

# The Sentinel

November 20, 2019

## Principal's Message

This week we are excited to launch our 2019-2020 Annual Fund campaign!

We are so very grateful for those who in the past have supported this annual effort. Thanks to the generosity of parents and community members, last year we raised just over \$15,000. With these funds we were able to purchase two state-of-the-art ACTIV Panels for our classrooms and to purchase additional equipment in support of our growing Robotics Program.

We are also delighted to have recently received a major gift from an anonymous donor in support of our technology program. With this funding, we will be purchasing 12 additional ACTIV Panels to be installed in the following classrooms during the current school year.

K1 – Miss Morga

K2 – Mrs. Izquierdo

5A – Mrs. Siegel

5B – Mrs. Liu

6B (Science) – Mrs. Cottingham

7B (Math) – Mrs. Bill

8A – Mrs. DeBruyne

8B – Mrs. Honkus

Spanish – Mrs. Roy

Music – Miss McPhilamy

Library – Mrs. Coyle

One Additional Classroom (Decision Pending)

During our 2019-2020 ***Empowering the Next Generation*** campaign, we invite you to prayerfully reflect on the difference that All Saints makes in your child's life and to show your support through Gifts of Prayer, Gifts of Involvement & Gifts of Financial Participation.

All proceeds from this year's campaign will focus on expanding **innovations in learning** in the following areas.

- Studio space in the library to produce a student-run morning newscast and special video projects. Goal = \$5,000
- Next-Gen ACTIV Panels to replace ACTIV Boards Goal = \$10,000

Your gift – *no matter the size* – **will benefit your child** now and into the future as we invest in these state-of-the-art resources for our students.

Within the next week all families will receive an Annual Fund brochure that provides additional information. Parents are invited to support the initiative by completing the corresponding form or by making an online donation through our website.

In advance, thank you for your continued generous support of All Saints!

*With God All Things Are Possible!*

### **Thanksgiving Luncheon – Monday, November 25**

Parents are asked to arrive and sign in at the front office fifteen minutes prior to their child's assigned lunch time. After signing in, parents are asked to report directly to their child's classroom. The homeroom teachers will provide guidance as to when families should begin to report to the cafeteria for the luncheon.

The schedule for the Thanksgiving Luncheon is as follows:

11:00-11:40	Grades 6-8 & Full Day Pre-K
11:40-12:20	Grades 4-5
12:20-1:00	Grades 2-3
1:00-1:40	Grades K-1

(Note: Parents attending back-to-back lunch sessions need not wait in line multiple times. Rather, after enjoying lunch with their first child, they may remain seated in the cafeteria where they can watch for their son/daughter in the food service line. Once the child has arrived at the front of the line and has been served, the parent is asked to meet the child there and lead him/her back to the table.)

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

Mark your calendars for Thursday December 5 and join us for an *Evening with Saint Nicholas*. This has become a beautiful tradition here at All Saints and a wonderful way to start off our Advent season. The evening will begin with an Advent Prayer Service and traditional Advent carols in the church at 7:00 p.m. The "Procession of Shoes" will be led by Saint Nicholas himself. Then join us in the Parish Activities Center for cookies and cocoa where Saint Nicholas and Mother Seton will be available for photos (please bring our own camera). We ask that you bring a donation of a pair of new shoes in

honor of Saint Nicholas. All donations will go to House of Mercy. (Donation guidelines: **NEW plain colors of tennis shoes- white, blue, black, tan, or brown. No character tennis shoes.**)

Questions please contact Mrs. Sarah Roccograndi at [sarah.roccograndi@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.roccograndi@gmail.com)

### **Manassas Christmas Parade – December 7**

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 below. Parents are asked to forward permission slips to the office by Thursday, December 5.

- [Christmas Parade Permission Slip 2019](#)

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

### **Applications for 2020-2021**

Applications for new students for academic year 2020-2021 are now available. Again this year, All Saints Catholic School is offering an *Early Acceptance* deadline of **Friday, December 6** for new families looking to secure their spot in our Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten programs for the upcoming year. For planning purposes, current families wishing to enroll a **new** child in our program are encouraged to also apply by this deadline.

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

### **FACTS Tuition Assistance Application 2020-2021**

The online application for tuition assistance through FACTS Grant & Aid is now available online. For more information about the diocesan tuition assistance program and the application process, please see the links below.

