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# From the Principal's Desk

March 23, 2017



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## *Holy Spirit School*

*Celebrating 50 Years of Inspiring Minds and Igniting Hearts  
1966 - 2016*

### End of the 3rd Quarter Nearing

The Parent Portal will close in preparation for the end of the 3rd quarter on Friday, March 31st. The quarter will close on Friday, April 7th and report cards will go home on Thursday, April 13th. Please note that report cards will not be available prior to 4/13 for those who may not be in attendance on Holy Thursday.

Thursday, April 13th is Holy Thursday; this is an 11:30 am dismissal and there is NO afternoon Extended Day. In the morning we will have a presentation of the Living Stations at 8:30 am; please join us.

It is difficult to believe that when we return from the Easter break we are at the end of April and that time when the year really begins to become a whirlwind of events.

The Assessment of Children Religious Education (ACRE) test will be administered to students in grades 5 and 8 on April 25 and April 26. The results of this online assessment are solely used internally and by the Diocese to gauge the effectiveness of the religion curriculum.

The last Scantron testing cycle will begin May 1st.

If you have not taken notice of the information regarding the PTO Spring Social, please check the most recent PTO Highlights. This is a tremendously fun evening that is always successful due to the amazing volunteers and the sheer number of participants and audience members. It is definitely an event you do not want to miss!

Hopefully Spring is upon us! Thank you for all you do for our school community.

*-Maureen Ashby*

Principal

*Holy Spirit 2016/2017 - Building the Future through Faith and Family*



Join Holy Spirit School's Respect for Life Club in sponsoring

# Bottles for Babies

## Make Room at the NEW Inn

Tepeyac Family Center is relocating and needs your help to provide new mothers with the services they need for themselves and their babies. To help Tepeyac Family Center continue to provide their patients with quality medicine, Holy Spirit's Respect for Life Club is participating in Bottles for Babies, collecting change to help with the purchases of new stethoscopes, waiting room chairs, printers, scanners, thermometers, and much more. Please bring your change to school to place in your homeroom's baby bottle.



**Help us reach our goal of \$350.00!!!**

Your donated money will help Tepeyac Family Center purchase:



## Cake Walk! April 12, 2017

Sponsored by the Holy Spirit National Junior Honor Society in conjunction with the Respect for Life Club's "Bottles for Babies" drive benefiting the Tepeyac Center

What is a "Cake Walk"?

Think "musical chairs":

- The game begins when music starts; students walk around a circle on numbered spots as the music continues.
- When the music stops, students move to the nearest number.
- A number is pulled at random and the student standing on that corresponding number wins a sweet prize.
- The process is repeated for a certain period of time or until prizes run out!



Save the date!  
More details to follow

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# 5K Spirit Run

May 20, 2017 | 8:00 am | Burke Lake Park



## Register now for a chance to win!

The first fifty students to register for the 5K Spirit Run will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win an afternoon of fun with Father O'Donohue for his or her class! Contact [sgibbons@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:sgibbons@holyspiritflames.org) or [shicks@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:shicks@holyspiritflames.org) for more details.

<https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/FairfaxStation/SpiritRun5K2017>

[Click here to register!](#)

[Click here for Race Letter](#)

[Click here for Sponsorship Information](#)

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# Yearbook pre-order deadline is March 31st!



Your student's name imprinted in foil

### Personalized Yearbook Cover

Make your student's yearbook unique by adding their name in foil on the cover.

**\$5.00**



### Autograph Insert

Autograph inserts allow students space to share messages with friends.

**\$1.00**



### Yearbook Stickys

Removable stickers let students have fun personalizing the pages of the yearbook. Over 65 stickers.

**\$2.00**

Order online at  
[ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://ybpay.lifetouch.com)

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## LAST CHANCE TO PREORDER YOUR YEARBOOK!

<p>#11439517</p> <p><b>Announcing... The Holy Spirit School 2016-2017 YEARBOOK</b></p> <p>Early Bird Sale Ending! Last chance to order a yearbook. Online orders only</p> <p><b>Our yearbook is planned to include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All-color pages that vibrantly capture school memories</li><li>• Sturdy soft cover</li></ul> <p><b>Add on any of the following yearbook extras:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Student's name imprinted in foil on the cover</li><li>• Autograph insert and signing pen to share messages with friends</li><li>• Yearbook Stickys are repositionable and are a fun way to personalize pages</li></ul> <p><small>Schools may adjust yearbook features and the final yearbook features may vary.</small></p>	<p><b>Early Bird Sale Ending!</b></p> <p><b>Yearbook Pricing: \$18.00</b></p> <p><b>Online Orders Only</b> <a href="http://YBPAY.lifetouch.com">YBPAY.lifetouch.com</a></p> <p><b>Sale Deadline Date: March 31, 2017</b></p> <p><b>Price will raise to \$25 after March 31st. Preorder to save! Enhancements will no longer be available after the deadline.</b></p>
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Order Online at [YBPAY.lifetouch.com](http://YBPAY.lifetouch.com) with Yearbook ID Code: 11439517

