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# From the Principal's Desk

January 24, 2019



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## Holy Spirit School *Inspiring Minds / Igniting Hearts* 2018 / 2019

**"Let us love one another because love is from God"**

## Catholic Schools Week Begins on Sunday, January 27th

The "most wonderful time of the year" - Catholic Schools Week is right around the corner! This annual national celebration is a time when we focus on all of the benefits that come with providing a Catholic education to our children and a time for our students to celebrate the special gift they are receiving from their parents . I cannot thank all of our families enough for the big and small sacrifices that you make in order for your children to attend Holy Spirit School. It is truly an honor to be a part of the academic and faith journeys of your children who fill our school building with smiles and joy each day.

Please be sure to look at the schedule of events listed below as we celebrate throughout the week.



# March for Life

Last Friday, the 8th grade had the joy of attending a part of the Life is Very Good Rally at George Mason University prior to heading downtown to meet up with our fellow parishioners to participate in the March for Life.

Here at school we continue to build our pro-life programming for the students and look to participating fully in the offerings from our Diocese for our young people.

Enjoy!



Life Is VERY Good 2019 Recap



# a dozen reasons to choose Catholic Schools



*-Maureen Ashby*  
Principal

**World's Finest Chocolate Fundraiser**

little  
by  
little,  
a little  
becomes  
**A LOT.**



After a solid week, we have had strong sales of the World's Finest Chocolates. Thank you to everyone who has sold and to those that are continuing to sell; KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!

Even with the great sales, we are looking to really finish strong with only a little over a week left of this fundraiser. We have roughly 290 boxes left to sell to reach our fundraising goal, and as many have discovered, the candies sell themselves and they are a HUGE HIT! You can't even get a bag of candy from a vending machine for \$1 these days!

Please consider supporting Holy Spirit School with this fundraiser as the monies earned will be used to fund essential items that assist the teachers and staff in educating our children. All of these items are paid for by fundraisers such as these, which makes all fundraisers so very important to our school community.

The children are excited about the wonderful prizes that they can win which include a homework pass, popcorn & a movie, pizza party, and spraying Father O'Donahue with silly string.

If you have not returned your permission slip please do so today and assist us in reaching our fundraising needs so that our students can continue to reap the benefits that these items provide on a daily basis.

Questions? Concerns? Please email Le'Neeka Manning  
(leneeka.manning@uscg.gov ) & Emily Sprissler  
(chefamily192@yahoo.com ).

**Each family is asked to sell a minimum of 2**

**boxes of chocolates**

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## **USED UNIFORM SALE**

- **Date: Friday, Jan 25th**
- **Time: 2:00PM - 4:00PM**
- **All items for \$4**
- **Cash and checks  
Accepted Only**



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Please help spread the word to your family,  
friends and neighbors!

An Open House for Prospective Families will  
be held January 27th!



# Holy Spirit

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

*Inspiring Minds* | Igniting Hearts

**A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence  
built on the traditions and values of  
the Holy Catholic Church**

## Open House

**January 27, 2019**

**1-2:30 PM**

**Principal presentation at 1:00pm**

**[www.holyspiritflames.org](http://www.holyspiritflames.org)**

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Catholic Schools Week is right around the  
corner!

January 27 - February 1, 2019

Please see the information below regarding

# our service project for this year and the complete schedule for the week



## Schedule of Events

### Sunday, January 27

- 9:00 & 10:30 Parish Mass
  - Please join us in celebrating Mass with the Holy Spirit parish community. Students are encouraged to show their school pride by wearing their uniform.
- Open House for prospective families from 1:00 – 2:30pm in the school.

### Monday, January 28

- “Parent Appreciation Day”
- Look for your parent “thank you” in the morning carpool line.
- Prayer Service – 8:30am

### Tuesday, January 29

- “Service Day”
- Students will put together “birthday parties in a box” which will be donated to a local shelter/food pantry (please see attached information on our “Pennies for Parties” small change drive)

### Wednesday, January 30

- “Faculty and Staff Appreciation” Day
- PTO luncheon for the faculty/staff
- This is a great opportunity for your student(s) to write a note of appreciation to their teacher(s).

