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

October 15, 2025

Principal's Message:

Parent-Teacher Conferences will take place on Monday, November 10 and on the afternoon of Tuesday, November 11. In the days ahead, we will send an email to parents that will include links by which you are invited to sign-up for an in-person meeting with your child's homeroom teacher.

Again this year, middle school students are asked to attend the conference with their parents or guardians. We look forward to using a "student led" conference model that involves their participation and reflection with you and their teacher.

If for some reason you cannot attend in-person and need to conference via Zoom, please contact your child's homeroom teacher after you have signed up for a timeslot.

Parents of middle school students who wish to speak with a specific subject area teacher other than their homeroom teacher, are invited to contact that faculty member directly to schedule a conference time.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Shining our light, building a community of saints!









School Picture Day

School Picture Day will take place on Monday, November 3.

All students are asked to wear their school uniform (winter) for Picture Day. Those scheduled to attend P.E. on Monday are asked to wear their regular uniform to school that day.

Pre-order Online: https://shop.imagequix.com/g1001273926

Images Available: Approximately two-three weeks after picture day

Questions about Ordering? Email Victor O'Neill at <u>underclass@vosphoto.com</u>

Student Council Installation of Officers & Representatives

Congratulations to the following newly elected members of the Student Council Association (SCA) who were officially installed during a ceremony last Wednesday. We thank Ms. Smith, middle school social studies teacher, for serving as the SCA moderator and for organizing all of the details surrounding the event.

Board Members

President - Kevin A.

Vice President - Sophie Claure M.

Secretary - Valarie A.

Finance - Kieran M.

Religious Activities - Frances G.

Health, Safety, & Ecology - Chase S.

School Spirit - Santiago L.

Class Representatives

4A - Danny P.

4B - Harvey C.

5A - Raffa T.

5B - Camila L.

6A – Damian S.

6B - Sara B.

7A - Lucas S.

7B - Sebastian M.

8A - Derreon T.

8B - Victoria W.

Important Reminders

The Gift of Human Sexuality Program – Middle School Parent Meeting (October 20 @ 7:00 PM)

Central to the mission of Catholic education is a commitment to the formation of the whole person within the light of the teachings of the Gospel. At All Saints our effort to educate all dimensions of the child ~ spiritual, intellectual, social, and emotional ~ has been an essential and consistent element of our mission.

As a Catholic school, All Saints affirms the role of parents as the primary educators of their children and we are privileged to have the opportunity to work with you as partners in this regard. In recent years we have grown increasingly concerned about the many confusing messages that society as a whole, and the media in particular, place before the young people of today, particularly in regard to the topic of human sexuality. It is increasingly important that we insure that the children learn the beautiful teachings of the Church on this topic and that they fully realize and understand the gift of human sexuality within this framework. Not to share this information with the children leaves them unprepared for the world they face and the many choices that await them in the years ahead.

For more than ten years, All Saints Catholic School has implemented a middle school curriculum entitled *The Gift of Human Sexuality Program* that supports our goal of educating the whole

child. The program is coordinated by the Diocesan Director of Youth Ministry, Mr. Kevin Bohli, and is tailored to the specific needs of each school community. The program consists of a parent presentation during which Mr. Bohli provides an outline of the curriculum as well as resources for parents. Following this presentation, he and an associate, Ms. Carmen Briceno, will meet with the students for three one hour lessons designed to provide them with an understanding of the Church's teachings on the topic of human sexuality.

One of the advantages of this program is the involvement of outside professionals. In addition to bringing a high level of expertise as presenters, Mr. Bohli and Ms. Briceno are unfamiliar to the students, which may put the students at greater ease in asking questions and discussing this topic. A second advantage of this program is that it is designed to take place in a single-sex setting; Mr. Bohli will address the boys and Ms. Briceno will speak with the girls. Finally, in accordance with diocesan policy, this program is designed as an *opt-in* opportunity for parents and students. Accommodations will be made for those children whose parents prefer that they not participate in the program.

All middle school parents are invited to a presentation to be held via Zoom on Monday, October 20 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

As this is such a very important topic related to the development of your child, at least one parent from each family new to the middle school is asked to attend the online meeting.

Veterans Day Mass, Assembly, & Reception

Join us as our school community honors the commitment of the men and women who have served our country in the United States Armed Forces. We cordially invite all active duty, reserve, former and retired military personnel to attend our school Mass on **Friday, November 7** at 8:30 AM. After Mass, there will be an assembly in the PAC, followed by a reception for our honored guests in Father Kelley Hall.

Each family received a packet of information about our Veterans Wall of Honor, an annual tradition in which we show our gratitude for those within our school community who have served our nation through military service. For your convenience, a link to the packet is provided below.

