

From the Principal's Desk

September 5, 2019

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Holy Spirit School
Inspiring Minds / Igniting Hearts
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"What you do for the least among you, you do for Jesus"

Thank you

Thank you to all those who attended the Back to School Nights. It was terrific to catch up with many of you who I haven't yet really seen or had a chance to speak with since the year began.

A couple of reminders as we get into the regular swing of the school year. When dropping off in the morning in the lower lot, please, regardless of how many cars may or may not be present, follow the directional arrows to the top of the lot and then proceed down toward the school. I would ask that drivers be mindful of their speed on the campus and to refrain from being on a cell phone while the car is moving.

Additionally, please take note that all students should be in the "new" school uniform. Last year (2018/2019 school year) was the "grandfather" year when we had the mix and match of new and old. If you are in need of uniform pieces, please visit the Flynn & O'Hara store on Picket Road and the sales folks there will be happy to take care of you. The school's uniform policy may be found in the Parent/Student Handbook.



We will celebrate the birthday of the Virgin Mary on Monday, September 9th. I know it can be tough to remember everything for a Monday, but we are asking that **each student bring in one to two flowers** in order to create a class bouquet for our procession. Parents are certainly welcome, our celebration will begin at 8:30 am.



A reminder that our new Strings program will be starting soon. Dr. Lee was in yesterday to show the 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders the instruments and to hopefully peak their interest. **There is parent/student information meeting tonight at 7:00 pm in the Quinn Room for those seeking more information.**

Please be sure that you are consistently checking the school calendar (either via the website or in PowerLearning) to keep up with all of the events here at school.

Thanks much!

-Maureen Ashby

Principal

NEW Spirit Gear

LIMITED ONLINE SHOPPING!

Our online spirit gear web store is **NOW OPEN!** To view and order your new gear exclusively online, click [here](#).

Grab your spirit gear for our all NEW Spirit Days (every 3rd Wednesday of each month). Parents, we'd love to see your Flames pride, too!

The web store will only be open for a LIMITED time and will close on **Sunday, September 8th at 11:59 p.m. EST**. Orders will delivered to classrooms prior to our first Spirit Day on Wednesday, October 16th! Don't delay. [Order today](#)



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**HOLY SPIRIT
FLAMES**

ORDER DEADLINE IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th

ORDER TODAY! QUESTIONS? PTOSPIRITGEAR@HOLYSPIRITFLAMES.ORG

Parents please have your student bring in an old
T-shirt or a smock for Art Class



Thank You
Mrs. Liss Art Teacher

Art Room needs recyclables! Specifically, cereal boxes and 2 liter bottles and plastic bottles. They can be dropped off at the front office in a box labeled Art Donations Recyclables or in the Art Room.



Thank You! Mrs. Liss Art Teacher



COMING SOON!!!!
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

October 11th – October 19th

KICK OFF: Friday, October 11th 8:00AM-3:30PM
Saturday: **CLOSED**
Sunday October 13th 10AM-2PM
Monday: **CLOSED** for Columbus Day
Tuesday 7:30AM-7:00PM
Wednesday, Thursday 8:00AM-3:30PM
Friday 8:00AM-11:30AM

SHOP ONLINE

NOW ALL YEAR LONG STARTING October 16th - June 2nd
<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/holyspiritflames>

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT

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From the PTO....

PTO SURVEY CLOSERS FRIDAY! Last chance to participate and enter for a chance to win a \$50 gift certificate towards spirit gear!

[Click here!](#)

RECESS DUTY SUBS & SIGN-UPS

Sign-ups close FRIDAY! As a reminder, each family must sign up for 2 recess duty slots.

[Click here!](#)

Access code: Recess2019

To be added to the PAID recess duty substitute list, please email: amy.mannion@centurylink.com

VOLUNTEER FAIR is September 11!

Stop by the school gym from 6:30-8pm and learn about the many opportunities to get involved with the Holy Spirit School community and how your family can earn PSSC hours.

