The Sentinel

November 20, 2018

Principal's Message

It was a great joy to see so many students, parents, grandparents and alumni gathered for the tradition of our Thanksgiving Luncheon yesterday. As always, the Cafeteria Staff did a terrific job of feeding the nearly 800 people who joined us for the event. I want to extend a special word of thanks to Mrs. Wendy Matner (Director of Cafeteria Services), Mrs. Liz Werling (Assistant), Mrs. Sandy Weitendorf (Cafeteria Bookkeeper) and Mrs. Flori Fleisig (Assistant) for their expertise and commitment.

I also want to extend a word of appreciation to the members of our maintenance team who worked diligently behind the scenes in support of the event. Without their commitment, the event would not have been the success that it was. Thank you, Mr. Bill Andre (Director of Facilities), Mr. Alex Paul, Mrs. Myra Hayde, Mr. Javier Enriquez and Mr. Paul Sledz.

I wish to also thank the many volunteers who generously donated their time and talent in support of the luncheon. From assisting with the set-up and decorations to helping with food service during the event, our parents and students provided wonderful support. Thank you, Mrs. Carol Rice, for coordinating the volunteer efforts, training sessions and the online sign-up process.

One of the highlights of the luncheon is the fact that our parish priests helped with the serving of food. We thank them for their continued care and commitment to the school as so clearly evidenced by their support and involvement.

Thanks to the very generous response of families in our community, our school received \$1,717.00 to benefit the St. Lucy Project as part of *Catholic Schools Care about Catholic Charities Week*. Thank you for your continued kindness and support of this important ministry that benefits the poor in our region.

As we pause from our daily labors to join family and friends and to celebrate the Thanksgiving Holiday, please know of my gratitude for your continued support of our school and its mission of providing an education of faith and academic excellence.

Thank you for choosing our school for your family. Happy Thanksgiving!

Manassas Christmas Parade – December 1

All Saints Catholic School will again participate in *the Annual Manassas Christmas Parade*! For more details about the event, including a permission slip for participation, please see the link that follows below. Parents are asked to forward permission slips to the office by Thursday, November 29th.

Christmas Parade Permission Slip 2018

Evening with St. Nicholas Prayer Service - December 5 (7:00 p.m.)

The 10th Annual **Evening with St. Nicholas** will take place on Wednesday, December 5th.

Please join us for what has become a beautiful tradition at All Saints. The evening will begin with an Advent Prayer Service at 7:00 p.m. in the church. The "Procession of the Shoes" will again be led by St. Nicholas himself! St. Nicholas and Mother Seton will be available for photos (bring your own camera) afterwards in the Parish Activities Center.

Once again, we will be collecting donations of new shoes, with the proceeds benefitting **House of Mercy.** Donation guidelines are: **NEW plain colors of tennis shoes- white, blue, black, tan, or brown.** *No character tennis shoes, please.*

Have a question about volunteering or donations? Contact event co-chair Mrs. Sarah Roccograndi at Sarah.Roccograndi@gmail.com

Spirit Wear

The weather has turned chilly, so get your warm and cozy All Saints spirit wear! Perfect for showing your school spirit at basketball games or just around town. The best part is 10% of your purchase goes back to our school.

Visit http://www.spiritgeardirect.com/shop and look up All Saints Catholic School to shop. The deadline to place orders is December 3rd.

Important Reminders

Applications & Re-Registration

Applications for new students for academic year 2019-2020 are now available.

All Saints Catholic School is adding an Early Acceptance application deadline for new families looking to secure their spot in our Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Programs for the 2019-2020 school year. For planning purposes, current families wishing to enroll a new_child in Pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten are encouraged to also apply by this deadline.

- Early Acceptance Deadline (New PK & New K) Friday, December 7
- Re-Registration Deadline (Current Students) Friday, February 1 (Forms to be provided in January)
- Regular Acceptance Deadline (New PK-8) Friday, February 15

All current families who wish to enroll a *new student* in grades Pre-Kindergarten through eight are invited to request an application via email at the following address: schooloffice@allsaintsva.org. As requests are received, applications will be sent home to families with the youngest child currently enrolled in our school.

Tuition Assistance

The online application for tuition assistance through FACTS for the upcoming year is

now available. For more information about the diocesan tuition assistance program and the application process, please see the following

link: https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3Q327

High School Deadline – January 22, 2019 Elementary School Deadline – March 15, 2019

Should you have any questions about the application process or tuition assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Joyce D'Eugenio, Administrative Assistant, at 703-393-1490 or idealgenio@allsaintsva.org.

Annual Fund Update

Thank you to those parents and community members who have already contributed to the success of our 2018-2019 Annual Fund! We have received \$4,935.00 in donations and reached 33% of our goal.

Parents are invited to support the initiative by completing the Annual Fund form and submitting contributions to the office or by making an online donation through our website.

2018-19 Annual Fund

In advance, thank you for generously supporting the mission of All Saints!

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, November 21st

Thanksgiving Holiday Begins

Monday, November 26th

Classes Resume

Tuesday, November 27th

Picture Retakes

Wednesday, November 28th

Gift of Human Sexuality (Grades 6-8) – Presentation II

Thursday, November 29th

- 8th Grade High School Placement Test
- Adoration & Benediction (2:15 p.m.)
- Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

- Due Date: Manassas Christmas Parade Permission Slips
- Spirit Event: Skate N' Fun Zone (6:30 p.m.)

Friday, November 30th

- School Mass St. Andrew (8:30 a.m.)
- 8th Grade High School Placement Test Make up Day
- Middle School Demerit Free Breakfast (9:30 a.m.)
- End of Trimester I
- Noon Dismissal Teacher Work Day

Saturday, December 1st

Greater Manassas Christmas Parade

Monday, December 3rd

Advent Prayer Service (PAC/8:15 a.m.)

Tuesday, December 4th

• PTO Board Meeting (PLC/7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, December 5th

- Advent Penance Service Grades 6-8 (1:30 p.m.)
- Evening with St. Nicholas Prayer Service (7:00 p.m.)

Friday, December 7th

- School Mass St. Ambrose (8:30 a.m.)
- Pre-Kindergarten & Kindergarten Early Acceptance Deadline

Newsletter Links

- Christmas Parade Permission Slip 2018
- 2018-19 Annual Fund
- HelpCounter Sign-Up
- Pilgrim Virgin Statue Program Sign Up