

09/19/26

THE VOICE

St. John the Baptist Catholic School



Dear SJB Families,

May the perfect Love of Christ reign in our Hearts!

What does it mean to be integrally a part of a community, to be something that shapes its life and spirit? We have a deep-seated human desire to be connected with those around us in a meaningful way. It is something essential to our existence and our well-being according to the nature God made for us. To be in communion with those around us. To every Norbertine, and indeed every religious who follow the Rule of Saint Augustine (are there are many throughout the world; Our Holy Father Pope Leo being one of them) the opening line and injunction laid upon the brethren is just about everything: "The first purpose for which you have come together is to live in unity in the house and to be of **one mind and one heart** on the way to God" (*Regula, S.P.N. Augustin, 2*). This week of school concluded with the great community building event of our spaghetti dinner. Truly a sign of the depth of this not-so-little-in-size and wonderfully beautiful community. May our thoughts this coming week be those of reflection upon why we are here. To build a oneness of heart and a oneness of mind as we all strive to get to heaven, not alone but as a community united in faith and in love for Christ in one another.

-Fr. Louis Hager, O.Praem.

History Made at SJB

Tuesday, September 15 was an historic day at St. John's. It was our first official game in our new gymnasium. Both the A and the B Girls' Volleyball teams played St. Irenaeus. We are very happy to report that both of our teams were victorious. It was a very exciting moment for our school and our sports program to be able to play inside our new gym. Thank you again to everyone who made our gym possible!!



Spaghetti Dinner 2026

What an amazing night of fellowship, great food and fun! Thank you to all of our volunteers and attendees! A very special thank you to Brenda Stitzlein for Chairing our Spaghetti Dinner committee as well as to her committee members Cindy Gomez, Jodi Selleck, Christina Ferguson, Princess Diaz, Jackie Heredia, Roxanne Cupp, Vanessa Luna, Jessica Hauke, and Nicole Morse for all of their preparations to make this evening so successful! Thank you to Phil DiPietro and Pizza D'Oro for our fabulous Italian meal. The meatballs were delicious! Thank you to Jen Butscher, Bill Parker and Tony Manrique for all of the behind the scenes work. A special shoutout to the parents on the cleanup shift and to all of the additional people who stayed to help.



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CALENDAR

Monday 9/21

Spirit Monday

Wednesday 9/23

\$5 Smoothies at the Gate

Thursday 9/24

Mercy Day—Student Body Mass 10:00AM

FORMAL UNIFORM

Friday 9/25

Late Start 8:45

SAVE THE DATE

November 14th

Gala + Auction

Charleston Wrap

Thank you to all of our families for their support of our Charleston Wrap fundraiser! The winners will be announced next week. The final free dress was meant to be Friday - some students did wear their free dress. Unfortunately the email server was down on Thursday and the list with all of the free dress winners was not sent out. If your child missed their free dress they may wear free dress on Tuesday this coming week. Our raffle winners last week were Valentina M 7A, Francesca T 8B, Quinn W 7th, Micah Q 1A, and Gavin G 6B. This week's winners were Vincente M 2A, Frances K TK2B, Makenna D TK2A, Hayes R 1A, and Isabelle B 7A.

Friday Mornings

Please note that the parking lot is more crowded than other days because 8:30 Mass has already started at 8:30 AM. Please take advantage of the field parking. It should make your morning run much more smoothly! Thank you.

+ In Christ,
Mrs. Viles

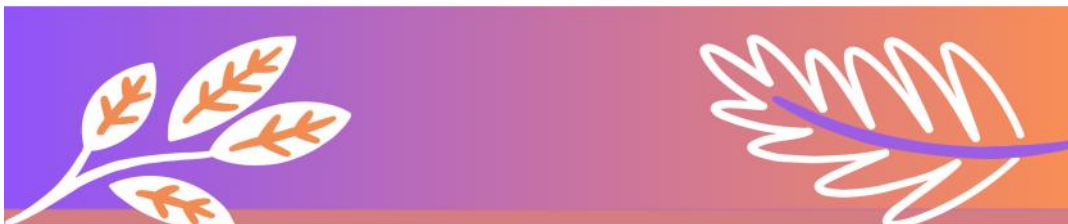
SJB SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

IN THE NOBLE TRADITION OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION, WITH CHRIST AS TEACHER AND GUIDE, IN PURSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE AND TRUTH, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL PREPARES THE WAY FOR STUDENTS TO EMBRACE THE FULLNESS OF GOD'S LOVE IN THIS WORLD AND IN HEAVEN.



*"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened,
and I will give you rest."*

Matthew 11:28



Orderliness

*A habit of the soul and mind that properly orders our actions, time, and environment
according to reason and faith.*

*In other words, a person does what he or she ought to do,
when and how he or she should do it.*



Spirituality

"My power is nothing, but there is a God in heaven who can resist you and all who obey and abet you."- St. Januarius

Thursday Morning Rosary

Please join Fr. Louis, and other members of our SJB school community, on Thursday mornings as he leads a decade of the Rosary for our students, staff and all our personal intentions. Parents, grandparents, older or younger siblings - all are welcome! We meet immediately after the morning announcements.

