



# All Saints Catholic School

*Behold I make all things new.*

## 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.*

## The Sentinel Newsletter

May 1, 2024

### Principal's Message

Tomorrow we look forward to the 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

*The day will start as a regular school day with arrival beginning at 7:40 a.m. However, all parents are asked to use only the front parking lot for morning arrival. The back lot will be closed for Race setup.*

Parents, relatives, and friends are cordially invited to attend the event to show support for all of our student runners. Both volunteers and spectators are asked to enter the school via the front door and to sign-in at the office. Volunteers should then proceed to the volunteer tent in the back parking lot.

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 on Race Day. Please see [Connect 1](#) to sign up. VIRTUS compliance is required. Parents who will be assisting with the event are asked to park on the far side of the church nearest Brinkley Lane.

We wish to thank those donors who have already sponsored students in this annual All Saints' tradition. Please visit [PledgeStar](#) today to sponsor your child and help spread the word by sharing your son/daughter's page with relatives and friends. Your efforts will benefit not only our students, but also support our wonderful faculty and staff.

The *Weekend Incentive Carpool VIP Raffle Drawing* will be held after the Race on Thursday, May 2 with winners to be contacted shortly thereafter.

Any questions regarding PledgeStar or Race Day details can be directed to our Race for Education Coordinators, Mrs. Kelly Ballard and Mrs. Laura Burroughs at [raceforeducation@allsaintsva.org](mailto:raceforeducation@allsaintsva.org).

*Thank you for your support! We hope that you can join us to cheer on the students as they run the Race for Education!*

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### **Virtues in Practice**

Virtue for the Month of May: Diligence

Definition: Doing your best and working hard until you're finished

Saints: St. Andre Bessette (Gr. PK-2), St. Francis de Sales (Gr. 3-5),

St. Catherine of Siena (Gr. 6-8)

### **FACTS Enrollment – Payment Plans for 2024-2025**

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 2024-2025 is asked to notify Mrs. Neri ([vneri@allsaintsva.org](mailto:vneri@allsaintsva.org)) by May 10. Otherwise, we would be pleased to apply your current payment schedule to the 2024-2025 school year.

Reminder: The deadline for payment in full with a 2% discount is Monday, June 10.

### 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” via [Connect 1](#) so that the database accurately reflects their contributions over the course of the entire year.

During the month of May, the office will send letters to each family, confirming the number of shares reflected in the school database. For this reason, we ask that families be sure to update their totals by [Wednesday, May 15](#).

## **May Lunch Menu**

[Cafeteria Menu - May](#)

## **Important Reminders**

- **Employment Opportunities (2024-2025)**

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

- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher
- Middle School Literature Teacher
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Instructional Assistant
- Director of Extended Day Program

For more information or to apply for any of these positions, please contact Mr. Conroy at [dconroy@allsaintsva.org](mailto:dconroy@allsaintsva.org).

- **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.

- **School Calendar 2024-2025 (Important Dates & Holidays)**

**August 21**

First Day of School – Grades K-8 (Noon Dismissal)

**August 26**

First Day of School – Pre-Kindergarten

**September 2**

Labor Day Holiday

**September 30**

Student Holiday (Professional Development Day)

**October 14**

Columbus Day Holiday

**October 18**

Noon Dismissal (Professional Development)

**November 8**

Noon Dismissal (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

**November 11**

Student Holiday (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

**November 26**

Noon Dismissal (Thanksgiving Holiday)

**November 27-29**

Thanksgiving Holiday

**December 2**

Student Holiday (Teacher Workday)

**December 23**

Christmas Holiday Begins

**January 6**

Classes Resume

**January 20**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

**January 24**

Noon Dismissal (Professional Development)

**January 31**

Noon Dismissal (Catholic Schools Week Luncheon)

**February 17**

Presidents' Day Holiday

**March 7**

Noon Dismissal (Teacher Workday)

**March 24**

Student Holiday (Professional Development Day)

**April 17**

Noon Dismissal (Holy Thursday)

**April 18**

Good Friday Holiday

**April 21**

Easter Week Holiday

**May 2**

Student Holiday (Parish Festival)

**May 26**

Memorial Day Holiday

**June 13**

Last Day of School for Grades 1-7 (Tentative/3 Inclement Weather Days Included)

- **Coach Dan Vander Woude's 2024 Boys Basketball Camps**

The Boys Basketball Camp with Coach Dan Vander Woude is now available. Here are some details for the camp:

