

# Weekly NEWSLETTER



St. John the Baptist Catholic School - [www.stjohnb.com](http://www.stjohnb.com)

April 1, 2026



*Happy Easter*  
HE IS RISEN

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

- John 3:16

## Upcoming Events

April 2: Holy Thursday, Dismissal at 1pm, NO BASC

April 3: Good Friday, NO SCHOOL

April 5: **Easter Sunday**

April 7: ARK Testing

April 8: School mass at 8:30am

April 13: ARK Testing

April 14: PTO Meeting, 6pm

April 15: School Mass, 8:30am

April 15: **Principals of the Day**

April 16-17: Career Day

April 20: Map Testing



## Meet the Principals of the Day!

Zoe & Quinn Walker

2026

April 15, 2026



## St. John's Career Day for Grades 4-8, on

April 17. It is never too early to think about careers. Are you interested in sharing information about your career? If you, or someone you know, would like to participate in our Career Day, email Mrs. Arzonico at: [narzonico@stjohnb.com](mailto:narzonico@stjohnb.com)



See Flyer Below



ORDER YOUR yearbook

The yearbook store is open! Buy your 25-26 Yearbook NOW!

Prices are tiered by date when you place your order. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Rivera-Smith at: [krivera@stjohnb.com](mailto:krivera@stjohnb.com)



"The Eucharist is the supreme proof of the love of Jesus. After this, there is nothing more but Heaven itself." —St. Peter Julian Eymard

First Communion is April 25th at: 10am and 1:30pm in the Church

## Mercy Parish Bless Fest 2026

May 2-3, 2026

Most Merciful Parish, 9am-4pm  
[Visit our facebook page](#) to follow our vendors and see updates. All proceeds help build our new church.



# Meet the Principals of the Day!

**Zoe & Quinn Walker**

# 2026

**April 15, 2026**



- **OUT OF UNIFORM DAY** for all students! (Date will be announced.)
- Bring your favorite stuffie to school.
- **NO HOMEWORK or TESTS!** A day focused on fun, creativity, and community.
- **ANYTHING BUT A BACKPACK CHALLENGE** – Get creative! (Laundry baskets, wagons, totes, etc.)
- **TEACHERS WEAR JEANS DAY** (Date to be announced.)
- Metal water bottles allowed for Middle Schoolers!
- **RECESS DECREE & SPONTANEOUS DANCE PARTY:**  
Elementary – 5 extra minutes;  
Middle School – 25-minute recess.



- **TEACHERS & STAFF DONUT DAY** – Free coffee & donuts provided.



Thanks to the Walker Family for making this day possible.

St. John the Baptist Catholic School

# Spring

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2026

SATURDAY

11:00AM  
TO 2:00PM

SAVE THE DATE

ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL FIELD		GAMES - FOOD TRUCKS - ARTS & CRAFTS - CASH RAFFLE PRIZES - CONTESTS & SPECIAL GUESTS!
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PRESENTED BY ST. JOHN'S PTO

[pto@stjohnb.com](mailto:pto@stjohnb.com)



2026 SPRING FLING



# RAFFLE TICKET



\$10 PER TICKET | 3 TICKETS FOR \$20

To purchase, please return to your child's teacher or the school office by April 29th. Make checks payable to "St. John's PTO" and place in an envelope addressed to the PTO. Tickets are also available in the school office, at Friday morning carline, and will be sold the day of Spring Fling. Winner will be announced at Spring Fling. You do not need to be present to win.

**This year's raffle winner will take home 25% of the raffle ticket sales!**

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## St. John's Career Day

In preparation for our Career Days in April, our students are discussing careers during their guidance classes this month.

On April 16, students in K4-1st grades will enjoy Community Helper Career Day and meet with local firefighters, police officers and EMTs to learn about what they do and to see their vehicles.

*Students in grade K4-3rd are encouraged to dress up on April 16, to represent a career of their choice.*

On April 17, students in 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grades will have a more in depth explanation and demonstration of what an EMT does.

Also on April 17, students in grades 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades will participate in a Career Fair. These students will enjoy an opportunity to speak with people from our community representing various careers.

If you are interested in volunteering as one of our speakers for our Career Fair on April 17, please let me know and I will send you details.

Nancy Arzonico  
School Counselor  
[narzonico@stjohnb.com](mailto:narzonico@stjohnb.com)





**ALL DONATIONS for FirstStop monthly breakfast can be dropped off in the labeled basket outside the SVDP pantry in the church basement.**

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 several items 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.



JPII ATHLETICS



# MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS PARENT MEETING

**Sunday, April 12, 2026**

**2:00 PM–3:00 PM**

**AT JPII GYM**

For all current 6th & 7th graders attending a JPII Partner School (Holy Family, Holy Spirit, and St John the Baptist) interested in playing sports next school year. This meeting will cover information on all available sports, eligibility requirements, and current coaches will be available to answer questions.

**Contact [bplott@jp2falcons.org](mailto:bplott@jp2falcons.org) with questions**

# Alabama Department of Revenue (ALDOR) Tax Incentives Available

For 550 students currently in Catholic Schools across the Diocese of Birmingham, choosing Catholic education has been made possible by scholarships from Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGOs) created under the Alabama Accountability Act.

Thousands of generous people have elected to have a portion of the taxes they already owe to the State of Alabama redirected to SGOs that fund the scholarships. It is that generosity that has provided Catholic education to students without the means to choose. **The funding from these organizations continues to be vitally important even with the implementation of the AL Choose Act.**

## how to make a tax credit gift



To become one of these generous donors and receive a tax credit:

- Create/Login to your account at [myalabamataxes.alabama.gov](https://myalabamataxes.alabama.gov)
- Under Tax Incentives (Manage Tax Incentives), choose “report a donation to an SGO” and select/provide a donation to one of the following SGOs who partner with our school. You may donate to multiple agencies, but each credit must be entered separately. *Please note donation limits identified by ALDOR.*
- Mail your check with the coupon below to the applicable SGO. Donations received **through June 30, 2026** will be applied to scholarships granted for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Once your donation is verified by the SGO, you will receive a letter from ALDOR confirming the tax credit.
- For detailed instructions provided by the Diocese of Birmingham, [Click Here](#).

### Scholarships for Kids

P.O. Box 10204  
Birmingham, AL 35202

<https://www.scholarshipsforkids.org>

### Rocket City SGO

PO Box 18154  
Huntsville, AL 35804

<https://rocketsgo.org>

### C2 Opportunity Scholarships

PO Box 59188  
Birmingham, AL 35259

<https://www.csquaredscholarships.org>

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