



All Saints Catholic School

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The Sentinel Newsletter

May 3, 2023

Principal's Message

Tomorrow we look forward to the annual *Race for Education* at All Saints. Students in all grades will be running or walking laps along a course on the school grounds, competing for the most laps finished.

All students in grades K-8 are asked to wear their P.E. uniforms to school on Thursday. Students enrolled in the Pre-K are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing appropriate for running. Note: Students may wear running/athletic shoes for the day.

Parents, relatives, and friends are cordially invited to attend the event to show support for all of our student runners. We hope that many of you will be able to join us for a wonderful day of fun and fellowship.

The following is the schedule for the event.

Grades Pre-K-2

8:45a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

Grades 3-5

10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Grades 6-8

1:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

There are many opportunities to earn shares by volunteering (VIRTUS compliance required) on Race Day, all of which can be completed while you are cheering on your child. For more information about how you can support the event, please visit [HelpCounter](#).

As of today, we have yet to achieve our school goal of raising \$35,000 by Race Day. Please visit our donation platform pledgestar.com/saints today and share your child's personal fundraising page with family and friends. Your efforts will benefit not only our students, but also support our wonderful faculty and staff. Thank you to all students, parents, relatives, and friends of our community for your generous support!

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Virtues in Practice

Virtue for the Month of May: Zeal

Definition: Being driven by an intense love for God.

Saints: St. Paul (Gr. PK-2), St. Dominic (Gr. 3-5), St. Francis Xavier (Gr. 6-8)

Employment Opportunities (2023-2024)

All Saints Catholic School is seeking applicants for the following positions for the upcoming school year.

1st Grade Teacher

Resource Teacher (Grades 4-8)

Instructional Assistants

For more information or to apply for any of these positions, please contact Mr. Conroy at dconroy@allsaintsva.org.

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Program— Thank You!

Thanks to the generous participation of our students in the Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl Program during Lent and the Rice Lunch sponsored by the cafeteria on March 31, All Saints received \$1,905.82 in donations. All of these funds will support the work of CRS in providing much needed relief for the poor in our diocese and around the world. Thank you, students, for your very generous support!

FACTS Enrollment – Payment Plans (2023-2024)

During May we will confirm FACTS tuition payment plans for the upcoming school year. Any returning family that wishes to change their schedule of payments for 2023-2024 is asked to notify Mrs. Neri (vneri@allsaintsva.org) by May 19. Otherwise, we will apply your current payment schedule to the upcoming school year.

Reminder: The deadline for payment in full with a 2% discount is Friday, June 9.

[2023-2024 Tuition Schedule](#)

Stewardship Shares Program ~ Year End Totals

This year each family at All Saints has once again been asked to earn 25 Stewardship Shares. Those who are unable to do so are asked to submit a check at the conclusion of the year for any outstanding “shares” that remain. (1 share = \$20.00)

As we approach the end of the year, parents are reminded to update their “shares total” online so that the database accurately reflects their contributions over the course of the entire year.

During the month of May, the office will issue individualized letters to each family, confirming the number of shares reflected in the school database. For this reason, we ask that those families who have not recently updated their totals to do so by Wednesday, May 10.

PTO General Assembly Meeting – May 24 (7:00 p.m.)

Join us for the final General Assembly PTO Meeting of the school year as Soren and Ever Johnson present the third session of the *Heaven in Your Home* workshop series. Even if you were unable to participate in the first two presentations, please plan to attend to learn practical strategies for supporting and strengthening the faith life of your family. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Activities Center.

