



All Saints Catholic School

Shining our light, building a community of saints.

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

December 10, 2025

Principal's Message:

Last Thursday, families gathered in the church for the Evening with St. Nicholas Prayer Service, a beloved annual tradition for our school community. Once again, it was a joyful occasion during which the children learned more about the life of St. Nicholas and the call to live lives of generosity, sharing our gifts and treasure with those in need.

During the prayer service, the students donated ninety-six pairs of new shoes, all of which have been donated to House of Mercy, a local non-profit dedicated to "making God's love visible to those in need". We are proud to have partnered with House of Mercy through this event for more than ten years and look forward to continuing to support their ministry in the future. Thank you to all who attended the prayer service and who, through their generosity, helped to brighten the lives of those less fortunate in our community.

I wish to thank Mrs. Christy Breckley, event coordinator, and the members of the PTO for hosting such a wonderful reception for our community following the prayer service. I also want to thank the members of the Schola who led the music under the direction of Mrs. Scott, the members of our Student Council Association who served as greeters, and our student lectors.

On Friday we will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe beginning with a Mass at 10:00 a.m. in the church. Immediately following the liturgy, the students will gather around the Statue of Mary in the courtyard where they will enjoy a musical presentation by the parish Guadalupe Choir followed by the distribution of traditional Mexican bread in the Parish Activities Center.

Wishing you and your family blessings during this Advent Season!

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A Prayer for the Second Week of Advent

God of power and mercy, open our hearts in welcome. Remove the things that hinder us from receiving Christ with joy, so that we may share his wisdom and become one with him when he comes in glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Open House (2026-2027 School Year)

All Saints Catholic School will host an Open House for prospective parents on Thursday, January 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Activities Center. All parishioners and members of the community interested in learning more about our parish school are cordially invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mrs. Mary Rodriguez, administrative assistant, at 571-516-3170.

Discover All Saints Catholic School

JANUARY OPEN HOUSES

Pre-Kindergarten - 8th Grade



Thursday, January 8

9:00 AM

Wednesday, January 28

7:00 PM

Reserve Your Spot

571-516-3170 or
allsaintsvaschool.org



All Saints Catholic School
9294 Stonewall Road
Manassas, VA 20110



Pre-Kindergarten

four year old students

- Nurturing faith environment
- Hands-on interactive learning
- Art, music, & technology
- Developing reading/math skills



Elementary

Kindergarten - 5th Grade

- Sacramental Preparation
- Creative STEM learning
- Band, clubs, & activities
- Buddy Program



Middle School

6th - 8th Grade

- Confirmation preparation
- Advanced Spanish & Math
- Video Production Program
- Middle School Houses

Important Reminders

- **All Saints Christmas Pageant**

Students in grades **K, 1, 4, 5, and 6** will be participating in the annual Christmas Pageant, *The Living Crèche*.

The following is a list of important details for this event.

- Date: Thursday, December 18
- Time: 7:00 p.m. (6th graders report to the **Parish Activities Center** at 6:25pm; all other grades report to the *narthex of the Church* at 6:45pm.)
 - Parents/ family members who are unable to attend the evening performance are more than welcome to attend the daytime performance, which is at 1:45pm in the Church.
- Place: All Saints Catholic Church
- Attire: Festive, "Sunday best" attire (except for costumed 6th graders). See the dress code below.

Dress code:

Girls: Dresses, skirts, or nice dress pants (no bare shoulders or sleeveless dresses; the length may not be shorter than two inches above the knee), blouses or sweaters that are not form-fitting, with a neckline that is an appropriate length (i.e. just below the collar bone); Jeans, jeggings, leggings, or tights used as pants are not permitted. Sweaters should not have words or characters pictured on

the front.

Boys: Shirts and/ or sweaters (no sleeveless; sweaters should not have words or characters pictured on the front) and dress pants that are appropriate for church (i.e. navy blue, black, gray colored) and appropriate socks (dress socks).

- **Outreach to Ghana – Change Clothes for Hope 2025 (Tomorrow!)**

With the encouragement of Bishop Burbidge, we will participate in an outreach to benefit the children of Ghana. On Thursday, December 11, all students are invited to dress down in Christmas colors and to offer a donation to benefit this cause. Mindful of the costs that many families are facing at this time, we invite students to donate what they are able to support the work of Catholic Relief Services in Ghana.

- **Substitute Teacher Opportunities**

All Saints is seeking additional substitute teachers for grades PK-8. For more information about this employment opportunity or to request an application, please contact the school office at 703-368-4400 or schooloffice@allsaintsva.org.

- **Zoom Authorization Form**

Last week we sent a digital copy of the Online Technology Consent Form (Zoom Authorization) to parents of all students. Parents are reminded to complete this online form as soon as possible. With this form on file, we will be ready to provide instruction via Zoom should this become necessary during the school year.

