

SAINT JOHN  
SCHOOL

# Parent Newsletter

## May/June 2025

### MISSION STATEMENT

*As Heralds of the Gospel, Saint John School seeks to bring light and truth to PK-12 students in Ashtabula County and beyond through its commitment to educating the whole person by developing scholarship, deepening faith and inspiring leadership in the Catholic tradition.*

## A Note from the President

As we close the doors on another school year and look toward the promise of summer, we reflect on the theme that has guided our hearts and steps throughout the year: **leadership**—not just in name or position, but in Honesty, Empathy, Responsibility, Authenticity, Discipleship and Service.

This year, we have watched our students grow not only in academics, but in the qualities that define true leaders. We've seen kindness extended when it was needed most, leadership shown in the face of challenges, and discipleship embraced in both words and actions. Whether leading a class project, helping a peer or participating in school Mass, our students have shown that leadership begins with a willing heart and a Christ-centered spirit.

To our graduating students: As you take your next steps, remember that the world needs leaders who listen with empathy, speak with honesty and integrity, and act with conviction. Let your faith be your compass and never doubt the impact of leading by example.

To our teachers and staff: Thank you for modeling servant leadership each day—with your patience, dedication and unwavering care. You have planted seeds that will grow for years to come.

And to our families: Your support, encouragement and faith-filled example are the foundation of everything we do. We are deeply grateful for your partnership in nurturing the leaders of tomorrow.

As we look ahead to summer and the opening of the Student Center in August, let us thank God for a year well spent and carry with us the call to lead—wherever God places us—with humility, courage, and grace.

Sr. Maureen

PS: Save Saturday, August 16, 2025 as the date we will celebrate the opening of the Student Center!

# HERALDS LEAD

### **Blood Drive**

Key Club is sponsoring a blood donation drive on Thursday, May 1 at 2:00 pm. Red Cross is in need of blood please consider donating and saving a life.

### **Herald Hall of Fame**

Herald Hall of Fame Dinner will be held on Saturday, May 3. Please join us as we honor the 2025 Hall of Fame Inductees:

#### **Alumni**

Joe Giangola '80

Michael Zullo '78

#### **Friends**

Therese "Terri" Chadowski

Greg and Kathy Housel

### **Herald Young Alumni Award**

Andy Phelps '06

Stephen Robison '09

Reservations with payment (\$40 per dinner ticket) are due by April 25, 2025. Please contact Christy Garrod 440-997-5531 x 223 or [cgarrod@sjheralds.org](mailto:cgarrod@sjheralds.org) for tickets or more information.

### **Junior High Field Trip**

This year grades 6, 7 and 8th will be traveling to Chicago. The group will be leaving on Friday, May 2 and returning on Sunday evening. Please keep them in your prayers for safe travels.

### **PTO Meeting**

PTO will meet on Tuesday, May 6 and Tuesday, June 2 at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria.

### **Parent Ambassadors Meeting**

The next Parent Ambassadors Meeting will be on Tuesday, May 6 at 8:00 am in the cafeteria.

### **Student Shadowing Days**

The next student visitation dates will be May 6 and May 22 by appointment.

### **Band Concert**

The after school (4th-6th) and 8th grade band and choir will be conducting a concert on Tuesday, May 13 at 6:00 pm in the high school gym. All are invited to attend.

### **Lottery Dress Down**

This month, Lottery Dress Down Day will be Thursday, May 22.

### **No School**

School will not be in session on Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day.

### **Prom**

Prom will take place on Friday, May 9 from 6:30 -10:30 pm at Sheldon Calvary Camp. Dinner will be at 7:00 pm. The cost of a prom ticket is \$50.00 for a single and \$85.00 for a couple.

There will be **NO School for juniors and seniors this day.** A freshman or sophomore is able to attend only if they have been invited by a junior or senior and will be dismissed from classes after 5th period.

