

February 11, 2021



**Holy Spirit School**  
***Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts***  
**2020/2021**

**"Protect the Creation; Praise the Creator"**

## Where is a good snow storm when you need it?!

I have to admit, I was ready for a little sleeping in this morning, but what a great day we had watching the snow begin to fall as soon as the car line started!

Thank you to all those who participated in the Soup-er Bowl dress down day. We donated 631 pounds (473 cans) to the St. Lucy food bank.

And congratulations go out to Katelyn G (8th grade) and John Paul B (7th grade) for their Honorable Mention recognitions by the Youth Apostles organization for their submissions for the annual pro-life essay contest. There were 251 participants in the junior division. Well done!

I hope that you will take a couple of minutes and read the below information on what will be our school-wide Lenten project and that as a family you find this is something you can embrace and participate in with us.

The newsletter is lengthy this week with a growing number of opportunities and happenings - be sure to look all the way through.



# Holy Spirit School's Lenten Project

Through charitable works and sacrifices, help us to raise \$1500.00 this Lenten season to purchase seeds for 6000 trees to populate a tree nursery near a newly built village in Balan, Haiti.

Operation Starfish was established in 1998 by Nativity Parish in Burke. Since its inception, 11 "Nativity Villages" have been completed and the 12th is nearing completion. Operation Starfish works in close connection with Food for the Poor to accomplish their ambitious goals.

Our own Ms. Garcia (PreK teacher) has participated in this mission work and has had the privilege of traveling to Haiti.

As we continue to explore and expand on this year's theme of caring for God's creation, this is a wonderful example for the children how the good works of ourselves and others can have a positive and lasting impact on the lives of others.

The current village is being built in Balan and the project goal is to plant 6000 trees—primarily fruit and moringa trees which are high in fibre, zinc, and help regulate blood sugar. This project will help with reforestation, soil erosion, and provide shade. The trees will also absorb pollutants, and provide oxygen through photosynthesis. In addition, they will be a food source.

So, how is this a Lenten project?

Teachers will be explaining the project to the children and showing them a part of a video so they can see the village under construction and "meet" some of the families who are beneficiaries. We are hoping that through small sacrifices (for instance, if your family decides to forgo eating out during Lent, that a small portion of what is saved might be donated to the cause. Or, if your child decides to "add" to their Lenten journey by doing something extra at home to help out, that some small change might be provided that they can then donate.

Collection containers will be available in the classrooms and we will track, as a school, our progress.

Truly this is not meant to be just a donation, but instead a great way to converse with your child about the season of Lent and the ultimate sacrifice that Our Lord made for us.



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A few reminders:

Monday, February 15th is a **NO school day**.

Tuesday, February 16 - 19 we will be **collecting dental supplies** (see flyer below)

Wednesday, February 17th is **Ash Wednesday**.

Thursday, February 18th - **PTO Spirit Day**.

Monday, February 22 - **Saint Assembly** on St. Peter Claver

Tuesday, March 2nd - **Dr. Seuss Day** - watch for details

Thursday, March 4th - **PTO Talent Showcase Auditions** (see flyer below)

Tuesday, March 9th - **Parent Portal Closes**

Thursday, March 11th - **Middle School presents** - High School Musical

Friday, March 12th - **End of Trimester 2**

Wednesday, March 17 - Deadline for apply for **tuition assistance** through FACTS

Thursday, March 18 - **PTO Spirit Day**

Thursday, March 18 - **T2 Report Cards go home** for K-8

Friday, March 19 - **NO school for students**; teacher professional development day

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*-Maureen Ashby*

**Principal**

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**DUE TOMORROW!**



# 5K 2021 Spirit Run T-shirt design contest

## Protect the Creation, Praise the Creator

**Go down in Holy Spirit School history by having your design chosen for the 2021 5K Spirit Run t-shirts.**

**Submit your design on 8 1/2" x 11" paper to the front office or to Mrs. Gibbons/Ms. Walker in Resource**

**Deadline for submission is end of school day of Friday, February 12.**

**Design must include:  
"Holy Spirit School 5K Spirit Run 2021"**

**"Protect the Creation, Praise the Creator"**

**Only TWO colors and black counts as a color.**

**You name and grade on the back your design.**

**Design winner receives a free race entry and race t-Shirt!**

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**NEXT WEEK!**



## **Dental Supplies Drive**



***February is National  
Children's Dental Health Month!***

Please help us collect toothbrushes, toothpaste,  
and floss in support of the  
Spanish Catholic Center in Washington, DC.

