

Saint John the Baptist Catholic School

Established 1914

Home of the Saints since 2018



School Newsletter
December 13, 2023

Phone 715.352.3000

Address 125 N 4th Avenue
Edgar, WI 54426

Website www.edgarcatholic.org

Facebook St. John the Baptist
Catholic Church & School
#SaintJohnSaints

The mission of Saint John the Baptist Catholic School is to educate God's children and promote Catholic values through academic excellence and service to others.

Upcoming School/Parish Events

December 17 - Christmas Program and Social
Held in St. John's Church @ 1pm

December 20 - Christmas Caroling/Jesu Vesperi

December 22 - NO SCHOOL

Teacher In-Service

December 25-January 1 - NO SCHOOL

January 1 - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

January 2 - Classes Resumes

Jesu Vesperi

"Jesu Vesperi" is latin and is translated to "Evening with Jesus". Hosted by the Archangel Youth Group, we invite kids of all ages, parents included! You do not need to sign up, simply show up, have fun, and enjoy great fellowship!

Christmas Program

We will be having our Christmas program on December 17th. It begins at 1pm and we will have a social following the program. We invite all families, friends and grandparents to the program. Please make sure to see the Christmas Social Sign-up linked in the email.



Cold Weather

Wisconsin winter is in full swing with our latest snowfall. Please make sure to send your child(ren) with the appropriate weather gear: jackets, gloves, hats, boots and warm clothes. We have extra gloves and hats in the office if forgotten. If a student forgets their snow gear, they will not be able to play in the snow.

School Staff Contact Info

Father Alan - pastor@stjohnedgar.org
Jessica Halvorsen - principal@stjohnedgar.org
Juan Martinez - secretary@stjohnedgar.org
Kris Riehle - kriehle@stjohnedgar.org
Jenna Martin - jennamartin@stjohnedgar.org
Catherine Martinez - cmartinez@stjohnedgar.org
Janelle Haupt - jhaupt@stjohnedgar.org
Jean Lemmer - jlemmer@stjohnedgar.org
Brenda Werner - bwerner@stjohnedgar.org
Jane Bergs - jbergs@stjohnedgar.org
Ashley Michlig - amichlig@stjohnedgar.org
June Wozny - jwozny@stjohnedgar.org
Jennifer Karlen - jkarlen@stjohnedgar.org
Lois Wierzba - lwierzba@stjohnedgar.org
Baylie Neider - bneider@stjohnedgar.org
Julie Seubert - jseubert@stjohnedgar.org

Progress and STAR Reports

Progress reports (**5K through 8th grade**) and STAR reports (**4K through 8th grade**) will be sent home today. Please be on the lookout for the reports. Due to Parent/Teacher conferences in 1st and 3rd quarter there are no STAR reports sent home, but there will be STAR reports sent home 2nd and 4th quarter. Please sign the progress and STAR reports and send back to school. If you have any questions regarding the progress reports or the STAR reports, please reach out to your student(s) teacher(s) or Mrs. Halvorsen.



newsletter

Monthly Memo from The Principal

December 13th, 2023



Christmas is Upon Us

With the Advent season upon us and many things happening at school and home, there is a feeling of Christmas in the air!

St. Nicholas visited on his feast day December 6th. It was a wonderful visit and he spoke with all the classrooms about how he became the very first Santa Claus!

Of course, the visit wouldn't be complete without questions about how he comes down the chimney, why he wasn't wearing red and where he gets his magic from!

But we all know the real reason he was so generous... his love for GOD!

"When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy."

Matthew 2:10

Behind the Scenes

Teachers and students have been hard at work behind the scenes on our Christmas Pageant' Miracle on Main Street!

From practicing the music to getting into character, they have all been working hard and can't wait to share the miracle on Sunday, December 17th at 1:00 pm in St. John's Church!



MORE TO KNOW...

THANK YOU

HUGE Thank You to the families who donated to the new playground! The students are enjoying it!

Thank you to families for donating the funds in memory of Frank and Jolanta Jagodzinski, Sue Ballerstein, Lawrence & Winifred Brzezinski, and Kurt Brzezinski to purchase the playground equipment!



Justin Kunze Family for donating the excavation services, Gary and Kathy Schueller for donating the timbers, and Gordy Steiber at Morgan Sand and Gravel for donating the pea rock. We greatly appreciate it and wouldn't have been able to complete this project without you!



WINTER WONDERINGS

As the weather continues to change, please be mindful to **send all winter gear with your student(s)** including a **winter coat, snow pants, hats, mittens/gloves and snow boots**. I know it may not feel cool in the cold weather to drag all the gear to school but it is necessary. **Teachers are asking for parents help** to remind students to have proper gear and to bring it to school regularly. If they have two sets and one should stay at school that is great!

For the all grades, there are hats and mittens donated in the office if some are forgotten. For the upper grades, it is important to have boots as they are **not allowed on snow without them per the St John's Student Handbook** and if they do not have proper gear consistently they may be asked to serve **detention**.

Teachers have the final say whether students may remove their gear due to warm weather, but if they do not have it then it becomes a problem. Thank you for your support on this one!

HOW TO KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING...

We try to communicate as much as possible, but with so much going on we've had feedback to find a **SINGULAR** place **where parents and family can 'be in the know'** about what's going on for your student(s)! So we've created a **St John's School Google Calendar!**

1. If you are a Google Geek like me and live and breathe by your google calendar, you can go to the school website and **subscribe to the calendar** with the **Google Calendar Invite Link** above the calendar on the Calendar Page <https://edgarcatholic.org/stj/school/calendar/>
2. OR you can **print** it out by clicking the **Print button** in the upper right corner of the calendar. [From there you can hang it on your fridge!](#)

We'll do our best to have it up to date before each month begins!