### **AWARDS**

#### **Class of 2025 Awards Program**

The Awards Ceremony for seniors will take place on Wednesday, May 21 at 12:30 pm in the Saint John Gym.

#### **Awards for students in grades 7-11**

The Awards Ceremony for grades 7-11 will take place on Thursday, May 29 at 12:30 pm. Students in grades 7-11 will be in person in the gymnasium to receive their awards. All are invited.

#### **Awards for students in K-6**

Awards Ceremony for grades K-6 will take place on Tuesday, June 3 at 11:00 am. Students will receive grade- specific awards in classrooms prior to the group award program. As part of the program we will have a moving-up ceremony. We would ask that the 6<sup>th</sup> grades dress-up that day so we can recognize them as they move to the junior high/high school program. There will also be a breakfast for 6<sup>th</sup> graders that morning.

### **CLASS OF 2025**

#### **Senior Celebration**

The seniors and their kindergarten buddies will be celebrating together on Wednesday, May 7 at 1:00 pm in the high school gym. All are welcome to the program to celebrate the senior class.

#### **Baccalaureate Mass**

This year, the Baccalaureate Mass will take place on Friday, May 23 at 11 am at Our Lady of Peace – Mount Carmel Church. Bishop David Bonnar will be the celebrant.

### **Graduation**

Commencement will be on Friday, May 23 at 7:00 pm in the school gymnasium. All of the activities are open to all of our Saint John families.

**There will be No School for grades 7-11 on this day.**

#### **Pre-Kindergarten Graduation**

PK will hold their graduation ceremony on Thursday, May 29 in the high school gym at 6:00 pm.

### **Field Day**

Field Day for students in grades 7-12 will be held on Friday, May 16. Details will be sent home with students and via the weekly e-newsletter.

### **Fun Day**

The Fun Day for Students in grades K-6 will be held on Thursday, June 4th. Details will be sent home with students closer to the day. The day will include a variety of activities and includes lunch for all of the students. Also, please consider volunteering to help on this day. See the PTO news for more information and come to the PTO meeting on May 6.

### **Looking Ahead**

We will be hosting music camps, a tennis camp and a reading camp the week of June 9. Details and the link to register will be in the weekly enews.



### New ACT Dates...

Test Date  
**June 14, 2025**

Regular Registration Deadline  
**May 9, 2025**

Late Registration Deadline  
**May 26, 2025**

(Late Registration Fee Required) (Photo Upload Deadline)

#### FEES

ACT (No Writing)	\$69.00	Standby Testing	ADD \$69.00	Additional Score Reports	ADD \$19.00
ACT Plus Writing	\$94.00	Test Option Change	ADD \$25.00		
Late Registration	ADD \$38.00	Change Fee	ADD \$44.00		

Visit [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) for online registration and practice resources.  
Students are required to upload a photo at time of registration.

### SAT TESTING DATES

Test Date  
**June 7, 2025**

Regular Registration Deadline  
**May 22, 2025**

Late Registration Deadline  
**May 27, 2025**

(Late Registration Fee Required)

#### FEES

SAT Test	\$68.00	Cancel Registration	ADD \$29.00
Late Registration	ADD \$34.00	Late Cancel Registration	ADD \$39.00
Change Registration	ADD \$30.00		

Students are required to upload a photo at time of registration.  
Visit [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org) for online registration and practice resources.

**For all ACT & SAT dates, please check the school website.**

### SENIORS

Attention Seniors: local scholarships will start to trickle in to the Guidance office, so make sure to check your email, Google classroom, and the Guidance Office for applications.  
Also, please save and turn in a copy of all college acceptance letters and scholarship award letters even if you do not plan to attend the college or accept the scholarship offer.

### Testing

#### AP Testing Dates

May 6th - AP Govt 12pm - 3:30pm

May 7th - AP English Literature - 7:45 - 12pm

May 14th - AP English Language - 7:45 - 12pm

Testing will be in the conference room this year. Students will need to come with their **school issued Chromebooks charged**.  
Additional information will be sent to AP teachers and or students.

