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From the Principal's Desk

March 7, 2019



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Holy Spirit School *Inspiring Minds / Igniting Hearts* 2018 / 2019

"Let us love one another because love is from God"

Tonight it is all about Shrek!

Today the students and faculty were treated to a true treat as they saw the dress rehearsal for this evening's performance of Shrek! The Middle School students and their teachers have put an amazing amount of time and effort into this very ambitious show and it has more than paid off. The show is wonderful and I truly encourage everyone to make time to attend this evening's performance.

Doors to the gymnasium will not open until 6:30 pm.

Holy Spirit School's Music Department presents:



The logo for "SHREK THE MUSICAL JR." features the word "SHREK" in large, stylized, green letters with a dragon-like head on the 'S'. Below it, "THE MUSICAL JR." is written in a smaller, gold, serif font. The DreamWorks logo is positioned above the 'R' in "SHREK". The background is a dark blue with bokeh light effects.

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture
and the Book by William Steig

Book and Lyrics by
DAVID LINDSAY-ABAIRE

Music by
JEANINE TESORI

Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals
and Neal Street Productions

Original Production Directed by Jason Moore and Rob Ashford.
"I'm a Believer" by Neil Diamond

Thursday, March 7th
Show begins 7:00 PM

Doors Open: 6:30 PM
School Gym



We could not have been more disappointed around here than we were last Friday when the day's "snow" meant school opened late thus cancelling the visit from Bishop Burbidge. When I have information to share with you about an alternate date, I will certainly pass it along although I do not believe it will happen during this current academic year.

The 8th grade did have an opportunity to speak with Bishop on Tuesday though when they attended the annual Diocesan Vocations Mass. The 8th grade presented Bishop with the gift that they had put together for him which included reflections on their Confirmation.



A reminder that tomorrow, Friday, March 8th is an early dismissal day (Extended Day is open) and Monday, March 11th is no school for the students.

The 2nd Trimester ends tomorrow, Friday, March 8th. Report cards will go home on Friday, March 15th.

For families applying for tuition assistance for the 2019/2020 academic year, FACTS applications are due by Friday, March 15th.

On Tuesday, March 19th the PTO is sponsoring a parent education session on how to protect your children from the dangers of pornography on the internet. I hope that all will attend and listen to the great information that Mr. Kevin Bohli has to share with us. This is an event that is meant solely for parents.

Tuesday, March 26th will be Spring Picture Day. All students are invited to wear their BEST DRESS for these pictures (no jeans or shorts on this day).

On Monday, April 1st we will transition to the Spring uniform. Please note that if it is still chilly outside, your student is still welcome to wear pants!

There is a tremendous amount of information in this week's newsletter; please be sure to scroll all the way through!

-Maureen Ashby

Principal

In response to the parent survey at the beginning of the school year....

Sponsored by Holy Spirit's PTO

"Pornography?? Not my child!"

They have probably already clicked on it...

What can you do to protect your child?



March 19th 7:00 PM
Meeting Rooms 1 and 2

*Every parent needs to attend for the
sake of their child.*



Holy Spirit
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Inspiring Minds | Igniting Hearts

1 volunteer hour per parent
in attendance.

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Holy Spirit Music Department is seeking donations for gently used guitars for our music elective guitar class.

For inquiries, please contact Mr. Toussaint at atoussaint@holyspiritflames.org.



It's Recorder Time!!

It is recorder time for those in 3rd & 4th Grade!

All students will need to bring soprano recorders and a two pocket folder to music class starting in the 3rd Trimester!

Your first day of recorder will be:

3rd Grade- Friday, March 22

4th Grade (Virusky) - Monday, March 18

4th Grade (Lencz) - Thursday, March 21

Your 3rd/4th Grader will need to bring their recorder and folder to every music class in the third quarter. Recorder attendance and class preparedness will be reflected their music grade.

