

July 7, 2022



Holy Spirit School
Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts
2022/2023
"Joy"

JOY!

The beginning of July marks (at least in my mind!) the official turn to the new school year. Although the building is "quiet" due to the lack of teachers and students; it is "loud" with the hustle and bustle of repair work, painting, and cleaning (oh, and not to mention paperwork, meetings, paperwork, meetings, paperwork, meetings...).

It is tradition for the faculty, at the last meeting of the year, to look to the new school year and choose our theme. For the last seven years (hard to believe that much time has passed), we have chosen one of the tenets of Catholic social teaching and highlighted it throughout the year and in lessons in the classrooms. For the coming year, we have chosen to go with a simple, but powerful theme, "Joy".

The word itself has so many wonderful meanings and so many readily available examples not just in our own lives, but in the life of the Church. Of course our namesake, the Holy Spirit, gives us joy as one of His twelve Fruits; the importance of the Fruits being that these are the observable behaviors of people who have allowed the grace of the Holy Spirit to be effective in them.

As Matthew explains in his Gospel:

“Just so, every good tree bears good fruit, and a rotten tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a rotten tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. **So by their fruits you will know them.**”
(Matthew 7:17-20)

We are excited to be planning for the 22/23 academic year with joy in our hearts and in our actions as we prepare to welcome back our returning families and students and to greet and engage with our new families and students.

For those seeking to make use of Morning Care and/or Extended Day, you may access the information regarding rates and the registration sheet below.

Extended Day Rates for
22/23

Extended Day Registration Form
22/23



Every human life is sacred
every woman, every man, every child
born and unborn



We walk with mothers in need, women in crisis pregnancies, their children, and families

Consider our resources for free or low-cost prenatal and other medical care, financial assistance, baby items, mental health counseling, spiritual, and other confidential support



We offer healing to women who have experienced abortion

Learn about Project Rachel After Abortion Care Ministry or visit a Catholic parish near you



We pray, fast, and advocate for laws that protect every human life, from conception until natural death

Join the Virginia Catholic Conference advocacy network at vacatholic.org to protect all life

Find it all here:



Statement from Bishop Michael Burbidge on the Supreme Court's Ruling on Abortion

If you have not had the opportunity, please take a moment to read Bishop Burbidge's response to the recent ruling on abortion by [clicking here](#).



The Summer Reading List may be accessed via the link below. It is also available on the school website under the *Happening Now* section.

Summer Reading List 2022

Summer IXL Math work came home with report cards.



Thru June 30, 2022
M-F 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Office Closed July 1 - July 8, 2022

July 11 - July 29
T-Th 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

August 1 - August 12
M-F 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Office Closed Monday, August 15, 2022

Beginning August 14, 2022 8:00 am - 3:00 pm



School Nurse: Mrs. Sheilia Forrer

Contact: sforrer@holyspiritflames.org

*A reminder that all medical forms and immunizations updates are due by August 1, 2022

-Maureen Ashby

Principal

Holy Spirit School PTO



Top of the Day, Holy Spirit!

Volunteer Coordinator Contact: If you see an event that you are interested in, please email Mary Sonnen -PTOvpmembership@holyspiritflames.org

Volunteer Fair Planning: If you are interested in helping to plan the Holy Spirit PTO Volunteer Fair scheduled for Wednesday, September 7th at 6:30PM in the school gym, there will be two planning meetings this summer. The first is Monday evening, July 18th and the second is Monday, August 8th, both from 6-8PM. These hours count towards your annual 20 hour family volunteer requirement for Holy Spirit School. Please contact Mary Sonnen, PTO Volunteer Coordinator, for more information at 571-243-6423 (evenings/weekends) or through PTOvpmembership@holyspiritflames.org. Sign up for these planning meetings is available in the Connect1 App with your family account, use a desktop computer to begin and go to this website: <https://app.connect1.io>. See attached handout for easy Connect1 instructions or contact Tom Fields with questions at ptopssc@holyspiritflames.org. Each 1/2 hour of volunteering is worth 1 point in Connect1.

Ongoing Fundraisers:

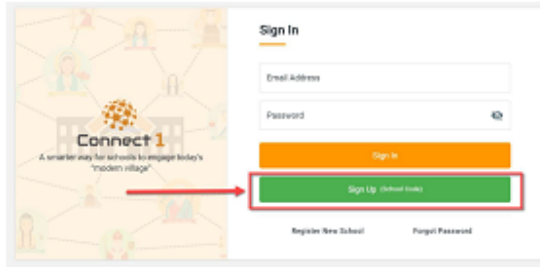
Mabels Labels: https://mabelslabels.com/en_US/fundraising/support/

BoxTops: Download App, scan your receipt; Referral code: **A7RD91XB**

Registering for Connect 1 at Holy Spirit School

How to sign up for an account on Connect1:

1. On your computer, go to <https://app.connect1.io>
2. Click the green bar that says "Sign up (School Code)".



3. Enter your email address. Enter our school code, which is L41VP6.
(Are you both a teacher and a parent at the school? You'll need to set up two accounts. One using your "hohyspiritflames.org" email account for your role as a teacher, and your personal one for your role as a parent!)
4. This will open a new page where you enter your name, role and password. For Role, select "Parent/Community Member". *(Unless you are a teacher creating your account with your "hohyspiritflames.org" account. In that case, please select "Faculty/School Employee".)* Click Submit when you are done.
5. A new page opens. A Confirmation Code will be sent to your email. Copy that confirmation code and paste it into this page. Click Confirm.
6. This brings you back to the Sign In page. Enter your email address and newly created password to open the app.

