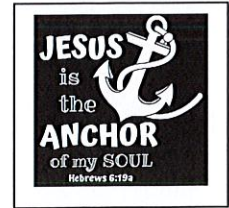


# Cougar Tracks



Mission Statement: St. John's Lutheran School provides quality Christ-centered education for the congregation and community to make and equip disciples of Jesus Christ.  
*Matthew 28:18-20*

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## Jesus is the Anchor of my SOUL

**We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf. Hebrews 6:19-20a**

[stjohnsredbud.org](http://stjohnsredbud.org)  
<http://fastdir.com/stjohnsredbud/>

**BIRTHDAYS:** **Students-** 2/17 – Brewer Krick, 2/18 – Lauren Mehring, 2/23 – Charles Liefer & Olivia Schilling. **Staff** – No staff birthdays this week.

**HALF-BIRTHDAYS:** **Students** – 8/18 – Carter Maloney. **Staff** – 8/17 – Kristi Martel.

**LUNCH:**

- Thurs. Feb 17 – Turkey wrap, carrots, chips, banana, and milk.
  - Fri. Feb 18 – Early dismissal, no lunch.
  - Mon. Feb 21 – President's Day – No School!
  - Tue. Feb 22 – Bagel breakfast pizza, hash brown, yogurt/fruit, granola bar, and milk.
  - Wed. Feb 23 – Taco soup, cheese, tortilla chips, oranges, and milk.
  - Thurs. Feb 24 – Chicken and noodles, peas, roll, mixed fruit, and milk.
  - Fri. Feb 25 – Chicken strips, cheesy broccoli, pineapple, cake, and milk.
- \*\*USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.\*\*

**ACOLYTES:**

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| Sat. Feb 19 – 5pm - Emily Bowles       | Sun. Feb 20 – 8am – Eve Schwartzkopf      |
|  | Sun. Feb 20 – 10:30am – Milla Neff        |
| Sat. Feb 26 – 5pm - Landon Ruebusch    | Sun. Feb 27 – 8am – Addelyn Rahn          |
|  | Sun. Feb 27 – 10:30am – Landon Kilpatrick |
| Wed. March 2 – 8:30am – Kade Liefer    | Wed. March 2 – 7pm – Ian Moll             |
| Sat. March 5 – 5pm - Liam Quintin      | Sun. March 6 – 8am – Austin Kiefer        |
|  | Sun. March 6 – 10:30am – Macie Brown      |
| Wed. March 9 – 8:30am – Brodie Stenzel | Wed. March 9 – 7pm – Case Hess            |
| Sat. March 12 – 5pm – Grayson Herriman | Sun. March 13 – 8am – Joey Biffar         |
|  | Sun. March 13 – 10:30am – Lilly Minemann  |

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Feb. 18 – 11:20am Early Dismissal Day | Feb. 18 – VB B Trny @ Home           |
| Feb. 18 – BBB Trny @ Christ Peoria    | vs. Okawville Jr High 7:00pm         |
| vs Bethel, Morton 2:00pm              | Feb. 21 – No School, President's Day |
| Feb. 18 – VB B Trny @ Home            | Feb. 22 – VB vs. Coulterville 6pm    |
| vs. RBES 5:00pm                       |                                      |

**EARLY DISMISSAL DAY:** Fri, Feb 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:20am. No lunch will be served, and after school care will not be available.

**HEART CHALLENGE:** The American Heart Association's Heart Challenge (also known as Jump Rope for Heart/Hoops for Heart) will take place on Fri. Feb 18th. Donation forms have been sent home with students.

**RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS DAY:** Plan to "make kindness the norm" on Thurs. Feb 17<sup>th</sup> to celebrate Random Acts of Kindness Day.

**SPECIAL DAY:** On Tue. Feb 22, 2-22-22, we will celebrate George Washington's 290<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Each classroom will have individual celebrations.

**SCHOOL MALL:** Materials for our School Mall program were sent home last week. Please read over everything and spread the word. By participating in this program students have the opportunity to earn fun prizes and teachers have the chance to earn classroom money. This program runs for a week and is 100% online. Its not too late to participate!

**SHOW ME DOUGH FUNDRAISER:** The Class of 2022 is asking for your help in their fundraising for their Washington D.C trip. They are selling Butter braids, cookie dough and pizza. Please see any 8th grade parent or order online with the link that is on Facebook. Orders must be received by Feb 28. Thank you in advance for your support, 8th grade parents.

**BOOK FAIR COORDINATOR NEEDED:** The PTL is looking for a book lover to coordinate our spring Scholastic book fair. Scholastic makes the process very easy! The coordinator would need to pick a date, organize shipment and setup, recruit volunteers to work the fair, etc. A dedicated Scholastic representative will walk you through the process step-by-step. This volunteer opportunity is open to anyone in our congregation interested in offering this great event to the students of St. John's. Please contact Chrystal Kiefer or the school office if you are interested in serving our school in this way!

**ATTENTION 2<sup>ND</sup> -5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CHOIR STUDENTS:** Please see the attached note regarding the opportunity to sing with the Singing Saints choir on Fri. March 11<sup>th</sup>. Students that plan to attend should return the slip to Mrs. Hudak.

**DINNER AUCTION DONATIONS:** The dinner auction committee is in need of bottles of wine. Please bring donations to the school office or call to arrange pick-up.

**ST. PAUL CHOIR:** The singing Saints choir will perform at church on Fri. March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**ANNUAL DINNER AUCTION:** Our annual dinner auction will be held Sat. March 19<sup>th</sup>. Reservation and donation forms were sent home with students. Please return them to the school office if you plan to attend at your earliest convenience. Extra forms are attached below and are available in the office. Thank you for your support!

