

# A Few Notes, Dates & Reminders

St John the Beloved Academy



**Wednesday, November 13, 2024**

## Calendar Updates and Reminders

### NOVEMBER

Nov 14-21 [Great {Hallowed} Turkey Auction!](#)

Nov 17-23 Discover Catholic Schools Week

**Nov 19** [Admission Information Coffee 9:30 AM](#)

**Nov 26** End of 1st Trimester, 11:30 AM DISMISSAL

**Nov 27-Dec 2** Thanksgiving Break

**Nov. 30-Dec 15** Christmas Tree Sale!

## DECEMBER

**Dec 2** NO SCHOOL, Professional Development

**Dec 3** Classes Resume

Coffee w/ Headmaster 8:00 AM

**Dec 4** Make-Up Day for Yearbook Photos

**Dec 5** HSPT for 8th Grade

**Dec 9-13** 1st Trimester P/T Conferences 3:15-4:30 PM

**Dec 9** ALL-SCHOOL MASS, The Immaculate Conception

**Dec 18** Christmas Concert 4:00 PM

**Dec 20** 11:30 AM DISMISSAL

**Dec 23-Jan 6** – Christmas Break

### ***School Day Hours:***

*Mon-Thu. 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM Fri: 8:00 AM-2:25 PM*

*ALL SCHOOL MASS - 10:30 AM unless otherwise noted*

*A few additions have been made to our school calendar. Please see the attached calendar.*

### **Sync the SJBA parent calendar with your family calendar:**

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0?>

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**School Calendar 2024-2025 8-28 (1).pdf**

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## Admission Information Coffee

St. John's is hosting an "Admission Information Coffee" on **Tuesday, November 19, 9:30 AM** for prospective families.

Please invite family and friends who are interested in learning more about our wonderful school! RSVP's are required to attend this event. Please register on our website at the link below.

Parent volunteers are always needed to help welcome visitors to our school. Please email Christine White at, [cwhite@sjohnacademy.org](mailto:cwhite@sjohnacademy.org) if you would like to help with this event.



**RSVP for Our Admission Information Coffee Here**

## **The Great {Hallowed} Turkey Auction**

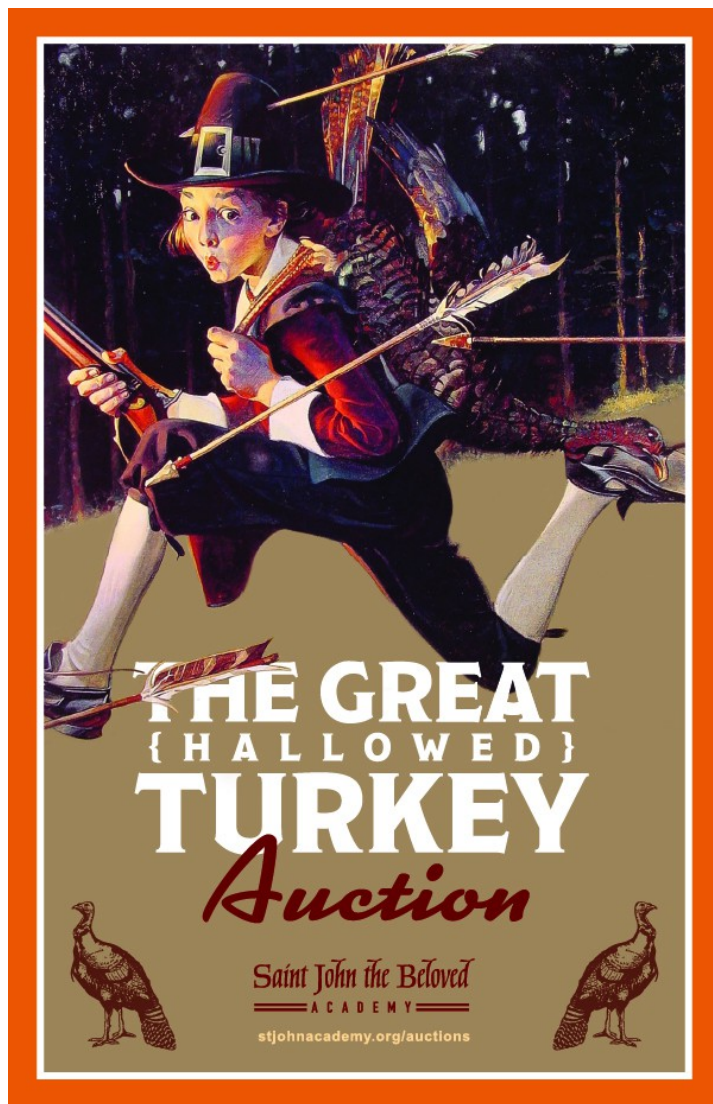
**November 14, 8:00 a.m. - November 21, at 8:00 p.m.**

The St. John the Beloved Academy Turkey Auction begins this week! Proceeds from this auction support our Annual Fund with a focus on [scholarships](#) and [financial aid](#) for students.

**This year we have 9 turkey auction items featuring gourmet turkeys and sides from the Organic Butcher of McLean sourced from local farms.** Every auction item has a "**Buy Now**" price!

The first 5 auctions include **Thanksgiving Dinner for Another**: 12-14 lbs. locally sourced free range turkey plus traditional herb stuffing (2 lbs.) & apple cranberry sauce with orange & ginger.





**Preview the Turkey Auction Here!**

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## **Parent-Student Handbook**

The Parent-Student Handbook for the 2024-2025 school year is now available on our website.

Please read through the Handbook and complete the electronic signature form at your earliest convenience.

**2024-2025 SJBA Parent-Student Handbook**

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**After-School Clubs - Session #2**

Registration is now open for session two of our after school clubs program. The dates are October 28 - November 25, 2024. The registration process is set up by student. Families with multiple students will need to complete one form and payment per child.