Click here for a printable copy of the instructions

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Holy Spirit Catholic School

There are so many things to label!

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- SPORTING EQUIPMENT & UNIFORMS
- LUNCH CONTAINERS & WATER BOTTLES

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PTO Board 2022 - 2023

President - Christine Ploschke - PTOPresident@holyspiritflames.org

Vice President - **Vacant** - PTOVP@holyspiritflames.org

Treasurer - Danielle Hetzler - PTOTreasurer@holyspiritflames.org

Secretary - Lee Conroy - PTOSecretary@holyspiritflames.org

Volunteer Coordinator - Mary Sonnen - PTOVPMembership@holyspiritflames.org

Fundraising Coordinator - Toni O'Neill - PTOVPFundraising@holyspiritflames.org

Homeroom Parent Coordinator - Valerie Overstreet - PTOHomeroomCoordinator@holyspiritflames.org

Volunteering

Please remember that you must be fully compliant with the Child Protection policies of the Diocese in order to perform recess duty and to volunteer in activities where students are present.

Parish Happenings!

MSYM

Canoe Trip on
the Shenandoah!



All middle schoolers (rising 6-8th graders)
are invited on Tuesday, July 12th!

We will depart Holy Spirit at 8:30 AM, and return by 4 PM

Cost: \$30

Spots are limited, so sign up soon!



Chaperones who can drive are also needed.



BIBLE BOOT CAMP

August 8 - 11th
8:30am - 2:30pm

The Bible and the Mass
by Fr. O'Donohue



All rising 7-12 graders
are invited!

Join us to study the scriptural
roots of the Mass and to grow
in faith and friendship.

Mon-Wed: on Holy Spirit Grounds

Thurs: Day trip to swim in river in
Fredericksburg

Each day includes Mass,
please dress appropriately

You don't want to miss it!

Cost: \$70 for the week

Information and sign up:
holyspiritchurch.us/category/youth



Spots are limited, so sign up soon!



For those affected by addiction

About

Calix is an association of Catholic alcoholics, drug addicts,
friends and family members affected by addiction,
who are maintaining their sobriety through participation
in their Catholic faith and a 12 Step program.

To learn more, to join the Calix Society,
or to sign up for their 2022 annual retreat in
Washington, DC from August 5-7, please visit

<https://www.calixsociety.org/>



Huge

PARISH YARD SALE

FRIDAY, AUG 5 PRESALE \$5/person
5:30 PM - 8 PM

SATURDAY, AUG 6
8 AM - 2 PM FREE ADMISSION

In the School

HOLY SPIRIT Catholic Church

DONATION DROP-OFF
Items Accepted at the School Starting:

Sunday, July 31

9AM - 5PM

Monday, Aug 1 - Thursday, Aug 4

9AM - 5PM

www.holyspiritchurch.us/yardsale

For more info, contact Irwin Oliver at
hsmc@holyspiritchurch.us

The following items cannot be accepted:
mattresses, tires, TVs (including flat screens),
computer equipment, pillows, exercise machines,
entertainment centers, and undergarments.

Donations must be clean, complete,
and in operable condition.

Furniture accepted, but no pickup.

Proceeds benefit Holy Spirit Community

Adult Confirmation Class

Dates: July 13, 20, 27 & August 10
Time: 7pm to 8:15pm
Parish Center Large Meeting Room



If you are a baptized Catholic adult, have received First Communion, but have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Church welcomes you to take part in this grace-filled Sacrament.

Feast of the Assumption, August 15:
Confirmation at a special 7pm Mass.

Questions? Please contact the Religious Education Office at:
(703) 978-8925 or Religious.Ed@holyspiritchurch.us

BAKE SALE

At the Parish Yard Sale
in the School

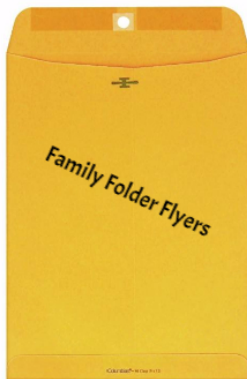
Friday, August 5
5:30 PM - 8 PM
Saturday, August 6
8 AM - 2 PM
or until all items are sold

Baked Goods Donation Drop-off

Friday, August 5 1 - 5 PM
Saturday, August 6 7:30 - 9 AM

For more information, contact Candice Poupade at
cpoupade@prodigy.net or (703) 323-0322

Community Happenings!



FAMILY FOLDER

The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "July 7, 2022" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

Family
Folder

School Flyers:

1. Summer Reading List 2022
2. School Supply lists for 2022 2023
3. Extended Day Rates for 2022 2023
4. Extended Day Registration for 2022 2023
5. Connect 1 Sign-up Instructions
6. Mabel's Labels PTO Fundraiser

Parish Flyers:

1. Bible Boot Camp flyer
2. MS Youth Group Canoe Trip flyer
3. The Calix Society flyer
4. Parish Yard Sale flyer
5. Parish Bake Sale flyer
6. Adult Confirmation Classes flyer

Community Flyers: