

May 26, 2022



Holy Spirit School
Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts
2021/2022

"In work there is dignity"

So Many Events and Traditions!



Congratulations to the newest inductees to the Holy Spirit Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society. These middle school students were inducted last week; we are so proud of all that they have done and we look forward to seeing how far they will go!

We applaud the efforts of all of the members of the NJHS who exemplify the characteristics of scholarship, service, leadership, character and citizenship.



We continue to enhance our outdoor classroom space! Last Friday, the 8th grade class added their Confirmation Rocks to the outdoor space.

This is a project we started just a few years ago with the assistance of Mrs. Liss. Each of the 8th graders has the opportunity to paint a rock and decorate it with a quote from their Confirmation Saint. It is a great reminder of those we look towards as role models in our Faith Journey.

We enjoy watching this project grow each year!





What a great crowd of people who came out for a little 5K run on Saturday morning!

Thank you to everyone in our community who supported the race by participating, donating, and cheering us on the whole way.

We are blessed to have terrific community sponsors and a wonderfully competitive school community who were ready to lace up their shoes and hit the pavement.

We are also blessed to have an amazing Resource Department team who work with students throughout the school and help us all to be the best learners we can be. They put a lot of hours into preparing for the race and I am truly grateful to work with them each day.



2022 Exemplary Inclusive Practices Awards Ceremony

Welcome Denise Forrest Early Childhood Identification & Services Coordinator

The Impact of Inclusion Charlene O'Brien Kerry O'Brien

Award Presentations Exemplary Community Teacher Exemplary Community Site Exemplary FCPS Administrative Team

Raffle Jonathan Hudson Lakeshore Learning

Refreshments

Hosted by FCPS Inclusive Placement Opportunities for Preschoolers Committee

2022 Nominees

Exemplary Community Teacher Rebeca Garcia Holy Spirit Catholic School Preschool Nominated by: Mary Wilkinson

Exemplary Community Site Academy for Christian Education K. Rogers - U. Abrahams - D. Bingham - L. Bradley S. Bully - T. Miles Nominated by: Ann Marie McManus and Melissa Brett

Exemplary FCPS Administration Donald Washington Forestville Elementary Nominated by: Meagan Bahamonde and Barbara Kurland Kerry Peerman, Paula Johnson-Tyler, and Lucy Zamora Halley Elementary Nominated by: Beth Egbert and the Halley EC Team

Special Thanks to Camper's Trophy- Giant Food- Jason's Deli Lakeshore Learning- Trader Joe's - Starbucks- Veronica Bender- Wegmans & Max Smith for the Intro Music FCPS

Congratulations to Ms. Rebeca Garcia who was recognized by Fairfax County Public Schools as the Exemplary Community Teacher of the Year. Ms. Garcia was recognized for her academic inclusive practices and for the wonderful work that she does in the classroom for all of her students

We have always known Ms. Garcia is a gem of a teacher and, now, so does FCPS!



What an awesome day for a picnic!

We are so glad that many of you were able to join your kiddos for a picnic lunch on Wednesday during our annual Lunch on the Lawn. Holy Spirit has an amazing community and this is just one example.

It is difficult to believe that we have just over two weeks left in the 2021/2022 academic year! It is important for students to be in school as much as possible as the classroom teachers look to wind down the final parts of the curriculum and to celebrate all of the success the students have

had over the year.

Please keep our 8th Grade Class of 2022 in your prayers as they complete this part of their academic journey and will celebrate their final Mass and awards ceremony together on the evening of June 8th.

A reminder that tomorrow, Friday, May 27th is an early dismissal day as we head into the Memorial Day weekend; there is NO Extended Day. And Monday, May 30th is a NO school day for everyone.

The Parent Portal closes on Friday, May 27th so that we can prepare end of year report cards.

Summer IXL Math work will come home with report cards.

The Summer Reading list is being edited and will be posted to the school website during the week of June 13th, at the latest.

Please be sure that you have logged all of your family's PSSC service hours.