Donations will be accepted:

- February 16-19<sup>th</sup>, during school hours
- February 20<sup>th</sup> from 4-7pm, at the  
Roaming Coyote Food Truck Fundraiser  
in the Holy Spirit School parking lot.

*(Roaming Coyote Preorders available beginning 2/14/21 at  
<https://the-roaming-coyote.square.site/>)*

Thank you for your participation!



**HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL, JR.!!!!**  
**a collective effort by the 7th & 8th grade**  
**homerooms**

**TWO SHOWS - TWO CASTS!**

**March 11, 2021**

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# Holy Spirit School's Annual Talent Showcase



## SIGNUP / AUDITION FORM



**When: March 4, 2021**

Where: Holy Spirit Gym

Time: 3:15 – 5:30pm

Auditions/registrations are open to all students who want to perform in the show on May 1, 2021.

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR:**

**SINGERS, ACTORS, JUGGLERS, MAGICIANS, MUSICIANS, COMEDIANS, MARTIAL ARTISTS, DANCERS, CLOWNS**

**\*\*\* ANY TYPE OF PERFORMANCE YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO \*\*\***

**Performer Participation Form (for students):** complete this if you wish to perform in the show. This slip is due ONE WEEK prior to the day of the auditions/registration. Everyone who signs up to perform will perform. More information will go out prior to the signups related to how the event will run to maintain the high safety standards of Holy Spirit.

### PERFORMER PARTICIPATION FORM



Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Performing with (if in a group) \_\_\_\_\_

Talent/Act: \_\_\_\_\_

Everyone who signs up to perform will perform. Please keep the act to 4 minutes. If you cannot make it on March 2 but want to perform, email Joe Terpenning ([jterpenning@infinetech.org](mailto:jterpenning@infinetech.org)) to discuss. At this time the signups will be held live in the gym. This may change. Students will be asked to sit socially distant with masks on until they are called to review their act. Forms will not be available to fill out on the day of signups, and pens will not be provided. Pizza and drinks will not be provided this year for precautions so please send your student in with a snack to have during the signup event.

NOTES FOR AUDITION MONITORS:

TIME LENGTH: \_\_\_\_\_

SONG NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STAGE NEEDS: \_\_\_\_\_

For Singers: Using a karaoke version of song or regular version: \_\_\_\_\_



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## LOOKING FOR PTO SERVICE HOURS?



*Sponsored by the Squire Roses*

# Soup Makers Needed!

Lenten Soup Supper Drive Thru



## Sign Up Today!

*(see website for details)*

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**QUESTIONS?**  
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COME AND LEARN WITH US**



# THE BLACK DEATH

Presentation from Steve Weidenkopf  
For Holy Spirit Catholic School Community

A great pestilence killed nearly half of Europe's population in the 14th century. Later known as the Black Death, this disease radically impacted Christendom. In this presentation, Prof. Weidenkopf will provide an overview of the disease, its origins, its impact on people and the Church, and the ways it transformed Christian society.



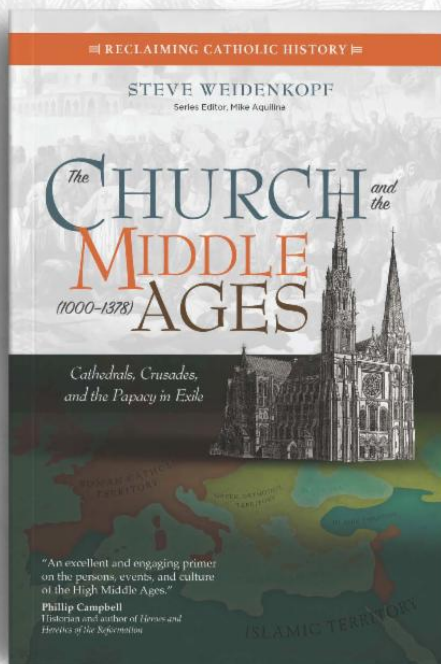
**February 25, 2021 at 7 p.m. on Zoom**

Click to join the talk at this [link](#).

