister@me.com
or Angel @ 513-635-2047 fourcupps@gmail.com

FOURSOME: \$320 (\$80 per golfer)

#1 Golfer listed will receive confirmation & is considered the Team Captain & Contact

Golfer #1: _____ Email: _____ Ph#: _____
Address: _____ City/St: _____ Zip: _____

Golfer #2: _____ Golfer #3: _____ Golfer #4: _____

Name of the Student or Students the FOURSOME is Supporting: _____

HOLE SPONSOR: \$100 Donation (includes hole sponsor sign)

Company/Individual Name to be placed on the Sign: _____

If want a logo on the hole sponsor sign, please email logo to bjmcalister@me.com

Student or Students the HOLE SPONSORSHIP is Supporting: _____

CART SPONSOR: \$25 per cart/ \$40 for 2 carts

Company/Individual Name to be placed on the Sign: _____

If want a logo on the cart sponsor sign, please email logo to bjmcalister@me.com

Student or Students the CART SPONSORSHIPS are Supporting: _____

DOOR PRIZE DONATION: Contact us with any questions or for donation arrangements

Bj & Chrissy McAlister	(513) 608 - 3864	chrissymcalister@me.com
Rich & Angel Cupp	(513) 635 - 2047	fourcupps@gmail.com
Ryan & Nikki Smith	(513) 404-3663	nicholesmith261@gmail.com
Tom & Missy Conners	(513) 604 - 8583	luebbs2@gmail.com

Make Checks Payable To: **St. John's 8TH Grade Golf Fundraiser**

MOTHER of MERCY

HIGH SCHOOL

Be Inspired

Future Bobcat Spirit Games (Volleyball)

Grade school girls of all ages are invited to come join the cheering section for Mercy's volleyball matches as they take on Seton, Thursday, October 6. Game times are 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. Free admission for grade school girls. Enter the gym lobby from the parking lot off Ramona Avenue. Get in the Mercy spirit! Support the Bobcats, play games between matches, and have a lot of fun!

Save the Date for Mother of Mercy's Open House

Sixth, seventh and eighth grade girls and their families are invited to Be Inspired by Mother of Mercy at the Open House Sunday, November 6 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Get a personalized tour, speak to students and faculty about Mercy's challenging academic programs, and learn about Mercy's extensive extra-curricular and athletic offerings! Mark the date on your calendar and look for your invitation in the mail! You will certainly find your fit at Mercy at the Open House.

HSPT Prep Course

Mercy offers the HSPT Prep Course to 8th grade girls to get students ready for the test in November. Students can choose from the morning (8:15 - 11:30 a.m.) or afternoon (12:45 - 4:00 p.m.) course on Saturday, November 12. Morning and afternoon courses are identical. The program will provide students with an overview of the content and sample questions on the HSPT. It is designed to strengthen test-taking skills, master time-management strategies and give students the opportunity to take practice HSPT tests. Cost: \$25. Register at www.motherofmercy.org/hspt

CUP Invites Students to Create!

In honor of All Saints' Day, Catholics United for the Poor (CUP) is inviting students in grades six through nine to participate in their annual essay contest asking them to, *"Discuss a Saint who inspires you and how they might be serving today."* There will be an overall winner and a winner at each grade level. The overall winner will receive a \$50 gift card, and the grade winners will each receive a \$25 gift card. Essays must be postmarked by October 14, 2016, and the winners will be notified by October 28, 2016. We hope you will encourage the young people in your life to join CUP in their mission of raising awareness of the poor and the organizations in our community who help serve them. Complete contest guidelines and permission slips are available at cupcincy.org.

SAINT URSULA ACADEMY
BULLDOGS

Volleyball Grade School Night
Thursday, October 6, 2016
6:30 PM

Come cheer on the Saint Ursula Academy
Varsity Volleyball Team when the Bulldogs take on
GGCL Rival Mt. Notre Dame



Free Student (parents & coaches too!) admission when you wear
your school spirit wear. No RSVP needed.
Enter to win prizes between matches.
(winners must be present)



Saint Ursula Academy
Gymnasium and Convocation Center
1339 East McMillan Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45206



Speed & Agility Clinics!

- **6 week session**
- **Open to Boys & Girls grades 1-8**
- **Contact Brian to register**

THURSDAYS

Beginning November 3

Grades 1-4 5:30-6:15 pm

Grades 5-8 6:15-7:00 pm

No Clinic November 24

SUNDAYS

Beginning November 6

Grades 1-4 9:00-9:45 am

Grades 5-8 9:45-10:30 am

**\$75/athlete
Space is
limited!**



All Instruction Led by Brian Vornhagen, Certified Speed & Agility Trainer

Questions? Call Brian @ 513-518-0274 or email brian@velocity-sp.com