USED UNIFORM DRIVE & SALE

The used uniform committee is collecting uniform donations! Next pop-up sale is September 11th at the Volunteer Fair.

See flyer for details.

Got milk?

Growing kids = Shrinking Uniforms

HELP OUT THE PTO WITH YOUR UNIFORM DONATIONS!

*Uniforms (in good to excellent condition)
can be dropped off to the office,
at vanpool (spot 31, red minivan back row)
or by coordinating with Eileen Feeley or Melanie Bennett.
Contact Eileen at 415-505-5664 or eileenfeeley@gmail.com*

**USED UNIFORMS WILL BE
ON SALE DURING THE
VOLUNTEER FAIR ON
SEPTEMBER 11.
TIME: 6:30-8:00**

You're Invited

**Auction Committee
Cocktail Party
Info Session**

Saturday, September 7th - 7pm

***Enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages while
learning about opportunities to join the
Auction Committee as they plan the 2019 Back to
the 80s Holy Spirit Auction.***

RSVP 202-683-2548

**ASK FOR SARAH.
PRIVATE RESIDENCE ADDRESS WILL BE PROVIDED UPON RSVP.**

**Auction Kick-off Cocktail party is
THIS SATURDAY!**

Sept 7, 2019

**RSVP and get directions by calling
202-683-2548.**

See flyer for details.

Rain or
shine!

Parish Picnic & Open House

Free!
All Are
Welcome

Rain or shine!

Please bring a
dish to share:

A-R: Salads/Sides
S-Z: Desserts

Picnic Food &
Activities Include:
Burgers & Hot Dogs,
Soda, Cotton Candy,
Snow Cones,
Moonbounce,
Inflatable Obstacle
Course, Face Painting,
Scouts Obstacle
Courses
and more!

Side Dish Potluck



Sunday, September 8

1-4pm

Front Lawn

Don't
forget
your
lawn
chairs

**HOLY
SPIRIT**
Catholic Church

Many volunteers needed, youth and adult.
Click on the gold "Volunteer" button on the home page
of the website: www.holyspiritchurch.us

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)

**HOLY
SPIRIT**
Catholic Church



MILITIA IMMACULATA

WHAT IS IT?

Militia Immaculata is a prayer group that uses the power of the youth to pray for an end to evil in the world. We meet every Monday to call upon the Holy Spirit through the intercession of Our Lady for the conversion of the whole world!

WHAT DO YOU DO?

We pray the rosary, led by Father O'Donohue, intercede for our friends and family, pray some special prayers by St. Maximilian Kolbe, and then we end with some snacks and social time!

WHO CAN JOIN?

This group is open to youth of all ages! All you need is a permission form and you're in! You can find that on the parish website at holyspirtchurch.us/youth/middle-school/militia-immaculata/

IS THIS REALLY AS GREAT AS IT SOUNDS?

Yep! Just come to one of our meetings and you will see the power of prayer! You will get it and want to tell others about it. Really!

**MONDAYS 3:15-4:15 PM IN THE YOUTH ROOM
STARTS SEPTEMBER 9
SNACKS AND SOCIAL TIME INCLUDED**

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**



Family Folder Flyers

The following flyers can be found on the website in the folder labeled "September 5, 2019" (or [CLICK HERE](#)). For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

School Flyers:

1. Robotics Club
2. Silverknights Chess and Coding Clubs
3. Players Soccer Academy
4. Strings program for grades 3-7
7. Mass Choir/Honor Choir registration flyer
8. Book Fair flyer

Parish Flyers:

1. Parish Picnic & Open House
2. Priesthood Sunday
3. Adult Volleyball Nights
4. Blood Drive
5. CYO Sports Sign-ups
6. Short and Sweet flyer
7. Conquer flyer
8. Walking with Purpose flyer
9. That Man is You flyer
10. Parish Children's Choir flyer
11. Parish Pancake Breakfast flyer
12. Militia Immaculata flyer
13. Voter Registration flyer

Community Flyers:

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