[Online Technology Consent Form](#)

- **New Student Applications & Continuous Enrollment (2026-2027)**

Applications for new students for academic year 2026-2027 are now available online.

All current families who wish to enroll a *new student* in grades Pre-Kindergarten through eight for the upcoming year may access the application at the link below.

[2026-2027 Application Link](#)

In January we will provide a copy of the *Continuous Enrollment Contract* to parents of students completing their first year of enrollment at All Saints. Through completion of this form, parents may continuously enroll their child/ren through 8th grade at All Saints or, if necessary, until such time that they complete the withdrawal process. With submission of this contract, there is no need for future completion of an annual re-registration form.

The Continuous Enrollment Fee will automatically be billed through FACTS accounts on March 2, 2026. The completion of the contract, for first year families, and payment of the fee will confirm enrollment for your child/ren for the upcoming school year.

- **Tuition Assistance Program (2026-2027)**

Important information regarding Diocesan Tuition Assistance for the upcoming academic year is now available. For details about the program, please see the flyer found at the link below.

[2026-2027 Tuition Assistance Flyer](#)


Information about the program can also be found on the diocesan website.

<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/catholic-schools/tuition-assistance>

The key financial aid dates for **2026-2027** are as follows:

October 31, 2025	FACTS financial aid application closes for 2025-2026
November 1, 2025	FACTS financial aid application opens for 2026-2027
January 12, 2026	Financial aid application due date for diocesan high school students
March 14, 2026	Financial aid application due date for diocesan K-8 school students

- **Lunch Menu - [December](#)**

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1. NO SCHOOL Diocesan Teachers work Day	2. Cheeseburger OR Hamburger Baked beans Corn on the Cob	3. Chicken Patty Sandwich OR Ham and Cheese Sandwich. Tator Tots Chilled pineapple *Chocolate ice cream for sale	4. Cheese Pizza OR Turkey and Cheese Sandwich. Tossed Salad Fresh Oranges	5. Chili dog OR Hot dog Potato chips Fresh Apples
8. Breakfast Sandwich (English Muffin, Turkey sausage, Egg Patty, Yellow Cheese) Tator Tots Fresh Oranges	9. Chicken Nuggets OR Ham and Cheese Sandwich. Dinner Rolls Green Beans	10. Soft Beef Tacos OR Chicken Quesadilla. White rice Black Beans Fresh Grapes * Sugar cookies for sale	11. Pepperoni Pizza OR Chicken Salad Sandwich Caesar Salad Fresh Apples	12. Beef Chili Pasta OR Plain Buttered Pasta. Garlic Bread Steamed Broccoli
15. Italian Sub OR American Sub. Pickles Potato Chips Chilled pineapple	16. Pancakes w/Syrup Turkey Sausage Scrambled Eggs Fresh Oranges	17. Salisbury Steak w/Gravy. OR Turkey and Cheese Sandwich.. Mashed Potato Green Beans. *Vanilla ice cream for sale	18. Vocelli's Cheese Pizza OR Tuna Salad Sandwich Tossed Salad Fresh Oranges	19. Hot Ham and cheese OR Hot Turkey & Cheese Sandwich. (Both served on Croissant) Tator Tots Chilled Tropical Fruit
22.	23.	24.	25.	26.
Christmas Holiday				
29.	30.	31.		
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; font-size: small;"> <div>*GRADES 3-8 ONLY—Extra entrée may be ordered for \$3.00 cash OR students may charge to lunch account.</div> <div>Salad may be ordered in place of main entrée OR side items may be replaced with side salad.</div> <div>Side items (Potato Chips, Fruit, etc.) may be purchased separately for \$.75 and charged to your account.</div> </div>				

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, December 10

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

Thursday, December 11

Dress Down Day – Change Clothes for Hope 2025 (Christmas colors)

Friday, December 12

School Mass – Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (10:00 a.m.)

Monday, December 15

Picture Make-Ups

Wednesday, December 17

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

Thursday, December 18

Pre-Kindergarten Christmas Pageant (10:00 a.m.)

Final Day of Pre-Kindergarten Prior to Christmas

Christmas Pageant (1:45 p.m. Dress Rehearsal/7:00 p.m. Performance for Parents)

Friday, December 19

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Classroom Christmas Parties (1:30 p.m.)

Monday, December 22

Christmas Holiday Begins

Monday, January 5

School Resumes

NWEA Map Testing (through January 23)

Wednesday, January 7

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

Thursday, January 8

Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

Open House (7:00 p.m.)

Friday, January 9

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Monday, January 12

FACTS Tuition Assistance Application Deadline for High Schools

Thursday, January 15

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

Friday, January 16

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)