



# St. Joan of Arc School

*Grounded in Faith, Focused on the Future*

December 20, 2022

Dear SJA Families,

Well, 5 days until Christmas!

These last weeks have been so busy and full of joy. The Christmas Concert last week was amazing! Thank you to Mrs. Dandino and Mrs. Thamert for putting together an amazing show. The students truly shared the joy of Christmas.

Today our 8<sup>th</sup> graders presented the “Living Nativity” to remind us of the true reason for the season. [Click here](#) to view the video. Thank you Mrs. Blackburn for guiding our students in prayer. Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students also helped decorate the Church for Christmas – take notice as you visit during the Christmas Season.

The faculty and staff want to thank you for your support and wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year.

God Bless,  
Ms. Dianne Kestler  
Principal



### Important Dates:

December 21 – January 2	School Closed – Christmas Break – no aftercare
January 3	School Reopens – 8:30am Liturgy
January 5	Blessing of the Classroom
January 8	Alive Mass – 11:15am
January 10	Liturgy 8:30am
January 15	12:05pm dismissal
January 16	School Closed – Martin Luther King Jr. Day – no aftercare

### Construction Update

Equipment is beginning to arrive and work will begin the first week of January. They will begin with updating the drainage along Law Street and Plater Street. Please do not arrive before 2:30 pm for pick up as some parking in these areas may not be available. Thank you for your patience in advance as construction begins.

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### **Grant & Aid Applications**

2023-2024 Grant & Aid Applications opened on November 1, 2022. You may access the application by clicking [here](#). Please be sure to complete your application early as the deadline is February 28, 2023 NO EXCEPTIONS. Should you have any questions please contact Pam Franke at [pfranke@stjoanarc.org](mailto:pfranke@stjoanarc.org).

### **Clubs**

Jump Rope Club, Environmental Club, and Chess Club permission slips were due this week. The sponsoring teachers will be in touch after the holidays.

### **HSA News**

#### **Jingle Bell Shoppe**

Thank you to all the volunteers and wrappers who helped our students shop for their families.

#### **SJA Bull Roast**

Save the Date – **April 29, 2023**

See attached flyer for details.



### **Parish News**

Go to the [parish website](#) for the Christmas Mass Schedule.



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**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Place your totals in the boxes below:**

Tee color	Youth S	Youth M	Youth L	Youth XL	Adult S	Adult M	Adult L	Adult XL	Adult 2XL	Adult 3XL
Red Color										
Price Each	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20

**Total your Order:** \_\_\_\_\_.

Please pay with either cash or checks payable to: "SJA"

All Orders Must Be Turned In and Paid For By: **Tuesday, January 10, 2023!!!!**

**No Exceptions!!!!**

**STEM assembly is Wednesday, February 1st!**

Questions?? Contact Susan Baer: 410-410-272-1387 or sbaer@stjoanarc.org



Save The Date

The HSA invites you to

SJA's Bull Roast  
at  
The Richlin  
Ballroom

April, 29 2023

more info to follow in the new year