All financial obligations to the school and/or the PTO must be fulfilled prior to report cards being distributed.

*For families who applied for tuition assistance for the 22/23 academic year, please know that I am aware that notifications of awards have not yet been made. Our timeline is directly impacted by when we receive information from the Diocese regarding specific scholarship and grant funds. As of this writing we have not received all of the information needed. For families who will ultimately be awarded tuition assistance, adjustments to your family FACTS accounts will be made and letters will be sent to you.

Certainly I would be remiss if I did not make mention of the tragic event that took place in Uvalde, Texas earlier this week. I am sure that everyone's hearts are broken for these families and although we firmly believe that Jesus immediately opened his arms to these innocent victims it does not erase from our minds how fleeting life can seemingly be. I am sure you, like my husband and I, hugged your children just a little bit harder and longer over the past few days. May we keep these families in our prayers.

I hope you enjoy the long weekend and take time to remind your children why it is that we even note a Memorial Day. Although on the fun side it marks the approach of Summer and the opening of the local pool, more importantly may we respectfully remember all of the U.S. Military personnel who have died in service to our great country.

May God bless them and may God bless the United States of America.

-Maureen Ashby

Principal

Lifetouch.

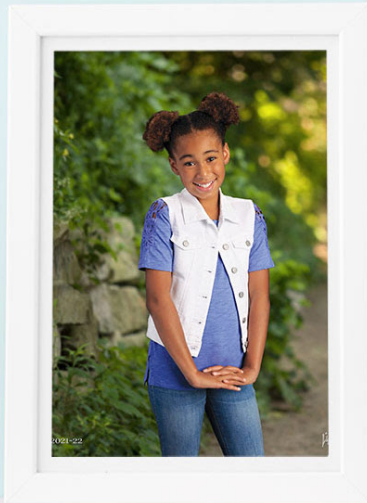
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It's guaranteed to save you money, time and the hassle of finding that correct item!

These kits match our school requirements for each grade.

This program is a safe and easy way to ensure your child has all the necessary items to start the new school year!

Grade Level 2022-2023	Cost Each
Pre-Kindergarten	\$87.00
Kindergarten	\$97.00
Grade 1	\$70.00
Grade 2	\$67.00
Grade 3	\$80.00
Grade 4	\$90.00
Grade 5	\$63.00
Grade 6 & New Middle School	\$95.00
Returning Grade 7 & 8	\$88.00

ONLINE ORDERING ONLY!

Order Securely Online

Starting Now through June 30th!

1. Go to www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks
2. Enter the school ID, HOL134 (3 letters/3 numbers)
3. Follow the directions to complete your order.
4. Keep your online confirmation as your receipt.

Orders will be charged tax at checkout.

Supply kits will be delivered to the school and available at open house.

For questions, please contact the school office at
703.978.7117

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For those who prefer to shop themselves, the complete list of supplies by grade level can be accessed via the "Family Folder" below.

Holy Spirit School PTO



Have you ever thought it would be cool to see your name, or your family's name where all would see it for years, or even decades to come? Now is your chance! Have a brick with your name or a special message put down as part of the walkway to the new outdoor classroom! Please see the flyer below.

PTO Officer Voting is open: <https://forms.gle/J9JZoBy9MHY6ccsW6>

We are still looking for a volunteer interested in the PTO Vice President or PTO Fundraising Coordinator roles...let us know if you're interested!

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

Important upcoming dates to remember:

· **July 21** – PTO School Year 22-23 Planning Meeting

[https://holyspiritflames.zoom.us/j/83696453361?](https://holyspiritflames.zoom.us/j/83696453361?pwd=Y1lrYUMvbm1nMWJqMmZYd2lTSUN4UT09)

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Ongoing Fundraisers:

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

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



LEAVE A LEGACY AT HOLY SPIRIT!



