# **The Sentinel**

# Principal's Message

This year Parent-Teacher Conferences will take place on the afternoons of Monday, November 11 and Tuesday, November 12. In an effort to provide you with some preliminary information regarding your child's learning, on Friday of this week the teachers will send home Interim Reports. Additionally, they will also forward copies of Scantron scores for the *Performance Series* testing that occurred in September for students in grades 3-7.

We are hopeful that this information will provide insights to you regarding your son/daughter's progress. In advance of the conferences in November, should you have any questions or concerns of a more immediate nature, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

Tomorrow and Friday I will be away on retreat with the principals of our diocese. As I gather with colleagues in West Virginia for this annual event, please know of my prayers for our school community and the needs of our families.

With God All Things Are Possible!

# CAFETERIA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed every day to assist in the cafeteria with serving and supervising. This is a vital role in supporting the daily operations of the school and staff. If you are already VIRTUS approved, please go directly on Help Counter and choose the spots that fit to your

schedule. <u>https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/signup/140e9a4d205</u> If you have any questions please contact Carol Rice <u>ckrice@verizon.net</u> 703-380-5990.

# Family Game Night

The PTO is sponsoring the first ever Family Trivia Night on Saturday, October 19th. This will be a fun event with food and prizes for all ages. The trivia questions and challenges will be geared towards all ages. If you are interested in helping with the event or have questions about the event, please contact Carol Rice <u>ckrice@verizon.net</u>

Link for Game Night flyer & registration form: PTO Trivia Night 2019

## Uniform Donation Days for the Winter Sale

Please bring any gently used uniforms you wish to donate on the following days:

Tuesday 10/15 in the front parking lot at afternoon carpool Wednesday 10/16 in the back parking lot at afternoon carpool

If you are unable to drop off used uniforms on these dates, you may drop them off at the school office.

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

## PTO General Assembly Meeting – October 22 (Reading & Writing Program)

Our first presentation for parents this year will take place on Tuesday, October 22 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Activities Center. We are pleased to announce that Mrs. Horgan (Assistant Principal) & Mrs. Pryor (Resource Teacher) will be speaking on the topic of our new reading and writing program. Plan to join us for this introduction and overview of the Lucy Calkins' Program!

The Uniform Closet will be open from 6:30 p.m. through the close of the PTO Meeting and the following day, October 23 from 7:40 – 9:00 a.m.

## Veterans Mass, Assembly & Reception

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 **Friday, November 8th** at 8:30 AM. After Mass, there will be an assembly in the PAC, followed by a reception for our honored guests in Father Kelley Hall.

Our Veterans Wall of Honor is an annual tradition in which we show our gratitude for those within our school community who have served our nation through military service. Please click on the following for the 2019 Veterans Student Packet link: <u>Veterans Student Packet 2019</u>

## Volunteers Needed for All Saints' Robotics Competition

The excitement is mounting! As announced previously, Robotics will be front and center at All Saints on **Saturday, November 9**, as the parish becomes the site of sideby-side middle school and high school robotics tournaments. All Saints Catholic School will be hosting its first middle school VEX IQ Robotics Competition in the Gym, while Seton School will host a VRC Competition in the Parish Activities Center. Registration for both tournaments is currently open to schools for this day of fast-paced, hands-on STEM learning and discovery.

## Volunteers Needed for our Middle School Event

Now in the fifth year of our robotics program, we are pleased to be hosting our first tournament. Participants in the competition, comprised of up to 24 middle school teams, will bring robots that they have designed, built and programmed to compete in the 2019-2020 VEX IQ Challenge: "Squared Away."

## Pilgrim Virgin Statue Program

Beginning in October, the month devoted to the Holy Rosary, All Saints Catholic School families are once again invited to renew their devotion to Jesus through Mary in a special way. On Friday, October 11, after a blessing that will occur at the school Mass, two statues of Our Lady of Fatima will begin traveling to the homes of our school families for week-long visits.

Families who wish to participate in this program this year may sign up online at the following link:

Pilgrim Virgin Statue Sign-Up

While the statue of the Blessed Mother is in the home, families are encouraged to pray together either part of or the entire five-decade rosary for the intentions of our school as well as for their private intentions.

Should you have any questions or would like more information, please contact the rotation coordinator, Mrs. Maricel Pascua at <a href="mailto:gmpascua@outlook.com">gmpascua@outlook.com</a>.

# **Upcoming Events**

Thursday, October 10

• Enrollment Management Team Meeting - Rescheduled

Friday, October 11

- School Mass St. John XXIII (8:30 a.m.)
- Trimester I Interims

## Monday, October 14

• Holiday – Columbus Day

## Tuesday, October 15

• Uniform Donations – Drop Off During Dismissal (Front Carpool)

## Wednesday, October 16

- School Mass St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (8:30 a.m.)
- Uniform Donations Drop Off During Dismissal (Back Carpool)

Thursday, October 17

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip "The Edge"
- Statewide "Great Shakeout" Earthquake Drill (10:17 a.m.)
- 8th Grade Parent Meeting Cancelled
- Enrollment Management Team Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

## Saturday, October 19

• PTO Family Game Night (PAC/6:00-9:00 p.m.)

Monday, October 21

- Picture Day (Uniforms)
- Red Ribbon Week sponsored by Student Council Association

Tuesday, October 22

• PTO General Assembly Meeting – Presentation I (Lucy Calkin's Reading & Writing Program – Mrs. Horgan & Mrs. Pryor) + Uniform Sale (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

## Wednesday, October 23

- Uniform Sale (PAC/7:40 9:00 a.m.)
- St. John Paul the Great High School 8th Grade Visit (10:00 a.m.)

Thursday, October 24

- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
- Battle of the Books Field Trip (St. Timothy Author Presentation)
- Middle School Activity Night (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

#### Friday, October 25

• Professional Development Day – No Classes or Extended Day

Monday, October 28

- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Field Trip National Zoo
- Spirit Week (Sponsored by SCA)

Wednesday, October 30

• Gift of Human Sexuality Middle School Student Presentation I

Thursday, October 31

• Penny Bazaar (1:30 p.m.)

#### Newsletter Links

- PTO Trivia Night 2019
- Volunteer Sign-Up for Robotics Competition
- <u>Veterans Student Packet 2019</u>
- <u>Pilgrim Virgin Statue Sign-Up</u>
- St. John Paul the Great High School's Super Science, Sat. on Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> from 9noon for 6-8th graders: <u>https://www.jpthegreat.org/apps/pages/superscience</u>
- Help Counter
- Online Application for Diocesan Background Check Application
- <u>VIRTUS</u> use this link to sign up for VIRTUS training sessions