**Location:**

Seton School Gym, 9314 Maple St., Manassas

**Clinic dates:**

June 17-21: Shooting Clinic; 9:30 am - 11:30 am

June 24-28/July 29-Aug. 2: 9-12 yr. olds; 9:30 am - 2:00 pm

July 8-12: 6-8 yr. olds; 9:30 am - 12 noon

July 15-19: Shooting Clinic; 9:30 am - 11:30 am/ Ball Handling Clinic; 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Application forms can be found at <http://www.danvwbasketball.wordpress.com>

- **Art Show -Save the date!**

Join us for the 2024 Art Show brought to you by our talented K-8th grade students. Don't miss this amazing event taking place in the PAC on May 23rd from 4-6 PM. Invite your entire family, friends and neighbors. We look forward to seeing you!

Art Show Flyer



- **ART, DRAMA, MUSICAL THEATRE CAMPS for K-12 in a Catholic setting**

Celebrating 20 years, Spotlight on the Arts Summer Camps offers **Broadway Spotlight, Drama Bootcamp, Art Explorer, and Arts & Crafts Fun Camp** this July 8 - 19.

Through Acting, Visual Art, Music, and more, these camps are taught by professional Catholic educators very accomplished in their area of expertise. Each week concludes with either an Art Showcase or a Performance by the campers. 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. Through March, ***all camps are \$35 off plus everyone gets a free T-shirt.***

Learn more and register at [www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com](http://www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com).



- **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](#)**

- **Special Announcements from John Paul the Great**  
**Shadow a Wolf for a Day!**

Shadow Days available at John Paul! Do you have an 8th-10th grader who is interested in seeing what it is like to be a JP student? Sign them up for a Shadow Day visit! For registration and more details, please

visit: [https://jpthegreat.schooladminonline.com/portal/new\\_inquiry](https://jpthegreat.schooladminonline.com/portal/new_inquiry)

**Practice High School Placement Test & Parent How to High School:**

Saturday, May 18, 2024 (9:00 am-12:15 pm)

John Paul is hosting the Pre-High School Placement Test (Pre-HSPT) for current 7th graders. The Pre-HSPT is optional, and is a practice test intended to help students become more familiar with the different sections of the HSPT under timed conditions. The practice test is designed to give the student an idea of how the exam will be administered and what to expect on the actual day of testing during the student's 8th



grade year. Parents are invited to stay for Parent How to High School - a workshop on preparing your student for high school.

[Placement Test Flyer](#)

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Thursday, May 2**

19<sup>th</sup> Annual Race for Education  
Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

### **Friday, May 3**

School Mass (Feast of Saints Phillip & James) & May Crowning (8:30 a.m.)  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade First Communion Photos (9:30 a.m.)

### **Saturday, May 4**

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

### **Monday, May 6**

NWEA Map Testing (Round #3) Begins

### **Tuesday, May 7**

Diocesan 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Vocations Mass (11:00 a.m.)  
**Cafeteria Closed – All Students Are Asked to bring a Lunch/Drink from Home**  
PTO Executive Committee Meeting (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

### **Wednesday, May 8**

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

### **Thursday, May 9**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade World Language Exam

### **Friday, May 10**

School Mass – Memorial of St. John of Avila (8:30 a.m.)  
Band Trip (Busch Gardens)  
School-Wide Rosary  
Deadline: Revision of FACTS Tuition Payment Plans for 2024-2025

**Saturday, May 11**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation (10:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.)

**Monday, May 13**

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip (Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception)

**Tuesday, May 14**

Seniors Luncheon – Hosted by 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Spring Band Concert (2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.)

**Wednesday, May 15**

Deadline: Stewardship Shares Totals via Connect1

**Thursday, May 16**

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip (Richmond State Capitol and Science Museum)

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

**Friday, May 17**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip (Annapolis, Maryland)

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

**Saturday, May 18**

First Communion (11:00 a.m.)

**Monday, May 20**

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip – Luray Caverns

**Wednesday, May 22**

School Mass – Memorial of St. Rita of Cascia (8:30 a.m.)

PTO General Assembly Meeting (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

**Thursday, May 23**

Art Show (PAC/4:00-6:00 p.m.)

**Friday, May 24**

SCA Election Assembly (PAC/8:30 a.m.)

**Monday, May 27**

Holiday (Memorial Day)

**Wednesday, May 29**

Spring Choral Concert (PAC/1:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.)

**Thursday, May 30**

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Final Day of Pre-Kindergarten

**Friday, May 31**

Field Day