### Thursday, January 31

- “Student Appreciation” Day
- Dress-down day (follow school policy for dress-down days)
- All school movie/popcorn in the afternoon

### Friday, February 1

- “Clergy Appreciation Day”
- 9:00am School Mass
- Students will honor not only the work that Father O’Donohue, Father Peter, Father Carroll, Deacon LaDuca and Deacon Grodek do within the school and parish community, but also the efforts of those involved with the parish Religious Education office and youth ministry.





**“Pennies for Parties”  
(Birthday in a Box)**

Help make birthdays happier for children in the community.

Each homeroom will decorate two large cake boxes – one for a girl and one for a boy – to help community families provide a special day for their children. Inside each box will be everything needed for a birthday party: cake mix, frosting, sprinkles, candles, plates, cups, napkins, and party favors.

Our students will make a special birthday banner for each box, as well as other birthday drawings.

The boxes will be donated to the House of Mercy and will be distributed to those who may not have the means to provide a party for their children.

**What are we asking of Holy Spirit students?**

In order to purchase all of the fun birthday supplies, **donations of loose change and small bills will be collected in each homeroom from January 10 – January 24.**

Small bins will be placed in each homeroom for donations.

We hope to collect enough to provide forty (40) birthday boxes.

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## **Design the 2019 5K Spirit Run T-shirt design and Go Down in Holy Spirit School History!**

**The winning design will be featured on over 250  
race t-shirts, recognized on our Holy Spirit School  
and 5K Spirit Run social media and race page, plus  
receive a free race entry!  
This year's theme is:**

**"Love one another because love is from God."**

### **Guidelines:**

- **Design should be inspired by this year's theme and must also include the theme on the shirt.**
- **Your design can only contain 2 different colors.**
- **Please submit your design on 8 1/2" x 11" paper to front office.**
- **Include your name and grade on the back of the design.**
- **Deadline for submission is by the end of the school day on Friday, February 1, 2019**
- **All Holy Spirit School students are welcome to submit a design.**

**Share Your Creativity and School Spirit!**

Questions?  
Contact Mrs. Gibbons



"Nobody can do for little children what grandparents do. Grandparents sort of sprinkle stardust over the lives of little children." - Unknown



February 15<sup>th</sup>

is

GRANDPARENT'S DAY at Holy Spirit School!

9:00 AM Mass followed by classroom visits

Students come to school at the normal time. Grandparents join them for 9:00 AM Mass. Grandparents meet grandchildren in the school at 8:30 AM for the walk to church. After mass, Grandparents are invited to join their grandchildren in the classrooms for refreshments and some enjoyable activities.

Students without Grandparents available are encouraged to 'adopt' a grandparent for the morning. This could be a friend or neighbor. Please send us a note if such an arrangement is being made



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# Holy Spirit School's Annual Talent Showcase



When: April 6, 2019



## WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!!!

Volunteers are needed to help make this year's talent show awesome!! It is a great way to earn your hours in a fun atmosphere. All manner of jobs from small to large are needed, and all help is appreciated. Please click the signup link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B44A9A92EA31-holy4>

[Click here to volunteer](#)

**Yearbook Sales have begun!**  
Hard copies of the flyer went home with the students last week


**ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK AT [YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM](http://YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM) TODAY!**  
(ENCARGA HOY TU ANUARIO EN [YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM](http://YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM))

<p><b>EARLY BIRD SALE! Holy Spirit</b></p>	<p><b>ORDER DEADLINE: February 17, 2019</b> <small>FECHA LIMITE DEL PEDIDO</small></p>
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**Yearbook**  
Anuario