- [2020-2021 Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program Overview](#)
- [2020-2021 Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program Overview Espanol](#)

High School Deadline – January 10, 2020  
Elementary School Deadline – March 18, 2020

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 [jdeugenio@allsaintsva.org](mailto:jdeugenio@allsaintsva.org).

### **NJHS Thanksgiving Prayer Service & Fresh Food Drive**

The All Saints Catholic School Annual Thanksgiving Prayer Service will be held on Tuesday, November 26 at 9:30 am. Through a partnership with the Bethany Food Pantry, members of the National Junior Honor Society will once again be collecting fresh food to provide families in need with a Thanksgiving meal.

In an effort to evenly distribute our collection, we are asking for grade-level donations as follows. We are also asking that any family who would like to donate a turkey, turkey breast, or whole chicken, include that with their grade level donation during the Prayer Service.

Pre-Kindergarten	---	2 stalks of celery
Kindergarten	-----	1 2-pound bag of fresh carrots
Grade 1	-----	1 3-pound bag of onions
Grade 2	-----	1 2-pound bag of fresh green beans
Grade 3	-----	1 3-pound bag of apples
Grade 4	-----	2 dessert mixes (pie filling/pie crust or cake/icing)
Grade 5	-----	1 48-ounce bottle of oil
Grade 6	-----	1 5-pound bag of sugar
Grade 7	-----	1 5-pound bag of flour or Maseca
Grade 8	-----	1 5-pound bag of white potatoes

### **Time To Take One Giant Leap With Books!**

Mark your calendars to ***Blast Off With Books through November 25<sup>th</sup>*** as All Saints Catholic School Library gets ready to bring you the year's best reading selections at the Bookworm Central Book Fair. Happy explorers can search for good reads that leads to an outstanding week of book discussions and surprises.

<b>Book Fair Dates:</b>	November 18 <sup>th</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Shopping Hours:</b>	School Hours 8:00 am – 3:00 pm
<b>School Events:</b>	Nov. 25 <sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Luncheon/ 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.

Book Fair Flyer: [Book Fair 2019 Moon Landing](#)

## **Upcoming Events**

*Thursday, November 21*

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade High School Placement Test
- Adoration & Benediction (2:15 p.m.)
- Spirit Event: Chick-Fil-A (Bristow/5:00-8:00 p.m.)

*Friday, November 22*

- School Mass – St. Cecilia (8:30 a.m.)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Marine Corps Museum
- PowerSchool Parent Portal Closes (3:00 p.m.) - Revised

*Monday, November 25*

- Thanksgiving Luncheon

*Tuesday, November 26*

- Thanksgiving Prayer Service (9:30 a.m.)
- End of Trimester I
- Noon Dismissal

*Wednesday, November 27*

- Thanksgiving Holiday

*Thursday, November 28*

- Thanksgiving Holiday

*Friday, November 29*

- Thanksgiving Holiday

*Monday, December 2*

- Advent Prayer Service (8:30 a.m.)

*Wednesday, December 4*

- Advent Penance Service – Grades 6-8 (1:30 p.m.)

*Thursday, December 5*

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

*Friday, December 6*

- School Mass – St. Nicholas (8:30 a.m.)
- Spelling Bee (PAC/1:30 p.m.)
- Early Acceptance Deadline – New Pre-K & K

*Saturday, December 7*

- Manassas Christmas Parade

*Tuesday, December 10*

- Trimester I Report Cards Sent Home
- PowerSchool Parent Portal Reopens

*Wednesday, December 11*

- Advent Penance Service – Grades 3-5 (10:00 a.m.)
- Enrollment Management Team Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

*Thursday, December 12*

- School Mass & Reception – Our Lady of Guadalupe (8:30 a.m.)

*Friday, December 13*

- Spirit Wear Day (Free!)
- PTO Sponsored Pottery Painting Event (Gym/6:00-8:00 p.m.)

### **Newsletter Links**

- [Christmas Parade Permission Slip 2019](#)
- [RE-REGISTRATION FORM](#)
  
- [Book Fair 2019 Moon Landing](#)
- [Pilgrim Virgin Statue Sign-Up](#)
- [Help Counter](#)
- [Online Application for Diocesan Background Check Application](#)
- [VIRTUS](#) – use this link to sign up for VIRTUS training sessions