



## **Catholic Schools Week 2021**

The CSW 2021- 2024 theme is “Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.” Catholic schools have a specific purpose to form students to be good citizens of the world, love God and neighbor and enrich society with the leaven of the gospel and by example of faith.

As communities of faith, Catholic schools instill in students their destiny to become saints. Academic excellence is the hallmark of Catholic education intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person – mind, body, and spirit. Finally, service is fundamental to Catholic education and the core of Catholic discipleship. Service is intended to help form people who are not only witnesses to Catholic social teaching, but also active participants through social learning.

The CSW logo emphasizes that the Catholic school, like the Catholic Church, is not a building or an institution, but it is the people. As the people of God, we work together to bring the Kingdom of God to Earth and raise up the next generation to do the same. The image of teachers and students forming the foundation of the school shows that they are active people of faith who serve others and God. May we all strive to live in active service of Jesus and his mission as we nationally join together during Catholic Schools Week and always.

### **Whole School Service Project**

We would like for all students to donate nonperishable food items to be donated to the AMEN House. The AMEN House is equipped to meet the need for anyone in Scott County who is facing food insecurities. All food donations need to be brought in by Friday.

### **Sunday, January 31: 10:00 am St. John School Mass @ Cardome with an Open House from 1-3pm**

All students who attend this Mass will be given an out of uniform pass. You must find Mrs. Noffsinger to receive your pass. We are also having our first open house of the school year! Please spread the word to all your friends!

### **Monday, February 1: Let your faith shine at SJS**

Students can wear a neon or bright solid color shirt with their uniform pants. Teachers and students will discuss the meaning of the vocation’s prayer.

### **Tuesday, February 2: STREAM DAY**

All students will have a class STREAM activity and will write Thank You letters to their parents for giving them a Catholic education.

### **Wednesday, February 3: Pajama Day**

Everyone is allowed to wear their pajama's to school! Please no onesies.

### **Thursday, February 4: Hoodie Day**

Students will be allowed to wear hoodie sweatshirts at school. The whole school will create valentine's day cards that will be sent to nursing home residents.

### **Friday, February 5: Student Appreciation Day / Spirit Wear Day**

We will begin the day with our annual Bingo game with prizes for everyone! All students are encouraged to wear their favorite St. John School Shirt (ex. Recycling, spirit wear, PE). Throughout the day, students will enjoy activities and games in the classroom provided by our teachers. Finally, in the afternoon, our Saints in Action volunteers will be serving ice cream to the students. We want to thank our students for being exceptional people and making our school successful!