

The Sentinel

November 8, 2017

Principal's Message

Although we have just completed the first quarter of the year, plans for 2018-2019 at All Saints are already underway. As we look forward to the upcoming year, I wish to share with you that the online application for tuition assistance is now available.

For more information about the diocesan tuition assistance program and the application process, please click on the link below.

[Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program 2018-2019](#)

Please note that the deadline for applications for elementary schools is March 16, 2018. The deadline for families with a student enrolled in Catholic high school is January 22, 2018.

Should you have any questions about this process, please do not hesitate to contact us for more information.

Thanksgiving Luncheon

On Monday, November 20th we will host our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon. All parents are cordially invited to attend this special event with their child(ren). For the third year in a row, we are linking this celebration to an outreach effort to benefit the St. Lucy Project, a large warehouse in Manassas where staff and volunteers process and distribute donations to numerous food pantries in our region. This initiative is in support of *Catholic Schools Care about Catholic Charities Week* which is scheduled for the week of December 3rd. Again this year, donations may be included with your Thanksgiving Luncheon payment. Please see the order form from the cafeteria for more details. Additionally, the Peace & Justice Players will set up a collection station at the entrance to the cafeteria. We invite your participation again as we work together to support the mission of Catholic Charities and to make a positive difference in our community of Manassas.

All Saints Camp Read-A-LotBook Fair!

Mark your calendars for November 13th through November 20th as All Saints Catholic School Library gets ready to bring you S'more Books. Happy Readers can follow the trail of good reads that leads to an outstanding week of book discussions and surprises.

Reading is one of the most important skills that you can teach a child. Please join the All Saints Catholic School Library as it gears up to bring you an exceptional selection of books, educational games and activities through this year's *Bookworm Central* Book Fair.

Students will visit the Book Fair during their regular library class to make purchases and Wish Lists. Parents are welcome to accompany their child during their library class to guide them with their selections. Students can purchase merchandise independently and pay with cash or checks made out to All Saints. Adults are allowed to make purchases with a credit card. The system does not accept gift cards. All sales are final.

Book Fair Dates: November 13th-20th

Shopping Hours: School Hours 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

School Events: Nov. 13th FAMILY NIGHT/Camp Read- A-Lot! 4:00 pm- 7:00 pm Nov. 20th Thanksgiving Luncheon/ Camp Cookout with Books- 10:00 am- 2:00 pm

Don't forget to look for your **Teacher's Wish List** and add a book or two to your order for their classroom library. Look for the special display in the library that will provide you with great ideas.

Spirit Week (November 13-17)

Spirit Week will be held the week of November 13th - 17th. The scheduled activities for the week are as follows:

- *Monday, November 13:* Career/Vocation Day-dress down as the career or vocation you want in the future
- *Tuesday, November 14:* Jean and Jersey Day-dress down in jeans and favorite team jersey
- *Wednesday, November 15:* Wacky Accessory-wear accessories on top of uniform such as hats, ties, socks, and jewelry
- *Thursday, November 16:* Buddy Day: school-wide scavenger hunt with buddies
- *Friday, November 17:* Teacher Swap Day-the teachers will switch classes to teach for a class period

Evening with St. Nick (12/5) - Volunteers needed!

The hospitality committee is looking for a volunteer to be the event-coordinator for this beautiful evening that has become tradition at All Saints. The evening begins with an Advent Prayer Service and traditional Advent carols in the Church followed by pictures with St. Nicholas and Mother Seton as well as Cookies and Cocoa in the PAC. If you are interested in this position or would like more information on ways to volunteer with the hospitality committee (several opportunities are non Virtus and sibling friendly), please contact Elena Cooper at elenakcooper@gmail.com.

In addition, several volunteers are needed to help set-up/decorate for the evening, set up cookies and cocoa, and clean-up. Food donations are also needed for the evening's refreshments. Opportunities will be posted on Help Counter soon!

Uniform Exchange

Please be sure to have all Uniform Closet items you would like to receive credit for turned into the office before November 13, 2017. Please be sure to include your contact information to receive proper credit. Donations for credit will be picked up and processed on November 13, 2017. Following the donation credits all requests must be turned in before November 27 in order to be processed on November 27, 2017. All request forms must be emailed to uniformexchange@allsaintsva.org or dropped off at the school office. See below for the guidelines and request form.

