



All Saints Catholic School

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The Sentinel Newsletter

November 10, 2021

Principal's Message

Each year the Diocese of Arlington hosts **We Care Week**, an annual opportunity for schools to acknowledge and support the outstanding work of Catholic Charities. In recent years, All Saints Catholic School has responded very generously to this effort, typically contributing more than \$1,000 on each occasion. Through the years we have requested that the funds from our community be directed to the St. Lucy Project, a large warehouse in Manassas where staff and volunteers process and distribute donations to numerous food pantries in our region.

This year *We Care Week* will begin on Sunday, November 28. In support of this initiative, all students are invited to participate in a Dress Down Day on Wednesday, December 1.

The cost to participate is \$1.00 with families invited to make an additional donation to support this wonderful cause. Again this year, we will request that the donations from our school specifically target the needs of the St. Lucy Project.

Contributions may be forwarded to classroom teachers or the school office in envelopes marked "We Care Week". In advance, thank you for your generous support.

We look forward to honoring the Veterans in our community as we gather for Mass at 8:30 a.m. tomorrow morning. We are delighted to welcome Dr. Joseph Vorbach, Superintendent of Schools for the Diocese of Arlington, who formerly served in the Coast Guard and will be our guest speaker for the student assembly.

All students are asked to wear the regular school uniform rather than the P.E. uniform tomorrow for our celebration of Veterans Day.

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NJHS Thanksgiving Fresh Food Drive

The All Saints Catholic School Thanksgiving Food Drive will be held on Friday, November 19 at 8:30 a.m. as part of our School Mass. Through a partnership with the Bethany Food Pantry, members of the National Junior Honor Society will once again be collecting 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 Food Drive.

Through the generosity of our school community in providing the items below, many families will enjoy a beautiful meal on Thanksgiving Day!

Pre-Kindergarten	3 stalks of celery
Kindergarten	2 (2-pound) bags of carrots
Grade 1	2 (3-pound) bags of onions
Grade 2	2 (3-pound) bags of oranges
Grade 3	2 (3-pound) bags of apples
Grade 4	2 Dessert "Kit" (cake/frosting or pie crust/filling)
Grade 5	2 (48-ounce) bottle of oil
Grade 6	2 (5-pound) bags of sugar
Grade 7	2 (5-pound) bags of flour or Maseca
Grade 8	2 (5-pound) bags of white potatoes
Faculty/Staff	2 boxes of Stove-Top stuffing mix

Applications & Re-Enrollment for 2022-2023

Applications for new students for academic year 2022-2023 are now available online. All current families who wish to enroll a *new student* in grades Pre-Kindergarten through eight for the upcoming year may access the application at the following link.

<https://allsaintsvaschool.org/admissions/how-to-apply/>

Re-Enrollment for current students will begin on January 3. All families are asked to submit both forms and the re-registration fee no later than Friday, January 21.

Running with the Saints 5K

The PTO is looking for help with the annual Running with the Saints 5k The Race will be held on Saturday, March 19, 2022. There are many roles needed to be filled: registration, marketing, course management, prizes, sponsorship solicitation and co-chairs. A planning meeting will be held via zoom on Tuesday, November 16 at 7pm. If you are interested in sharing your talents with the planning team, contact Joan Coleman jcoleman02@comcast.net as soon as possible.

Panera Fundraising

On Wednesday December 15th, the PTO is hosting a spirit event at the Panera on 9508 Libera Avenue from 4pm to 8pm. Show the attached flyer (digital or printed) to make sure the PTO gets a portion of the proceeds. If ordering online, enter the code PRFUND at checkout. Thank you for supporting the PTO!
[Panera Fundraising \(panerabread.com\)](http://panerabread.com)

Wednesday, 12/1

Wednesday, 12/8

Wednesday, 12/15

SQUARE ONE ART

The PTO is sponsoring the Square One Art fundraiser where you can purchase unique gifts and keepsakes featuring your child's art. The sample art and order form was sent home through your child's classroom. Orders can be placed in one of three ways:

1-Paper Order Form returned to your child's teacher

2-Online www.Square1Art.com/Shop

3-Over the Phone 888-332-3294

Orders placed by November 19th will arrive at All Saints around December 15th, just in time for Christmas. Should you have any questions, please contact Carol

Rice, squareone@allsaintsva.org

PTO - Passive Fundraisers Flyer

The PTO has provided a flyer with easy ways to help support All Saints. Spread the word and join the cause.

[Passive Fundraisers Flyer](#)

Employment Opportunity – Choir Accompanist

All Saints Catholic School is seeking a pianist to accompany the Schola “Choir” during after school rehearsals on Thursday and at school Masses. For more information about the position, please contact the principal at dconroy@allsaintsva.org.

Important Reminders

Bishop’s Holiday & Extension of Thanksgiving Vacation

All Saints Catholic School will be closed for the “Bishop’s Holiday” on Monday, November 22. Additionally, school will be closed on Tuesday, November 23 which was originally scheduled as a half day.

To confirm, school will be closed the entire week of Thanksgiving so that our faculty, staff, and families may enjoy an extended holiday.

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.

Upcoming Events

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)

Sunday, November 14

Discover Catholic Schools Week

Wednesday, November 17

National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony (PAC/1:30 p.m.)

Thursday, November 18

Spirit Wear Day

Enrollment Management Team Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Friday, November 19

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

End of Trimester I – Revised

Monday, November 22

Bishop's Holiday (No School or Extended Day)

Tuesday, November 23

Thanksgiving Holiday

Wednesday, November 24

Thanksgiving Holiday

Thursday, November 25

Thanksgiving Holiday

Friday, November 26

Thanksgiving Holiday

Sunday, November 28

Diocesan "We Care Week" to Benefit Catholic Charities

Monday, November 29

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

Advent Penance Service – Grades 3-5 (10:00 a.m.)

Thursday, December 2

8th Grade High School Placement Test

Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

Friday, December 3

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Noon Dismissal (DFE Meeting)

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

Monday, December 6

Picture Retakes

Advent Penance Service – Grades 6-8 (10:00 a.m.)

Tuesday, December 7

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

Wednesday, December 8

School Mass – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (8:30 a.m.)