\$18.00

ADD EXTRAS AGREGAR OPCIONES




**Personalized Cover**  
Your child's portrait and name printed on the cover.

\$6.00




**Zoom: Current Events Insert\***  
The year's most memorable news, sports, entertainment, & more!

\$2.00



**Yearbook Stickers**  
Adhesivos adhesivos para personalizar las páginas del anuario.

\$2.00



**Autograph Insert\***  
A great way to share memories with friends!

\$1.00

\*Years must be added to the yearbook after annual. \*Los años deben ser agregados al anuario después de su pedido. \*Please include sales tax where applicable. \*When you pay by check, you authorize us to present the payment as a check authorization, or to use information from your check to make a new form receipt. \*Este flyer tiene una designación. \*Asegure de incluir el impuesto de venta en su pedido. \*Este flyer puede ser usado para autorizar un nuevo cheque o para usar información de su cheque para hacer un nuevo formulario de recepción. \*Cualquier pago con cheque, me autoriza a presentar el pago como una autorización mediante cheque y usar la información de su cheque para hacer un formulario de recepción alternativo de donde debe la usarse de cheque por otro uso. \*Por cheque recibidos se puede aceptar un cheque. No se aceptan cheques de pago diferido.

**PACKAGES** PAQUETES

<b>PACKAGE A</b> <small>PAQUETE A</small>	<b>\$28.00</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yearbook <small>Anuario</small></li> <li>• Personalized Cover <small>Capa personalizada</small></li> <li>• Autograph Insert* <small>Inserto del autógrafo*</small></li> <li>• Zoom: Current Events Insert* <small>Zoom: Visión de los eventos actuales*</small></li> <li>• Yearbook Stickers <small>Adhesivos del anuario</small></li> </ul>	BEST VALUE
<b>PACKAGE B</b> <small>PAQUETE B</small>	<b>\$26.50</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yearbook <small>Anuario</small></li> <li>• Personalized Cover <small>Capa personalizada</small></li> <li>• Autograph Insert* <small>Inserto del autógrafo*</small></li> <li>• Zoom: Current Events Insert* <small>Zoom: Visión de los eventos actuales*</small></li> </ul>	
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<b>PACKAGE D</b> <small>PAQUETE D</small>	<b>\$19.50</b>
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**ORDER ONLINE AT [YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM](http://YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM)**  
Encarga por internet en [ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://ybpay.lifetouch.com)

Yearbook ID Code: **11439519**  
Código ID del anuario



All proceeds will go to support efforts to protect the unborn.

# Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup>

Holy Spirit School Cafeteria

Doors Open 6 PM | Games Begin 7 PM

### Admission

(Includes Book of 3 Cards)  
All proceeds will go to support efforts to protect the unborn.

- Players 12 Years and Older: \$5
- Players Under 12 Years: \$3
  - Extra Cards \$1
- Free for children under 5 years who are not playing.

### Snacks Sold

- Pizza • Hot Dogs
- Nachos • Soft Drinks

### Prizes

- Cash Bingo Prizes
  - Additional prizes for other games
- All children will receive a prize.



**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**

**HOLY  
SPIRIT**  
Catholic Church

For information, contact [knights@holyspirtchurch.us](mailto:knights@holyspirtchurch.us).  
Event sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Holy Spirit Council. Don't miss it!

# Holy Spirit NVJCYO

Information and registration:  
[HolySpiritChurch.us/Youth](http://HolySpiritChurch.us/Youth)

**Girl's  
Volleyball**

**Track  
& Field**

**Tennis**

**Grades  
3-8**

"Sports contribute to the love of life, teaches sacrifice, respect and responsibility, leading to the full development of every human person."

-St. John Paul II



**Registration  
Opening Soon!**



**Assistant Coaches  
Needed!**

**Interested in coaching?  
Contact [CYO@holyspiritchurch.us](mailto:CYO@holyspiritchurch.us)**

# PARISH CHILI DINNER

Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

5:30 - 7:30 PM

School Cafeteria

Join us for a delicious chili dinner  
after the 5:30 pm Mass.  
All are welcome!

Mild &  
Spicy Meat  
Chili!

Vegetarian  
Chili!

Baked  
Potatoes!

Salad with  
Italian  
Dressing!

Beer,  
Sodas  
& More!

Desserts!



Ages 11 & Up: \$7  
Ages 6 - 10: \$4  
Ages 5 & Under:  
Free!

\$20 max per family!

