



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST | NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER – 2020

DECEMBER 8, 2020

PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Please remember to check the [Gold Folder](#) for news and information on school events and activities.

Each year during Advent, we collect and deliver Christmas presents for the children of [Mary House](#), a community organization that provides housing and support for low-income immigrant and refugee families. This year we will collect presents on Thursday, Dec. 17, and deliver them on Friday, Dec. 18. If you are able to make a donation, we recommend online shopping with contact-free delivery offered by Amazon, Walmart, Target, among others. Please send the giftwrapped present with your child to school on Thursday, Dec. 17, according to the grade-level gift guide that appears on the [Gold Folder page](#).



Accepting Applications for Next Year

SJB is hosting an online Open House at 6 pm tonight (12/8) in which new parents can ask current parents about the school. See the top of the [website](#) for more information. New families may also go to the website to [Apply Now](#).



Upcoming Dates

- Tues, Dec. 8, 6 pm: Online Open House
- Fri, Dec. 11: No School
- Mon-Tues, Dec. 21-22: Distance Learning
- Tues, Dec. 22, 9 am: Online Advent Mass
- Tues, Dec 22: 10 am School Day Ends
- Dec. 23 to Jan. 3: Christmas Vacation
- Friday, Jan. 15: End of 2nd Quarter

Next School Board Meeting: 6 pm Monday, January 11. No meeting in December. Submit questions on [this online form](#).



@sjbsilverspring SJB on Social Media

Follow SJB on [Instagram](#)

Follow SJB on [Twitter](#)

Follow SJB on [Facebook](#)



School Pictures Can Be Viewed and Ordered Online

Go to the [Gold Folder](#) to find the student portrait [flyer](#).



What if it snows? A mass text message will go to all SJB families with a notice of delay or closure due to weather. As a matter of policy, SJB goes by weather-related delays and closures announced by Montgomery County Public Schools. But MCPS students aren't *in* schools at this time. Until MCPS students are back in school, weather-related closures and delays will be announced by the Archdiocese of Washington Catholic Schools Secretary Kelly Branaman, and the secretary's announcement will be relayed to families through a text alert, based on phone numbers entered by parents in TADS, Rediker, and published in the school directory. We will follow with an email to all families.

Ideas, thoughts, feedback about communications?
Contact yelenamaslov@gmail.com and meriannspencer@yahoo.com.



Website:
sjbsilverspring.org



Contact:
301-622-3076



Email:
Brian.blomquist@sjbsilverspring.org