#### Attention Seniors - Important Dates and Information for Graduation:

Local scholarships are continuing to come into the Guidance Office, please check your Senior Guidance Google Classroom and your emails for information. Paper copies are available in the Guidance Office. Please contact the Guidance Department for more information. Please keep checking your Senior booklet for the upcoming important dates.

#### Summer Hours:

The Guidance Department will be in the office until **June 13th**, after which time they will have limited hours and checking emails and voicemails. During the month of June the Guidance Department will be meeting with new families and finishing up the school year, please contact us for our availability. The Guidance Department will return to the office on **August 4th** to begin preparing for the new school year. We hope that you have a wonderful summer break and look forward to seeing you in August! Happy Summer Break Heralds!!

#### Summer To Do List for rising Sophomores and Juniors:

Book your college visits now! Summer is an excellent time for you and your families to visit colleges and universities. You might want to stop by the Guidance Department for help to plan your summer visits! We look forward to seeing you in the fall and hearing about your visits!

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**And keep up to date by visiting our website:**

[www.sjheralds.org](http://www.sjheralds.org)

Monthly Newsletter can be viewed on website



### CAMPUS MINISTRY CORNER

Tuesday, May 6 we will have our closing Mass of the year. As part of this Mass, we will thank Mary, the mother of Jesus, for watching over us this year and recognize our senior class as they begin the next part of life's journey. Students in the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade who have made their First Holy Communion are invited to wear their First Communion attire as the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will process as part of the liturgy. Mass will be at 9:45 am. All are welcome to attend.

Thursday, May 1 the Kindergarten class along with their Senior Buddies will be traveling to Windsor to visit the Servants of Mary Shrine.

Saturday, June 7 at 10:30 am at the Youngstown Cathedral, Deacon Travis Seagraves will be Ordained into the Priesthood. All are invited to attend.

Friday, June 27 students will be attending the Steubenville Youth Conference. The Steubenville Youth Conference is a 3 day trip. This year's theme is "Consumed" by the Spirit. Approximately 3,000 teens gather from all around the country for a weekend of Encounter, Conversion, and Community. Most events include music by a Christian-rock band. Events consist of Mass, Adoration, Confession opportunities, guest speakers, games, food, free time and concerts.

JOURNEY  
OF  
*Faith*



# STORIES & STORAGE...


True to our  Committed to our  
Past Future  
*The Campaign for Saint John School*


Can you help keep the "BALL" rolling with **Books And Lockers** for our PK-12 students as we near completion of *The Campaign for Saint John School*?

With your \$200 sponsorship, you can provide 10 books for the Elementary Library or a locker for the new Student Center. Special recognition includes dedication bookplates and designated locker magnets.

Let's cross the campaign finish line together, Heralds!

For More Information

 [www.sjheralds.org/support](http://www.sjheralds.org/support)

 440-997-5531 x236

[kkitchen@sjheralds.org](mailto:kkitchen@sjheralds.org)



## **St. John Boece Tournament**

**Saturday, May 24 2025**

**(Rain Date: Sunday, May 25)**

Hosted by Sons of Italy #1169

1412 Columbus Ave, Ashtabula, OH 44004

**Double Elimination – Games play to 15**

**Free Comeback Tournament**

**Payout goes to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place**

**Entry Fee: \$200 per team**

**(Includes t shirt and food)**

Deadline for Entries: May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025

To Enter: Please contact Ali Rocco- Phone: 440-536-2838 Email: [alirocco2@gmail.com](mailto:alirocco2@gmail.com)

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## **Run for the Nun 5K and ½ Mile Kids Fun Run \*Chinese Auction\* May 31, 2025**

Location: Lakeshore Park Registration: 7:30 a.m.-8:45 a.m. Fun Run: 8:45 a.m. 5K: 9:00 a.m.  
Course:

The 5K course will be a two-loop road course that will feature scenic views of Lakeshore Park and Lake Erie. The kids fun run will be an out-and back course. The start and finish of each race will take place at the Main Pavilion.

