



*I am the Way and the Truth
and the Life*



JPII Catholic Schools Weekly Happenings

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JPII OFFICE HOURS

The main office will be staff at this time to take phone call from 8:00 am—3:00pm Monday—Friday.

DISTANT LEARNING PHOTO OF THE WEEK #DEACONSTRONG



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JPII Catholic Schools Summer Adventure Camp

For more information or to register email:
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EDUCATION IN VIRTUES

Little Deacons to Grade 8

March 23- Virtue of the week: **MAGNIFICENCE**

Know It: Doing great things for God.

Live It: Ages 3 and up: Share; help others when you are good at something and they are not.

Ages 10 and up: Be generous with your time and offer to help others; share.

Ages 12 and up: Use your talents for the good without complaining; be generous with your time.

Pray It: Heavenly Father, You have given me the gift of this day, the gift of this moment. Help me to use my time well. Give me the grace to do all for Your greater glory, Amen.

Saint: St. Pope John Paul II: Karol Wojtyla grew up in Poland and became a priest after his studies in an underground seminary during World War II. Fr. Wojtyla gave himself wholeheartedly to whatever he was assigned to do, be it academic work or canoe trips with the youth in his parish.

When he became pope in 1978, John Paul II continued to lead the Church with great magnificence and enthusiasm. He started World Youth Day, invited all to come into the Church and did other great things in love and wisdom, with hard work and perseverance, undergirded by an intense prayer life. He said "Do not be afraid!" over and over again and was a real inspiration to many people, Catholics and non-Catholics alike.

SCRIP NEWS

- At this time, SCRIP Cards are available at Hurley's Religious Goods, Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Contact Janelle Pederson with questions—701-371-0512
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PREZ SEZ

Yesterday afternoon **Governor Burgum** signed his **Executive Order** closing “all public and non-public K-12 school facilities” and directing “all school districts and non-public schools” to “develop plans for age-appropriate distance learning.” That includes JPII Catholic Schools, and we are well on our way with **PREVENTION** of the spread of COVID-19 by closing our school facilities and **PROVIDING** distance learning for our students. May 20 is our last scheduled day of school. Whether or not we are back in session before that date (which is beyond our control—until the Governor’s Order “is rescinded”), we want to ensure that all our students have garnered the essential aspects of learning for their grade in order to move on to the next grade level well-prepared. Moreover, for our high school students, it is essential they earn the credits necessary to advance and for our seniors, to receive their Shanley High School diploma. Our distance learning is being provided by our highly qualified, licensed, professional teachers, who have identified the essentials of learning for this last quarter of our school year. Thanks for working with your child(ren) and your teacher (s) in such a collaborative spirit as we prevent disease and provide learning! #Deaconstrong --
Mike Hagstrom, President

JPII GEMS

- **Congratulations:** To the **Deacon Girls Basketball Team** for advancing to the championship game at the state tournament. Prior to the suspension of high school activities in the North Dakota, the girls were playing some of their best basketball of the season with decisive wins over Bismarck Legacy and Mandan. The girls were set to face Devils Lake for the championship. Congratulations also to Deacon Senior **Reile Payne**, who was named this year’s North Dakota “Miss Basketball” last Friday.
- **THANK YOU:** To the **entire JPII Catholic Schools community** for the phenomenal response to a world turned upside down by the Corona Virus. Thank you for the support, the flexibility, the positivity, the collaboration, and the spirit of prayer and good will. May we always be #Deaconstrong

Presidential Proverb

“My strength returns to me with my cup of coffee and the reading of the Psalms.” –Dorothy Day

JPII PIC: Distant Learning

Hagstrom’s Attempt At Humor (HAAH!)



SHANLEY MERIT SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE

A reminder that the Shanley Merit Scholarship application is due on April 1st. The application was emailed out to students and parents on March 5. If you need a another copy, please email Melissa Anderson in the Shanley Counseling office. All scholarship materials can be emailed to melissa.anderson@jp2schools.org or mailed to Shanley High School. Students (grades 8-11) attending Shanley in the 2020-2021 school year are encouraged to apply. General Scholarship criteria includes: Cumulative GPA, participation in extracurricular activities and an essay. These scholarships are not awarded based on financial need. A letter of recommendation from a teacher is required for 11th grade female students applying for the Alacoque Gibb Scholarship, so please plan accordingly. Scholarship awards will be applied to 2020-2021 tuition.

THE DEACON BUILDER

“The Deacon Builder” is a Brand-New scholarship now available to all current and new JP2 Catholic School students in grades 6-12. This scholarship is renewable, needs-based, for students through graduation! Contact Lori Hager, Director of Admissions, for more information at 701-893-3271. The Deacon Builder is in addition to other scholarships available at all of the JP2 Catholic Schools. Your child/ren are able to enjoy the rich faith-filled environment and personalized attention that our St. John Paul II Catholic Schools offer!

SHOW US YOUR DEACONWAY PHOTOS

The dedication and commitment of our students, teachers, and parents during this unprecedented time are truly what make the JP2 community so amazing! JP2 families and students are encouraged to send photos along with any helpful thoughts or tips/site about their distance learning experience and how you are spending family time at home. Email us at social@jp2schools.org , and we will share these on our JP2 social media.

As you share photos or videos on your personal social media accounts, please use **[#DeaconStrong](#)** for a way to keep us all engaged and connected with others in our schools.

Make sure to follow JP2 Catholic Schools on Facebook and Instagram at JP2Schools and watch for the exciting and creative ways we are all coping with COVID-19 at home.

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