Where to Get a Recorder:

The recommended brand is Yamaha, which you can find at the

following locations:

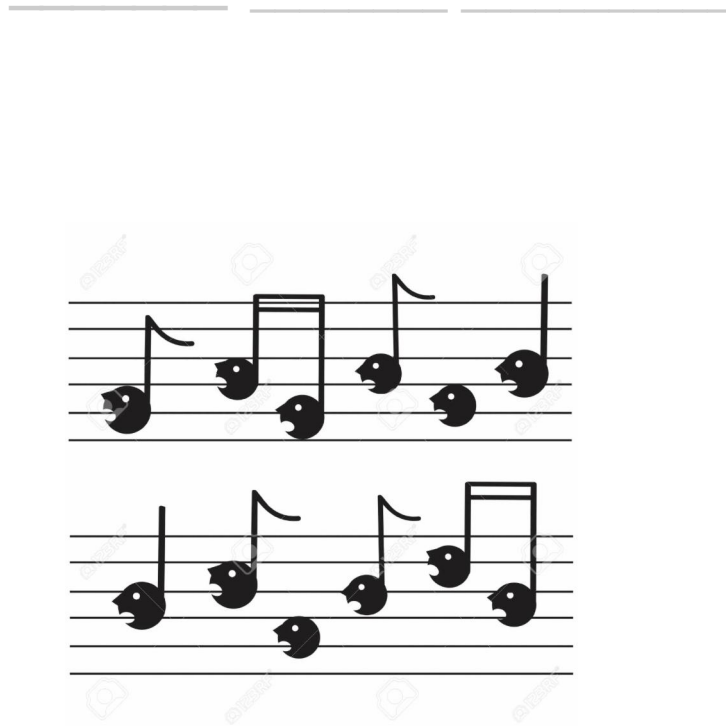
Music and Arts Center- Locations in Springfield, Falls Church, Oakton, Burke, Mclean and more (musicarts.com)

Twinbrooke Music- in the Twinbrooke Shopping Center (twinbrookemusic.com)

Toys R Us- Locations in Baily's Crossroads, Alexandria, Fairfax and more (toysrus.com)

Amazon.com- search "Yamaha soprano recorder."

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me!
atoussaint@holyspiritflames.org



This year, Holy Spirit School Choral Department is participating in the Diocesan Honors Choral Festival

We are pleased to announce the following participants who will be representing Holy Spirit School.

Leah Nonis
Maeve McGuire
Caitlin Racek
Charlotte Harrison
Nazrawit Belay
Julia Bellefeuille
Isabelle Vu

We wish them congratulations and the very best in their performance at Bishop O'Connell High School on Saturday, March 9 at 2:00 pm. The concert is free and open to the public. Please consider attending, in support of these talented musicians!

Democratic Republic of Congo Clothing and Shoe Drive



Who: Help the children of the Democratic Republic of Congo (D.R.C.)

What: We will accept flip flops and sandals, along with any summer/spring sneakers (new and gently used.)

When: March 6, 2019 to April 30, 2019 (Lenten Drive)

Where: Please submit your clothing donations in the box marked "Clothing Donation for the D.R.C." which will be placed in your classroom.

Important: Please do not donate any undergarments, or fall/winter shoes. Donations can be any size (this includes infant through adult sizes).

A Prize Will Be Given to the Grade That Donates the Most Clothing and Shoes.



SERVICE PROJECT; D.R.C.

Anna Bohlj, Sarah Terpenning, and Marisha Smith, all 8th grade students and with the support of the Student Council have started a fundraiser to help the people of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). The Service Project began March 6, 2019 and will end on May 1, 2019. During the six weeks of Lent, flip flops, sandals, and summer/spring sneakers will be collected and placed in boxes located in classrooms at Holy Spirit School. Spring and Summer, lightweight clothes will also be collected. All donations can be gently used items. Any gently used uniforms from the previous years will be collected, too.

Finally, any monetary donations will be greatly appreciated to help with shipment costs to the D.R.C. Again, all the donations can be placed in a bin marked "DRC" that has been distributed to each classroom.

Undergarments and winter/fall clothing will NOT be accepted. A prize will be given to the grade that donates the most goods.

Thank you for all your support and generosity during this service project at Holy Spirit School.

Time to sign-up for Spring Coding Club!



In Silver Knights Coding classes, children create stories, games, and animations using a visual programming language called Scratch. It's as easy to use as snapping together building blocks! Projects like mazes and platform games make learning logic, coding, and animation fun and creative! Our curriculum teaches new coders the basics while challenging more experienced coders to create increasingly complex programs. **We do different projects every session, so material doesn't repeat.** Each child takes home a USB with all their programs on the last day!



REGISTRATION

To register or for more information, go to:

www.skenrichment.com

To request financial aid, please visit our website.

Coding Club Details:

- ◆ Grades 2 & up — only 18 spots available!
- ◆ All computers and equipment provided.
- ◆ Club meets every Wednesday that school is in session starting on 4/3 and ending on 5/29.
- ◆ Club will not meet on 4/24
- ◆ Time: 3:20—4:20 PM
- ◆ A make-up day, if necessary, will be on 6/5.
- ◆ Tuition: \$180 for 8 weeks.



TO REGISTER, VISIT: www.skenrichment.com

To request scholarships or financial aid, please visit our website.

Questions? Email: Info@skenrichment.com or call: 703.574.2070

[Click here to register](#)

It is time to reserve your seat for the best talent showcase around!!

Holy Spirit School's Talent Showcase



Dinner & Dance



Saturday, April 6th 5:30-9:30 PM (DOORS OPEN AT 5:00)

RESERVATION FORM



TALENT * DANCING * DINING * FUN



COME SEE SPIRIT GEAR, AWESOME ACTS, ART, AND MORE

Registration includes catered dinner and DJ, with dancing after the show.
Pre-registration is required.

ADULT BUFFET

Seared Chicken w/ Gazpacho Salsa - Italian Sausage w/ Pepper – Orzo w/ Roasted Vegetables
Italian Salad Assorted Rolls & Butter – Cake – Beverages – Coffee

STUDENT BUFFET (& under 4)

Chicken Nuggets – Penne Pasta
Broccoli - Rolls & Butter – Cake - Beverages

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Name: _____

adult meals (\$14.00 ea) _____

student meals (\$8.00 ea) _____

Under 4 (free) _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____



return form and payment (check made out to Holy spirit PTO) by April 1st

Make checks payable to *Holy Spirit School*. Submit form and check via backpack mail:

Attn: Joe Terpenning

Spring Talent Show Committee

c/o Sarah Terpenning grade 8 Thieman

Questions: Email Joe Terpenning at (jterpenning@infinitech.org)



Holy Spirit School's Annual Talent ShowCase & Dance

Saturday, April 6th



ART SHOW SIGNUP

The Lobby Art show is looking for works of sculpture, photography, writing, painting, drawing or other displayable media. If you have a talent for creating, the lobby show is looking for you!!

Requirements for Submission:

Flat work no larger than 22 X 24 including mat/frame, needs to have hanging hardware attached. Sculptures no bigger than 24 x 20 with a weight limit of 10 pounds, must stand on it own.

Please limit submissions to one work per person.

Please include a title, description, and your name and grade on a card with the work submitted.

Deadline for submission: March 29th. Please submit all works to Mrs. Liss by March 29th.

NAME _____

grade/teacher _____



Type of work: _____



Field Day



Let the games begin!

HAVE FUN while
earning volunteer
hours & help
make Field Day a
success!

Friday, May 17th

8 am – 1 pm

Sign up here: <http://signup.com/go/CauQvOu>

Lots of volunteer opportunities to bring food and supplies!

IMPORTANT NOTE: Parents who volunteer to be coaches must be fully Child Protection Compliant in order to participate in Field Day

Questions? Contact Jessica Driscoll at jessica.a.driscoll@gmail.com

[Click here to sign up!](#)

**5K Race to benefit the Holy Spirit
Resource Department
May 18, 2019
Lake Accotink Park**



Dear Holy Spirit Community,

As I create the video of our 2018 5K Spirit Run, I can't help but smile and become filled with emotion as I look over all the wonderful photos of the students, parents, teachers, faculty, parishioners and our own Father O'Donohue coming out to Lake Accotink as a Holy Spirit Community. Although we had to post-poned the race due to weather, we all came together that June morning and 157 runners and walkers crossed that finish line as they were being cheered on by their family and friends. It was a blessing to be part of that Spirit Run morning.

