



Enjoy New York, New York! without all the snow :) Have an amazing time at the Gala this Saturday, February 28th. Thank you for all the hard work by our wonderful volunteers!

[See Flyer Below!](#)



There's Still Time to Purchase Gala Raffle Tickets or Make a Donation - [Click Here!](#)

WE CANNOT WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!!

Thursday, February 26 is SPIRIT SHIRT DAY!



Students who bought a t-shirt to support the 8th grade can wear this year's spirit shirt and non-uniform bottoms.

If you did not purchase a Spirit Shirt, you must wear your uniform.



Stations of The Cross is every Friday at 2pm during Lent. **There will be NO CHECKOUTS from 1:45pm-2:45pm.** Please check-out your students before or after Stations of The Cross.

THANK YOU!



ORDER YOUR yearbook

[The yearbook store is open! Buy your 25-26 Yearbook NOW!](#) Please, see the flyer below. Prices are tiered by date when you place your order.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Rivera-Smith at: krivera@stjohnb.com.

Upcoming Events

Feb 26: Spirit Shirt Day!

Feb 27: Stations of the Cross, 2pm

Feb 28: St. John's School GALA!!

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March 2: Advisory Council, 6pm

March 3: MAP Fluency Testing K5 and 1st Grade

March 4: School Mass at 8:30am

March 6: Stations of the Cross, 2pm

March 6: Beauty & the Beast Jr, pm

March 7: Beauty & the Beast Jr, 2pm & 7pm



"Beauty & the Beast Jr", TICKETS are now on sale! [CLICK HERE](#) to choose and purchase your seats. Choose carefully, because we can't exchange them for you once

you've purchased them. We will have an intermission, concessions, and a photo booth. **We're looking forward to seeing you there!**



[The Choose Act application portal is OPEN for the 26-27 school year and will close on March 31.](#) Choose Act applications for the 26-27

school year are still based on income limits as noted on the website. [Click Here](#) to see income limits. [Click Here](#) to go to the CHOOSE Act Alabama website.

Families seeking funds for utilization of the Choose Act must also apply to St. John's by completing our [26-27 application](#).



Mercy Parish Bless Fest 2026 May 2-3 Most Merciful Parish from 9am-4pm. [Visit our facebook page](#) to follow our vendors and updates on the event.

ST. JOHN'S 27TH ANNUAL BENEFIT GALA

NEW YORK, NEW YORK!

Saturday, Feb. 28, 2026
5:30p - 12:00a
VBC Saturn Ballroom

FEATURING



MUSIC CITY
DUELING PIANOS

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!

See <https://benefitgala.info> for Raffle tickets and info about the entertainment and prizes

THREE MORE DAYS!



We can't wait to see you at the Gala this Saturday!
Here's what to know before you go:



Be on the lookout **this Saturday** for an email with final instructions about the event



You can still buy **Raffle tickets** on our website or at the Cashier's Desk at the Gala!

Raffle tickets cannot be added to your bidder number; you'll pay for it separately. All other Gala purchases can be placed on your Givi/bidder number account.



Put a credit card on file!

You must have a card on file to participate in the Silent Auction.

Log into the Givi app or Bloomerang website using the email you used to register to add a payment method.



The Gala is better in the app!

Log into the Givi app with the email address you used at registration to access our silent auction, view your account, check your balance, and check out at the event.

See the QR code below to download the app!



Click me
Scan me
Here

Givi or registration questions? Contact
Kathleen Lavalley at
Kathleen.Lavalley@stjohnb.com

Questions? Contact Co Chairs David Lavalley & Nikki Armstrong | chairs@benefitgala.info | 256.690.2727

PTO update

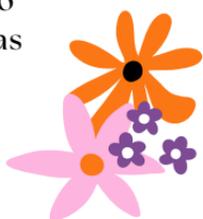
February 25, 2026

NEWSLETTER



SPRING FLING COMMITTEE INFO MEETING

Interested in being involved in Spring Fling? Join us on Thursday, February 26 at 6pm in the school library to brainstorm ideas and learn how you can be involved!



VALENTINA'S PIZZA PARTY WINNERS

Congrats to our classroom winners for the most involvement at the Valentina's Spirit Night on Wednesday, February 4th!