2025 Veterans Student Packet:

https://allsaintsvaschool.org/category/news/

Pilgrim Virgin Statue Program

One of the beautiful traditions of our school is the Pilgrim Virgin Statue Program whereby families are invited to host one of two statues of Our Lady of Fatima in their home for one week. While the statue is in the home, families are encouraged to pray together part of or the

entire Rosary for the intentions of our school as well as their own private intentions. The presence of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue is certain to increase your devotion to Mary and to bring you and your family closer to her Son. Families who wish to participate in this program may sign up on *Track It Forward*.

Pilgrim Mary Virtue - Sign Up

Pick up time for the Statues at the front office is before 2:30 p.m. on Friday (unless otherwise noted) with a return time of before 9:00 a.m. the following Friday. Please be sure to sign in and out for the Statue in the Visitor Binder at the front desk. Should you have any questions or would like more information, please contact our Pilgrim Virgin Statue Rotation Coordinator, Mrs. Fuzzy Reynolds at insert email or call (703-963-4232).

Track It Forward Reminders

If you are a new family, please be sure to register for Track It Forward as soon as possible! Through your volunteer dashboard, you can sign up for volunteering opportunities to complete your points for the upcoming school year. Registration takes less than 2 minutes to complete.

If you are a returning family, you may recall when you initially registered for Track It Forward, you selected which grades your child(ren) were in. This provides each family with a customized view of Track It Forward, as you will only see school-wide events and events that pertain to the grade level your child(ren) are in. Please update your child(ren)'s grade levels for the 2025-2026 school year in the account settings. It is a quick process that will take less than 2 minutes to complete.

Instructions for both of these processes can be found here. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please contact the PTO Volunteer Coordinator, Jen Sweiderk, at schoolvolunteers@allsaintsva.org

Running with the Saints 5K - Volunteer Opportunity!

We are looking for volunteers to help make the upcoming Running with the Saints 5k a success! Whether you assist with the Packet Pickup Party the day before or help with day-of activities, we would love your support. Check out the Track it Forward links below. Thank you for being a part of this community!

Packet Pickup - Sign up

Race Day Volunteer - Sign up

Lunch Menu

Cafeteria Menu - October

• Running with the Saints

This year's RWTS 5K will be held on **Saturday, October 25** at 8:00 AM.

We've got great prizes, fun activities, and an amazing community event planned for our school and parish community.

The Running with the Saints 5K features a family-friendly atmosphere, Blue Ridge timing for running enthusiasts, musical entertainment, and great prizes! The race takes place in the neighborhoods adjacent to the All Saints campus. Runners, walkers, and baby strollers welcome with staggered starts!

Saturday, October 25, 2025 8:00 AM

All Saints Catholic School 9294 Stonewall Rd — Manassas

Running with the Saints Course Map

Register today: https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/Manassas/RunningWithTheSaints5k

Sponsorship Opportunities

The *Running with the Saints 5K* provides an excellent opportunity to promote your business while supporting All Saints' students and teachers. By becoming a Race Sponsor, you can advertise your services to race participants and the All Saints community, a parish of over 5,900 local families.

Sponsorship levels available for all budgets!

See below for details on sponsorship packages and learn how your business can support this fun, family-friendly community event. For more information about sponsorship, please contact RWTS@allsaintsva.org.

Sponsorship Sign-up



Upcoming Events

Thursday, October 16

Dress Down Day, sponsored by Creation Care Club (\$1.00)

Great Southeast Shakeout - Earthquake Drill (10:16 am.)

PTO General Assembly Meeting – Parent Social & Presentation on Technology Safety (PAC/6:30 p.m.)

Friday, October 17

School Mass – Memorial of St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr (8:30 a.m.)

Monday, October 20

The Gift of Human Sexuality Program – Presentation for Middle School Parents (Zoom/7:00 p.m.)

Thursday, October 23

Middle School Glow Party (PAC/7:00 – 8:30 p.m.)

Friday, October 24

School Mass – St. Anthony Claret, Bishop (8:30 a.m.)

Saturday, October 25

Running with the Saints 5K (8:00 a.m.)

Tuesday, October 28

The Gift of Human Sexuality - Middle School Presentation I

Friday, October 31

School Mass & 3rd Grade Procession of Saints (8:30 a.m.) 8th Grade Saints Alive Presentation (PAC/9:30 a.m.) Penny Bazaar (1:30 p.m.)

Monday, November 3

Change to Winter Uniforms
Picture Day (Individuals & Class Photos)
Free Ice Cream at Lunch for our Feast Day, courtesy of the PTO

Wednesday, November 5

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

Thursday, November 6

Open House (PAC Atrium/9:00 a.m.) Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

Friday, November 7

Veterans Day Mass, Assembly, & Reception (8:30 a.m.)

Monday, November 10

Holiday (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

Tuesday, November 11

Noon Dismissal (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

Wednesday, November 12

The Gift of Human Sexuality – Middle School Presentation II

Thursday, November 13

School Mass – Memorial of St. Francis Xavier Cabrini (8:30 a.m.) The Gift of Human Sexuality – Middle School Presentation III Enrollment Management Team Meeting (PLC/7:00 p.m.)