



# All Saints Catholic School

*My spirit rejoices in God my Savior.*

## The Sentinel Newsletter

October 26, 2022

### Principal's Message

Next Tuesday is the patronal feast of our parish and school, All Saints Day. It is a day marked by celebration beginning with Mass and the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Procession of Saints at 8:30 a.m. followed by the 8<sup>th</sup> grade presentation of "Saints Alive" in the Parish Activities Center and classrooms. And, as is tradition, during lunch, all students, faculty, and staff will enjoy free ice cream, courtesy of the PTO.

*As we prepare for this special day, we thank you for giving your children the gift of a Catholic education and for choosing All Saints for your family. We look forward to seeing many of you as we celebrate our feast day!*

On Monday, November 21, we will host our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon, a greatly beloved tradition in our school community. All parents are cordially invited to attend this special event with their child(ren). We are also pleased to announce that, as in prior years, we are linking this event to an outreach to benefit 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 initiative will take place in support of *Catholic Charities We Care Week* which will occur the week of December 4. Again, this year, donations may be included with your Thanksgiving Luncheon payment. Please see the link below for more details.

### [THANKSGIVING ORDER FORM](#)

The National Junior Honor Society will also set up a collection station at the entrance to the cafeteria. We invite your participation again as we work together to support the mission of Catholic Charities and to make a positive difference in our community of Manassas.

Finally, I wish to thank those parents who have already signed up to attend a Parent-Teacher Conference on one of the two assigned days, November 11 or 14. Those who have not yet done so are

asked to complete this process no later than Friday. Should you have any questions or experience difficulty with the online registration, please do not hesitate to let us know.

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### **Thanksgiving Luncheon -Volunteers needed**

Help is needed with set-up and decorations, clean -up, food preparation, and serving food for the Thanksgiving Luncheon. Volunteer shifts are designed in such a way that you will be able to sit and enjoy your meal with your child (ren).

Please consider helping for at least one shift throughout the day. If you are available to assist, please fill out the section titled "Additional Volunteers needed" on the Thanksgiving lunch order form or sign-up on Help Counter:

<https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/volunteer>

Please remember that in order to volunteer, you must be VIRTUS compliant. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Amanda Caggiano, Cafeteria Coordinator. ([amanda.m.caggiano@gmail.com](mailto:amanda.m.caggiano@gmail.com))

### **Important Reminders**

#### **Employment Opportunities**

Religion & Spanish Teacher (Part-Time/Monday through Thursday, 11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.) – Immediate Opening

Long-Term Substitute Nurse (Full Time/Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.) – Beginning mid-December

For more information about these positions or to apply, please contact the principal at [dconroy@allsaintsva.org](mailto:dconroy@allsaintsva.org).

#### **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 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.

**Open House (November 3 @ 9:00 a.m.)**

All Saints will host an Open House for prospective parents on Thursday, November 3 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) 368-4400.

**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.*

**Penny Bazaar**

*It's Penny Bazaar time again! This annual event for grades K-8 will be held on Monday, October 31st from 1:30 until 2:30 pm in the back parking lot. Full of games, candy, prizes, and cupcakes, this is a fun filled hour to end the day. Please send your child to school with a bag of pennies, and a bag to hold their prizes in. Each game will cost a penny to play, and cupcakes can be bought for \$0.10. Parents are*

welcome to attend the event and are encouraged to volunteer or donate items. All volunteers must be VIRTUS compliant. It's a great way to earn those shares! For volunteering and donation sign up, please visit helpcounter at: <https://helpcounterweb.com/ci/volunteer/viewOpportunities2>

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

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

[ST. JOHN PAUL THE GREAT](#)

## **Upcoming Events**

### **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 Uniforms  
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.)

### **Tuesday, November 8**

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

**Thursday, November 10**

Picture Day

**Friday, November 11**

Veterans Day Mass (Memorial of St. Martin of Tours), Assembly, & Reception (8:30 a.m.)

**Noon Dismissal**

Parent-Teacher Conferences

**Monday, November 14**

Parent-Teacher Conferences **(No Classes or Extended Day)**

**Wednesday, November 16**

Lions' Club Screening

**Thursday, November 17**

Adoration & Benediction (2:15 p.m.)

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

**Friday, November 18**

School Mass – Memorial of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne (8:30 a.m.)

**Monday, November 21**

Thanksgiving Luncheon

**Tuesday, November 22**

Thanksgiving Prayer Service (9:30 a.m.)

End of Trimester I

Noon Dismissal

**Wednesday, November 23**

Thanksgiving Holiday

**Thursday, November 24**

Thanksgiving Holiday

**Friday, November 25**

Thanksgiving Holiday