



All Saints Catholic School

Filled with God's joy and peace, abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

March 12, 2025

Principal's Message:

This week I am pleased to announce that Mrs. Ramsha Sameer has joined our staff as a member of the Extended Day Program and will also serve as an on-call substitute instructional assistant for the Pre-Kindergarten. With several years of experience working in early childhood programs and a product of Catholic education herself, Mrs. Sameer is a wonderful addition to our team.

Welcome, Mrs. Sameer!

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Welcome Committee – Seeking Volunteers

The **Welcoming Committee** consists of school parents who volunteer their time to connect with new families entering into our school community. Members of the Welcoming Committee are here to serve as a personal resource to new families. Committee members provide answers to questions from a parent perspective, share ways to get involved in the life of the school, introduce new families to other All Saints families, and provide general support as needed.

The school will provide training for Welcoming Committee members in May. During July, committee members will be paired with families.

Parents who are interested in serving as members of the Welcoming Committee may sign up via Track it Forward [here](#).

Bread of Life Food Drive

During this Lenten season, we are pleased to host the All Saints' **Bread of Life Food Drive (BOLD)** to benefit the Bethany Food Pantry and St. Lucy Project from March 17 – 28, 2025. In 1992, the University of Notre Dame Club of Staten Island launched this community service initiative and it has

since spread to communities around the country. All Saints is the first school in Virginia to participate. All Saints' Bread of Life Food Drive will assist individuals and families in our local community in need of food assistance. Please see details below regarding our 2025 food drive:

When will the food drive take place?

All Saints Bread of Life Food Drive will run from **Monday, March 17 – Friday, March 28, 2025**. All Saints students from the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) will help organize and promote the drive. Some students from our seventh grade video production class are assisting with the creation of video promos to encourage participation throughout the week.

Where does the food go?

Almost a quarter of a million people in the Arlington Diocese are “food insecure,” meaning they do not know where their next meal will come from. Our school’s Bread of Life Food Drive will benefit the St. Lucy Project and All Saints’ Bethany Food Pantry to assist families and individuals living with in Manassas, Manassas Park, and Prince William County.

What can you do to help?

During the drive from March 17-28, your child can bring in food donations in the morning and leave them in the boxes that will be outside each classroom. Donations can also be brought to the All Saints school office (Monday - Thursday) between the hours of 8:00 AM–3:30 PM.

What food should I donate to All Saints Bread of Life Food Drive?

During the first week of the drive, we will be collecting non-perishable food per the chart below. During the second week, we are adding fresh fruits and vegetables to our collection. Please see the grade level list below:

Grade Level	Week of March 17	Week of March 24
Pre-Kindergarten	Canned Soup	Juice Boxes
Kindergarten	Pasta	Mac & Cheese
First Grade	Peanut Butter, Jelly	Rice
Second Grade	Brownie/Cookie Mix	Oranges
Third Grade	Beans (canned/dried)	Carrots
Fourth Grade	Canned Meat*	Oil
Fifth Grade	Cereal and Oatmeal	Canned Tomatoes
Sixth Grade	Canned Vegetables	Peppers
Seventh Grade	Canned Fruit	Potatoes
Eighth Grade	Pasta Sauce (<i>no glass</i>)	Onions
Faculty/Staff	Maseca Flour/Flour	Sugar

**Chicken, ham, beef or tuna*

Bread of Life Food Drive – 2025 Brochure

If you have any questions regarding the Bread of Life Food Drive, please contact Janis DeVore at jdevore@allsaintsva.org.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support of this Lenten community service project to benefit those in need of food assistance.

All Saints wishes to extend sincere thanks to the University of Notre Dame Club of Staten Island for their organizational and logistical support.

Used Uniform Sale – Friday, April 4

All Saints PTO will host a used uniform sale on Friday, April 4 from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in the PAC. This is a great opportunity to get ready for the change to summer uniforms on Monday, April 7.

Interested in Volunteering? If you are VIRTUS certified and would like to volunteer, please sign up on [Track It Forward](#).

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Parent Satisfaction Survey (Due Tomorrow!)

If you haven't done so already, this is a reminder to participate in a brief survey designed to measure your overall satisfaction with the experience of our school and the programs that we offer.

As in prior years, we are asking you to respond to one key question and a follow-up question that allows for an open-ended response:

On a scale of 1-10, how likely would you be to recommend All Saints Catholic School to a friend or colleague?

We hope that you will take a few minutes to participate in this important survey. Your responses will help to provide an important perspective to us and inform our planning for the future. Most importantly, this tool provides an opportunity to ensure that we are in step with parent perceptions and actively responding to the needs of our community members.

Parent Satisfaction Survey

Math Madness in March (First in Math)

We are excited to announce the start of our first annual "**Math Madness in March**" championship challenge through **First in Math**! The championship, modeled after March Madness began last week with a qualifying round, generating the top/Sweet 16 classes in the school.

Each week, the bracket will continue; narrowing it down to the "Elite 8," followed by the "Final 4," and eventually the Championship! The winning class will be announced on Monday, March 31. Competition will be counted through weekly sticker counts. Students earn three stickers per problem solved in **First in Math**.

The overall winning class will get to play a basketball game with Fr. Daniel as their reward!

As a reminder, students can log-in through devices at home, as well, to access problems. If you need your child's login information, please don't hesitate to reach out to their homeroom teacher.

Employment Opportunity – Cafeteria Substitute

The school is seeking applicants interested in working as on-call substitute staff in the cafeteria, assisting with food preparation, serving, and cleaning. For more information about this opportunity, please contact the principal at dconroy@allsaintsva.or.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, March 13

Spirit Wear Day

Stations of the Cross – Grades 3-5 (2:15 p.m.)

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

Deadline: Net Promoter Parent Survey

Friday, March 14

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Report Cards sent Home

Monday, March 17

Bread of Life Food Drive Begins

Lenten Penance Service – Grades 3-5 (10:00 a.m.)

PowerSchool Enrollment Window Opens for 2025-2026

Wednesday, March 19

School Mass – Solemnity of St. Joseph (8:30 a.m.)

PTO Sponsored Lenten Soup Supper (PAC/5:00 p.m.)

Thursday, March 20

National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony (1:30 p.m.)

Stations of the Cross – Grades K-2 (2:15 p.m.)

Friday, March 21

Dress Down Day sponsored by the Charity Children Club (\$1.00)

Monday, March 24

Professional Development Day (No Classes or Extended Day)

Wednesday, March 26

Lenten Penance Service – Grades 6-8 (10:00 a.m.)

Thursday, March 27

Stations of the Cross – Grades 6-8 (2:15 p.m.)

Friday, March 28

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Monday, March 31

SCA Sponsored Spirit Week

Tuesday, April 1

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

Wednesday, April 2

Race for Education Assembly (PAC/8:30 a.m.)

Stations of the Cross- Grades K-8 (2:15 p.m.)

Thursday, April 3

Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

Friday, April 4

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Used Uniform Sale (PAC/8:00 – 10:00 a.m.)

Monday, April 7

Change to Summer Uniforms

Tuesday, April 8

ACRE Testing – Grades 5 & 8

Seniors Luncheon – Hosted by 6th Grade

Wednesday, April 9

ACRE Testing – Grades 5 & 8

Thursday, April 10

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

Friday, April 11

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Title I Family Workshop - Kindergarten & 1st Grade (PLC/7:45 – 8:15 a.m.)

Middle School Renaissance Faire (12:00-2:30 p.m.)