Registration: Online race pre-registration is available.

All 5k and fun run participants are guaranteed a race themed shirt if pre-registered by May 15th. Shirts will be subject to availability to those who register after May 15th.

Fees: Pre-registration: \$20 Race day registration: \$25 Kids fun run: \$10

Awards: Top 3 overall male and female finishers and top 3 in each age group: 14 & under, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70 and over. \*\*Top male and female St. John alumni or current St. John student will have their name and finishing time engraved on a plaque which will be displayed at St. John School. \*\*

Kids Fun Run: All participants will receive a participation ribbon.

All proceeds will benefit the athletic programs at Saint John School



For more information, contact race director: Jeremy Dunn 440-415-3866

Run from the Nun 5K Make Checks payable to: St. John School Mail to St. John School in c/o  
Jeremy Dunn 7911 Depot Rd. Ashtabula, OH 44004

# Activity Calendar

## May 2025

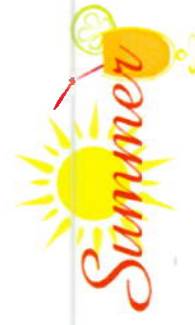


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 Junior High Field Trip to Chicago	5	6 End of the Year May Crowning Mass 9:45 am PTO Meeting - 6 pm Parent Ambassadors Meeting - 8:00 am	7 Senior Celebration Day	1 Kindergarten & Senior Field Trip to Our Lady of Guadalupe 2:00—6:00 pm 8 3rd Grade Field Trip to the Cleveland Zoo	2 Junior High Field Trip to Chicago 9 PROM No school for Juniors & Seniors	3 Junior High Field Trip to Chicago Hall of Fame Dinner 10 Catholic Charities Men who Cook Project Grow
11 	12	13 Senior Exams Band Concert 6:00 pm	14	15	16 Field Day Grades 7-12	17
18	19	20	21 Senior Awards Day 12:30 pm	22 Lottery Dress Down Day	23 Baccalaureate Mass— 11:00 am Mt. Carmel Church Commencement 7:00 pm - HS Gym No School - Gr. 7-11	24 Bocce Tournament Sons of Italy
25	26 Memorial Day NO SCHOOL 	27	28	29 Grades 7-11 Awards Day-12:30pm High School Gym Pre-School Graduation 6:00 pm in HS Gym	30 Exams - Grades 7-11	31 Run for the Nun