Clubs are open to all current students in grades K-8. Please note that some of our clubs have a maximum number of students that can be accepted. Just a reminder that clubs are available on all regular school days Monday - Thursday from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. and Friday from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

For general information regarding clubs, please contact Cristina Crowley at [clubs@stjohnacademy.org](mailto:clubs@stjohnacademy.org).

Thank you for supporting our after-school clubs!

## Sign Up for Session #2 After-School Clubs!

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## Thanksgiving Food Drive

St. John the Beloved Academy is coordinating a Thanksgiving food drive for [Share of McLean](#), an organization dedicated to helping low and moderate income neighbors alleviate food, clothing, and shelter insecurities in the McLean, Great Falls, and the Pimmit section of Falls Church.

Students in each class are asked to donate a non-perishable food item from the attached list by Friday, November 22, and our 8th grade class will assemble and sort our donations for Share (*grocery store gift cards are also appreciated*).

Thank you in advance for your donations and please contact Mrs. Crowley at [ccrowley@stjohnacademy.org](mailto:ccrowley@stjohnacademy.org) with any questions!



**Share of McLean Food Drive.pdf**

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## Yearbook Picture Make-Up Day

The make-up date for yearbook portraits is Wednesday, December 4, in Eagle Hall.

- All K-8 students who were absent on Thursday, October 17, should be dressed in their school uniform. Any sweatshirts, sweaters or coats will be asked to be removed before being photographed (including the SJBA sweatshirt).

- Preschool and Pre-K students who do not attend class on Wednesday and would like their picture taken, are invited to come to the school preferably between 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- If your child needs to have a retake of his/her portrait, please email their homeroom teacher by December 2.

Parents will be given the opportunity to purchase photos via Lifetouch photography after the photo session.

If you have questions or concerns, please email Vivian Grady at [vgrady@stjohnacademy.org](mailto:vgrady@stjohnacademy.org).

## Shop our School Spirit Store!

Visit our online store to view the latest SJBA apparel and accessories! You can access the store via our website at <https://stjohnacademy.org/shop/> or on your phone by clicking on the shopping cart icon linked to the toolbar.

**\*\*Please note the youth SJBA sweatshirts available on the website can be worn during the school day as part of the uniform for grades K-8. Additionally, the SJBA golf polo can be worn by 8th graders as part of the uniform.\*\***

Thank you in advance for supporting our school store!



Welcome to St. John the Beloved



## Attendance Procedures

When a student is going to be arriving late, leaving early, or has a change in their pick-up routine, please email Mrs. Monica Stilson in the attendance office: [attendance@stjohnacademy.org](mailto:attendance@stjohnacademy.org) and copy Mrs. Gracia Escudero in the front office: [gescudero@stjohnacademy.org](mailto:gescudero@stjohnacademy.org) and copy the homeroom teacher.

Just a reminder, that when students leave school during the day due to illness, appointment or any other reason, they must be called for in the School Health Room or the school office. Children may

never wait outside the buildings to be picked up during school hours, nor may teachers release a child directly from the classroom.

A note, email, or phone call should be sent to school requesting early dismissal and stating the time and identifying the person who will pick-up the child. Persons picking up a child at a time other than dismissal should report to the school front office and sign the child out. The school staff will call the child in his/her classroom to come to the office to meet the person picking him/her up. Students will not be called in advance to the nurse's office for an early release. Persons picking up a child may not go to the classroom.

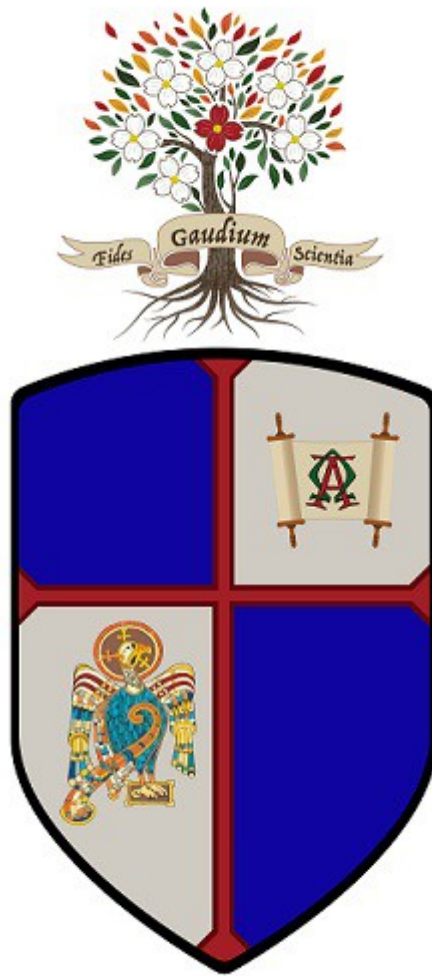
## **Quick Links**

**[After-School Clubs](#)**

**[Music Lessons](#)**

**[Lunch Options](#)**

**[Donate to our Annual Fund](#)**



## Saint John the Beloved Academy

Saint John the Beloved Academy was founded in 1954 to offer quality Catholic education to parish children. Saint John the Beloved Academy continues to provide children in preschool through eighth grade with a Catholic liberal arts education rooted in rich tradition of academic excellence and spiritual formation, captured by the school's motto, "*Fides, Scientia, et Gaudium.*" By Faith, children are led beyond themselves to entrust their formation to God. By forming the entire child, we impart the Knowledge for both intellectual and spiritual growth. The Mission of Saint John the Beloved Academy is manifested in genuine Christian Joy—rooted in the Sacraments, self-sacrifice, charity, and service to others.

*Pictured above: November Mist. Willard Metcalf.*



**Christine White**