Spirit Event – Ledo Pizza

This week on Thursday, November 9, 2017 from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. we have a new Spirit Event. Meet us at Ledo Pizza on [9658 Liberia Avenue](#) in Manassas. Invite your friends and neighbors. Everyone is welcome! Just mention All Saints when you pay and All Saints will earn up to 20%. Remember this is a Conference Day, so we have a 12 noon dismissal. We look forward to seeing you there!

Important Reminders

Veterans Day Celebration – Tomorrow @ 8:30 a.m.

Join us as our school community honors the commitment of the men and women who have served our country in the United States Armed Forces. We cordially invite all active duty, reserve, former and retired military personnel to attend our school Mass on Thursday, November 9th at 8:30 a.m. Following the Mass, there will be a ceremony in the Parish Activity Center and a reception for our honored guests in Father Kelley Hall.

Prospective Teacher Information Meeting – November 14th

Are you interested in teaching for the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Arlington? There are 44 schools within the Diocese offering instructional programs for all ages from pre-school through high school. Perhaps your certification has expired, or perhaps you are thinking of changing careers or returning to teaching after a period of absence. Do you have questions about qualifications to teach? Would you like to learn more about

the mission of teaching in a Catholic School in a nurturing and caring, Christ-centered environment? Plan to attend the Information Program for Prospective Teachers on Tuesday, November 14th from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in Father Kelley Hall.

Open House for 2017-2018 School Year – November 16th

All Saints Catholic School will host an *Open House* for prospective parents on Thursday, November 16th beginning at 9:00 a.m. in Father Kelley Hall. All parishioners and members of the community interested in learning more about our school are cordially invited to attend. Following a presentation and introduction at 9:00 a.m., tours of the facility will be provided. For more information, please contact Mrs. Joyce D'Eugenio, administrative assistant, at [\(703\) 393-1490](tel:7033931490).

Thanksgiving Luncheon – Volunteers Needed

Help is needed with set-up, clean-up, food preparation and food service for the Thanksgiving Luncheon on Monday 11/20. Volunteer shifts are designed so you will be able to sit and enjoy your meal with your children. Please consider helping for at least one shift throughout the day. Sign-up on Help Counter: <https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/signup/140ea5813bc> (VIRTUS required) Any questions, please contact Carol Rice ckrice@verizon.net

Upcoming Events

Thursday, November 9th

- School Mass & Veterans' Day Ceremony (8:30 a.m.)
- Noon Dismissal
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Spirit Event: Ledo Pizza – Liberia Avenue (11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.)

Friday, November 10th

- Parent-Teacher Conferences

Sunday, November 12th

- Discover Catholic Schools Week

Monday, November 13th

- Spirit Week – Career/Vocation Dress Out Day
- Book Fair Begins
- 7th Grade Field Trip to Williamsburg

Tuesday, November 14th

- Spirit Week – Jeans & Jerseys
- Prospective Teacher Meeting (FKH/1:00 p.m.)

- PTO Executive Board Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, November 15th

- Spirit Week – Wacky Wednesday
- Lions' Club Screening

Thursday, November 16th

- Spirit Week – Buddy Day
- Open House (PAC/9:00 a.m.)
- Cyber Safety Presentation for Middle School (1:30 p.m.)
- 1st Grade Reading Celebration
- Enrollment Management Team Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Friday, November 17th

- School Mass – St. Elizabeth of Hungary (8:30 a.m.)
- Spirit Week – Teacher Switcheroo (2:00 p.m.)

Newsletter Links

- [THANKGIVING LUNCHEON 2017 Memo & Order Form](#)
- [DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2018-2019](#) - Program Information
- [FACTS Financial Aid Application Link](#)
- [BOOK FAIR 2017 Flier](#)
- [LEDO PIZZA SPIRIT EVENT FLIER](#)
- [Uniform Closet Request Form](#)
- [Uniform Closet Guidelines](#)
- [PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE - Sign-Up](#)