Elementary School

**Mrs. Sommer's
Kindergarten Class**

Middle School

**Mrs. Fuller's 6th
Grade Homeroom**



Upcoming Events

February

Thursday, 26th
Spring Fling
Interest Meeting
Library - 6pm

March

Saturday, 7th
School Play
Beauty & the Beast
Cafeteria

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Volunteering for PTO is a great way to support students and teachers while staying actively involved in your child's education. It also helps you build connections with other families and make a positive impact on the school community.



PTO is currently recruiting for the 2026/2027 School Year

- PTO Secretary
- Spirit Night Coordinator
- Used Uniform Co-Chair

Questions?

Email PTO@stjohnb.com

*Together
We Can!*



FOLLOW SJS PTO ON FACEBOOK FOR
THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION!

Informational Session

St. John's School Advisory Council

Please prayerfully consider the ministry of the council as a way to give your gift of time.

2 MARCH 2026	6:00 PM
	St. John's Library

The St. John the Baptist School Advisory Council will be holding an open information session for prospective members on **Monday, March 2nd at 6:00pm** in the school library.

The Advisory Council serves an important mission as advisors to the Principal and the Pastor. The Council also helps promote the school, build consensus with the parish, and develop strategic plans and goals for the school.

School employees and their spouses, PTO officers, and members of the same household are not eligible to be members. Advisory Council members must be acting members at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, but you are not required to be a parent at the school.

Please prayerfully consider the ministry of the council as a way to give your gift of time.

A Trip Around The World

March 26, 2026



"A Trip Around the World"



Celebrating the many cultures at St. John's

Entertainment, Delicious Samples, and tons of FUN!



Thursday, March 26, 2026

6:00- 7:30 PM

SAVE THE DATE!

St. John the Baptist Catholic School is excited to host "A Trip around the World" on Thursday, March 26, 2026 celebrating the diverse cultures within our school community.

Families are invited to attend and may participate by hosting a cultural table, sharing a sample of a traditional dish, wearing traditional attire, or performing a cultural song or dance.

Families interested in hosting a table or performing should email their name and country to Mrs. Rivera-Smith at krivera@stjohnb.com and/or Mrs. Nancy Arzonico at narzonico@stjohnb.com



ORDER A YEARBOOK

ANCHORED IN HOPE

Captured in Memories!

Tier 1: Now through February 27th

UNAVAILABLE
\$45

Tier 2: Orders placed February 28th - April 10th

\$49

Tier 3: Orders placed April 11th - May 22nd

\$53

Personalization is an additional \$6 per book.

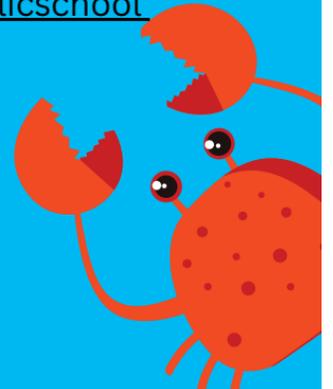
Please make sure the names are correctly entered,
for that will be how they will appear on the book.

To order a book visit the link or scan the QR code below:

<https://shop.yearbookmarket.com/stjohnthebaptistcatholicschool>



ST JOHN'S





FIRST STOP



Once a month, SVDP cooks and serves a nice breakfast for our homeless friends at the FirstStop Center downtown.

The food we serve is all freshly cooked, but we have several items that are disposable and we need a new supply each month.

These items include the following:

- 1. Take out food plastic utensil packets.** They may include a fork, knife, spoon, napkin, salt and pepper. They may just be a fork in plastic. As long as the packet is sealed, we can use it.
- 2. Disposable salt/pepper shaker sets** (often used for cookouts/picnics. Also, single serve salt and peppers are very useful as well.
- 3. Disposable napkins.** Nothing fancy, everyday napkins are the most useful.
- 4. Sturdy disposable plates** that can handle a full sized hot breakfast. We usually purchase a pack of 150 each month and use about 120 of them.
- 5. Small disposable cups** for juice or milk, we usually purchase 100 small styrofoam cups each month, but there are other small cup options.



Thank you



First Stop is a place of support, dignity, and hope for individuals experiencing homelessness in the Tennessee Valley. Each day, we provide meals, resources, and individualized support in a safe and welcoming environment. More than a service provider, **First Stop** is a starting point where people are met with compassion, listened to with respect, and supported as they take meaningful steps toward stability and independence.