

The Sentinel

April 10, 2019

Principal's Message

One of the exciting changes at All Saints this year has been the introduction of "Middle School Houses". At the start of the year, all students in grades 6-8 were randomly assigned a "house" named after a particular saint. Through weekly house meetings each Friday, the students have participated in team-building activities, social interactions and outreach to the local community. Additionally, the "House Moderators" have had an opportunity to provide one-on-one guidance and academic coaching to the students in their group.

One of the results of this initiative has been a stronger sense of belonging for our middle school students. In the years ahead, the students will remain members of their "House", continuing to strengthen their relationships with one another while welcoming an incoming class of sixth grade students each year.

As we approach the end of the school year, the Middle School Houses are sponsoring an outreach project to benefit the Mother of Mercy Free Medical Clinic in Manassas. For Mother's Day they will be collecting grade-level donations and creating "new mother bags" that will be made available to those in need. Our middle school students will be collecting these items between April 29 – May 8, after which they will organize and evenly distribute items into care packages for new mothers.

Your generous support of this outreach project will greatly benefit the ministry of the Mother of Mercy Free Medical Clinic as they provide care to those less fortunate in our community.

The following is a list of requested grade-level donations:

Pre-Kindergarten	2 Bottles of Baby Wash/Shampoo
Kindergarten	New Receiving Blankets/Baby Blankets
Grade 1	Diapers/Baby Wipes
Grade 2	Diapers/Baby Wipes
Grade 3	New Burp Cloths

Grade 4	New Packages of Onesies
Grade 5	New Newborn Clothing (0-3 months)
Grade 6	Swaddle Blankets
Grade 7	2 Sets of New Pacifiers
Grade 8	New Baby Bottle Feeding Sets

Wishing you continued blessings during this Lenten season!

Spring/Summer Uniforms – Uniform Exchange

Monday, April 29th will be the official change over to Spring/Summer Uniforms. To help make this an easy transition, the Uniform Closet will be having a Spring/Summer Uniform sale. The sale will occur Tuesday, April 16th from 3:00-6:30 pm and Wednesday, April 17th from 7:40-9:00 am. In preparation for the sale, there will be no individual requests processed after today. This sale will be the last opportunity to use any remaining donation credits, as they are being discontinued. Donations will gladly be accepted at the time(s) of the sale.

Parish Festival 7th Annual Indoor Yard Sale

Please join us for our 7th Annual Indoor Yard Sale, sponsored by the Knights of

Columbus Squire Roses to benefit the Mother of Mercy Free Clinic and pro-life charities on **Saturday, April 27, from 7am-12 noon** inside the Knights of Columbus Hall, 9290 Stonewall Rd, Manassas. Maternity, infant, child, teen, and adult clothing, shoes, baby equipment, furniture, toys, books, housewares, tools, and more will be priced to sell! We are gratefully accepting donated items from anyone who want to support the pro-life cause. Please contact Mary Lewandowski, res19qf7@verizon.net or at [703-335-7471](tel:703-335-7471) or Kelley Witter, kellywitter@yahoo.com or at 571-451-8861 for more information. Any remaining merchandise will be donated to a charitable organization.

Upcoming Events at Bishop O'Connell High School

- **Bishop O'Connell Better Together 5K** - This race is an incredible celebration of the O'Connell community and especially, our students who receive expanded services. This event not only highlights inclusion (part of our Catholic identity) but also brings together different parents, students, alumni and neighborhood friends in celebration of everything that is great about our school. Children and adults of all ages are welcome to participate. Click here to register and see more information about the 5K. <http://www.bishopoconnell.org/5k>
- **Pre-HSPT for 7th graders** - May 18, 9AM to noon, at Bishop O'Connell High School. This is a chance for 7th graders to take a practice HSPT exam. The cost is \$45 and 7th graders will receive a copy of the score report in June. [Click here for more information and to register](#)
- **Summer Camps** - We are now accepting registrations for our sports camps. We will have multiple camps throughout the summer. [Click here for more information about our various summer camps.](#)

Important Reminders

Bethany Food Pantry – Easter Meal Collection (April 16th)

The National Junior Honor Society, in coordination with the Bethany Food Pantry, is sponsoring a collection of fresh food to provide an Easter meal to families in need. The collection will occur on Tuesday, April 16. Students are asked to bring donations to their classroom and will have an opportunity to deliver the food to the Pantry at a designated time later that day.

