The Sentinel Newsletter

October 13, 2021

Principal's Message

This year Parent-Teacher Conferences will take place on the afternoon of Thursday, November 11 and throughout the day on Friday, November 12. Parents will have the opportunity to select either an in-person meeting or Zoom conference with their child's homeroom teacher. Look for additional details as well as a link to the sign-up form via a special email tomorrow.

We are pleased to welcome Mrs. Courtney Bignotti as the new Title I teacher assigned to All Saints for the 2021-2022 school year. Mrs. Bignotti previously taught second grade for ten years in Fairfax County Public Schools and has worked as a Title I teacher in two other diocesan schools. In her role at All Saints, Mrs. Bignotti will provide small group reading intervention to students in grades K-5 who meet the criteria of the program. This week she will be forwarding more information as well as permission slips to parents of students who are invited to participate in Title I.

Should you have any questions about the Title I program at All Saints, please do not hesitate to contact the office for more information.

Lord, I thank you, for your merciful love and your faithfulness

Forty Hours Devotion

All Saints Catholic Church will host a Forty Hours devotion from October 18-20. Forty Hours is a devotion of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the Monstrance over a period of days.

The number 40 is an important biblical number: the rain during the time of Noah lasted 40 days and nights; the Jews wandered through the desert for 40 years; our Lord fasted and prayed for 40 days before beginning his public ministry. The Forty Hours devotion recalls that traditional 40-hour period from our Lord's burial until the resurrection.

Fr. James Gould, Pastor, St. Francis de Sales Parish, Purcellville, will preach our Forty Hours devotion. All events are in the church. Please plan to join us. Also, please plan to take an hour of time, either by yourself or with others to pray before the Blessed Sacrament during this time of 40 Hours.

For more information, including a schedule for the Forty Hours, please see the parish bulletin.

Parish Bulletin - Forty Hours Devotion

Student Council Election Results

Recently a number of students participated in an election for leadership positions in the Student Council Association (SCA) for 2021-2022. Congratulations to the following candidates elected by students in grades four through eight.

President Isaac S.
Vice President Mikayla S.
Secretary * Izel R.
School Spirit/Publicity Noah

C. Finance Kassidy

Y.

Health, Safety & Ecology Isabella V. Religious Activities * Abby W.

(*Selected by faculty appointment.)

Coffee with the Principal (Friday, October 22)

All school parents are cordially invited to attend "Coffee with the Principal" via Zoom beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, October 22. Following a brief presentation, there will be time for questions and discussion about our school and plans for the 2021-2022 academic year. Please join us for this informal time of coffee and conversation!

Coffee with the Principal - Zoom Invite

Meeting ID: 843 5190 3558

Passcode: 205711 One tap mobile

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Veterans Day Celebration (Thursday, November 11)

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 active duty, reserve, former and retired military personnel to attend our school Mass on Thursday, November 11 at 8:30 AM. Following the Mass, there will be an assembly in the Parish Activity Center and a reception for our honored guests.

An information packet was recently sent home to parents with forms to submit a Family Veteran Survey and paper brick to commemorate a veteran in your family. Here is a link to the information: Veterans Day Student Packet.

For those who have participated in the past, please note that we retain and display all surveys and bricks submitted by students in previous years.

Open House (November 4 @ 9:00 a.m.)

All Saints will host an Open House for prospective parents on Thursday, November 4 beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Activities Center. All parishioners and members of the community interested in learning more about our school are cordially invited to attend. Please share our story with friends, neighbors, and colleagues and encourage them to join us for this in-person event. For more information, please contact Mrs. Mary Rodriguez, Administrative Assistant, at (703) 393-1490.

Adult Faith Formation Resource

New programs, movies, audio talks, and e-books are available over streaming internet on the parish subscription to www.formed.org. Our parish access code is 16e125. Use this to set up your login credential of a User ID and password.

Annual Asbestos Notification

For several decades the staff of All Saints Catholic School and the Diocese of Arlington have worked together to ensure compliance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). Twice annually our school is inspected in accordance with this act and any necessary steps are taken in order to maintain compliance and a safe environment for our students, staff, and parents.

In accordance with this act, this notification is being provided to you to inform you that asbestos-containing materials are present in our school. A copy of our school Management Plan contains the exact locations of any asbestos-containing materials and is maintained on file in the archives. This plan is available for your review and inspection during normal school hours when the building is open. As such, please feel free to request information on or about our Management Plan and inspection findings.

