



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

April 15, 2026

Principal's Message

I hope that you enjoyed a very blessed Easter holiday and a wonderful time of rest and relaxation with your family. With warm springtime weather now upon us, we are reminded that the close of the school year is approaching, but many opportunities for growth and learning for our students remain as we look ahead to the final two months of the school year.

As previously announced, so as to avoid having students attend one half day of school at the start of a new week in June, we have revised the school calendar to include a half day of online learning on Friday, April 24, the day previously scheduled as a holiday in preparation for the Parish Festival. Look for additional details early next week regarding our plans for this half day of online learning.

Wishing you continued blessings during this Easter Season!

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Bread of Life Food Drive

Thank you to everyone who donated food to our recent 2026 Bread of Life Food Drive. Through your support, our school community donated 1,263 lbs. of food to the All Saints Bethany Food Pantry and 966 lbs. of food to St. Lucy Project for a total donation of 2,229 lbs. of food.

Your generosity will directly benefit individuals and families in our local community in need of food assistance. We wish to also thank Mr. Joseph Delaney (Notre Dame Alumni Association of Staten Island), Mrs. Marie Klatt (Bethany Food Pantry), Mr. James McCaskey (St. Lucy Project), and the members of the National Junior Honor Society, under the direction of Mrs. Hatch, for counting, organizing, boxing, and distributing all donated items.

The following grade levels were the winners of our 2026 Bread of Life Food Drive grade level contest: First Place: Pre-Kindergarten (pizza party/dress-down day); Second Place: Second Grade (dress-down day); Third Place - First Grade (extra recess). Thank you to Mrs. Mondarez, Director of Marketing & Enrollment, for coordinating this Lenten community service initiative.

Catholic Relief Services – Rice Bowl Project

Thanks to the generous support of our students through their participation in the CRS Rice Bowl Program and the special rice lunch hosted by the cafeteria staff, our school raised \$1,565.70. These funds will be forwarded to Catholic Relief Services and will benefit those in need in our diocesan community and around the world. Through the kindness and sacrifice of our students, the lives of those less fortunate will be positively impacted during this Easter Season.

FACTS Tuition – Payment Plans (2026-2027)

As we make plans for the upcoming school year, one of our priorities is that of continuing to provide as much tuition assistance as possible for families in our

community. In support of this effort, we have submitted applications on behalf of our school families for funding through the *Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation* and the *St. Beatrice Special Tuition Assistance Program*.

Diocesan allocations related to these sources of tuition assistance will be confirmed over the course of the next month. Once we receive this information, we will finalize decisions regarding tuition assistance and notify those families who have applied for financial aid accordingly.

During May we will confirm FACTS tuition payment plans for the upcoming school year. Any returning family that wishes to change their schedule of payments for 2026-2027 is asked to notify Mrs. Blasco (lblasco@allsaintsva.org) by May 8. Otherwise, we would be pleased to apply your current payment schedule to the 2026-2027 school year.

Reminder: The deadline for payment in full with a 2% discount is Wednesday, June 10.

Race for Education - April 30, 2026!

Our annual Race for Education will take place on Thursday, April 30th, and all students will participate in this exciting event.

For questions regarding PledgeStar, our online fundraising platform, or the event, please contact the Race Coordinators, Mrs. Greyci Lopez and Mrs. Gina Dimitrouleas, at raceforeducation@allsaintsva.org. You may also visit our website: [Race for Education - All Saints Catholic School](#)

All Saints Catholic School

RACE FOR EDUCATION APRIL 30, 2026

The Race for Education pledge campaign is underway!
Student race day is April 30th, but fundraising and prizes have already begun!
Help us reach our \$48,000 goal and make a lasting impact on our school!



- ▶ **Supporting Our Students**
Funds raised through the Race for Education directly enhance the student experience at All Saints supporting classroom activities, field trips, school events, and special programs throughout the year.
- ▶ **Supporting Our Teachers**
The PTO proudly supports our teachers by providing classroom supplies, educational resources, and opportunities for recognition and appreciation.
- ▶ **Supporting Our School Community**
From fun events to special traditions, your support helps create the moments that bring our school community together.

Get Started in 3 Easy Steps

1 REGISTER



REGISTER
pledgestar.com/saints

2 SHARE



Notify friends and family

3 MOTIVATE™



All students receive recognition

WEB: ALLSAINTSVASCHOOL.ORG/RACE-FOR-EDUCATION
EMAIL: RACEFOREDCATION@ALLSAINTSVA.ORG

Mother's Day Celebration!

You're invited to the All Saints Catholic School Mother's Day Celebration
Thursday, May 14th!

We warmly welcome mothers and grandmothers to join us for this special day.

Join us for 8:30 AM Mass, followed by a social gathering in the PAC. Enjoy delicious pastries, coffee, tea, and fellowship with other mothers in our community.

We'll also be hosting a free raffle, with a chance for one lucky mom to win!
Special thanks to our sponsors: PR Partners | Jake Higginbottom in Bristow

A play zone will be available for little ones during the event, including coloring sheets and a simple craft.

