



Celebrating Community

AT ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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No Early Childhood Classes On Friday

Celebrate Our Advent Week of Joy

All Saints' annual Advent celebration of the Week of Joy just before Christmas break is coming! This year's event runs from December 14th to 18th.

Here are the themes for each day:

- Tuesday, December 15: "Baby, it's cold outside!" Wear your school uniform with Christmas socks, scarves and ties!
- Wednesday, December 16: "Merry Christmas from the Family" Wear your favorite holiday flannel and headwear (santa hats, headbands, etc.) with jeans or gym bottoms!
- Thursday, December 17: "Pink Out" Celebrate the 3rd week of Advent and the week of JOY with any pink shirt and gym bottoms!
- Friday, December 18: "Silent Night" Prepare for a perfect break in your comfiest PJ's! No slippers or spaghetti straps.



In-Person Learning Resumes January 4 After Christmas Break

Dear All Saints Families,

We understand there maybe questions regarding the school calendar following the Christmas break scheduled from 12/21-1/3. Since our return to school falls ten days after Christmas, we are not planning any changes to the school schedule at this time. Therefore, we will be welcoming students back into the building for in-person instruction on Monday, January 4th as scheduled.

We continue to strongly encourage families to adhere to state guidelines for preventing the spread of Covid-19 during the Christmas Holiday, and are very grateful for the vigilance demonstrated by so many in our community thus far. If over the coming weeks, any Covid-19 mandates are announced or changes affecting our school's ability to offer in-person instruction arise, families will be promptly notified by email.

Families should continue to monitor for illnesses and report an positive cases to Ms. Strausbaugh at kstrausbaugh@allsaintscs.com or school nurse Robin Kerrigan at rkerrigan@allsaintscs.com over the break.

Wishing Your Family a Merry Christmas!

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In The Know

December 14-18

Advent Week of Joy (see article for complete theme schedule)

December 15

Mass
10:00 a.m.

December 18

No Early Childhood Classes

December 21-January 3

Christmas Break

January 4

Classes Resume With In-Person Instruction After Christmas Break

CDC Guidelines for Quarantine

As Christmas break approaches, we are hearing our students share exciting travel plans that may include trips out of the country. Based on CDC guidelines issued regarding COVID-19, travelers will need to quarantine for 10 days upon returning to the United States. If your family will be traveling outside the country, please contact our school nurse, Robin Kerrigan, by email at rkerrigan@allsaintscs.com to discuss an appropriate date for your student's return to school.

Photo Retake Day is Wednesday

BAK Photography will be at All Saints on Wednesday, December 16, for an additional school picture retake day.

This is for anyone who may have been absent from school during previous photo days or who still needs a retake. If this is a retake and not a new photo session, please have your child bring their original prints with them.

For the photos, remember to wear "Sunday best." This means appropriate skirt or dress lengths within one inch of the knee, no spaghetti straps or low-cut tops, and no tight clothing.



Virtues in Practice: Patience

"I waited patiently for the Lord, and He inclined to me and heard my cry."
(Psalm 40:1)

Facilities Committee Parent Volunteers Needed

We are looking for parent volunteers to serve on our facilities committee to assist with future planning and identifying monthly/annual building maintenance projects and schedules.

Responsibilities include monthly meetings (virtual and in-person), researching contractors, products, and projects, and providing feedback and guidance on capital expenditure projects.

Ideally we would love to have background/expertise in the following areas:

Finance
Civil Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
Plant Management
Business
Building Trades



If you are willing to give of your time, please contact Kristen Strausbaugh through email at kstrausbaugh@allsaintscs.com.

2021-2022 Registration Starts in January

As we move toward continued streamlining of our enrollment process, All Saints will begin the student registration process for the 2021-2022 school year in January 2021.

While we are blessed to have a waiting list across all grades, please note that re-enrollment will be open to all current families for a minimum of two weeks prior to the admission of new families from the waitlist or as a result of our Open House. We are grateful to be in such a strong position due to our solid in-person and distance learning plans, and we look forward to the opportunity to begin planning for the upcoming school year at an earlier point in time.

Stay tuned for more details, including specific due dates for forms and fees, in coming newsletters and email correspondence!

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Fund for All Saints Campaign Is Underway

The 2020-2021 Fund for All Saints campaign kicked off on #Giving Tuesday, raising more than \$6,600 in one day. Thanks to everyone who has supported the Fund campaign!

We encourage all families to help grow our Fund for All Saints. As a special incentive, All Saints families who donate to the Fund by December 31, 2020, will receive a dress-down day for their students on a day to be determined in 2021.

This is a great opportunity to support All Saints and donate for 2020 tax purposes before the end of the calendar year. Donations can be made online at the following link:
www.allsaintscs.com/donate

Thank You for a Delicious Staff Luncheon!



Thank you to our Kindergarten and 8th grade parents for providing a delicious luncheon for All Saints teachers and staff members today. The classes' families catered the meal from Leo's Coney Island at 5 Mile and Sheldon. We are grateful for your generosity!

Eighth Graders Receive Class Sweatshirts



Congratulations to our 8th graders, who received their Class of 2021 sweatshirts on Monday afternoon! Each year, All Saints 8th graders traditionally purchase a personalized sweatshirt, with a design chosen by the class. The 8th graders may wear their sweatshirts with their school uniform every day from now until the end of the school year.

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Classroom Happenings



Mrs. Roose's 8th grade religion classes are displaying the miniature sanctuary-space projects they worked on during our recent time of distance learning. Their assignment was to make mini-models of churches, using their knowledge of Liturgical vessels they learned in connection to our Altaration series.



Our Pre-Kindergarten classes celebrated Gingerbread Day! They read several versions of the gingerbread story, decorated and ate real gingerbread cookies, and--of course--had a gingerbread hunt in the classrooms. The gingerbread men were no match for the pre-kindergarten students, who eventually found each and every gingerbread man! Yum!



Mrs. Zahari's 8th grade science classes are learning about magnets and electromagnetic forces this week through experiments. While performing their lab work, the students are testing how different materials such as metal, plastic, wood, and glass react when placed in a magnetic field. When dealing with magnetic force, the students have to determine the strength of the force, how far in distance a magnet will pull an object, and they have to measure how thick an object can be and still have magnetic force. The students also have to predict how many paper clips their magnets will hold to test the strength of the magnetic field with one, two, and three magnets.

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