**WINE TASTING EVENT -** The 8th-grade class is hosting a wine tasting event on April 1 from 6:00 - 9:00 at De Vinos Winery in Red Bud. A \$40 ticket includes a wine tasting highlighting fun U.S. President wine facts and a delicious charcuterie board. Please contact an 8th-grade family if you are interested in joining us for this night of fun and fellowship!

**GIRLS ON THE RUN:** This year Girls on the Run will host a site at Red Bud Elementary School. Throughout the season, girls learn how to set goals, build confidence, and create strong connections with their peers, coaches, and communities. Registration is now open and will run through Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> at midnight. Practices will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:15-4:45pm. More information is available in the office for those that are interested.

**SNOW DAYS:** In the event of inclement weather please watch local news stations and look for a remind to be sent out regarding school closures.

**BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE:** Before school care hours are 6:00am - 7:45am. **After school care hours are from the time of dismissal until 5:30pm.** Parents that have a child in daycare and BASC may use the daycare door entrance door number 11. All other BASC students will use the North bus door number 8 for drop off and pick up unless pick up is before 4:00pm, then you may use the main office door. A doorbell has been installed at door 8. This can be used to notify staff that you are here get your children. **On no school days OR 11:20 dismissal days, care will NOT be available.** There will be **NO** After School Care on the following days **Fri. Feb. 18, and Fri. March 25. On Thurs. April 14 Before school care is available but No after school care available due to the start of Easter break.** If you have any questions it is best to contact Mrs. Nebel via e mail, [cfnebel@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:cfnebel@stjohnsredbud.org) or Mr. Becker via email, [becker@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:becker@stjohnsredbud.org) or FastDirect. Monthly charges will be posted onto your FastDirect accounts. Please make checks out to St. John's Lutheran Before/After School Care.

**Students invited to sing with a professional choir!!**

**Dear Parents of Students in 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade,**

On Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, St. John's Lutheran Church is proud to host the "Singing Saints," a professional touring choir from St. Paul Lutheran High School in Concordia, MO. They will perform a concert that evening at 7 pm at the church. This 60-voiced choir is made up of high school students who love to sing and they are inviting the students to sing with them on one song!! The name of the song is "Look At the World" by well-known choral composer, John Rutter. The part that the students are singing is a fairly high-pitched part in the natural range of young and middle school students, so I am opening it up to ALL students (both boys and girls) in 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade. If there are any 6-8 graders with high voices who are interested as well, please let me know! Students will work on this song in choir and in their weekly music classes. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to learn how to sing "professional" choir music and get a chance to sing with a professional choir!!

**In order to get a good turn-out, I am enclosing a slip for you to print off indicating whether or not your child(ren) can sing.** Please fill it out and have them turn it into me. You can also let me know by FastDirect, phone call, text message, email, or word of mouth! I'd like to get a running total of all students who can join in this special event! Thank you and I look forward to hearing the students sing this beautiful song!

Check out this YouTube video of a performance of "Look At The World" with a children's choir singing with an adult choir!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MKO0dNdO11A>

Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

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My child(ren), \_\_\_\_\_,

\_\_\_\_\_,

(please circle one) **will**      **will not**    be present to sing with the "Singing Saints" on

Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at church at 7 pm.

(Parent's signature) \_\_\_\_\_



# St. John's Lutheran School's 12th Dinner Auction

Saturday, March 19, 2022  
Hecker Community Center

The Dinner Auction has become the largest fundraiser for St. John's Lutheran School and your support is greatly appreciated. We recommend purchasing your tickets early in order to accommodate your seating requests.

For further ticket or donation information,  
please contact

Emma McCarthy, 618-317-1842,  
nemccarthy@live.com

or

Trisha Ruebusch, 618-317-2168,  
truebusch79@gmail.com

Tickets are \$35/per person  
(until March 8th)  
(\$40/per person at the door)  
and includes:

Dinner & Dessert  
Unlimited refills on soft drinks, draft  
beer & the specialty drink of the  
evening.

Doors open at 5:00pm  
Silent Auction 5:00-8:30pm  
Dinner served promptly at 6:00pm  
Live Auction begins at 7:30pm

Make checks payable to:  
St. John's Lutheran PTL

Enclosed is my payment for \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
Total number of attendees \_\_\_\_\_.

I will not be able to attend.  
Please accept my donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
(All donations will be recognized in the  
dinner auction program.)

To reserve your seats, please send this  
form and payment to:  
St. John's Lutheran School  
Attn: Dinner Auction  
808 S. Main Street  
Red Bud, IL 62278

Each couple or individual attending receives  
special auction material that must be prepared in  
advance. Please enter complete information for  
ALL those in which you are purchasing tickets for.

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to be seated with:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Tickets WILL NOT be distributed. Once payment is received,  
your name will be placed on an attendance list and you will  
be checked in at the door the evening of the auction.



# St. John's Lutheran School's 12th Dinner Auction Donation Form

Please fill out one form for each donation. Thank you!

Contact information:

Donor: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person (if different than above): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Offer a service, purchase a gift card, or an item.

Donate an experience or tickets to an event.

Be creative! No donation is too small! Cash donations are always welcome too!

Item Description: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Value: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:

Donation included

I will send/deliver my donation to St. John's Lutheran School office by March 1, 2022

Please arrange to pick up my item

I have enclosed a cash donation

AD Information:

What size AD? (Please check one)

Whole Page - \$110     1/2 page - \$60     1/4 page - \$45     Business Card Size - \$35

Please include a business card, typeset ad, or a photo.

Return this form and your donation to:

St. John's Lutheran School

Attn: Dinner Auction

808 South Main St.

Red Bud, IL 62278

Questions? Contact:

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