We hold this 5K every year so we can continue to financially support and grow in our ability to serve all families who choose a Catholic Education for their child. We could not do that without the financial support of the Holy Spirit Community. We raised over \$14,000, which went directly to our resource budget. The money we raised went into increasing the hours of our reading specialist and bringing in another part-time paraprofessional who helps in the classroom as well as works in small reading groups to assist students who need reading support. The resource program at Holy Spirit School also continues to support over 30 students in our school who need resource assistance in the areas of ADHD, Autism, Dyslexia, Intellectual Disabilities, Learning Disabilities, and other special needs.

Last year Bishop Burbidge and the Diocese of Arlington produced a video called "Porto Charities: Integrating Students with Intellectual Disabilities into Arlington Catholic Schools," which recognizes the value of inclusion in our Catholic Schools and acknowledges Porto Charities for their generous grants which help support inclusion in Catholic Schools, including Holy Spirit School. I urge you to take 5 minutes to watch the video at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d_GKAqi_OI4. It is truly a blessing for Holy Spirit that because of grants, donations, and the money from the Spirit Run we can be truly inclusive in our Catholic education.

This year's date for our 5K Spirit Run is May 18, 2019 at Lake Accotink Park in Springfield. As always, our goal is not only financial, but it is also to continue to raise awareness of our special education program at Holy Spirit School. There are many ways you can help. Register for the race or buy a t-shirt at: <https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/Springfield/flamesspiritrun>, become a sponsor or make a donation, pass our donation letter to a friend or business, or encourage your child to enter the t-shirt design contest. I will give house points to every middle student who enters a design!

This year's theme is "**Love one another because love is from God.**" Please watch the 2018 Race Video on the Holy Spirit School website and on our Facebook page and I hope it makes you smile. It truly shows the love we have for one another and that love truly does come from God.

Hope to see you on May 18th at Lake Accotink! Go Flames!

Blessings,

Sue Gibbons, Race Coordinator
sgibbons@holyspiritflames.org

See below for sponsorship information

Ready to register to run?
[Click here!](#)

Yearbook Sales!
Ordering deadline is March 22nd

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK AT YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM TODAY!

ENCARGA HOY TU ANUARIO EN YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM

LAST CHANCE! Holy Spirit

ORDER DEADLINE: March 22, 2019

FECHA LÍMITE DEL PEDIDO

Yearbook

Anuario

\$20.00

ADD EXTRAS AGREGA ACCESORIOS



Personalized Cover
Your child's portrait and name printed on the cover.
\$6.00

Tapa personalizada
El retrato y el nombre de tu hijo impresos en la tapa.

Zoom: Current Events Insert*
The year's most memorable news, sports, entertainment & more!
\$2.00



Zoom: Volante de los eventos actuales*
¡Las noticias, los deportes, los entretenimientos más emocionantes del año y mucho más!



Yearbook Stickers
Vibrant, removable stickers to personalize yearbook pages.
\$2.00

Adhesivos del anuario
Adhesivos vibrantes y despegables para personalizar las páginas del anuario.



Autograph Insert*
A great way to share messages with friends!
\$1.00

Inserción del autógrafo*
¡Una excelente manera de compartir mensajes con los amigos!

Yearbook cover design varies by school.
Los diseños de la tapa del anuario varían según la escuela.

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER A YEARBOOK! Limited quantity of books will be available in the Spring. Reserve your copy today! Online ordering only. Please do not send payment into the school.

*Items may be added in the yearbook after school. *Los accesorios se agregan al anuario después de la escuela.
Para cualquier idea no se aplica. When you pay by check, you authorize us to process the payment as a check transaction, or to use information from your check to make a one-time donation. *Add items from your shopping cart. A quick fee may be charged on credit cards. The total check will be accepted. Los precios incluyen impuestos a las ventas cuando corresponde. Cuando pague con cheque, nos autoriza a procesar el pago como una transacción mediante cheque o a usar la información de su cheque para realizar una transferencia electrónica de fondos a la cuenta de cheques por única vez. Por cheques rechazados se cobra un cargo. No se aceptan cheques de pago al contado.