**HOLY  
SPIRIT**  
Catholic Church



# THAT MAN IS YOU!

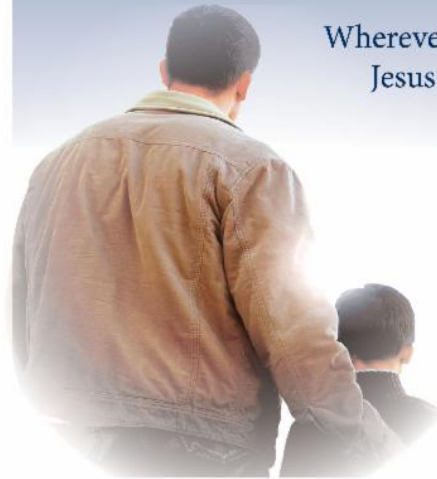
THE BATTLE OVER THE BRIDE

**Saturday Mornings**  
**Spring Session begins February 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**7:00 - 8:30 AM**  
*Meeting Room 3, School Building*

For more information, contact  
Deacon Nick LaDuca at [denladuca@holyspirtchurch.us](mailto:denladuca@holyspirtchurch.us)  
[www.holyspirtchurch.us](http://www.holyspirtchurch.us)

Wherever you are in your spiritual life,  
Jesus Christ wants to encounter  
you right there...

*and take you further.*



[www.thatmanisyou.org](http://www.thatmanisyou.org)

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Catholic Church



# SCOUT SUNDAY



**February 3, 2019**



Calling all Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, American Heritage Girls, and Trail Life Scouts!

*Join Holy Spirit Parish at the 10:30am Mass to celebrate Scout Sunday. Come in your uniform as you are recognized for your work and dedication to serving God, your country, and others. After Mass, come with your family to the cafeteria, where the Mens' Club will be hosting a donut reception in your honor.*



Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

# *Married Couples Morning of Reflection*



Join other married couples from the parish for a morning of reflection, prayer and fellowship, led by Deacon Tom Grodek. Contact [knights@holyspiritchurch.us](mailto:knights@holyspiritchurch.us) for more information.

*February 16<sup>th</sup>*

*10:00 am-12:00 noon*

*Meeting Rooms 1 and 2*





Catholic Charities Presents

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING SEMINAR

Friday February 8  
10:00 am - 1:00 pm

St Mark Catholic Church  
9970 Vale Road, Vienna, VA 22181

Experts on Human Trafficking will share their knowledge and experience and discuss what we can do to help

- **Deacon Marques Silva** - Director of the Offices of Children Protection and Safety will discuss the Diocesan Response
- **Kay Duffield** - Executive Director of NOVA Human Trafficking Initiative will share information on the services that are available
- **Bill Woolf** - Executive Director of Just Ask Prevention will present action items for the prevention of Human Trafficking on the community level
- **Parishioners from St Francis Assisi** will share "What Parishes Can Do"
- We will hear testimony from the mother of a Human Trafficking survivor

Please RSVP to [volunteer@ccda.net](mailto:volunteer@ccda.net)

All are Welcome to Attend!  
Lunch will be provided

# discover you



## Teacher | Job Fair

March 9, 2019  
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Discover the Diocese of Arlington. Meet with Principals from more than 30 Catholic schools. We educate over 17,250 students (preschool through high school) in 13 cities and counties in this growing diocese. Our schools are seeking highly-qualified, faith-filled, and dynamic professionals.

Your future is **HERE**.

St. Paul VI Catholic High School  
10675 Fairfax Boulevard • Fairfax, VA 22030  
[www.arlingtondiocese.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org) • 703-841-2519



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*Intelligent Lives*



### Intelligent Lives Trailer

Bishop O'Connell High School is hosting a FREE viewing of Dan Habib's new film, INTELLIGENT LIVES on Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 7pm. This film is a catalyst to transform the label of intellectual disability from a life sentence of isolation into a life of possibility for the most systematically segregated people in America. INTELLIGENT LIVES challenges what it means to be intelligent, and points to a future in which people of all abilities can fully participate in higher education, meaningful employment, and intimate relationships. The 70-minute film will be shown in the Bishop O'Connell auditorium, and will be followed by a panel discussion. The event is open to the public.

For questions, please contact Susan Rinaldi, Director of Expanded Services at Bishop O'Connell High School: [Srinaldi@bishopoconnell.org](mailto:Srinaldi@bishopoconnell.org).

