



Spirit Express



From the desk of Mr. Rausch

April 2024

Dates to Remember!

- * April 19- Field Trips-
(Gr. K & 3/4)
- * April 23-BOCE Meeting-
7:30pm
- * April 24-27 8th Grade DC
Trip
- * April 26- NO JEC/
Latchkey
- * April 30- Elementary
Spring Concert (Gr. 1-4) -
6:30pm
- * May 7- Track & Field
Day-(Gr. 1-8)
- * May 10- 4th Grade Wax
Museum
- * May 13th-17th- Book Fair
- * May 14th- MS Spring
Concert (Gr. 5-8) -6:30pm
- * May 15th- 3 & 4's PK
Celebration- 6pm
- * May 16th- Alt. K
Celebration/Kindergarten
Graduation- 6pm
- * May 16th- Super Games
- * May 17th- Walk a Thon
- * May 21st- 8th Grade
Graduation- 6:30pm
- * May 22nd- Last Day (K-8)
Early release 12:00- No
PM bussing

Springflowers...K...Momma
JinnyGrandma Rausch and Grandma
Clark! -Isaiah 66:13 "As a mother comforts
her child, so I will comfort you."

Planting in the spring always
reminds me of the pillars in my life that
are women. Women who have played a
pivotal role in my faith development.

Mother's day is coming and
flowers are always a part of what my mom
asks for. A flat, mixed annuals made up of
all different species. Time with her to
make sure they are in the ground and
watered. Time to reflect on what she has
taught and continues to teach me. We have
a good time; crying, laughing, and making
memories that are fun!

Mom really taught me about the
earth and how to care for it. She taught me
about being humble, and kind, and about
family. Little lessons like seeds that
occasionally sprout, need pruned and well,
you get the picture. What have you learned
from wise women in your life?

Grandma Rausch, at 94 touched
me last night as I stopped to get a hug. I
didn't expect wisdom but she taught me a
lesson: that of ambition. To keep my
ambition and to do so fervently for the
Lord. She is one of the gentlest, kindest,

hard working women I have ever known. She also
has a great laugh and still has fun playing cards
and quilting. Oh and she still makes good cookies!!

What would I do to sit and pull marigold
seeds out of the deadheads with Grandma Clark? I
would do a lot!! She was a funny "little lady" who
had patience like Job. She raised eight children and
always had an awesome, huge garden. She canned
and pickled and could whip up a mean goulash with
Beefsteak tomatoes and bacon. She, like my mother,
walked her faith in her actions; her smile, her
patience and charm.

My other mom, Sylvia, likes any flower
that is yellow! She is wise in the word and slow to
anger. And, I can not fail to mention my wife; the
mother of our children and constant reminder of
patience, hard work, and dedication! By the way,
she likes fresh cut flowers and lets me be the
greenhand around the house!

Reach out to the motherlike figures in
your life. Plant or buy them some seeds, fresh cuts,
or a pot or two of their favorite things that grow!!

-Proverbs 31:25-27 "Strength and honor
are her clothing; she is confident about the future.
Her mouth is full of wisdom; kindly teaching is on
her tongue. She is vigilant over the activities of her
household; she doesn't eat the food of laziness."

M. Rausch

National Lutheran Schools Week observed

God's work was among us as we
celebrated National Lutheran Schools
week here at St. John's March 18th-22nd.
St. John's is blessed to be a part of the
rich education provided by the Lutheran
Church Missouri Synod! As part of the
celebration students and staff

participated in many activities and
assemblies including Warrior games, The
Rope Warrior, guest authors visits with
Ashley Allen and Gary Schmidt.

Students rounded out the celebration with
an all school visit to Dragon Lanes. God has
blessed our lives so richly!



Congrats Science Fair Winners!

Our 6th and 8th grade students shared some wonderful new discoveries during the St. John's Lutheran School Science Fair on March 20th. Each student was judged on their knowledge of how they used the scientific method to complete their project. First and second place awards were given to the top two projects in each grade level.

A huge thank you to our judges this year: **Erin Blank, Austin Clarridge, Brian Cross, Jennifer Plahovinsak, and Melanie Ziegler**

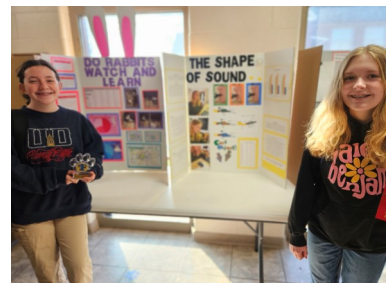
6th Grade Winners

1st Place: Kaylee Laasko
2nd Place: Rowan Lykins



8th Grade Winners

1st Place: Lilly Smith
2nd Place: Keira Dively



Exciting Visits!

The SJS Boys Basketball team was honored and humbled to receive an Official Senate Resolution congratulating them on their Lutheran State Basketball Championship. Many thanks to Senator Reineke and his staff for his time and the tour of the Statehouse!



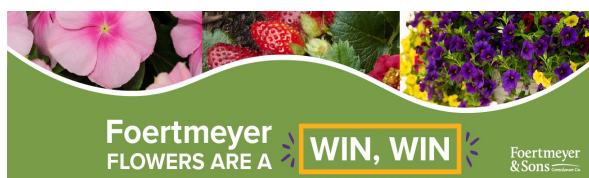
The same day Lt. Governor Jon Husted and second lady, Tina Husted visited St. John's to engage in a roundtable discussion with a few parents, students and other guests on the impact St. John's and the Ed Choice program has had on their children's education. We are grateful for this incredible experience!