Dear 5th Grade Families! Engrave a special message commemorating your Holy Spirit graduation/accomplishment on a stone which will be installed on the walkway of our new outdoor classroom! Take advantage of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity now and get **20% OFF!**

4x8 - \$400-\$80

12x12 - \$600-\$400

To order, please fill out the info below and submit a check made out to "Holy Spirit PTO" in your child's class folder in an envelope labeled to the attention of the PTO by **May 31, 2022**.

Name: _____

Phone/Email: _____

Paver size: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Desired Message: _____

Message guidelines:

4x8 = 3 lines max, 16 characters per line (includes letters, numbers, spaces, and punctuation)

12x12 = 6 lines max, 23 characters per line



Three Engagement Functions in One App

1. Volunteering
2. Community Directory and Talent Center
3. Prayer Board



Volunteering



- ✓ Secure and Only Accessible by School Community
- ✓ Digital Volunteering Board with all Events in One Place
- ✓ Talent Linking to Volunteer Roles
- ✓ Track Virtus Training Status for Volunteers
- ✓ Define Volunteer Points – NO MORE HOURS TRACKING
- ✓ Gaming – Earn Points, Advance in Levels, Attain Status
- ✓ New Award Center to Recognize Volunteers

Community Directory and Talent Center

- ✓ Community Contact Information at Your Fingertips
- ✓ Easily Filter by Grade, Teacher, Talent or More
- ✓ New Talent Center – See Talents / Skills of Parents
- ✓ Automatically Get Directions Through Google Maps
- ✓ Separate Faculty vs. Family Contact Pages



Prayer Board



- ✓ Saint Avatars to Represent Your Family in the App
- ✓ Request Prayers from Your Community
- ✓ See Prayers of Community on "Prayer Board"
- ✓ Answer Prayers with a Single Click
- ✓ Gaming – Achieve Increasing Status to Sainthood by Answering More Prayers

Visit www.connect1.io or download the app by searching for "Connect1 Mobile" in your AppStore or PlayStore

PTO Board 2021/2022

President - Tom Fields - PTOPresident@holyspiritflames.org
Vice President - Heather Howard - PTOVVP@holyspiritflames.org
Treasurer - Danielle Hetzler - PTOTreasurer@holyspiritflames.org
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Volunteer Coordinator - Mary Sonnen - PTOVPMembership@holyspiritflames.org
Fundraising Coordinator - Carolyn Rutherford - PTOVPFundraising@holyspiritflames.org
Homeroom Parent Coordinator - Valerie Overstreet - PTOHomeroomCoordinator@holyspiritflames.org

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.

COVID-19 Dashboard Information

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - COVID-19 Community Level: **Medium**
Last updated 5/19/2022

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html>

Holy Spirit School - Total new COVID positive cases while on campus during the infectious period (student and/or faculty/staff): **13**
Time period: May 20 - May 25, 2022

Think about a Daily Health Observation before sending your child to school

Symptoms of COVID-19 may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Fever (100.0F) or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

If your child has experienced any of these symptoms in the last 24 hours, please keep your child home, contact your physician, and let us know (attendance@holyspiritflames.org).

If someone in your household has tested positive for or is exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19, keep your child home and let us know (attendance@holyspiritflames.org).

If someone in your household is currently being tested for COVID-19, please keep everyone home until the test results are received.

Parish Happenings!

Vacation Bible School

WILDERNESS ESCAPE


WHERE GOD GUIDES & PROVIDES

JUNE 13 - 17 9AM - 12 NOON

Register at:
holyspiritchurch.us/vbs

1 child - \$85
2 children - \$140
3+ children - \$190

Adult and Youth
Volunteers Needed!
Children of adult volunteers attend free!



HOLY Spirit CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESAN FAMILY FESTIVAL 2022

Remembering One God, One Family

SATURDAY, JUNE 11 | 4-8:30 P.M.

MASS WITH BISHOP BURBIDGE AT 4 P.M.