Evite: [Please RSVP by May 12th.](#)

We look forward to celebrating YOU!

Help make this event happen by donating -

<https://www.trackitforward.com/site/935959/event/1087036>



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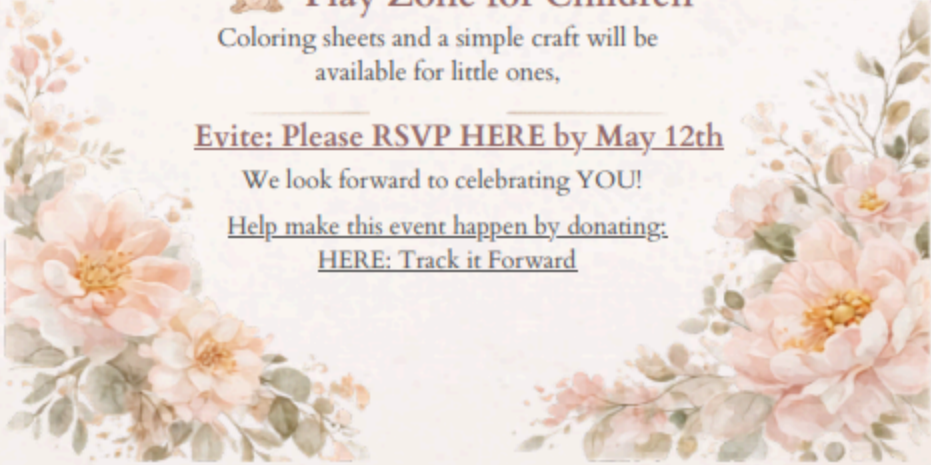
 **Play Zone for Children**

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available for little ones,

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HERE: Track it Forward





**The 2026 All Saints Parish Festival will be held on
Friday - Saturday, April 24-25, 2026.**

Volunteers Needed:

Volunteers are needed to help with each area in preparation for the Festival, before, during, and after the event. We need your help! Please volunteer. Running a festival game can be fun! Can you, your ministry, or organization help? **If your teen needs service hours (especially those currently in 7th grade preparing for 8th grade Confirmation next year), this is a great opportunity to obtain the 10 hours that are required. Bring a buddy!**

Signup to Volunteer/Donate below:

- **Donate Baked Goods, Cakes, Gift Baskets, Game Prizes**
- **Volunteer for Thrift Shop, Used Book Sale**
- **Volunteer for Games, Bake Shop, Used Book Sale – Friday**
- **Volunteer for Games, Bake Shop, Used Book Sale – Saturday**

Donations Needed:

Please consider donating game prizes, gift baskets, hanging or potted plants, baked goods, cakes, and items for our Thrift Shop, and Used Book Sale.

New this year for Friday night: A dunk tank from 5:00-9:00pm, featuring special guests, including our very own Fr. Renner and ... Mr. John Saffian.

We will have an inflatable slide Friday evening, and on Saturday we will have outdoor pony rides, a rock climbing wall, a tea cup ride and the inflatable slide from 12:00-5:00pm

Silent Auction: Get ready to bid! The Auction is "live" and will end on Saturday, April 25 at 5:00pm. New items may be added right up until the Festival starts on April 24!

<https://www.32auctions.com/AllSaintsAuction2026>

Pre-Sale Tickets for the Parish Festival are available in the Parish Office on Mon.-Fri., Apr. 13-17, during normal business hours.

The value of festival tickets will be 50 cents each, instead of 25 cents each, so that fewer tickets are needed for activities. Pre-sale tickets will be available as a bundle of 25 tickets for \$10. At the festival, 25 tickets will have a value of \$12.50. Tickets will be available for purchase at the Festival on Fri.-Sat., Apr. 24-25.

Items for the Thrift Shop and Used Book Sale will be accepted Monday thru Thursday, April 20-23 from 3:45-7:00pm in the Parish Activities Center (PAC).

We can't wait to see you enjoying the Parish Festival, having fun, and making wonderful memories with your family and friends.

Questions? Contact Linda Gaynord at 571-516-3140 or lgaynord@allsaintsva.org

Cake Walk!

The All Saints Parish Festival is almost here, and we need your help to make our Cake Walk a sweet success! This is a great opportunity to earn shares - especially with the end of the school year approaching!

How it works:

- Each home baked cake earns 1 share
- Store-bought cakes valued at \$20 (can be accumulated over multiple cakes) earn 1 share

We will be collecting cakes during morning and afternoon carpool on April 23, so you can conveniently drop off your donations then. If that doesn't work for you, we will also be collecting cakes in the Father Kelly Hall Thursday, April 23 through Saturday, April 25.

Your generosity helps make the festival even more special and we truly appreciate your support!

For questions please contact Jessica Rocha at jrocha0@yahoo.com.

