



# 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 19, 2025**

### **Principal's Message**

This week I'm pleased to share with you that Ms. Theresa Dwane has accepted the position of instructional assistant in the kindergarten classroom and began her employment at All Saints yesterday.

Ms. Dwane is a graduate of Christendom College where she completed a classical liberal arts curriculum with a major in theology. She has previously worked as a summer school teaching assistant as well as a substitute teacher. With a strong devotion to the Catholic faith and a gentle manner, she will be a great asset to our kindergarten program.

Welcome, Ms. Dwane!

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#### **Lenten Rice Lunch – Friday, April 4**

On Friday, April 4, the cafeteria will host a simple lunch, the proceeds of which will benefit the Rice Bowl project. As a sign of our solidarity with the poor around the world and in an effort to help students gain a better understanding of poverty, the lunch will consist of one bowl of rice and water. This will be the only food and drink available for purchase on that day. Although participation is completely voluntary, we are hopeful that many of the children will embrace this opportunity and recognize it as a chance to increase their empathy for those suffering in our world.

The cost of the lunch is \$5.00 and should be submitted as a cash donation rather than through the online lunch accounts. Students may bring a lunch from home if they prefer and are reminded to bring a drink if they so choose as only water will be available in the cafeteria.

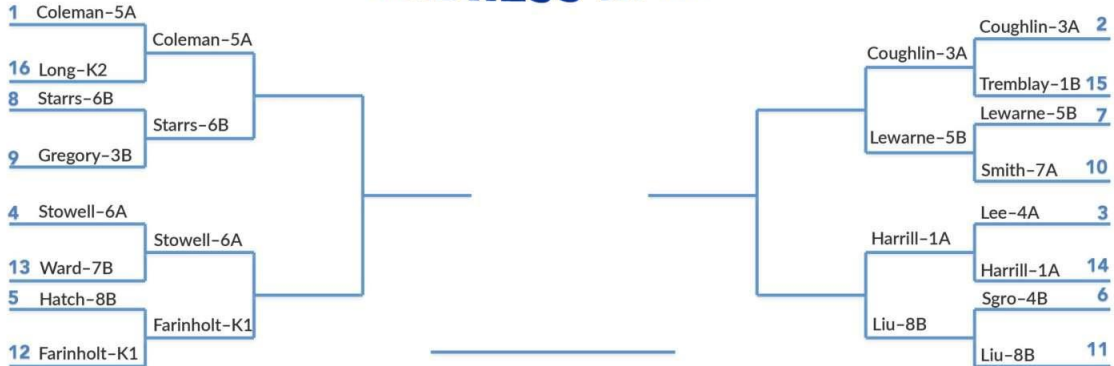
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#### **Math Madness in March**

We present the Elite 8 teams from last week who are working hard this week to make it to the Final 4!

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### Annual Fund Update

All Saints Catholic School kicked off its 2024-2025 Annual Fund campaign with a successful Giving Tuesday launch in November, followed by strong end-of-year parent and alumni support.

**As we near the start of spring, we are \$5,955 from achieving this year's goal of raising \$25,000!**

Proceeds from the Annual Fund will support robotics, our math program, enrollment, and the purchase of new cafeteria tables (*see below*).

Your support of our Annual Fund campaign will make a meaningful difference in the lives of our students. Previous campaigns have supported the purchase of new ActivPanels, the extension of Wi-Fi enabled classrooms, **the creation of our newly launched parish Video Production Studio**, and the purchase of our Book Vending Machine.

*Any amount that you can give to push us toward our goal is greatly appreciated and will make a difference!*

**DONATE NOW**

Your donation will support the following initiatives:

- **Robotics Program**  
Launched in the **spring** of 2014, our Robotics Club is in need of upgraded hardware and equipment, and additional training opportunities to better serve the students in our middle school club and competition team.

*Help us take our Robotics Program to the next level!*

- **Expanded Math Skills**  
New K-8 math instructional resources and materials will focus on strengthening critical math skills, including fact fluency and computational thinking.
- **Language Translation**  
Purchase of real-time English/Spanish translation devices will enhance communications during parent-teacher conferences, PTO events, and Open Houses.
- **Cafeteria (K-8)**  
Funds will supplement the cost of replacing cafeteria tables in need of a refresh.

If you have any questions or would prefer to give via check to avoid online transaction fees, please contact Mrs. Janis DeVore at [development@allsaintsva.org](mailto:development@allsaintsva.org).

Please know that we are incredibly thankful for all that you do to support our school community!

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

Since 2004, Spotlight on the Arts Summer Camps has offered **Broadway Spotlight, Drama Bootcamp, Art Explorer, and Arts & Crafts Fun Camp** to hundreds of Diocesan families and friends.

This July 7th - 18th young people are invited to experience top level instruction as they engage in creative fun through Acting, Visual Art, Music, and more! The camps are taught by professional Catholic educators very accomplished in their area of expertise. Each week concludes with either an Art Showcase or a Theatrical Performance by the campers.

Prices are frozen in 2025 and through March 31st, **all camps are \$35 off plus everyone gets a free t-shirt**. Additionally, there are extra discounts for families that enroll 3 or more kids! Learn more and register at [www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com](http://www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com)



## Important Reminders

- **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](#).

- **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.

- **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.org](mailto:dconroy@allsaintsva.org).

- **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 within 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 (no glass)	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](mailto: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.*

## **Upcoming Events**

### **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.)  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Wax Museum (PAC)

### **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.)

Rice Bowl Lunch

**Monday, April 7**

Change to Summer Uniforms

**Tuesday, April 8**

ACRE Testing – Grades 5 & 8

Seniors Luncheon – Hosted by 6<sup>th</sup> 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 & 1<sup>st</sup> Grade (PLC/7:45 – 8:15 a.m.)

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

**Wednesday, April 16**

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

**Thursday, April 17**

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Passion Play (PAC/10:45 a.m.)

**Friday, April 18**

Holiday – Good Friday