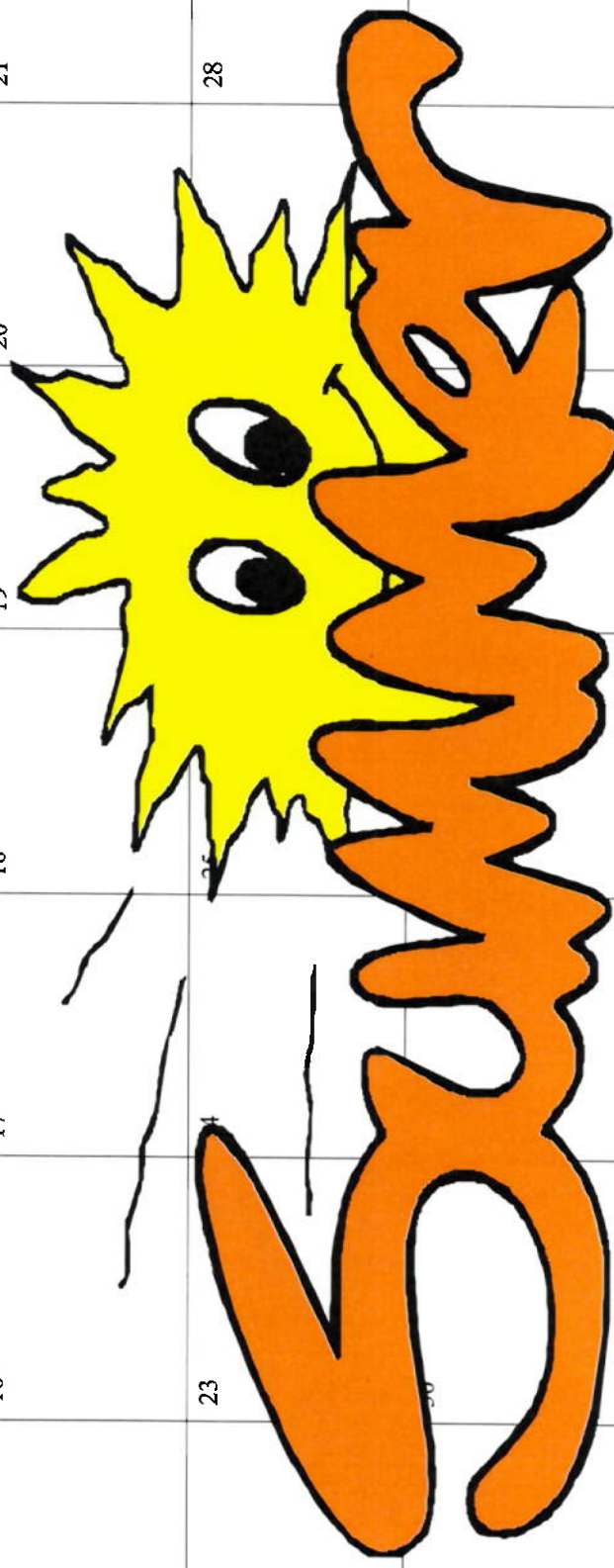
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## June 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Awards Day K-6—11:00 am Exams Grades 7-11	3 PTO Meeting 6:00 pm Exams Grades 7-11	4 Fun Day Grades K-6 Last Day of School	5	6	7
8	9 Grades K-3 Reading/Math Camp Music Camp Tennis Camp	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5



# Lunch Menu

## May 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 Garden Salad	5 Chicken Parmesan Salad Roll Mixed Fruit Milk	6 Hamburgers Tator Tots Corn Pears Milk	7 Rigatoni Salad Breadstick Peaches Milk	1 Ham & Cheese OR PB&J French Fries Green Beans Applesauce Milk	2 Pizza Salad Fruit Cookie Milk	3
11 Fruited Chicken Salad	12 Mac & Cheese Slider Celery & Carrots Pineapple Milk	13 Chicken Fajita Wrap OR PB&J Mini Tacos Refried Beans Fruit Cup Milk	14 Shells Salad Bread Banana Milk	8 Teriyaki Chicken Brown Rice Broccoli Oranges Milk	9 Pizza Salad Fruit Cookie Milk	10
18 Summer Strawberry Salad	19 BBQ Pork OR PB&J Baked Beans Salad Apple Wedges Milk	20 Taco Salad Quesadilla Corn Oranges Milk	21 Rotini Salad Roll Peaches Milk	15 Turkey Sandwich OR PB&J Potato Wedges Baby Carrots Diced Peaches Milk	16 Pizza Salad Fruit Cookie Milk	17
25 NO SALADS	26 NO SCHOOL	27 Pepperoni Ball Pasta Salad Carrots Applesauce Milk	28 Penne Pasta Salad Breadstick Pears Milk	22 Chicken Strips Biscuit California Blend Grapes Milk	23 Pizza Salad Fruit Cookie Milk	24
				29 Hot Dogs Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Fruit Cup Milk	30 Pizza Salad Fruit Cookie Milk	31

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# Lunch Menu

## June 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 NO SALADS	2 Chicken Nuggets Mac & Cheese Salad Pineapple Milk	3 Hamburgers Tator Tots Corn Fruit Milk	4 FUNDAY Pizza Salad Fruit Cookie Milk	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					