



All Saints Catholic School

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Mission Statement

*United and nourished by the Word of God and the Eucharist,
our culturally diverse Catholic school inspires learning within a
nurturing and dynamic environment of academic excellence and Gospel values.*

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The Sentinel Newsletter

October 25, 2023

Principal's Message

Next Wednesday is the patronal feast of our parish and school, All Saints Day. It is an occasion marked by celebration beginning with Mass and the 3rd grade Procession of Saints at 8:30 a.m. followed by the 8th grade presentation of "Saints Alive" in the Parish Activities Center and classrooms. 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 20 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 3. Again this year, donations may be included with your Thanksgiving Luncheon payment. Please see the link below for more details.

[THANKSGIVING ORDER FORM](#)

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 9 or 13. 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.

At the General Audience on Wednesday, October 18 Pope Francis asked that *Friday, October 27* be a day of prayer and fasting for the intention of peace in the world, especially in Israel and Palestine. In union with the Holy Father, Bishop Burbidge encourages all the faithful of the diocese to join in this day of penance for this important intention. Let us unite our hearts in prayer on Friday for peace in our world.

Wishing you and your family continued blessings!

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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 sign-up on Connect1. Please remember that in order to volunteer, you must be VIRTUS compliant. Should you have any questions about this volunteer opportunity, please contact Mrs. Sharon Storey at sharonstorey83@gmail.com.

[Connect 1 Link](#)

Cafeteria – Closed October 30

Please note that due to staffing, **the cafeteria will be closed on Monday, October 30**. All students are asked to bring a lunch and drink from home that day.

November Lunch Menu

Cafeteria Menu - November 2023

Penny Bazaar

Penny Bazaar is almost here! As per All Saints tradition, we will be having our annual afternoon of fun and cupcakes next Tuesday, October 31st. This event will be held in the back parking lot from 1:30-2:30pm. All classes have set up Connect 1 signups for volunteer and donation slots, but if you're still looking for additional opportunities, please follow the link for 'General Penny Bazaar' signup options: <https://app.connect1.io/volunteers/4ZW7bfMFy>

We are asking that each family donate a bag of party favors to their child's classroom so that we will have enough prizes to give out for each game played.

Please send your child to school that day with a bag of pennies or coins, as well as an additional bag to carry their goodies in.

Thank you for helping us make this day of fun and school community building a success!

Family Skate Night

We are pleased to announce our first skate social spirit event! Join us on Saturday, November 11, 2023, at the Prince William Ice Center, located at 5180 Dale Blvd., Dale City, VA. Registration begins at 5:30pm and ice time is 6-7:40pm. Stay afterward for a cup of hot chocolate and camaraderie or catch a youth hockey game!

You may bring your own skates or simply rent them (skate rental is included in the ticket sales). Helmets are not required, but highly recommended so grab your bike helmet and skate the evening away. The rink also offers skate assist “walkers” for beginners or first time skaters for an additional fee.

Don't skate? No problem! Enjoy the concession area that offers an array of food, snacks and drinks, or the arcade area for a competitive game of foosball hockey. The event is open to All Saints families and friends, tickets are \$15 per skater and non-skaters are FREE! One waiver per family is required and will be completed at registration.

[Skate Night Registration Link](#)



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Code valid between Nov 1st and Nov 15th

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lockers/all-saints-catholic-school](https://teamlockers.squadlocker.com/#/lockers/all-saints-catholic-school)



Important Reminders

Tuition Assistance Program (2024-2025)

Important information regarding Diocesan Tuition Assistance for the upcoming academic year is now available. For details about the program, please see the flyer found at the link below.

2024-2024 Tuition Assistance Program

Details about the program can also be found on the diocesan website.

<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/catholic-schools/tuition-assistance/>

The key financial aid dates for 2024-2025 are as follows:

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 you 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 requirement.

Veterans Day Celebration - Thursday, November 9

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 Thursday, November 9 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 was sent home with forms to submit a Family Veteran Survey and paper brick to commemorate a veteran in your family. For your convenience, you can also click on the link below to access the information.

Veterans Celebration 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.

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. During this month 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:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F084CAEAB22A02-pilgrim#/>

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.

Harris Teeter Together in Education Program

Did you know All Saints participates in Harris Teeter's Together in Education program? Simply register your Harris Teeter store loyalty card (VIC card) online, and our school will receive a donation from Harris Teeter based on a percentage of your purchases of Harris Teeter brand items. There is no extra cost to you.

Click [here](#) to link your VIC card (or use the Harris Teeter app). Our school code is 6623. If you have any questions or need assistance linking your card, please contact our program coordinator, Laura Burroughs, at Laura.Burroughs@gmail.com.

John Paul the Great- Upcoming Events

- **JP's Volleyball Middle School Night - October 27th**

John Paul the Great invites all middle schoolers to join us for the Varsity Girls Volleyball Game at JP on Friday, October 27th at 5:30pm. Free entry for middle school students! No RSVP required!

- **John Paul Open House on Nov. 5th**

Getting ready for high school? Join us at John Paul for our Open House on Sunday, November 5th from 1:00-4:00 PM! Learn more about our rigorous college-preparatory curriculum, competitive athletics, inspiring visual and performing arts, and abundant extracurricular opportunities! We look forward to introducing you to our unique Bioethics program as well as our beloved House System and robust Special Services! Meet students, faculty, and coaches to learn more about the programs you love. [Click here to RSVP!](#)

Sponsoring an Ad?

Are you interested in sponsoring an ad? if so, please check out the flyer below to learn more about becoming a sponsor.

[SPONSOR FLYER](#)

Upcoming Events

Thursday, October 26

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Middle School Glow Party (PAC/7:00 – 8:30 p.m.)

Friday, October 27

Professional Development Day (Faculty/Staff Retreat) – No Classes

Monday, October 30

Cafeteria Closed (All students should bring a lunch and drink from home.)

Tuesday, October 31

Penny Bazaar (Playground Area/1:30 p.m.)

Wednesday, November 1

Change to Winter Uniforms

All Saints Feast Day – 3rd Grade Procession of Saints and School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

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

FACTS Tuition Assistance Applications for 2024-2025 Available Online

Thursday, November 2

Open House (PAC/9:00 a.m.) – **Rescheduled**

Faculty Meeting (3:30-5:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, November 8

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

Thursday, November 9

Veterans Day Mass, Assembly, & Reception (8:30 a.m.)

Noon Dismissal (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

Friday, November 10

Holiday (Veterans Day)

Saturday, November 11

PTO Sponsored "Spirit Night on Ice" (5:30 – 8:00 p.m.)

Sunday, November 12

Discover Catholic Schools Week

Monday, November 13

Parent-Teacher Conferences (No Classes or Extended Day)

Tuesday, November 14

Seniors' Luncheon (Hosted by 6th Grade Students)

Thursday, November 16

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

Enrollment Management Team Meeting (PLC/7:00 p.m.) – **Postponed to November 30**

Friday, November 17

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

Monday, November 20

Thanksgiving Luncheon

Tuesday, November 21

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

End of Trimester I

Noon Dismissal

Wednesday, November 22

Thanksgiving Holiday Begins