Bishop O'Connell High School is located at 6600 Little Falls Road in Arlington, Va.

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# ANNANDALE BOYS' & GIRLS' CLUB REGISTRATION

4216 Annandale Rd. • Annandale, VA 22003 703-941-ABGC(2242)-FAX 703-941-4412

Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 3 – 7 PM Saturday 9 - 12 Noon

Soccer Coordinator: Helen Crum [helenkerum@gmail.com](mailto:helenkerum@gmail.com)

EMAIL: [abgc@abgc.org](mailto:abgc@abgc.org)

REGISTER ONLINE AND SAVE \$\$ @ [WWW.ABGC.ORG](http://WWW.ABGC.ORG)

Annandale Boys & Girls Club has the longest running Soccer and Tee Ball Programs in the Washington Area!

## CIRCLE APPROPRIATE SPORT – SPRING 2019

SPRING SOCCER \$120

First Time \$60  
3 Before 10/1/2018 thru Grade 12

TEEBALL \$120

First Time \$60  
K thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

BOXING

Ages 7 - Adult  
Leo @ 571-436-5983

LACROSSE

Register online at  
[www.annandalelacrosse.org](http://www.annandalelacrosse.org)

## TOP SOCCER \$48

Ages 5 - 18

ATHLETES WITH DISABILITIES

An ABGC player can play both soccer and teeball at the same time, since the schedules should not conflict. **The half priced registration fee of \$60 is only for "First Time" players in that sport with the Annandale Boys' & Girls' Club.** For kazaxe information, call Asuka at 703-300-7448. *These materials are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Fairfax County School Board, the Superintendent, or this school.*

**AFTER REGISTERING, ALL U11 – U19 (SFL) PLAYERS, IF REQUESTED BY ABGC, MUST SUBMIT COPY OF PROOF OF BIRTH.**

Requested Coach \_\_\_\_\_ Special Requests \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL OR DELIVER FORM AND FEE TO: ABGC, 4216 Annandale Rd., Annandale, VA 22003

Player's First Name (Type or Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Boy \_\_\_\_\_ Girl \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in Now \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (O) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

**WE RELY ON VOLUNTEERS. PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: (CIRCLE ONE)**

No Fees:

Coach  
League Commissioner

**\$10.00 Refund( After completion Except A.C .)**

Assistant Coach  
Deliver Forms to 5 Schools  
Office Help (3 Hours)

No Refund

Will be a spectator

Did your child play in the Fall 2018? : Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby give permission for my child to play **SOCCER/ TEEBALL** (circle one). I have insurance to cover all risks of injury or doctor's bills that might be incurred and accept all responsibility for my child's safety at practice and at games. **I also understand that there are no refunds.** *In the event I cannot get the team of my choice, I will accept an assignment made by ABGC.*

**IF YOU ARE NOT A FAIRFAX COUNTY RESIDENT, THERE IS A \$30 FEE** Amt. Paid \_\_\_\_\_

**IF YOU ARE A SCHOLARSHIP PLAYER, THERE IS A \$40 NON-REFUNDABLE FEE** Amt. Paid \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' First/LastName(Printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Family Folder Flyers

The following flyers can be found on the website in the folder labeled "January 24, 2019 "(or [CLICK HERE](#)). For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

### School Flyers:

1. PTO Talent Show Save the Date - flyer
2. PTO Talent Show Sign-up/Audition Form - flyer
3. PTO Volunteers - flyer
4. Catholic Schools Week schedule - flyer
5. Pennies for Parties - flyers
6. World's Finest Chocolate - box "check out" form
7. Grandparents Day - flyer
8. 5K Race t-shirt contest - flyer

### Parish Flyers:

1. Bingo for Life - flyer
6. Parish Chili Dinner - flyer
7. That Man is You! - flyer
8. Married Couples Morning of Reflection - flyer

### Community Flyers:

1. Scout Sunday - flyer
  2. Diocese of Arlington Teacher Job Fair - flyer
  3. ANSLL Registration flyers - Spring 2019
  4. Canterbury Woods ES - Chess Tournament - flyer
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