



# All Saints Catholic School

*Behold I make all things new.*

## The Sentinel Newsletter

December 20, 2023

### Principal's Message

On Monday evening, students in grades K,1,4,5 & 6 presented the annual Christmas Pageant for parents in the church. As always, it was a beautiful and stirring representation of the Nativity Scene as portrayed by our 6<sup>th</sup> Grade theater arts students.

I wish to congratulate all of the students who participated in the Pageant and thank them for providing a wonderful evening of music and reflections. I also want to thank and congratulate Mrs. Scott, music teacher, for coordinating the Pageant for the first time and for her great attention to the many details that made the event such a success. I also want to thank and acknowledge Mr. Tessier, theater arts teacher, for the direction that he once again provided to the students, and Mrs. Lewis, retired teacher, and Mrs. Loving, volunteer parent, for coordinating the costumes.

With the Christmas holiday now upon us, know of my great gratitude for the fact that you and your children are part of our school community. We are delighted that you have chosen to give your child the gift of a Catholic education and so pleased that you have selected All Saints for your family.

On behalf of our pastor, Fr. Lee Roos, the clergy, faculty, and staff of All Saints Catholic School, I wish all of you a blessed Christmas Season. May the holiday be filled with joy and wonder as you celebrate the birth of our Savior!

*Wishing you and your family Christmas blessings!*

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***A Prayer for the Third Week of Advent***

Lord God, may we, your people, who look forward to the birthday of Christ, experience the joy of salvation and celebrate that feast with love and thanksgiving. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

***January Lunch Menu***

Cafeteria Menu - January 2024

## Important Reminders

- **Important - Calendar Clarification**

The first version of the cafeteria menu for the month of December included an error. Please note that Thursday, December 21 will be a half-day of school as indicated on our school calendar rather than the first day of the Christmas holiday.

- **Open House for 2024-2025 School Year**

All Saints Catholic School will host an Open House for prospective parents on Thursday, January 11 at 7:00 p.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.

- **Employment Opportunity – Extended Day Assistant**

All Saints Catholic School is seeking applicants for the position of Extended Day Assistant with employment beginning mid-January and extending through mid-March. The hours are approximately 2:30 – 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information or to apply, please contact the principal at [dconroy@allsaintsva.org](mailto:dconroy@allsaintsva.org).

- ***New Student Applications & Continuous Enrollment for 2024-2025***

Applications for new students for academic year 2024-2025 are now available online.

**All current families who wish to enroll a *new student* in grades Pre-Kindergarten through eight for the upcoming year may access the application at the link below.**

[Application 2024-2025 Link](#)

In January, we will provide a copy of the *Continuous Enrollment Contract* to parents of students completing their first year of enrollment at All Saints. Through completion of this form, parents may continuously enroll their child/ren through 8<sup>th</sup> grade from All Saints or, if necessary, until such time that they complete the withdrawal process. With submission of this contract, there is no need for future completion of an annual re-registration form.

The Continuous Enrollment Fee, formerly known as the Re-Registration Fee, will automatically be billed through FACTS accounts on March 1, 2024. The completion of the contract and payment of the fee will confirm enrollment for your child/ren for the upcoming school year.

- ***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.

[2024-2025 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:

October 31, 2023	FACTS financial aid application closes for 2023-2024
November 1, 2023	FACTS financial aid application opens for 2024-2025
January 5, 2024	Financial aid application due date for diocesan <b>high schools</b>
March 13, 2024	Financial aid application due date for diocesan <b>K-8 schools</b>

- **All Saints Spirit Wear**

Are you still looking for All Saints Spirit Wear? Well look no further. Visit the link below to find the perfect item for you and the entire family from our assorted selections.

[Order Your Squadlocker Spirit Wear](#)

- **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](mailto:Laura.Burroughs@gmail.com).

- **Science Fair**

We are excited to announce that the All Saints Catholic School Science Fair will be held on Thursday, February 8th, 2024 for the 7th grade students! We are looking for judges and would like to invite anyone who is interested in being involved. On behalf of Mrs. Starrs, we greatly appreciate any and all help! If you are interested, please fill out the form at this [link](#). For any questions, please feel free to reach out to Ms. Tran ([mtran@allsaintsva.org](mailto:mtran@allsaintsva.org)).

- ***Boys Wrestling Clinics for Elementary and Middle School Students at Saint John Paul the Great!***

JP's Boys Wrestling Head Coach Jacob Kingett invites your students to participate in and spread the word about our Boys Wrestling Clinics now through February 1st!

For more information about clinic dates and registration, please see the clinic flyer below for more details!

[Wrestling Flyer](#)

[Click here to register today!](#)

For any questions, please email Coach Kingett at [jacob.kingett@jpthegreat.org](mailto:jacob.kingett@jpthegreat.org).

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Thursday, December 21**

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

Santa Hat Day, Sponsored by the SCA

Classroom Christmas Parties (10:30 a.m.)

Noon Dismissal

### **Friday, December 22**

Christmas Holiday Begins

### **Wednesday, January 3**

Classes Resume

### **Thursday, January 4**

Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

**Friday, January 5**

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

FACTS Tuition Assistance Application Deadline for High Schools

High School Application Deadline

Deadline: Middle School Opt-In Forms for the Gift of Human Sexuality Program

**Tuesday, January 9**

Seniors Luncheon (Hosted by Grade 4)

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

**Thursday, January 11**

Gift of Human Sexuality Presentation #1 (Middle School Students)

Open House for Prospective Parents (PAC Atrium/7:00 p.m.)

**Friday, January 12**

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Picture Day – Clubs & Candids

**Monday, January 15**

Holiday (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)

**Tuesday, January 16**

Second Round of MAP Testing Begins (through February 2)

**Thursday, January 18**

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

**Friday, January 19**

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Spelling Bee (10:15 a.m.)

Noon Dismissal (Professional Development Day)

**Wednesday, January 24**

School Mass – Memorial of St. Francis De Sales (8:30 a.m.)

**Thursday, January 25**

Gift of Human Sexuality Presentation #2 (Middle School Students)

**Saturday, January 27**

PTO Bingo Night (PAC/5:00-9:00 p.m.)

**Sunday, January 28**

Catholic Schools Week Begins

**Wednesday, January 31**

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

Deadline: Continuous Enrollment Forms for Year 1 Families