



All Saints Catholic School

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The Sentinel Newsletter

January 25, 2023

Principal's Message

Earlier this week the Parish Finance Council met to review and discuss the school budget for the 2023-2024 academic year. With the unanimous recommendation of the Council, Father Lee has approved a budget that reflects a strong commitment to increasing the level of compensation for our teachers and staff.

For the upcoming school year, tuition for both the Pre-Kindergarten and K-8 programs will increase 3%. This increase will allow us to not only sustain and grow our programs, but also support a salary increase for our faculty and staff who demonstrate great dedication to the mission of our school.

We are thankful for the continued support of our parish which contributes a significant annual investment to help finance the operations of the school. Because of this support, we are able to offer affordable tuition rates that are less than the actual per child cost of \$7,330 for the current school year.

Additionally, our ability to provide more than \$350,000 in tuition assistance continues to ensure that families in our community are able to give their children the gift of a Catholic education regardless of financial considerations. We are grateful to our parish and diocese as well as the many donors who support this effort through their contributions to the Scholarship Foundation Fund and other programs.

Should you have any questions about tuition and fees for the 2023-2024 academic year, please do not hesitate to let me know.

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Running with the Saints 5K T-Shirt Art Contest

All Saints *Running with the Saints 5K* will be held on Saturday, April 1. We need your help in designing the artwork for our 2023 official race T-shirt. Artwork must be submitted along with the form below to Mrs. Kruppa in the front office by February 28, 2023.

- WHO: All students are invited to participate.
- WHAT: Design original artwork for the front of the 5K T-shirts
- DETAILS: Paper size: 8 1/2 x 11, white paper
- DESIGN: Black and White or 2-color artwork / Please include NO TEXT / Medium: Dark Pencil, Ink, Marker, Dark Crayon
- PRIZES: 1st Place: \$10 gift card / 2nd & 3rd Place: \$5 gift card

The deadline to submit entries is February 28, 2023.

[Running with the Saints 5K T-Shirt Art Contest Form](#)

Important Reminders

Announcement of School Visit by Bishop Burbidge (April 21)

We are pleased and excited to welcome Bishop Burbidge for a visit to our school on Friday, April 21. Bishop will be the celebrant for our school Mass at 8:30 a.m. after which he will visit with students and attend a special luncheon with the faculty and staff.

Important Calendar Update:

Due to this special event, All Saints will dismiss at noon on Friday, April 21.

Start Date for Academic Year 2023-2024

The Office of Catholic Schools has confirmed that the first day of school for the 2023-2024 school year will be Wednesday, August 23. We are now in the process of finalizing other important dates surrounding the opening of the school year and will forward this information to you as it becomes available.

Catholic Schools Week – Food Drive

Beginning on Sunday, January 29, All Saints will join with schools across our country in celebrating Catholic Schools Week. One of the activities planned for that week will be a food drive to benefit the St.

Lucy Food Pantry of our parish. Students are invited to bring the following items to school on Monday, January 30.

Jelly – Grades PreK-5

Peanut Butter – Grades 6-8

Open House for 2023-2024 School Year

All Saints Catholic School will host an Open House for prospective parents on Tuesday, January 31 at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Activities Center. All parishioners and members of the community interested in learning more about our parish school are cordially invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mrs. Mary Rodriguez, administrative assistant, at (571) 516-3170.

Science Fair Judges Needed

Do you love science and like to inspire young minds? All Saints needs judges for the 7th Grade Science Fair on February 16th, 2023. The Science Fair is in the Parish Activity Center from 8:00 am to 2:30 pm and breakfast and lunch will be provided. Judges, in order to maintain fairness, should not have a middle school student competing in the science fair. Come join us and see what mysteries of science our students have discovered. Please sign up via this link:

[Science Fair Judges Signup](#)

Extended Day – End of Year Financial Statements

Parents of students who attended the Extended Day Program during the 2022 calendar year and who are interested in requesting a year-end statement, may contact Ms. Reardon for more information. (creardon@allsaintsva.org)

Employment Opportunities

Spanish Teacher for Grades 1 & 2 – Immediate Opening.

The schedule for the week is as follows: Monday (11:52 a.m. – 12:36 p.m.), Tuesday (2:12 – 2:52 p.m.), and Thursday (1:25 – 2:52 p.m.). This position is a wonderful opportunity for individuals who may be considering a career in education.