FOOD TRUCKS & VENDORS
FACE PAINTING
GAMES, RIDES & INFLATABLES

LIVE MUSIC FEATURING
SCYTHIAN AND KARLA MIRANDA

FREE EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

To reserve your tickets visit
www.arlingtondiocese.org/familyfestival
or scan the QR code

WARREN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
26 Fairground Rd. Front Royal, VA 22630

Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets for seating.

SAVE THE DATES!

Don't miss these upcoming events with Catholic apologist and speaker

TRENT HORN



FRIDAY, JUNE 17
Hard Sayings: A Catholic Approach to Answering Bible Difficulties

7-8 pm, Holy Spirit School cafeteria

Trent offers clear, reasonable, and Catholic keys to unlocking Scripture's true meaning. After this presentation, you'll be equipped to answer the toughest questions skeptics ask about the Bible.


SATURDAY, JUNE 18
Persuasive Pro-life: How to Talk About Our Culture's Toughest Issue

10-11 am, Holy Spirit School cafeteria

Ever get tongue-tied trying to explain why you're pro-life? Trent presents the non-religious reasons to oppose abortion and equips you to graciously make your case in the public square.

ABOUT TRENT HORN




After his conversion to the Catholic faith, Trent Horn earned master's degrees in the fields of theology, philosophy, and bioethics. He serves as a staff apologist for Catholic Answers, where he specializes in teaching Catholics to graciously and persuasively engage those who disagree with them.

 Catholic Answers

For more information about these events, email respectlife@holyspiritchurch.us
Holy Spirit School, 8800 Woodland Way, Annandale, VA 22003

Remember this?

Last year we celebrated with Dcn. Renner as he preached his first Mass. Now we are ready to celebrate his Ordination to the Priesthood and First Mass of Thanksgiving.






Please Join Us and Share in These Most Glorious Events.

Ordination to Priesthood
Saturday, June 4, 11:00 AM
Cathedral of St. Thomas More

First Mass of Thanksgiving
Sunday, June 5, 12:00 PM
Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Reception Immediately Following in the School Building



HOLY Spirit CATHOLIC CHURCH

40 Hours Devotion

The Forty Hours Devotion is a special forty-hour period of continuous prayer made before the Blessed Sacrament in solemn exposition. The celebration of Forty Hours in our parish is part of the Diocesan-wide preparation for the Golden Jubilee in 2024 and will help prepare us to celebrate our parish's patronal feast, the Solemnity of Pentecost.



All parishioners are invited to attend as much of the Forty Hours Devotion as their schedule permits. Registration is not required, however a sign up on our parish website has been created to ensure the Blessed Sacrament is never left alone.

Thursday, June 2
12 PM Holy Mass followed by Exposition
7 PM Sung Vespers with Meditation, followed by Holy Spirit Devotions and Rosary for Vocations
7-8 PM Confessions


Friday, June 3
6:30 AM Holy Mass
9 AM Holy Mass
2 PM Holy Spirit Devotions and Rosary for Vocations
3 PM Divine Mercy Devotions
7 PM Sung Vespers with Meditation, followed by Holy Spirit Devotions and Rosary for Vocations
7-8 PM Confessions

Saturday, June 4
8 AM Holy Spirit Devotions and Rosary for Vocations
9 AM Holy Mass
3:30 PM Confessions
4:45 PM Sung Vespers with Benediction
5:30 PM Closing Mass, Vigil of Pentecost

Sunday, June 5
12 PM First Holy Mass of Rev. Robert Renner, followed by a Reception


Have You Ever Considered Becoming an Altar Server?



Join the Holy Spirit Church
Altar Server Program TODAY!

Open to all boys entering grades 3-12.

Interested? Contact Steve & Alicia Steger
at altarservers@holyspiritchurch.us


HOLY Spirit
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Community Happenings!

CELEBRATING 17 YEARS!

SPOTLIGHT ON THE ARTS

~ SUMMER CAMPS ~

THIS SUMMER, YOUR CHILD WILL
ACT OUT LOUD. CREATE A MASTERPIECE. SING & DANCE. TAKE A BOW.

