The Sentinel

June 12, 2019

Principal's Message

On Friday afternoon families and friends gathered with the 8th Grade Class of 2019 to celebrate their successful completion of our program and to wish them continued blessings as they transition to high school.

The Graduation Mass and Ceremony marked the culmination of a wonderful day of celebration that began with the symbolic Pass-it-On Ceremony and was followed by the Graduation Breakfast and Walk-of-Honor. The ceremony represented an important milestone for our graduates and their families, many of whom have been part of our community for the past decade. Whether their children joined our school in Pre-Kindergarten or at another grade level, they have been an important part of our story and we are grateful that they chose All Saints.

With this in mind, it has become a tradition for us to acknowledge those families who have been part of our school for more than ten years and whose youngest child has now graduated. As such, I wish to recognize and thank the Varghese Family for their commitment to Catholic education over the course of the past fifteen years.

And to all of our school families, I wish to say that it is a great joy to have your children enrolled in our program. We are grateful to have the opportunity to partner with you, their first teachers, in providing for their education and formation. Working with your children each day, we share with you the privilege of inspiring the hearts and minds of the next generation.

I am immensely grateful for the dedication of our faculty and staff. Each day they bring a high level of expertise and heartfelt commitment to all that they do. Additionally, know that the support that you provide as parents strengthens the success of our mission and that we are ever grateful for your involvement and generosity.

I wish to also thank Fr. Lee for his leadership and pastoral care for our community as well as that of all of the members of our clergy. Through their example and ministry, each day we experience the presence of Christ and an outpouring of grace.

Tomorrow we will gather for the Closing Mass and Awards Ceremony in the church beginning at 8:30 a.m. Following the event, all parents and visitors are cordially invited to enjoy "Cookies in the Courtyard" as they await the final dismissal at 11:00 a.m. We hope to see many of you there!

Wishing you a safe, enjoyable and blessed summer holiday!

Summer Learning Program 2019

The Summer Learning Program is now available and can be found on our website at the link below. All assignments and activities are posted by grade level and available in digital format for ease of access.

In an effort to more effectively target the learning levels of each student, the reading assignments are differentiated by level with corresponding follow up activities. After reviewing, should you have any questions or wish to discuss, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Summer Learning 2019

Rising 6th through 8th graders invited to Summer Events

All Saints Youth Ministry is offering a number of exciting events this summer for our students beginning next week with the Middle School Mission. These summer service and social activities provide an excellent way to continue building community throughout the summer months ahead. Here are some brief descriptions:

- 1. Middle School Mission, June 19-22 at All Saints and surrounding areas
 - 3.5 days of service plus social activities, food, faith... \$80
 - Music provided by Christian Contemporary Singer Marie Miller
 - an excellent source of Service Hours within a Fun environment that will include leadership from both Seminarians & our Youth Ministry Team
 - https://allsaintsyouthministry.org/middleschool/mission/
- 2. Water Wars, July 12 from 1-4pm in the Gym
 - o an afternoon of Water Balloons & Water Games... free
 - o sign them in at 1pm and check out at 4pm
 - more information on how to register forthcoming at www.AllSaintsYouthMinistry.org
- 3. Lion King Movie Outing, July 19 at 1pm Gainesville Regal

- o a trip form will be published online soon online... \$13
- o drop off and pick up will occur at the theatre
- 4. Kings Dominion Trip with the Diocese, July 26, 7:15am 9:15pm
 - o Transportation provided and ticket, plus a Diocesan Youth Mass, \$40
 - https://allsaintsyouthministry.org/highschool/events/kingsdominion/

If you want to receive communications about upcoming opportunities, please register on our Flocknote Parent Email System

here: https://AllSaintsYMin.flocknote.com/MiddleSchoolPare
You can also contact our Director of Youth Ministry, Rob Tessier at rtessier@allsainsva.org or the Middle School Ministry leader Carlos Artieda at cartieda@allsaintsva.org

END OF YEAR INFORMATION

Extended Day Program

There will be no Extended Day Program on Thursday, June 13th. All students will dismiss at 11:00 a.m. following the Closing Mass & Awards Ceremony. Please make arrangements for your children to be picked up if you anticipate being unavailable at that time.

Report Cards

Report cards and awards will be issued on the final day of school, June 13th. Since the office will have a record of your child's final grades at the close of the year, you may retain these cards.