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PACKAGE A PAQUETE A **\$30.00**

- * Yearbook Anuario
- * Personalized Cover Tapa personalizada
- * Autograph Insert* Inserción del autógrafo*
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- * Yearbook Stickers Adhesivos del anuario

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- * Yearbook Anuario
- * Zoom: Current Events Insert* Zoom: Volante de los eventos actuales*

ORDER ONLINE AT YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM

Encarga por internet en ybpay.lifetouch.com

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Código ID del anuario

IRISH WHISKEY CAKE SALE!

**MARCH 9TH
AND 10TH
AFTER ALL
MASSES**

**\$12 FOR A LOAF CAKE
\$17 FOR A BUNDT CAKE**

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO
FUND OUR
HIGH SCHOOL
SUMMER
WORKCAMP!**

Family Bingo!

Saturday,
March 23

In Holy Spirit School
Doors Open 6 PM
Games Begin 7 PM

Celebrate with us!
St. Patrick's Feast Day
&
Fr. John O'Donohue's
Birthday

Admission (includes book of 3 cards)

- Players 12 Years and Older: \$5
- Players Under 12 Years: \$3
 - Extra Cards \$1
- Free for children under 5 years and not playing.

Prizes

- Cash Bingo Prizes - Grand Prize \$100
- Other Games At Least \$30

Snacks Sold

- Pizza • Hot Dogs • Nachos • Soft Drinks

If you are
Fr. John
snacks are
on us!

Saint Patrick,
pray for us.



KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS

HOLY
SPIRIT
Catholic Church

Holy Spirit NVJCYO

Information and registration:
HolySpiritChurch.us/Youth

**Girl's
Volleyball**

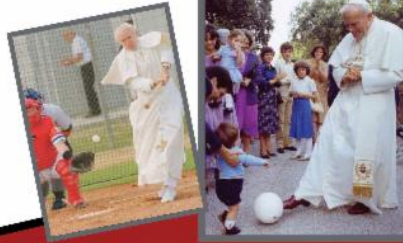
**Track
& Field**

Tennis

**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!**



Assistant Coaches Needed!

Interested in coaching?
Contact CYO@holyspirtchurch.us

Sponsored by Holy Spirit's Good Samaritan Society

THE *Soul* OF THE *Apostolate*

Talk led by Fr. John O'Donohue

An introduction to Dom Jean-Baptiste Chautard's classic work on Catholic spirituality.

Saturday, March 30th

10-11:30 a.m.

Quinn Room

**HOLY
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Catholic Church

The Soul of the Apostolate is available online and in local Catholic bookstores.



Soup Makers Needed!

Fridays March 8 - April 12
Supper 5:30 - 7 PM

Join us!



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

Contact Carol Eldridge
(703) 978-7141 or
cle74@hotmail.com

OR

www.HolySpiritChurch.us
click the yellow button

Volunteer!

† Lenten Food Drive

To Benefit The St. Lucy Food Project

Hunger continues to burden many in our diocese. More than 196,000 people in our diocese do not know where their next meal will come from. Our neighbors continue to need our help! **Pick up your blue St. Lucy food bag in the church narthex beginning March 9th and fill it with non-perishable food items.**

Blue Bag Food Collection March 16 & 17 | All Masses Holy Spirit Church

The St. Lucy Food Project is in need of the following items: (no glass items please)

- Cooking Oil
- Peanut Butter and Jelly**
- Canned Pasta
- Canned Meat/Fish
- Canned Fruits and Vegetables
- Pasta & Pasta Sauce
- Breakfast Cereal (hot & cold)
- Dried & Canned Beans
- **No Sugar Added Fruit Juice****
- Shelf Stable Milk

**Marked items especially in high demand

Check Donation or Gift Card:

Please consider donating critical (tax deductible) funds on collection day for continued food delivery throughout the year. Write your check to "CCDA" with "Holy Spirit St. Lucy" written in the Memo and send in the envelope attached to the blue bag flyer. Or you can mail check to: "Program Director, St. Lucy Project, 8426-28 Kao Circle, Manassas, VA 20110" if you miss the collection. We also gratefully accept Walmart and Giant gift cards.



