The Sentinel Newsletter

April 13, 2022

Principal's Message

Over the course of the past two weeks, our students demonstrated tremendous generosity in their support of the Bread of Life Food Drive. At the conclusion of the drive, we donated over 3,000 pounds of food to the St. Lucy Project and All Saints' Bethany Food Pantry. I am so proud of our students for their enthusiastic support of this outreach, one that will directly benefit families who experience food insecurity in our region. I wish to thank Mrs. DeBruyne, Mrs. Bill, and Mrs. DeVore, as well as the students of the National Junior Honor Society, for coordinating the many details related to this program.

Congratulations to the following classes that donated the greatest amount of food items during the collection.

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1<sup>st</sup> Place (Chick-fil-A Lunch) – 4A (542 Donations)
2<sup>nd</sup> Place (Dress Down Day) – 1A (495 Donations)
3<sup>rd</sup> Place (Extra Recess) – K2 (470 Donations)
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I would also like to provide an update regarding staffing for the 2022-2023 academic year. Mrs. Melissa DeBruyne (Middle School Language Arts & 8th Grade Homeroom Teacher), has accepted a teaching position at another school. Over the course of the past decade, Mrs. DeBruyne has demonstrated a great commitment to the middle school program and, most importantly, to the success of her students. Her expertise in the area of language arts, combined with her enthusiasm and sense of humor, will be greatly missed by students and staff alike. We thank Mrs. DeBruyne for her dedication and wish her every continued success.

Additionally, Mrs. Helen Sgro (3rd Grade Teacher) has decided to resign at the close of this school year. We are grateful for all that she has done to create a community of learners for her students this past year and for the ways that she has shared her Catholic faith with the children. We wish Mrs. Sgro every continued blessing as she completes her year of teaching at All Saints and prepares for this upcoming transition.

This week our Church celebrates the greatest mystery of our faith, the Passion, Death and Resurrection of our Lord and Savior. As a school community, we prepare for our journey into the three holiest days of the year, the Triduum, through prayer and tradition.

Tomorrow the students will gather in the Parish Activities Center at 10:45 a.m. for the 7 grade portrayal of the *Passion Play*. Through music and dramatic presentation, middle school students will prayerfully re-enact Christ's passion and death. As the students depart the space in silence following the presentation, the tone will be set for their continued reflection and prayer over the course of the coming days. All parents are cordially invited to join us in prayer and to witness this beautiful school tradition.

On behalf of our pastor, Fr. Lee Roos, the clergy, faculty, and staff, I wish all of you a blessed celebration of Easter and an enjoyable holiday with your family.

Senor, te doy gracias por tu amor misericordioso y tu fidelidad

End of Year Calendar & Events

Thursday, May 26

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Friday, May 27	Field Day - Grades K-8 (On Site - All Saints)
Friday, June 3	Pass-it-On Ceremony (Church/9:30 a.m.)
	Graduation Breakfast for 8th Grade Students (10:00 a.m.)
	8th Grade Walk of Honor (11:00 a.m.)
	8th Grade Graduation (Church/4:00 p.m.)

Note: Noon Dismissal for Grades K-7

Final Day of Pre-Kindergarten

Tuesday, June 7 Kindergarten Graduation (Church/10:00 a.m.)
Wednesday, June 8 Final Day of School for Students in Grades 1-7

Closing of the School Year Mass & Awards – 8:30 AM

Note: 11:00 a.m. Dismissal

Thursday, June 9 Professional Development Day for Teachers Friday, June 10 Professional Development Day for Teachers

Drama, Art, & Musical Theatre Day Camps in a Catholic Setting for K-12

For the past 18 years, Spotlight on the Arts Summer Camps has been offering high quality summer camps. This July, All Saints & Nativity will be hosting the following camps: Broadway Spotlight, Arts & Crafts Fun, Drama Bootcamp, and Art Explorer. Various offerings are open to ages K - 12. Most instructors are Diocesan Teachers and all instructors bring their professional backgrounds to help young people explore the arts in a safe environment.

Visit <u>SpotlightSummerCamps.com</u> to check it out! All registrations received by May 31st get a discount and a free t-shirt.

PVI Dance Clinic Fundraiser

The PVI dance team is have a dance clinic fundraiser for 6-12th graders on Sunday, May 15th from 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm. Please see the PVI DANCE TEAM CLINIC.

Saint John Paul the Great - Girls Volleyball Clinic

Saturday, April 30, 2022

Skill-building clinic open to 5-7th graders! For registration and more details, please visit: https://saintjohnpaul.mypaysimple.com/s/middle-school-event-registration

Saint John Paul the Great - Spring Musical

Friday, April 29, 2022 - Sunday May 1, 2022

The JP Fine Arts department will debut its spring musical, Mary Poppins, on Friday, April 29th with shows running through Sunday, May 1st! Tickets are available for purchase here: https://jpthegreat.booktix.com/

Important Reminders

CRS Rice Bowl Collection

Families who have participated in the Rice Bowl effort are asked to convert the monetary donations into checks made out to All Saints Catholic School and to forward them to the office.

Please be sure to include a reference to "CRS Rice Bowl" in the memo section of the check. All of the proceeds received will be totaled and forwarded to the Diocese of Arlington in support of Catholic Relief Services.

Final Days of Yearbook Sales

One of the most important ways to commemorate your school year is through a yearbook. The All Saints Catholic School Yearbook is available for sale. The 2021-2022 Yearbook will be on sale now through April 15, 2022 for a cost of \$23.00. Personalization of your yearbook is available for an additional fee of \$5.00. It is important to pre-order your Yearbook as additional copies available for purchase will be limited.

All orders must be placed online. The link and required information is shown below.

- Please visit the Lifetouch website to order online: www.ybpay.com
- The All Saints school code is 13273522
- Please note that personalization of your yearbook is available for \$5.00.

Should you have any questions regarding the All Saints Catholic School Yearbook, please contact Mrs. Vickie Bill (vbill@allsaintsva.org).

Upcoming Events

Thursday, April 14

7th Grade Passion Play (PAC/10:45 a.m.) Noon Dismissal (Holy Thursday)

Friday, April 15

Holiday (Good Friday)

Monday, April 18

Holiday (Week of Easter Vacation)

Monday, April 25

School Resumes

Tuesday, April 26

DFE Visiting Team Arrival & Opening Program

Wednesday, April 27

DFE Visiting Team

Thursday, April 28

DFE Visiting Team

Friday, April 29

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Trimester III Interim Reports

Noon Dismissal

DFE Visiting Team Departure

Deadline: Nominations for PTO President-Elect

Monday, May 2

Kindergarten Screening (No Pre-K or Kindergarten Classes)

Tuesday, May 3

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

Thursday, May 5

Race for Education

Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

Friday, May 6

School Mass & May Crowning (8:30 a.m.)

8th Grade Graduation & First Communion Photos (9:30 a.m.)

Saturday, May 7

First Communion

Monday, May 9

Kindergarten Screening (No Pre-K or Kindergarten Classes)

Scantron Testing - Round #3 Begins

Tuesday, May 10

8th Grade Spanish Exemption Exam

Wednesday, May 11

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

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

Tuesday, May 17

Band Concert (PAC/2:00 p.m. for students & 7:00 p.m. for parents)

Friday, May 20

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Noon Dismissal (Professional Development Day)