For more information about this position or to apply, please contact the principal at dconroy@allsaintsva.org.

FACTS Tuition Assistance Applications 2023-2024

The online application for tuition assistance through FACTS Grant & Aid for the upcoming school year is now available. For more information about the diocesan tuition assistance program and the application process, please see the links below.

TUITION ASSISTANCE OVERVIEW

Due Dates:

Elementary/Middle School Students
Year of Tax Forms Required

March 15, 2023
2022

High School Students

- * Bishop Ireton High School
- * Bishop Denis J. O'Connell High School
- * St. Paul VI Catholic High School
- * Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School

January 6, 2023
January 7, 2023
January 6, 2023
January 18, 2023

Year of Tax Forms Required if submitted by due date
Year of Tax Forms Required if submitted AFTER due date

2021
2022

*Families applying for financial aid for both high school **AND** elementary/middle school students will need to submit BOTH 2021 **AND** 2022 tax forms.

Should you have any questions about the application process or tuition assistance program, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Diana Neri, Office Bookkeeper, at 703-368-4400 or vneri@allsaintsva.org.

Upcoming Events

Saturday, January 28

PTO Family Bingo Night (PAC/5:00 p.m.)

Sunday (January 29) - Celebrating our PARISH

- Students are encouraged to attend Mass at All Saints in their winter school uniforms

Monday (January 30) - Celebrating our COMMUNITY

- Students are invited to donate peanut butter (Grades 6-8) and jelly (Grades PreK-5) for St. Lucy's Food Pantry (Catholic Charities)
- Students in Grades PreK-3 will complete an "I Love All Saints Catholic School" worksheet to be displayed throughout the school
- Dress Down Day for students

Tuesday (January 31) - Celebrating our STUDENTS

- Open House for Prospective Parents (PAC/9:00 a.m.)
- Students will exchange cards with their Prayer Buddies
- Special snack, extra recess, and no homework!

Wednesday (February 1) - Celebrating our NATION

- Catholic Cup Competition for Grades 4-8 (PAC/8:30 a.m.)
- Students in Grades 4-8 will make cards to be sent overseas to troops
- Students in Grades 3-5 will research a saint from America and share with the class what they learn. In Grades PreK-2, teachers will read about an American saint or complete a related activity with their students.

Thursday (February 2) - Celebrating VOCATIONS

- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
- Students will make spiritual bouquets for the priests and parish staff to thank them for their support of and participation in our Catholic school
- Students will view recorded 7th grade student interviews of Fr. Daniel and a FOCUS Missionary regarding their vocations
- PTO sponsored Faculty and Staff Luncheon

Friday (February 3) Celebrating our FACULTY, STAFF, VOLUNTEERS

- Feast of St. Blaise - Blessing of Throats
- Students will make spiritual bouquets for the maintenance and cafeteria staff to thank them for their support of and participation in our Catholic school
- Celebration Station delivery to faculty and staff by SCA students
- Special surprise for parents to thank them for choosing to send their children to All Saints
- Noon Dismissal

Tuesday, February 7

Picture Day – Teams, Clubs, and Candida
PTO Executive Committee Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, February 8

Spelling Bee (PAC/1:30 p.m.)

Thursday, February 9

Enrollment Management Team Meeting – Rescheduled from February 16 (PLC/7:00 p.m.)

Friday, February 10

School Mass – Memorial of St. Scholastica (8:30 a.m.)

Saturday, February 11

2nd Grade Sacrament of First Reconciliation (10:00 a.m.)
VEX IQ Robotics Tournament (Prince William County Fairgrounds)

Tuesday, February 14

Dress Down Day to Benefit the Band Trip (\$2.00)
Senior’s Luncheon

Thursday, February 16

Science Fair (PAC)

Friday, February 17

School Mass – The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order (8:30 a.m.)

Monday, February 20

Holiday – Presidents’ Day

Tuesday, February 21

Farewell to the Alleluia Prayer Service (PAC/2:30 p.m.)

Wednesday, February 22

School Mass – Ash Wednesday (10:00 a.m.)

Thursday, February 23

PTO General Assembly Meeting – Presentation: *Heaven in Your Home* – Part II
(PAC/7:00 p.m.)