## Catholic Schools Communities of Faith, Knowledge, and Service

Dear SJE Parents:

As you may know, Catholic Schools Week begins during the last week of January every year. A St. John the Evangelist School tradition is to kick off Catholic Schools Week by holding a brunch to celebrate our wonderful Blue Ribbon school, as well as to honor the grandparents of our students and special seniors of our parish. This year, the brunch will take place in the school auditorium after the 10:15 am liturgy on Sunday, January 26, 2020. We hope you are able to join in this special celebration!

The theme of this year's Catholic Schools Week is *"Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge, and Service,"* celebrating the three key components of Catholic schools: a faith-filled education, academic excellence, and community. Catholic schools are communities—small communities in their own right, but also members of the larger community of home, church, city, and nation. Because of their traditionally high academic standards and high graduation rates, supported by strong moral values, Catholic schools and their graduates make a positive contribution to American society. Catholic schools give all students a strong academic and moral foundation, allowing them to succeed in life, serving in the government, industry, business, non-profit, and educational fields.

The planning committee would like to use this special event to highlight the St. John the Evangelist School Sponsor-A-Student Program. It is a goal at St. John the Evangelist to ensure that no child in our parish will ever be deprived of a Catholic education due to an inability to pay. With your help, we can open the doors of opportunity for students who otherwise would never be able to benefit from a St. John's education. The Sisters' unfailing service and academic leadership continues today as we celebrate 68 years of Inspiring Hearts and Minds with the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Additional information will be available and tax-deductible donations will be accepted at the brunch.

The food for the brunch is provided **entirely** through your generosity and cooking skills. Especially **if you have invited guests, please bring** <u>at least one</u> food donation to share with the community. Please fill out the form on the following page and return it to the box on the receptionist's desk in the SJE school lobby by January 22 at the latest OR email your response to Rosie Fox (felixguix@aol.com.)

If you have questions or wish to volunteer, please call Rosie Fox at 202-437-5441 or email at felixguix@aol.com.

Thank you for your generosity and for your continued support of St. John the Evangelist!

Sincerely,

Rosie Fox

## Catholic Schools Week Kick-Off ~ Family & Grandparents Day Brunch 2020

Bacon and Egg Casserole	Sausage-Apple Quiche
1 lb. bacon (or sausage or ham)	½ lb. bulk pork sausage
6 eggs	$rac{1}{2}$ c. finely chopped apple
2 c. milk	½ t. cinnamon
1 t. salt	½ t. ground nutmeg
1 t. dry mustard	1 c. shredded cheddar cheese
1 c. grated cheddar cheese	4 eggs, beaten
2 slices bread, cubed	1 c. half and half
	½ c. biscuit mix
Brown meat; drain. Beat eggs with milk, mustard, and salt. Layer bread cubes in a 13x9 dish. Crumble meat over bread, top with cheese, and pour eggs over all. Cover and refrigerate overnight. Uncover and bake at 350 for 30-40 minutes OR UNTIL FIRM. If using your own casserole dish (rather than disposable), please put your name on a piece of masking tape affixed to the bottom of the dish.	Brown sausage and stir to crumble; drain. Combine apple, spices, cheese, and sausage. Spoon into 9" quiche dish or deep dish pie plate. Combine eggs, half and half, and biscuit mix. Mix well; pour over apple/sausage mixture. Bake at 375 for 40 minutes until SET AND FIRM. Please put your name on a piece of masking tape affixed to the bottom of the quiche dish/pie plate.

## Sunday, January 26, following the 10:15am Mass

Vegetarian, gluten-free or your family-favorite version of the above recipe is also welcomed.

Please fill-out and return the last page to the RSVP box located in the school lobby OR email felixguix@aol.com.

CSW <sup>~</sup> Family & Grandparents Day Brunch 2020	
R.S.V.P and Food Donations Sign Up	
Name: Phone:	
Email:	
Number of Guests at Reception (include grandparents and all attending members of your family):	
Please indicate what you will bring and the amount you will bring:	
Egg Casserole/Quiche (recipes listed above)	
Fresh Fruit	
Mini-croissants/muffins	
Bread/mini-bagels	
Pastries/Coffee Cake	
I would also be willing to help with:	
Set-Up	
Clean-Up	
Please drop off your food donations to the school kitchen BEFORE the 10:15 am liturgy.	
Thank you so very much!!!	