Reminder from the School Nurse – Picking Up Medications

Please remember that all medications in the School Nurse Office must be picked up by June 13th, the last day of school. Any remaining medication will be disposed of in accordance with Diocesan policy.

Forms and medication for the 2019-2020 School Year can be found on the Nurse's Page on our website and copies will be provided when parents pick up student medication. Forms must be renewed every year. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Snowden, our school nurse.

Summer Office Hours

The school office will remain open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. during the months of June and August. Should you need to contact school personnel during the summer months, please do not hesitate to leave a voicemail message or contact us via email. We will make every effort to assist you in a timely manner.

Important Dates for the Upcoming Year

- Orientation Day (Students and parents are invited to visit the school, meet new teachers, and pick up supply orders.) – Friday, August 23rd.
- 13th Annual Back-to School Barbecue hosted by the PTO Friday, August 23rd (5:30-7:30 p.m.)
- First Day of School ~ Noon Dismissal (Grades K-8) Monday, August 26th
- First Day of Pre-Kindergarten Tuesday, September 3rd

Important Reminders

Employment Opportunities for 2019-2020

All Saints Catholic School is now accepting applications for the following positions for the 2019-2020 school year.

Extended Day Assistants - Part Time (Monday - Friday/2:30-6:30 p.m.) Library Assistant - Full Time (Monday - Friday/7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.)

Those interested in learning more are invited to request an application at the front office or contact the principal for more information.

Important Dates & Holidays for 2019-2020

August 26	First Day of School (Noon Dismissal)
September 2	Labor Day Holiday
October 14	Columbus Day Holiday
October 25	Professional Development Day (No School)
November 11	Noon Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 12	Noon Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 26	Noon Dismissal for Thanksgiving
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 23	Christmas Holiday Begins
January 6	Classes Resume
January 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
February 17	Presidents' Day Holiday
March 13	Noon Dismissal – Teacher Work Day (Trimester II)
March 16	Professional Development Day (No School)
April 9	Holy Thursday (Noon Dismissal)
April 10	Good Friday Holiday
April 13	Easter Week Holiday
April 24	Parish Festival Holiday
May 25	Memorial Day Holiday
June 12	Last Day for Grades 1-7 (Tentative - 3 Make-Up Days Included)

School Supplies (2019-2020)

There are two ways to purchase school supplies for the 2019-2020 school year:

1. Shop on your own

You can do your shopping on your own using our <u>2019-2020 School Supply List</u> as your guide. Simply click on the grade level tabs at the bottom of the spreadsheet to view and print your child's supply list.

2. Purchase online through EPI

Families can choose to purchase supplies online by July 7, 2019 through the EPI Online School Supply Packs Program. Your items will be available in the classroom when you arrive for orientation. <u>EPI Online School Supply Packs</u> Program

All Saints Code: ALL088

- Through July 7, 2019 Packs are available at a discount and free bulk shipping.
- July 8-12, 2019 Families can purchase supply packs but at the regular cost and shipping will be charged.
- EPI Online School Supply Packs Program flyer

If you have any questions about school supplies, please contact Mrs. Horgan at shorgan@allsaintsva.org

Tuition Assistance Awards & FACTS Enrollment Process for 2019-2020

The diocese is continuing to review applications for tuition assistance and to determine allocations from the St. Beatrice and Scholarship Foundation funds. For this reason, we anticipate that decisions regarding financial awards will not be confirmed and communicated to families for a couple more weeks.

Lost & Found – Check for Missing Items by June 13th

As we near the end of the school year, please take a moment to check the *Lost* & *Found* for any missing items. The *Lost and Found* will be cleaned out at the end of the day on June 13th. Any unclaimed uniforms will be donated to the Uniform Closet and other unclaimed items will be donated to the House of Mercy.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, June 12th

Last Day of Extended Day

Thursday, June 13th

- Last Day of School
- Closing Mass & Awards Ceremony (8:30 a.m.)
 - o Cookies in the Courtyard
- Final Dismissal (11:00 a.m.)
 - Note: No Extended Day Program

Friday, June 14th

Professional Development Day

Monday, June 17th

Teacher Work Day

Newsletter Links

- 2019 Flynn-OHara Uniforms-Ways to Order
- Spotlight On the Arts Summer Day Camps 2019 Brochure
- HelpCounter Sign-Up
- Pilgrim Virgin Statue Program Sign Up