Spring Flower Pick up

Thank you again for your support of CEA through successful flower fundraisers and events all year so we can provide fun activities for the school!

CEA spring flower pick up is May 4th. In an effort to minimize long lines and expedite the pick up process, we are asking that you select a time for pick up using this [sign up genius](#).



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Spring sports are under way!

2024 Track Schedule

- 4/19 Friday- Away @ Mechanicsburg, 5:00
- 4/25 Thursday- Away- TBD (North Union OR Fairbanks) 4:30 pm
- 5/2 Thursday-Home @ Fairbanks, 5:00
- 5/11 Saturday-Home COAL League Meet @ Fairbanks, 9:00 am

Please consider helping at our Track and Field events: **All of our "home" meets are held at Fairbanks.**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040448ABAD23AAFE3-48616433-track>

The Field events will be starting at 5:00 pm with running events beginning around 5:15/30 pm. If all goes as smooth and as planned, the event should be complete by 7:15/30 pm.

2024 Track and Field Members

Megan Bowsher

Keira Dively

Eli Ferrell

Jackson Firestone

Jade Kover

Ava Wirick

Audrey Clark

Lincoln Firestone

Laney Kieffer

Ava Landry

James Bowsher

Ethan Miller

Eve Plahovinsak

Allison Rausch

Annabelle Smith

McKain Thrush

Amy Mantey

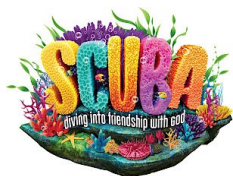
Brandon Miller

Nolan Miller

Cecelia Pagan



It's VBS time!



Sunday, June 9 -
Thursday, June 13
6:00-8:00pm

The VBS prep work days sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050E4FACAF29A7FC1-vbswork2>

The VBS week-of volunteer sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050E4FACAF29A7FC1-vbsvolunteering2>

The VBS Kids Registration Sign up (Google form); https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfL4KbA956_oB1s0MnBk6BLJE8VPSpYZ6c-r-PPWIrPwPh4dA/viewform?usp=sf_link

St. John's Picnic

Church & School Picnic

5.19.24
Save the Date!

Join us following the 11:00 service from noon to 3pm in the St. John's Gym and Cafeteria for a potluck, games, music, and prizes!

See you there!

Walk a Thon/Super Games~ Opportunities to Serve~

There are so many fun end of the year activities coming up and of course we can't pull off these fun events without your help!

Supergames is on May 16th and **Walk a Thon** is on May 17th this year! (In the past Supergames and Walk-a-thon have always been on the same day, but due to Supergames availability that wasn't possible this year.) If you haven't helped with SuperGames before it's a very fun day where our volunteers make sure the kids are following the rules on the inflatable or game at the station you are assigned to. Very easy and fun, Please sign up here : <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4AAEA62FA3F85-48850354-super>

We will be having Lil' E's Ice Cream truck for our treat station at SuperGames.

We will have Johnny Pop Rainbow Fruit Stacks as an alternative to anyone with food allergies or sensitivities. If you have a child who cannot have ice cream or Johnny Pops please email cea@sjsmarystown.org with a treat they CAN have or send in one and we will make sure they get it during their time. **Teacher Appreciation Week** is May 6-10th CEA will be providing treat and goodies for the teachers (this is where some of your fundraised money goes!).

We also encourage you to have your child send a nice note to their teacher or one of their favorite things (this is listed at the link here: [Teachers at St. John's School in Marysville Ohio | Christian School Teachers \(sjsmarystown.org\)](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4AAEA62FA3F85-49018253-lunch)) We will also be providing lunch coverage on Wednesday, May 8th and Friday, May 10th. If you are willing to come to the cafeteria from 10:15-12:30 to help make sure kids stay seated, put away trays and clean up after themselves so our teachers can relax during their lunch time we would appreciate it. Please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4AAEA62FA3F85-49018253-lunch>

The Walk-A-Thon is our Athletics Department's annual fundraiser to help support our middle school athletic programs. The Walk-A-Thon event will be on **Friday, May 17th, at St. John's from 12:45-2:40 pm**. Thank you for all your support as we finish out the busy end of the school year!



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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School (LC-MS)

Please join us for Worship!

Saturday evenings at 6:00pm, Sunday mornings at
9:00am (Church Sanctuary)

Contemporary Worship at 11:00am (Gymnasium)

Adult & Young Adult Bible Study, Youth & Children
Sunday School at 10am

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Ladies Art Class

Attention Budding Artists:

"Water Color Painting" is
the Ladies Aid Old School
Class that will be held
Sunday, May 5th, 3:00
PM, in the school
cafeteria. This class will
be taught by an artist
from the Marysville Art
League.

All are welcome! If
interested, please call or
text Brande Vollrath at
937 243 5289. It will be a
great afternoon!

April Birthday Blessings!

Remington Blewitt

Ada Anderson

Boston Hill

Jackson Vollrath

Lucas Monroe

Mabel Foster

Lillian Jackson

Cole Scheiderer

Tristan Waggoner

Theodore Warner

Joel Boehm

Hannah Walters



Sara Sivko

Ava Valentie

Logan Mason

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Elliott Monroe

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