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From the Principal's Desk

September 12, 2019

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"What you do for the least among you, you do for Jesus"

Happy Birthday Mary!





We had a wonderful prayer service on Monday celebrating the birthday of the Virgin Mary and learning from Father O'Donohue about why Mary is known by so many titles throughout the world. We presented our new icons of Mary to the children to help illustrate the point. These icons will be displayed in the school during the months of October and May, in particular.

During his talk, Father concentrated on Mary, Undoer of Knots and provided the story of the painting to the children. We all learned that Mary is always available to us as we navigate the challenges in our lives.

And because what is a birthday celebration without a small gift remembrance, each of the children received a Mary, Undoer of Knots "Tiny Saint" charm.

The school year is certainly in full swing at this point as after school activities are beginning and the first session of Scantron testing is underway. Please continue to refer to the school calendar for upcoming events.

I would ask that parents please assist their children with making sure they are wearing the correct uniform each day. A reminder that all students should be in the maroon polos with the new school logo. Additionally, please remember that all of the young men in grades 1-8 should have a belt on each day and that sneaker-type shoes are not acceptable for boys or girls in those grades. Lastly, if you didn't quite have a change to get that back to school haircut, now would be a lovely time as Fall yearbook pictures are right around the corner.

As you know Bishop Burbidge will visit the school on Monday, September 23rd. This will be a 12 noon dismissal day and afternoon Extended Day will be open. For those who use the upper lot during dismissal, please be in the lot by 12:05 pm as that is when the chains will go up. Vanpool will be dismissed about 12:08 pm and the lower lot car line will be dismissed at 12:15 pm. Any student not picked up by 12:25/12:30 will be sent to Extended Day as the faculty and staff have a planned luncheon with Bishop.

I hope you are enjoying the Summer-like weather!

-Maureen Ashby

Principal



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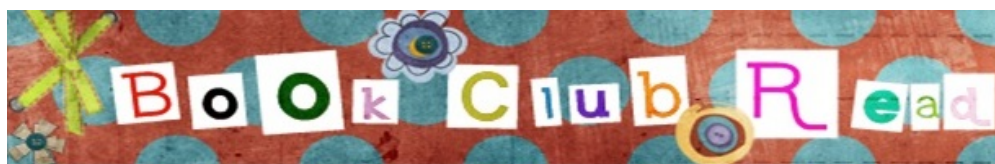
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Book Club 2019-2020!

Attention 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade students, come join the fun of reading with other Holy Spirit friends and teachers.

Our first meeting will be on Thursday, September 19. We will meet in the school library from 3:30-4:15 pm. All other meetings will be every 3rd Thursday of each month except for April. Our meeting dates: September 19, October 17, November 14, December 19, January 16, February 20, March 19, and May 21.

The club is limited to 20 students. Please use the link below to sign up.

<https://signup.com/go/CiFobKA>

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Barger or Mr. Lilly.

Thank you!



**2019 Book Fair
October 11th - October 18th**

The Book Fair is an opportunity to purchase books and other educational items for you and your children. It will be open in the school library Friday, October 11th from 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Sunday, October 13th from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Tuesday 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. -3:30 p.m., and Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. If you can't make it to the actual Book Fair,

SHOP ONLINE ALL YEAR LONG

<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/holyspiritflames>

The Book Fair is a great time to shop early for Christmas and to encourage your children to read! 25% of each purchase comes back to the school library. Parents are welcome to shop anytime the Book Fair is open.

Classes will visit for a thirty-minute session during the week. Students may bring money or make a "wish list" during their visit. Individual students may return to the Book Fair to make additional purchases with the permission of the teacher.

Also, teachers will have selected books that they can use in their classroom and will have placed them in a "wish basket" located in the library. These will be available for purchase through Thursday if you would like to give your child's teacher a gift for the classroom.

Book Fair Volunteers are still needed. Setup will be Thursday, October 10th after morning drop off from 8:15 a.m.-10:30 a.m. 1 to 2 hour or more periods of time for volunteering are available during the week and for break down Friday, October 18th at 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. If you can help, sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4ea4aa2aa31-holy1>

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Join Bishop Michael Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington,
for the *Diocesan Pilgrimage* to the Basilica
of the National Shrine of the Immaculate
Conception in Washington DC

Save the Date

Saturday, October 10, 2020
9:00AM - 3:00PM

*Come, stand before her,
our Mother!*



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Hosted
by the



Sunday

September 22nd

In the school cafeteria after the
7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 am Masses

Breakfast will include pancakes, sausage,
fruit, orange juice, coffee, and more!

Adults \$5 & Children \$3 (family total cost not to exceed \$15)

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Register

to

VOTE

Here!

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

assisting with

**Virginia Voter Registration
& Absentee Ballots**

Before & After
Weekend Masses

September 14-15 | September 21-22
September 28-29 | October 5-6



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**





Middle School Kick Off!
Sept 20 7:30-9:30pm
Grades 6-8

All middle schoolers are invited to join us for our Kick Off meeting in the Holy Spirit school building! We will have a crazy fun game, pizza and a chance to meet new friends!

**Come and wear clothes
you can run in!**

High School Kick Off!
Sept 22 7-9pm
Grades 9-12

All High Schoolers are invited to join us for our Kick Off Meeting! We will have Chipotle, a crazy game and a chance to meet other high schoolers from your area!

**Come join us and be prepared to do
some running around!**

Register Online at www.holyspiritchurch.us/youth

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Showing at Holy Spirit Parish in the Gym

OCTOBER 5, 2019

Start Time: 7:00 PM



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Join Us for Our Parish



and Screen
ON THE GREEN

On the grass between the church and school. In school gym if raining.

See parish website to sign up for side dishes.
www.HolySpiritChurch/pigroast

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19
Dinner 6:45 & Movie 7:15 pm

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Information and registration:
HolySpiritChurch.us/Youth

Winter Sports

Basketball

Cheerleading

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



Teams Forming
Register Today!



Coaches Needed!

Interested in coaching?
Contact CYO@holyspirtchurch.us



Family Folder Flyers

The following flyers can be found on the website in the folder labeled "September 12, 2019 "(or [CLICK HERE](#)). For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

School Flyers:

1. Strings program for grades 3-7
2. Mass Choir/Honor Choir registration flyer
3. Book Fair flyer

Parish Flyers:

1. CYO Winter Sports Sign-ups
2. Parish Children's Choir flyer
3. Parish Pancake Breakfast flyer
4. Militia Immaculata flyer
5. Voter Registration flyer
6. Youth Ministry Kick-off flyer
7. Parish Pig Roast flyer
8. Unplanned flyer

Community Flyers:

1. Boy Scouts
 2. Girl Scouts
 3. Porto Charities Golf Tournament
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