In an effort to evenly distribute our collection, we are asking for grade-level donations as listed below. Through the generosity of our school community, many families will enjoy a beautiful Easter meal!

Pre-Kindergarten	1-pound bag of fresh carrots
Kindergarten	1-pound bag of fresh green beans
Grade 1	Lettuce (head or bag)
Grade 2	Onions and celery

Grade 3	Bottle of oil (any variety)
Grade 4	Apples and oranges
Grade 5	5-pound bag of potatoes
Grade 6	1 dozen eggs
Grade 7	3 bags of Easter candy
Grade 8	3 containers of shelf milk

CRS Rice Bowl – Important Reminders

Families who have participated in the Rice Bowl effort are asked to convert the monetary donations into checks made out to All Saints Catholic School and to forward them to the office by Wednesday, April 17th. Please be sure to include a reference to “CRS Rice Bowl” in the memo section of the check. All of the proceeds received will be totaled and forwarded to Catholic Relief Services.

Additionally, students who have contributed to the project are asked to bring their rice bowls to school on Thursday, April 18th. They will be invited to place their empty boxes on tables arranged in the shape of a cross as they process into church for our Holy Thursday Prayer Service, a gesture symbolizing their sacrificial giving.

End of Year Calendar & Events

Friday, May 24 th	Field Day – Grades K-8 (All Saints)
Friday, May 31 st	Final Day of Pre-Kindergarten
Friday, June 7 th	8 th Grade Graduation (4:00 p.m.) <u>Note: Noon Dismissal for Grades K-7</u>
Tuesday, June 11 th	5 th Grade Stepping Up Ceremony (8:30 a.m.) Kindergarten Luau
Wednesday, June 12 th	Kindergarten Graduation (10:00 a.m.)
Thursday, June 13 th	Final Day of School for Students in Grades 1-7 (11:00 a.m. Dismissal)
Friday, June 14 th	Professional Development Day

Upcoming Events

Thursday, April 11th

- NJHS Induction Ceremony & Presentation of Thank You Gifts to Members of Manassas City Police Department (PAC/1:30 p.m.)
- Enrollment Management Team Meeting (PLC/7:00 p.m.)

Friday, April 12th

- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
- Lenten Rice Lunch to Benefit CRS Rice Bowl Program (\$3.50)
- Deadline: Yearbook Orders

Saturday, April 13th

- Diocesan Science Fair

Monday, April 15th

- 8th Grade Graduation Parent Meeting (Mtg. Room I/7:00 p.m.)

Tuesday, April 16th

- Food Pantry Collection – Easter Meals
- Used Uniform Sale (PAC Atrium/5:00-6:30 p.m.)

Wednesday, April 17th

- Used Uniform Sale (PAC Atrium/7:40-9:00 a.m.)
- Distribution of *Race for Education* Prize Cards
- Battle of the Books Practice Meet (PAC/1:30 p.m.)
- Little Veterinarian School (4th Grade)
- Deadline: Rice Bowl Contributions

Thursday, April 18th

- Holy Thursday
 - Prayer Service (Church/9:30 a.m.)
 - 7th Grade Passion Play (PAC/10:45 a.m.)
- Trimester III Interim Reports
- Noon Dismissal

Friday, April 19th

- Holiday – Good Friday

Monday, April 22nd

- Holiday – Easter Vacation Begins

Monday, April 29th

- Classes Resume – Transition to Summer Uniforms
- Kindergarten Screening – No-Pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten Classes

Thursday, May 2nd

- 14th Annual *Race for Education*
- Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

Friday, May 3rd

- Holiday – Parish Festival Prep Day

Saturday, May 4

- Parish Festival

Newsletter Links

- Yearbook: www.ybpay.com - All Saints school code is 13273519
- [2019 Flynn-OHara Uniforms-Ways to Order](#)
- [Box Tops Are In Bloom-Collection Sheet](#)
- [Seton Musical - The Wizard of Oz](#)
- [Mealtrain for Derreon Keng](#)
- [Gofundme for Derreon Keng](#)
- [Spotlight On the Arts Summer Day Camps 2019 Brochure](#)
- [HelpCounter Sign-Up](#)

Pilgrim Virgin Statue Program [Sign Up](#)