



# 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**

**January 7, 2026**

### **Principal's Message**

It was wonderful to see the smiling faces of the children on Monday morning as they returned to school and excitedly greeted their friends and teachers after the holiday. I hope that you and your family enjoyed the Christmas season and wish you continued blessings in this new year.

As we approach the mid-point of the academic year, this is an ideal time for a review of some important policies and procedures in support of student health and safety.

### ***Morning Drop-Off***

During morning arrival, all parents are asked to participate in the school organized drop-off process. Rather than parking in the church lot and escorting a child to the courtyard, all parents must remain in their vehicles and follow the designated traffic pattern. In both the front and rear parking areas, patrols and staff members are available to supervise the drop-off zones, ensuring the safety of all of our students as they begin their day.

### ***Supervision & Sign-in Procedures for Students Arriving Late***

During morning arrival, when the two-minute warning bell sounds at 7:58 a.m., the safety patrols and staff who are on duty return to the building. Parents who arrive after that time are asked to park and escort their child into the school where they will sign-in their child for the day. This procedure ensures that all children who arrive late remain supervised as they enter the building.

### ***Winter Coats for Outdoor Recess***

Parents are asked to send their child/ren to school with a winter coat. During winter time, only students with a coat will be permitted to participate in outdoor recess on cold weather days.

### ***Early Release/Sign-Out of Students***

Parents who need to sign-out their child prior to the close of the school day are asked to do so by 2:45 p.m., the time at which office personnel begin to prepare for dismissal. Parents are discouraged from signing-out their children after 2:45 p.m. except in the event of an emergency.

In advance, thank you for your support of these procedures which help to ensure student safety and efficiency. As always, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let us know.

The second round of NWEA-MAP Testing for students in grades 3-7 begins this week and will extend through January 23. Homeroom teachers will post the testing schedule online so that parents can plan accordingly and set their child up for success. As the teachers have been meeting individually with students to discuss their specific learning goals for the year, we look forward to reviewing the results of this mid-year test which will guide our instructional planning for the remainder of the school year. Should you have any questions about the standardized testing program, please do not hesitate to let us know.

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### **Virtues in Practice**

Virtue for the Month of January: Gratitude

Definition: Seeing everything as a gift and being thankful

Saints: St. Francis of Assisi (PK-2), St. Julie Billiart (3-5), St. Josemaria Escriva (6-8)

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### **Message from the Nurse – Flu Update**

Flu A is quite prevalent in the community at this time. Flu presents differently than a common cold. The flu tends to have an abrupt onset of symptoms vs. the common cold. Some symptoms that occur with the flu may include fever, chills, body aches, and headache. To keep our school community safe please keep your child (ren) home if they have these symptoms, especially a fever. Make an appointment with your family practitioner or pediatrician if you or your child are having these symptoms. If your family has been diagnosed with the flu, please send me an email at [jsullivan@allsaintsva.org](mailto:jsullivan@allsaintsva.org) so I may track the percentage in our school community. Working together we can keep our students safe and healthy.

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### **Save the Date- Father Daughter Dance**

Mark your calendars for the All Saints Father Daughter Dance on Saturday, March 7th from 6:30pm to 8:30 pm. Tickets will go on sale soon!



# **SAVE THE DATE**

## **ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

# **FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE**

PREK-8TH GRADE GIRLS & THEIR FATHER FIGURES

*Enchanted Forest*

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

6:30-8:30PM

TICKETS ON SALE SOON!



## Important Reminders

- Open House (Tomorrow @ 7:00 p.m.)

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 - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade



**Thursday, January 8**  
7:00 PM

**Wednesday, January 28**  
9:00 AM

**Reserve Your Spot**  
571-516-3170 or  
[allsaintsvaschool.org](http://allsaintsvaschool.org)



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9294 Stonewall Road  
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**Pre-Kindergarten**  
Four-year-old students

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



**Elementary**  
Kindergarten - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

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



**Middle School**  
6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

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

- **Employment Opportunity – Extended Day Assistant (Part-Time)**

All Saints is seeking applicants for a part-time position in Extended Day beginning in February. The hours are approximately 2:00-4:30 p.m. each day with an earlier start time on half days. In addition to working in a vibrant, faith-filled environment, employees with children enrolled in the school are eligible for a tuition discount. For more information, please contact the principal at [dconroy@allsaintsva.org](mailto:dconroy@allsaintsva.org).

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

- **Zoom Authorization Form**



Last month 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](#)

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- **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 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

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- **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 <b>high school students</b>
March 14, 2026	Financial aid application due date for diocesan <b>K-8 school students</b>

## Upcoming Events

### 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

### Wednesday, January 14

Accelerated Readers Gold Medal Luncheon

### Thursday, January 15

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

### Friday, January 16

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Lockdown Drill (2:00 p.m.)

### Monday, January 19

Holiday (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)

### Wednesday, January 21

Picture Day (Clubs & Candids)

### Friday, January 23

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

### Saturday, January 24

First Reconciliation (10:00 a.m.)  
PTO Bingo Night (PAC/5:00 p.m.)

**Sunday, January 25**

Catholic Schools Week Begins

**Wednesday, January 28**

Open House (PAC/9:00 a.m.)

**Friday, January 30**

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Noon Dismissal (Catholic Schools Week Faculty/Staff Luncheon)

**Tuesday, February 3**

Feast of St. Blaise - Blessing of Throats

**Wednesday, February 4**

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

**Thursday, February 5**

Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

**Friday, February 6**

School Mass – Memorial of St. Paul Miki & Companions (8:30 a.m.)