Important Reminders

End of Year Calendar & Events

Thursday, May 25	Final Day of Pre-Kindergarten
Friday, May 26	Field Day – Grades K-8 (On Site - All Saints)
Tuesday, June 6	8 th Grade Graduation (Church/4:00 p.m.)
Thursday, June 8	Kindergarten Graduation (Church/10:00 a.m.)
Friday, June 9	Final Day of School for Students in Grades 1-7 Closing of the School Year Mass & Awards Ceremony (8:30 a.m.) <u>Note: 11:00 a.m. Dismissal</u>
Monday, June 12	Professional Development Day for Teachers
Tuesday, June 13	Professional Development Day for Teachers

FACTS Enrollment & Tuition Assistance Update

As we make plans for the upcoming school year, one of our priorities is that of continuing to provide as much tuition assistance as possible for families in our community. In support of this effort, we have submitted applications on behalf of our school families for funding through the *Diocese of Arlington*

Scholarship Foundation and the *St. Beatrice Special Tuition Assistance Program*. Diocesan allocations related to these sources of tuition assistance will be confirmed over the course of the next month. Once we receive this information, we will finalize decisions regarding tuition assistance and notify those families who have applied for financial aid accordingly.

The FACTS Tuition re-enrollment process for 2023-2024 and selection of online tuition payment plans will occur during May. The deadline for payment in full with a 2% discount is Friday, June 9.

Virtus Session - Keeping Our Children Safe

Do you know the warning signs for the sexual abuse of children?

Do you know the difference between contact that is safe and contact that could be harmful? Would you like to be better equipped to protect your young ones from danger?

All Saints is hosting a Virtus (pronounced vur-toose) seminar on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, in the PAC beginning promptly at 6:00 pm — four hours that could make a BIG difference in the lives of our children and youth. Required for all clergy and employees and for any volunteers who have significant contact with children or youth under 18, this valuable training is available to all adults who register online at www.virtus.org. Parents of young children, especially, could benefit from the information presented.

If you have any questions, please call Cristina Jimenez at 703-881-6914 or via email at cjimenez@allsaintsva.org

Education and awareness can be powerful tools in protecting God's children from harm. Let's continue working to ensure that our faith community is a safe and protected environment for the youngest members of our parish.

Art, Drama, Musical Theatre Camps for K-12

Returning July 10-21, **Broadway Spotlight** and **Drama Bootcamp** trains campers in Acting, Improv, Song & Dance and concludes their week with a show for families! **Art Camps** incorporate many special projects in different mediums that all go on display in an end of week Art Show. Most of the professional instructors teach in our Diocesan Schools and bring a myriad of experience in their specialties.

Camps are designed to be both fun and challenging with a goal to aid campers in their growth in the arts within a safe environment.

Learn more and register at www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com

SUMMER CAMP

Upcoming Events

Thursday, May 4

18th Annual *Race for Education*

Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

Friday, May 5

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

8th Grade Graduation & 2nd Grade Communion Photos (9:30 a.m.)

Noon Dismissal (Professional Development)

Saturday, May 6

First Communion (11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.)

Tuesday, May 9

8th Grade World Language Exam

Wednesday, May 10

Race for Education Awards Ceremony (2:00 p.m.)

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

Thursday, May 11

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Confirmation Rehearsal (6:00 p.m.)

Spring Choral Concert – 8th Grade Musical (Note: Performance time changed to 1:30 p.m.)

Friday, May 12

Band Trip (Hershey Park)

8th Grade Class Trip (Annapolis)

Monday, May 15

Confirmation Rehearsal (6:00 p.m.)

Tuesday, May 16

Band Concert (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, May 17

SCA Election Speeches (PAC/1:30 p.m.)

Thursday, May 18

Art Show (PAC/4:00 – 6:00 p.m.)

Friday, May 19

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Saturday, May 20

Confirmation (10:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.)

Wednesday, May 24

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

Thursday, May 25

School Mass – Memorial of St. Bede the Venerable (8:30 a.m.)

Final Day of Pre-Kindergarten

Friday, May 26

Field Day (9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

Monday, May 29

Holiday – Memorial Day

Thursday, June 1

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

Friday, June 2

School Mass – Memorial of Saints Marcellinus & Peter (8:30 a.m.)

Saturday, June 3

Algebra Exemption Exam