Should you have any questions about this program, please do not hesitate to contact the principal. Most importantly, please know that this communication is not related to any concern or change in circumstance, rather it is simply an effort to publish this information in accordance with the act.

St. Paul VI High School

Want to learn more about all the benefits of a Catholic High School education for your child?

St. Paul VI Catholic High School invites you to join our administrators and students at All Saints School on October 20th at 1:30PM for an informational meeting. Contact ehanley@paulvi.net for more information.

PVI Open House

Our Open House is a great opportunity to get the full picture. You can bring the whole family and be able to hear from administrators and the faculty about what to expect at PVI. Open House will take place on October 17th from 1:00 to 4:00PM. We will have special presentations at 1:15 and 2:15.

Learn more about our Open House.

PVI Football Middle School Night

All 6th, 7th and 8th grade families are invited to join us for our 2021 Middle School Night on Friday, October 29. We will provide food, fun games and prizes at the Rally in the Valley at 6 p.m. and the football game will start at 7 p.m. with free admission for middle school students.

RSVP for Middle School Night.

Spirit Wear Store-Shirt of the Year

The 2021-2022 All Saints' Shirt of the Year is now available for purchase in the All Saints spirit wear store! The Shirt of the Year logo reflects the theme selected by our pastor Fr. Lee and said by our students, faculty and staff each day at All Saints. Shirts are available in the following colors/sizes:

Youth sizes: red, pink and royalAdult sizes: red, green and royal

https://teamlocker.squadlocker.com/#/lockers/all-saints-catholic-school

Bingo Family Night

PTO sponsored Family Bingo Night is this Saturday, October 16that 7pm, in the PAC. Cost is \$5 per person for ten Bingo games. Pre-order forms are due today; however walk-ins are welcome on Saturday night. For more information, contact Carol Rice ckrice@verizon.net

Link to Flyer: https://allsaintsvaschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Bingo-Flyer-2021.pdf

Important Reminders

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 8, two statues of Our Lady of Fatima began traveling to the homes of 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 Program

Pick up time for the Statues at the front office is before 2:30 p.m. on Friday with a return time of before 9:00 a.m. the following Friday. Please be sure to sign in and out for the Statue in the Visitor Binder at the front desk.

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 gmpascua@outlook.com or 571-393-0942.

Diocesan Pilgrimage (October 30)

Bishop Burbidge invites you to join him to mark this "Year of St. Joseph" at the Diocesan Marian Pilgrimage to the National Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on Saturday, October 30 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The theme for this year's pilgrimage is "St. Joseph, Guardian of the Body of Christ." All are welcome and encouraged to attend this free event! For complete details and a schedule for the event, please see the following link.

www.arlingtondiocese.org/2021/marian-pilgrimage

Upcoming Events

Thursday, October 14

PTO Helping Hands (PAC/8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.) Enrollment Management Team Meeting (Zoom7:00 p.m.)

Friday, October 15

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

SCA Installation of Newly Elected Officers & Representatives (PAC/1:30 p.m.)

Saturday, October 16

PTO Family Bingo Night (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, October 20

St. Paul VI High School 8th Grade Visit (1:30 p.m.)

Thursday, October 21

Great Southeast "Shakeout" - Earthquake Drill

Friday, October 22

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Bishop O'Connell High School 8th Grade Visit (9:15 a.m.)

Coffee with the Principal (Zoom/9:30 a.m.)

Monday, October 25

Picture Day

Thursday, October 28

School Mass – Feast of Saints Simon and Jude (8:30 a.m.)

Penny Bazaar (1:30 – 2:30 p.m.)

Middle School Glow Party (PAC/7:00 – 8:30 p.m.)

Due Date: Veterans Memorial Display "Bricks"

Friday, October 29

Diocesan Professional Development Day (No Classes)

Saturday, October 30

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National Basilica of the Immaculate Conception

Monday, November 1

Change to Winter Uniforms

School Mass – All Saints Feast Day (8:30 a.m.)

8th Grade Saints Presentations (PAC/9:30 a.m.)

Tuesday, November 2

PTO Executive Committee Meeting (Zoom/7:00 p.m.)

Thursday, November 4

Open House (PAC/9:00 a.m.) Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

Friday, November 5

Noon Dismissal (DFE Meeting)

Thursday, November 11

Veterans Day Mass, Assembly, & Reception (8:30 a.m.) Noon Dismissal - Parent Teacher Conferences

Friday, November 12

Parent-Teacher Conferences (No Classes)