This week let us lift our prayers for the intentions of:

Mrs. Debbie Leath and Mrs. Briana DiPietro

We pray for God's blessings on the families of:

Juliette and Thomas Brittain; Amelia and Chase Brown; Michael Brozyna; Ian Brunton-Reale; and Dominic, Henry, Jolene, Matthew, Maxine, and Nicholas Bui

Special Intentions:

- We pray for all those in our SJB and family communities who are battling illness, including Ashley Dennis, Yolanda Diaz and Patty De La Cruz
- We pray for all family members of the SJB community who have passed away including: Ann Janette O'Flynn, Carol Reilly, Rich and Russ Quinn, Mariana Mikhail, Jimmy Collins, Delina Skarles and Gloria Tomei
- We pray for all those affected by the hurricanes in Hawaii. May they find God's peace and comfort during this trying time.
- We pray for the homeless, the hungry and the lonely
- We pray for all unborn babies and their parents, especially for many Mothers of the SJB community who are expecting babies
- We pray for our country's leaders that they may continue to lead us through the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
- We pray for unity and peace in our Country; and we pray for those throughout the world that are affected by war. May they soon know peace.

Daily Prayer

Heavenly Father, I come into your presence today with a thankful heart. Thank you for your goodness that surrounds me and sustains me through every season of life.

Lord, forgive me for the times I move through my day relying on my own strength or looking at life through doubt instead of faith. Refocus my heart. Help me to serve you and love the people around me with gladness. Today, I place my work, my family, and my worries into your hands. Grant me the wisdom to navigate challenges, peace to quiet my mind, and a renewed spirit to walk in your grace. Shine your face upon us and guide my steps.

In Jesus' holy name, I pray.

Amen.

Special Intentions?

Do you know someone in need of prayers? Do you need extra prayers? If you have a special intention, and you'd like our SJB community to join you in prayer, please email Meg Cappelletti at capfam613@gmail.com



SPOTLIGHT OF *the week*

Mrs. Judy Kelly

Our Spotlight this week is Mrs. Judy Kelly. Mrs. Kelly has been a steadfast supporter of our gym 25 years before we laid one brick.

Mrs. Kelly and her Gym Fund Ladies have spent many years and many, many Sundays doing whatever they could to help raise the funds to build our gym. We thank her from the bottom of our hearts. This week though, Mrs. Kelly was doing something else to support our school community. She joined our students in TK2B with Mrs. Parker to read a story to our little ones. She shared the story Elmer by David McKee.

The class really enjoyed her visit and hearing the story!





SPREADING LOVE FOR A CAUSE

DATE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2026

ALL DAY!

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Mention us when you make your
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FALL SPORTS HOME GAMES

Girls A Volleyball

Tues 9/15 vs St. Irenaeus 3:30

Thurs 10/1 vs SSJ 3:30

Mon 10/5 vs St. Hedwig 3:30

Mon 10/12 vs OLQA 3:30

Mon 10/19 vs St. Bonaventure 3:30



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Mon 10/5 vs St. Hedwig 4:30

Mon 10/12 vs OLQA 4:30

Mon 10/19 vs St. Bonaventure 4:30



Boys A Football

Wed 9/16 vs OLQA 3:30

Mon 9/21 vs St. Bonaventure 3:30

Mon 9/28 vs St. Irenaeus 3:30

Mon 10/5 vs St. Hedwig 3:30



Boys B Football

Wed 9/16 vs OLQA 4:30

Mon 9/21 vs St. Bonaventure 4:30

Mon 9/28 vs St. Irenaeus 4:30

Wed 9/30 vs SSJ 3:30

Mon 10/5 vs St. Hedwig 4:30

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SANTA MARGARITA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Join us on **SEPTEMBER 23** for **Auxiliary Studies Program (ASP) Information Night**

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When: Wed., Sept. 23 at 5:30 pm – 6:15 pm

Where: SMCHS Science Lecture Hall

What is ASP?

Come learn about the Auxiliary Studies Program – a unique support program for SM students with documentation of minor learning differences/challenges. See if your student qualifies and would benefit from the services of ASP.

Agenda:

- Overview of ASP Services and Program Fee
- Testing and Classroom Accommodations
- Auxiliary-Level Classes Offered
- Student Eligibility & Who Should Apply



“Our goal is to empower students with the self-awareness, tools and confidence they need to navigate life beyond high school. We’re not just preparing them for college - we’re preparing them to thrive.” - Suzie Cutter, ASP Director



SANTA MARGARITA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Join us on **SEPTEMBER 23** for **IB Information Night**

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IBDP) at SMCHS



Who can participate in IB?

IB is not just for “A” students. It is for any student with the desire and motivation to get a little more out of their high school education. SM has an open-door philosophy and recognizes there is room for a variety of types of learners. IB should be attractive to students who are:

- Seeking greater academic and extra-curricular challenges
- Determined and self-motivated
- Willing to work hard
- Thinkers and curious to learn

Think of IB as a four-year academic program. It is best to register for IB in the 8th grade to ensure access to IB pathway courses in 9th and 10th grade that prepare students to transition in the IB Diploma Program in the 11th and 12th grades.

Learn more at the IB Info Night:

WHEN: Wed., September 23, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm



DISCOVER ROSARY ACADEMY

Home Information Night for Future Royals.

COSTA MESA & SURROUNDING AREAS

Join us for an intimate evening with the Rosary Academy community and discover what makes the Royal experience unique. Learn more about our college-preparatory academics, pathways, athletics, leadership opportunities, and the sisterhood that defines Rosary.



**Monday,
October 12**
6:00pm-8:00pm



McCarthy House
1773 Oriole Dr.
Costa Mesa, CA
92626



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Questions?

Kerry McCarthy at (619) 992-3731

Discover What Makes JSerra *Different*

UPCOMING ADMISSIONS EVENTS



Register for *Events*



SHADOW DAYS

October 5, 16, 19 & 30



OPEN HOUSE

Monday, October 5
5:30 - 8 pm | JSerra Pavilion



FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Home games at JSerra all Fall long



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