July 12-23, 2021
 All Saints Catholic Church in Manassas, VA
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 Office hours: Monday thru Friday 3 - 7pm and Saturday 9 - 12 noon
 Soccer Coordinator: Helen Cross email: helen@abgc.org
 EMAIL: abgc@abgc.org
 REGISTER ONLINE @ WWW.ABGC.ORG & SAVE \$5

Annandale Boys & Girls Club has the longest running Soccer Program in the Washington Area!

CIRCLE APPROPRIATE SPORT - FALL 2022

Fall Soccer \$150 First Time \$ 75 (Grade Pre-K - 12)	Tackle Football \$150 (Ages 7 to 16)	Boxing (Ages 7 - Adult) Call Leo @ 571-436-8988	TOP SOCCER \$77 (Ages 5 - 18) ATHLETES WITH DISABILITIES
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Soccer is for Mighty Mites, children ages 3 & 4, and for boys and girls in K through 12th grade. Mighty Mites and Kindergarten teams are co-ed. There is an 8 - 10 game season. Every player is guaranteed to play half or more of every game regardless of size or physical ability. Teams are formed on a school and neighborhood concept by grade level. Football is for youth ages 7 - 16. Practices start on Monday, August 13. Nobody is ever denied for lack of funds. These mascots are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Fairfax County School Board, the Superintendent, or this school.

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

Requested Coach _____

Special Requests _____

Player's First Name (Print) _____ Middle Initial _____ Last Name _____

Boy _____ Girl _____ Date of Birth _____ E-mail: _____

Address _____ School _____ Grade in Sept. 2022 _____

City _____ ZIP _____ Telephone (H) _____ (C) _____

WE RELY ON VOLUNTEERS. EVERYONE MUST PARTICIPATE IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

No Fees: Coach League Commissioner	Refunds are processed after items selected are completed: (Exceptions: Coach/Assistant Coach and Commissioner) Assistant Coach (\$10 refund at registration) Deliver Forms to Assigned Schools Office Help (3 Hours)	No Refund: Spectator/fan
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I hereby give permission for my child to play _____ (sport). 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 \$55 NON-REFUNDABLE FEE Amt. Paid _____

Parent's Signature _____ Amt. Paid \$ _____ Amt. Paid _____
 Print Parents' First & Last Names _____ Date _____ Credit Card _____

Learn to Read Programs

This Summer!

Program for 4-Year-Olds & Entering Kindergartners
 In this fun summer program, your child will learn to read. Children learn letter recognition, beginning phonics, and easy sight words. Your child will practice reading simple words and short sentences, experiencing success at every step. The wonderful books, engaging games, and exciting activities will get your child really excited about books and reading.

Program for Entering 1st Graders
 In this fun summer program, your child will learn to read independently. Children learn phonics and sight words and build comprehension skills. Your child will develop a love of books and reading and get off to a great start in first grade.

Reading Skills Programs

Programs for Entering 2nd-5th Graders
 In these programs, students build core decoding skills and learn to read more fluently and rapidly. They develop strong comprehension and expand their vocabulary. Your child will become a more confident student, enjoy reading more, and develop the lifelong habit of reading for pleasure.

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For More Information or to Register
CALL (800) 715-2083
 Mon.-Fri. 8am-9pm, Sat. 8am-7pm and Sun. 10am-6pm

Source Code: 800-12-63663



FAMILY FOLDER

The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "May 26, 2022" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

Family Folder

School Flyers:

1. PTO Connect One App flyer
2. Spring Picture Order flyer
3. EPI Online School Supply Sale flyer
4. School Supply lists for 2022 2023
5. Garden Legacy Bricks flyer

Parish Flyers:

1. Vacation Bible School flyer
2. Diocesan Family Festival flyer
3. Trent Horn flyer
4. Father Renner Ordination flyer
5. 40 Hours flyer
6. Altar Server flyer

Community Flyers:

1. Spotlight on the Arts - flyer
2. Annandale Boys & Girls Club Registration flyer
3. Richmond - Summer Reading Program flyer