# The Sentinel Newsletter

January 10, 2024

# Principal's Message

As many of you are aware, Mr. Roy has served as our Spanish teacher at All Saints for students in grades 3-8 for more than ten years, providing them with a strong foreign language foundation. I am pleased to share with you that he is currently enrolled in the Catholic School Leadership Program at Marymount University and will complete the program requirements for a Masters in Educational Leadership this spring. As part of the program, he will be completing an internship in school administration at All Saints beginning this week while continuing to serve in the role of Spanish teacher. In addition to taking the lead on several projects that he has identified, Mr. Roy will also gain first-hand experience in numerous aspects of school leadership. We look forward to supporting his efforts in this regard and wish him every success as he begins his internship.

On Monday, Ms. Reardon, Director of Extended Day, will undergo knee replacement surgery and will be on leave for approximately two months while she recovers. We assure her of our prayers and wish her a complete and speedy return to full health. During her absence, Mrs. Reyes will serve as the Program Leader for Extended Day and will be the point of contact for any questions that arise related to the program. In this role, she will coordinate the billing process for parents and serve as the supervisor of all daily activities. With more than a decade's experience in the program and having previously served in this capacity, Mrs. Reyes will provide continuity of leadership during the time of Ms. Reardon's absence.

Additionally, Mrs. Maile Schunk will be joining the Extended Day staff in the role of Assistant. Mrs. Schunk is a school parent who is already familiar with the program as well as the mission of our school. She earned a Bachelor's Degree in Marketing from the University of Notre Dame and has extensive experience in online marketing and project management. We welcome Mrs. Schunk to the Extended Day team and look forward to her joining the program.

Wishing you and your family continued blessings!

# Behold I make all things new.









#### **Bingo Family Night**

Please join the PTO for Family BINGO Night on Saturday, January 27th from 5-7:30pm in the PAC!

This is a relaxed and fun-filled evening for the entire family. <u>RSVP here</u> to reserve your spot and pre-order a Vocelli's pizza (or two) at a discount. Additional concessions of snacks, drinks and pizza by-the-slice will also be available. All fees will be collected at the door (cash, charge or check made payable to All Saints Catholic School).

Will you help us fill the much treasured prize table? Please see Connect1 for details.

#### Westminster Concert Bell Choir - FREE Concert

All Saints Concert Series presents the Westminster Concert Bell Choir on Friday, January 19 at 7:00 PM in the church. This event is part of the choir's winter tour, "A Time to Dance." The choir rings a variety of music on the world's largest range of handbells. The director and musicians take time during the concert to explain the various bells, making it an engaging presentation for all ages!

# **Important Reminders**

#### • Virtues in Practice

Virtue for the Month of January: Fidelity

Definition: Being faithful to promises and commitments

Saints: St. Cecilia (PK-2), Blessed Luigi & Maria Beltrame Quattrocchi (3-5), St. Gianna

Molla (6-8)

# Open House for 2024-2025 School Year (Tomorrow @ 7:00 p.m.)

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.

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

# Yearbook Art Cover Contest - Deadline: Friday, February 2nd

The Yearbook Committee is hosting its annual Yearbook Cover Contest. The committee is looking for a <u>front and back cover</u> that represents the spirit of All Saints Catholic School and incorporates our theme – **Behold I make all things new.** 

Mrs. Shumway will be introducing the contest during art classes in the coming week. Entries are due to Mrs. Liu no later than Friday, February 2, 2024. The winning entry will win a free Yearbook. We look forward to seeing your amazing artwork!

To submit an entry, please note the following:

- Make sure your entry is on two pieces of plain white paper. The finished size of each page of your design must be no larger than 8 ½ x 11.
- o Lightly write your name and your teacher's name on the BACK of each page.
- Please DO NOT sign your name on the front of these pages.

#### Contest Flyer

# Yearbook Sales – Coming Soon

One of the most important ways to commemorate each school year is through a yearbook. All Saints will be continuing to partner with Lifetouch in the production of our annual yearbook. Lifetouch will be opening our yearbook sales portal next week. Further information and a link to the portal will be provided at that time.

#### 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 <u>here</u> 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 <u>Laura.Burroughs@gmail.com</u>.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### 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

First Reconciliation – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (10:00 a.m.) PTO Bingo Night (PAC/5:00-8:30 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

# Thursday, February 1

Gift of Human Sexuality Presentation #3 (Middle School Students) Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

# Friday, February 2

School Mass – Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (8:30 a.m.) Noon Dismissal Catholic Schools Week Faculty & Staff Luncheon

# Tuesday, February 6

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

# Thursday, February 8

Science Fair

# Friday, February 9

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)