# The Sentinel Newsletter

October 5, 2022

### **Principal's Message**

This week I am pleased to provide another update regarding staffing at All Saints. Mrs. Sheril Jolly, one of our school parents, will soon begin employment as a first grade instructional assistant in Mrs. Harrill's classroom. Mrs. Jolly earned an Associate's Degree in Business Administration from Northern Virginia Community College and completed additional coursework at George Mason University. With extensive experience in finance and human resources, she brings strong organizational skills as well as a particular interest in supporting the teaching of math. Welcome, Mrs. Jolly!

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.

### My spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

### Veterans Day Celebration (Friday, 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 Friday, 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 is being sent home to parents with forms to submit a Family Veteran Survey and paper brick to commemorate a veteran in your family.

### 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.

### **House of Mercy**

Immediate job openings are available! House of Mercy Food Pantry, Thrift Store, and Donation Center is expanding their staff and have part-time positions open with varying working hours between 10am and 8pm, Monday through Saturday.

Visit <a href="https://houseofmercyva.org/jobs/">https://houseofmercyva.org/jobs/</a> for a list of opportunities and a downloadable job application.

### **Important Reminders**

# PTO Sponsored Guest Speaker Series – October 18 (PAC/7:00 p .m.)

Join us for the first PTO General Assembly Meeting on Tuesday, October 18 beginning at 7:00 p.m. We are excited to announce that Soren and Ever Johnson, the owners of Trinity House Café in Leesburg, will present the first in a three-part series entitled *Heaven in Your Home*.

The Johnsons have offered this series at a number of parishes in our diocese and were recently invited to speak before Pope Francis as part of the World Meeting of Families in Rome this past summer.

If you are looking for practical strategies and support for strengthening your family, please plan to attend this informative and inspiring series! Additionally, please invite family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers who may be interested in this topic to join our community for this special series.

#### 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 7, two statues of Our Lady of Fatima will begin 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. The presence of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue is certain to increase your devotion to Mary and to bring you and your family closer to her Son.

Should you have any questions or would like more information, please contact the Pilgrim Virgin Statue Rotation Coordinator, Mrs. Maricel Pascua at gmpascua@outlook.com or 571-393-0942.

### Calendar Update - Picture Dates Confirmed

November 10 – Individual Pictures February 7 – Teams, Clubs, & Candids May 5 – Graduation & First Communion

## CYO Basketball Registration Deadline 10/15

Boys and girls in grades 3-8 are invited to participate in the CYO basketball program. This program is a faith-filled, developmental program that focuses on game fundamentals in a Christ-centered environment.

The basketball season begins in November and runs through early March. Practices are held each week with weekly games beginning in December. Registration is \$80 per player.

Coaches and Assistant Coaches are needed! Our program is run on volunteers. If you are interested in serving in a coach or assistant coach position, please reach out to the CYO Basketball Commissioner for All Saints – Dan McKenna (blackstone96@gmail.com). You must be VIRTUS approved to serve in these roles. Registration discount is available for serving in a coaching role.

Registration is open until October 15th.

### CYO Basketball Registration

#### Science Fair

Mrs. Starrs is looking for a new Science Fair Coordinator to shadow this year's coordinator and learn the ropes to coordinate the following year's Science Fair. The Science Fair Coordinator recruits science fair judges, and works with Mrs. Starrs to coordinate the science fair schedule, science fair set up, and volunteers; creates the judging schedule; tabulates the competition results; and prepares the awards. We have a system in place so it will be easy to help out and learn. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Mrs. Starrs at <a href="mailto:pstarrs@allsaintsva.org">pstarrs@allsaintsva.org</a>. This year's Science Fair will be February 16th, 2023.

## **Eucharistic Symposium**

The Eucharistic Symposium will take place on Saturday, October 22, 2022. Click on the link below for further information.

### **Eucharistic Symposium**

### **Bishop Ireton Cheer Clinic**

Click on the link below to learn more about Bishop Ireton's Cheer Clinic

## CHEER CLINIC

#### St. John Paul the Great Catholic High School

Visit the link below to learn about the some important dates at St. John Paul The Great.

### ST. JOHN PAUL THE GREAT

## **Upcoming Events**

### Thursday, October 6

6th Grade Field Trip - The Edge

### Friday, October 7

School Mass – Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary (8:30 a.m.)
Priests' Barbecue (11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)
Midpoint of Trimester I
Uniform Exchange Sale (9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

### Monday, October 10

Holiday – Columbus Day

### Tuesday, October 11

Band Ice Cream Social (3:00-3:30 p.m.)

### Thursday, October 13

St. John Paul the Great High School – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Visit Enrollment Management Team Meeting (PLC/7:00 p.m.)

## Friday, October 14

School Mass – Memorial of St. Callistus I (8:30 a.m.) SCA Installation Ceremony (PAC/1:30 p.m.)

## Saturday, October 15

PTO Family Game Night - Canceled

### Tuesday, October 18

PTO General Assembly Meeting – Guest Speaker Series: *Heaven in Your Home*, Soren & Ever Johnson (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

## Wednesday, October 19

School Mass – Memorial of Sts. John De Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues (8:30 a.m.)

### Thursday, October 20

The Gift of Human Sexuality – Middle School Presentation I

## Friday, October 21

Dress Down Day (sponsored by the Creation Care Club)

# **Thursday, October 27**

The Gift of Human Sexuality – Middle School Presentation II Middle School Glow Party (PAC/7:00 – 8:30 p.m.)

## Friday, October 28

School Mass – Memorial of Sts. Simon & Jude (8:30 a.m.) Noon Dismissal- Teacher Work Day

## Monday, October 31

Penny Bazaar (1:30 p.m.)

# Tuesday, November 1

Change to Winter Uniform

School Mass – All Saints Feast Day & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Procession of Saints (8:30 a.m.)

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Saints Alive Presentations (PAC/9:30 a.m.)

# Wednesday, November 2

The Gift of Human Sexuality - Middle School Presentation III

### Thursday, November 3

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