[Event Sign Up Sheet | Track It Forward](#)

- **Open House – Tomorrow (6:00 p.m.)**

All Saints Catholic School will host an *Open House* for prospective parents on Thursday, April 16 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Activities Center. All parishioners and members of the community interested in learning more about our school are cordially invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mrs. Mary Rodriguez, Administrative Assistant, at (571) 516-3170 or mrodriguez@allsaintsva.org.

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

APRIL OPEN HOUSE

Pre-Kindergarten to 8th Grade



Thursday, April 16 at 6:00 PM

RSVP: 571-516-3170 | allsaintsva.org

- **Virtues in Practice**

Virtue for the Month of April: Justice

Definition: Being fair and giving each his due

Saints: St. Anthony of Padua (PK-2), St. Katharine Drexel (3-5), St. Thomas More (6-8)

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PLEASE JOIN THE ALL SAINTS PTO

for
FAMILY

BINGO NIGHT!

Saturday, April 18th

6:00 - 8:00 PM IN THE PAC



\$5 PER PERSON

includes 4 cards per game
for 10 games

\$1 DAUBERS available

<https://tinyurl.com/ASCSBingoPizza>



PIZZA BY THE SLICE • SNACKS • DRINKS
also available for purchase

All fees collected on site (cash, charge or check made payable to All Saints Catholic School)

Contact Joanna Stenson with any questions • PTOPresident@allsaintsva.org

- **ART, DRAMA, MUSICAL THEATRE CAMPS** for K-12 in a Catholic setting
Spotlight on the Arts Summer Camps offers **Broadway Spotlight**, **Drama Bootcamp**, **Art Explorer**, and **Arts & Crafts Fun Camp** this

July to students across the Diocese.

This July 13th - 24th young people are invited to experience top level instruction as they engage in creative fun through Acting, Visual Art, Music, and more!

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.

Through April 30th, ***all camps are \$15 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



Pre-HSPT and Parent How to High School

John Paul is hosting the Pre-High School Placement Test (Pre-HSPT) for current 7th grade students on Saturday, May 16, 2026, from 9:00 am-12:15 pm. The Pre-HSPT is optional, and is a practice test intended to help students become more familiar with the different sections of the HSPT under timed conditions. The practice test is designed to give the student an idea of how the exam will be administered and what to expect on the actual day of testing during the student's 8th grade year. Parents are invited to stay for Parent How to High School - a workshop on preparing your student for high school!

To Register for the Pre-HSPT, please use the following link:

<https://saintjohnpaul.mypaysimple.com/s/7th-grade-pre-hspt> Please reach out by email (admissions@jpthegreat.org) or by phone (703-445-0246) with any questions!

SAINT JOHN PAUL THE GREAT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

PRACTICE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST

WHAT IS THE PRE-HSPT?

The Pre-HSPT is an optional, practice test intended to help students become more familiar with the different sections of the HSPT under timed conditions. The practice test is designed to give the student an idea of how the exam will be administered and what to expect on the actual day of testing during the student's 8th grade year.

This year, John Paul is hosting the Pre-HSPT for students in the Class of 2031.*

PRE-HSPT & PARENT HOW TO HIGH SCHOOL

**Saturday
May 16, 2026**

Students are invited to sit for the Pre-HSPT at JP on May 16th from 9:00 am-12:15 pm.

Parents are invited to stay for Parent How to High School - a workshop on preparing your student for success in high school!

Cost: \$50 per Student

For more information &
to register, please use the
QR Code.



*Please Note: This event is only for students who will start 8th grade in Fall 2026.

(703) 445-0246 | admissions@jpthegreat.org

Upcoming Events

Thursday, April 16

Pre-Kindergarten Field Trip – Leesburg Animal Park

Open House (PAC Atrium/6:00 p.m.)

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

Friday, April 17

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Saturday, April 18

PTO Bingo Night (6:00 p.m.)

Monday, April 20

SCA Sponsored Spirit Week

Wednesday, April 22

Religion Assessment – Grades 5 & 8

Thursday, April 23

School Mass – St. George, Martyr (8:30 a.m.)

Friday, April 24

Holiday (Parish Festival Prep Day)

Monday, April 27

Kindergarten Screening Day (No Pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten Classes)

Wednesday, April 29

Diocesan 8th Grade Vocations Mass

Thursday, April 30

21st Annual Race for Education

Friday, May 1

School Mass & May Crowning (8:30 a.m.)

8th Grade Graduation & 2nd Grade First Communion Photos (9:30 a.m.)

Monday, May 4

NWEA Map Testing – Round 3 Begins (Grades 3-7)

Wednesday, May 6

8th Grade World Language Exemption Exam

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

Thursday, May 7

Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

Spring Choral Concert ((PAC/7:00 p.m.)

Friday, May 8

Band Trip to Busch Gardens

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Deadline: FACTS Tuition Payment Plan Schedule Changes (2026-2027)

Tuesday, May 12

8th Grade Algebra Exemption Exam

Spring Band Concert (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

Thursday, May 14

School Mass – St. Matthias, Apostle (8:30 a.m.)

PTO Mother's Tea (PAC/9:15 a.m.)

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