

**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 8, 2024

#### **Principal's Message**

Congratulations to the members of our second grade class who received their First Communion on Saturday as well as those who will do so in the weeks ahead! I wish to thank Mrs. Burnett and Ms. Walker for preparing the children so beautifully for this most special occasion. Let us continue to pray for our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students, that this may continue to be a particularly grace-filled time in their lives and that they will always remain close to Jesus in the Eucharist.

Thanks to the generous support of parents, relatives, and friends of All Saints, we exceeded our goal of raising \$45,000 through the annual *Race for Education*. We are so grateful for this community-wide support, which funds and sustains the great work of our PTO in providing resources that benefit our students and teachers.

I wish to thank Mrs. Kelly Ballard and Mrs. Laura Burroughs, Race Coordinators, for all that they did to make the event such a success. Through creative messaging and clever incentives, they raised awareness of the event and promoted a strong level of support among school families. These efforts, as well as the daily monitoring and processing of contributions, required many hours of dedicated service. We thank them for their commitment to this initiative and for all that they did to organize such a wonderful day for our students.

With beautiful weather and warm temperatures, the day was a terrific success with many parents, grandparents, and volunteers gathered to support the event and to cheer on our runners. We look forward to acknowledging our student winners at an Awards Ceremony in the Parish Activities Center at 2:00 p.m. today and sharing all of the exciting details with you in a follow up message to the community!

Wishing you and your family continued blessings!

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#### Field Day Flyer & Lunch Order Form

Field Day for students in grades K-8 will take place on Friday, May 31 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at All Saints. The day will start as a regular school day with arrival beginning at 7:40 a.m. and dismissal occurring at 1:00 p.m.

Extended Day services will be available both before and after school. For additional details about this annual event, including a form for placing lunch orders, please see the link below.

#### **Field Day Form**

### PTO General Assembly Meeting – May 22 (7:00 p.m.)

Join us for the final PTO General Assembly Meeting of the school year beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Activities Center on May 22. Following a year-end wrap up and a preview of PTO activities for next year, Mr. Conroy will host a Question & Answer Session for parents. We hope that many of you will be able to join us for this final PTO meeting.

# All Saints Vacation Bible School Registration Open!

At All Saints Scuba VBS, kids will be taken deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. VBS is filled with awesome experiences where kids learn more about their Catholic faith with team building games, unforgettable music, amazing experiments and tasty treats.

Scuba VBS will be from June 24-28 from 6:00pm to 8:30pm. Rising kindergarteners through -5th graders in 2024-2025 may be registered. The registration fee is \$60 per child and the registration deadline is Tuesday, June 4. "Scuba VBS" volunteers are now being recruited! Rising 8th grade, high school, and adult volunteers are needed.

Children's registration and volunteer information forms may be found at <u>allsaintsreligiouseducation.org</u>.

# **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 <u>dconroy@allsaintsva.org</u>.

• 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 (<u>vneri@allsaintsva.org</u>) 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 <u>Connect 1</u> 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 <u>Wednesday</u>, May 15.

#### • 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)

### • 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

May Lunch Menu
 <u>Cafeteria Menu - May</u>

#### • 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

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 <u>http://www.danvwbasketball.wordpress.com</u>

• 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: <u>https://jpthegreat.schooladminonline.com/portal/new\_inquiry</u>

#### 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 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 (2:00 p.m.) 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

Saturday, June 1 High School Algebra I Exemption Exam

**Tuesday, June 4** PTO Executive Committee Meeting (PLC/7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, June 5 Adoration & Benediction (2:15 p.m.)

Thursday, June 6 School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

# Friday, June 7 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Day Pass-it-On Ceremony (Church/9:30 a.m.) Graduation Breakfast (10:00 a.m.) Walk of Honor (11:00 a.m.) Noon Dismissal – Grades K-7 Graduation Mass & Ceremony (4:00 p.m.)

# Saturday, June 8

Diocesan Jubilee Festival (Front Royal)