For more information about the drive, please contact
Vince Cannava, Holy Spirit Food Ministry, 571-442-4673 (cell)



Adult Volleyball Nights

Competitive Pick-up Games



Monday Nights

(March 11th - October 28th)

7:00-8:30 pm

School Gym

18 and older

2019 All Saints
Five Car Raffle

5-2019 Vehicles & 20 Cash Prize Drawings

This year's raffle will contribute to:

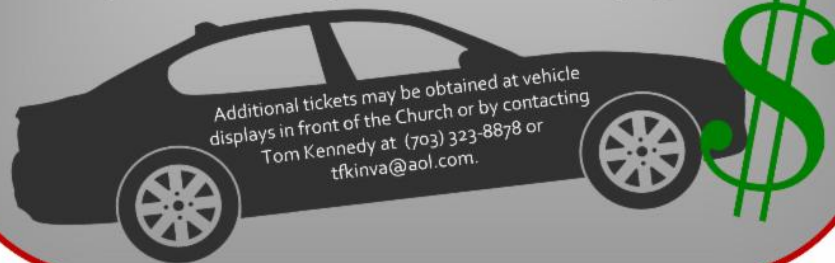
- Improved lighting, painting and upgrades for the newly designated Quinn Room (previously Meeting Room #3) for Parish and School activities
 - New wall pads for the school gym
- Supporting the Holy Spirit Middle School Youth Ministry Boot Camp

Raffle ticket purchases: all checks must be made out to "All Saints Church".

Mail-in returns: must be mailed to All Saints Catholic Church. The yellow card included with tickets makes this return easy.

Collection Basket Returns: tickets may be returned (sealed in the return envelopes provided with the yellow card) within the collection basket at Holy Spirit.

***All tickets must be returned within the collection basket no later than April 28th or postmarked for mailing to All Saints no later than April 30th.



Additional tickets may be obtained at vehicle displays in front of the Church or by contacting Tom Kennedy at (703) 323-8878 or tfkinva@aol.com.

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Teacher | Job Fair

March 9, 2019
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Discover the Diocese of Arlington. Meet with Principals from more than 30 Catholic schools. We educate over 17,250 students (preschool through high school) in 13 cities and counties in this growing diocese. Our schools are seeking highly-qualified, faith-filled, and dynamic professionals.

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GARWOOD WHALEY AUDITORIUM
BISHOP IRETON HIGH SCHOOL
ALEXANDRIA VA

BOOK BY RUPERT HOLMES
ORIGINAL BOOK AND CONCEPT
BY PETER STONE
MUSIC BY JOHN KANDER
LYRICS BY FRED EBB
ADDITIONAL LYRICS BY JOHN KANDER
AND RUPERT HOLMES



Family Folder Flyers

The following flyers can be found on the website in the folder labeled "March 7, 2019 "(or [CLICK HERE](#)). For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

School Flyers:

1. PTO Talent Showcase Reservation form
2. PTO Talent Showcase - Art Show Sign-up - flyer
3. PTO Volunteers - flyer
4. PTO Parent Presentation - internet safety presentation - flyer
5. Yearbook flyer
6. Spring Coding Club - flyer
7. DRC collection drive - flyer

5K Race Information:

1. Why We Race Letter
2. Sponsorship Information

Parish Flyers:

1. All Saints Car Raffle - flyer
2. Lenten Parish Food Drive - flyer
3. Adult Volleyball - flyer
4. Lenten Soup Suppers - flyer
5. CYO Signups - flyer
6. Whiskey Cake Sale - flyer
7. The Soul of the Apostolate - flyer
8. BINGO - flyer

Community Flyers:

1. Boy Scouts Mulch Sale
 2. Boy Scout Mulch order form
 3. Diocese of Arlington Teacher Job Fair - flyer
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