## Spring Picture Day! Tuesday, March 28th

Students should "dress up" in their Sunday Best (there should be no jeans, gym shorts or t-shirts). All students have their picture taken and no money is collected the day of pictures. Picture packages will be delivered to the school and sent home. Parents have a choice of purchasing partial or total packages. If parents do not wish to purchase the pictures the package must be returned to the school.

Your Way



SEE BEFORE YOU BUY!



Mark Your Calendar for Spring Picture Day

**Holy Spirit School**  
Tuesday, March 28, 2017  
\ martes, 28 de marzo,  
2017

Questions Call 703-802-0105 or toll free 1-855-573-4141  
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# TYPING BOOT CAMP



## Keyboarding on the PC

- *Locate home row keys automatically*
- *Key the alphabetic keys by touch*
- *Develop good keyboarding techniques*
- *Key fluently a minimum of 15-24 Words Per Minute*

**SPACE IS LIMITED**

## Only \$200

All Materials and Snack Included!

*Rising 4th—9th Graders*

July 24th—28th

9:30 AM — 12 Noon (Grade 4—6)  
1—3:30 (Grades 7—9)

Holy Spirit Catholic School  
8800 Braddock Road  
Annandale, VA 22003

Registration Form:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Entering in Fall: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # (during camp hours): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment:**

Check (*Made payable to: Mark Pietuska*)

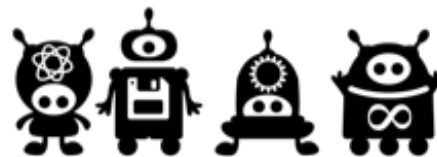
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# FunBotLab

## Robotics & Media Camp

[www.funbotlab.com](http://www.funbotlab.com)



## Back again this summer!

Fun Bot Lab, a LEGO® Robotics & Media Camp, will be offering 4, 1- week sessions of summer camp from June 26th to July 7th at our campus at Holy Spirit. The Fun Bot Lab program provides a solid foundation of engineering, programming, and movie-making for rising Kindergarten through 8th Graders.

Use code FUNBOT25 for \$25 off each week of camp. There are also discounts for siblings and attending multiple sessions.

Go to [funbotlab.com](http://funbotlab.com) to register today, spots are filling up!  
Email [courtney@funbotlab.com](mailto:courtney@funbotlab.com) if you have any questions or call us at 703-831-7747.

# Lenten Soup Suppers

Fridays March 3 - April 7 | Supper 5:30 - 7 PM

Bring your family and enjoy homemade soup every Friday in Lent. Free will donations accepted.

## Soup Makers Needed!

Can you donate your favorite meatless soup to the Friday Lenten Soup Suppers?

Contact Carol Eldridge  
(703) 978-7141 or [cle74@hotmail.com](mailto:cle74@hotmail.com)  
OR

**Volunteer!**  
click the yellow button







Holy Spirit is now on Facebook!

Please help us spread the word about our great school by "liking" our page and "sharing" our news.

And don't forget...

Holy Spirit School is also Twitter!



@HSS\_Flames



Lunch Menu

Please remember that beverages are **not** included in the cost of the hot lunch meals. If your child is having milk or bottled water with lunch that must be paid separately (the link is available under the *Current Families* tab).

[Click here for the April lunch menu](#)

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## Family Folder Flyers

The following flyers can be found on the website in the folder labeled "March 23, 2017" (or follow the links here) For your convenience, some flyers are repeated:

School Flyers:

1. [April Lunch Menu](#)
2. [Yearbook Flyer](#)

5K Spirit Run:

1. [Run Raffle flyer](#)
2. [5K Spirit Run Parent Letter](#)
3. [5K Spirit Run Sponsorship Letter](#)

Parish Flyers:

1. [Vacation Bible School flyer](#)

Community Flyers:

1. [Typing Boot Camp flyer](#)
  2. [FunBot Flyer](#)
  3. [Spotlight on the Arts flyer](#)
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