



All Saints Catholic School

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The Sentinel Newsletter

January 17, 2024

Principal's Message

Beginning on Sunday, January 28, All Saints will celebrate ***Catholic Schools Week***, an annual opportunity to join schools across our nation in highlighting the distinct mission of Catholic education. We look forward to sharing a list of events and activities that are being planned for that special week in the days ahead.

As we finalize our preparations for *Catholic Schools Week*, I wish to thank you for the trust that you place in our school and for your continued partnership with us. We are so pleased that you have chosen to give your child/ren the gift of a Catholic education and delighted that your family is part of our All Saints community.

Wishing you and your family continued blessings!

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March for Life (January 19)

On Friday, January 19, the students of All Saints will join their prayers with the thousands who will gather in Washington, D.C. at the annual March for Life. As a school community we will pray for an increase in respect for the sanctity of life at all stages in our society. If your child will be attending the March, please notify his or her teacher via email or a note by Thursday, January 18.

Open House for 2024-2025 School Year

All Saints Catholic School will host an Open House for prospective parents on Wednesday, 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.

Parking Reminder – After School Activities

Parents picking their children up following after school activities are reminded to park in front of the church and to walk to the courtyard where the students gather for dismissal. As the driveway adjacent to the courtyard and the front of the school is a designated fire lane, parents are asked not to park their vehicles or form a car line in this area.

Important Reminders

- ***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 8th 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 high schools
March 13, 2024	Financial aid application due date for diocesan K-8 schools

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

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

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.
- 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**

- **Order Your Yearbook - Early Bird Discount**

One of the best ways to commemorate the school year is by purchasing an All Saints Yearbook. Our 2023-2024 school yearbook is now available to order and **we are offering an early-bird discount of \$20 per yearbook through Friday, January 26, 2024.** *That is a \$3.00 savings off our regular price of \$23.00 per yearbook.*

Personalization is also available for an additional fee of \$5.00.

All orders must be placed online through the link below:

- Please visit the Lifetouch website to order online: ybpay.com.
- The All Saints school code is 13273524.
- For questions regarding the All Saints Catholic School Yearbook, please contact Mrs. Janis DeVore (jdevore@allsaintsva.org).

- **Bingo Family Night**

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

This is a relaxed and fun-filled evening for the entire family. [RSVP here](#) 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!

- **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.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, January 18

Enrollment Management Team Meeting (PLC/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)

Friday, January 26

Early Bird Deadline for Yearbooks Orders with a Discount

Saturday, January 27

First Reconciliation – 2nd Grade (10:00 a.m.)

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

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 Lunch

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.)

Tuesday, February 13

Seniors' Luncheon (Hosted by 8th Grade)

Valentine's Day Parties – Grades K-5 (1:30 – 2:15 p.m.)

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

Wednesday, February 14

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

Thursday, February 15

PTO Helping Hands (PAC/8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)

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

Friday, February 16

Professional Development Day (No School or Extended Day)