Talk is sponsored by Holy Spirit PTO.

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**NEW** from Steve Weidenkopf  
Interested in learning more about the Black Death  
and The Church and the Middle Ages?



## **The Church and the Middle Ages (1000-1378)** **Cathedrals, Crusades, and the Papacy in Exile**

Few periods of history are more maligned and misunderstood than the Middle Ages—three-hundred years of division, shifting centers of power, and tensions both within the Church and also between the Church and the secular rulers of the time. In an engaging and easy-to-understand style, Steve Weidenkopf highlights some of our greatest saints and dispels nine commonly accepted misconceptions about the era, which was an exciting period of enduring faith, reform, cultural achievement, as well as defeat and division.

192 pages, \$17.95

**20% OFF**  
when you use code **MIDDLEAGES**  
at [avemariapress.com](http://avemariapress.com).

Offer expires 12.31.21.

## **Required Symptom Screening Questionnaire**

We continue to work on an App for the daily health screening. Students must continue to arrive at school each day with a paper copy of the completed form. We are asking for the paper copy for now as trying to manage emails from families at the start of each day

## Required Symptom Screening Questionnaire - 8.27.2020

# Parish Happenings!



**Thy KINGDOM COME**  
RESTORING ALL THINGS IN CHRIST THE KING

THE 2021 CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON  
Mass and Lenten Reflection  
FOR MEN

SATURDAY, MARCH 6  
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

VICTORY CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES INTL.  
1010 MINISTERS WAY  
WOODBRIDGE, VA 22191

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER, VISIT:  
[ARLINGTONDIOCESE.ORG/MEN](http://ARLINGTONDIOCESE.ORG/MEN)


THE 2021 CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON  
MASS AND LENTEN REFLECTION FOR WOMEN

**Chosen**  
From All Eternity  
FOR THIS MOMENT IN TIME

SATURDAY, MARCH 13  
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

VICTORY CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES INTL.  
1010 MINISTERS WAY  
WOODBRIDGE, VA 22191

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER, VISIT:  
[ARLINGTONDIOCESE.ORG/WOMEN](http://ARLINGTONDIOCESE.ORG/WOMEN)



**Year of Saint Joseph**  
12-08-2020 - 12-08-2021

- To increase our love for this great saint •
- To encourage us to imitate his intercession •
- To imitate his virtues and his zeal •

of POPE FRANCIS *Pueri Cordis*

Saint Joseph during the Year	Selected Spiritual Readings
1 Dec 27, 2020 - Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph	1 Matthew 1:2
1 February 14, 2021 - World Marriage Sunday	1 Luke 1:2
1 March 2021 - Saint Joseph is customarily honored during the month of March	1 St Bernardine of Siena - Sermo 2, de S. Joseph Hours, Office of Readings, Solemnity of Saint Joseph, vol. 2, pp. 1721-1723
1 Mar 19, 2021 - Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	1 Leo XIII - Encyclical Letter <i>Quamquam Pluries</i>
1 May 1, 2021 - Memorial of Saint Joseph the Worker	1 Saint Paul VI - Address "Nazareth", 5 Jan 1964 Hours, Office of Readings, Feast of the Holy Family, vol. 1, pp. 426-428
1 June 26, 2021 - Father's Day	1 Saint John Paul II - Apostolic Exhortation <i>Redemptoris Custos</i>
1 August 21, 2021 - Our Lady of Knock	1 Pope Francis - <i>Homily for the Mass for the Beginning of the Pastoral Ministry</i> , 19 Mar 2013
1 November 1, 2021 - Solemnity of All Saints	1 Pope Francis - Apostolic Letter <i>Pateris Cordis</i>



Two Father and Son, Robert Gauthier  
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**2020 - Year of Saint Joseph - 2021**

**Plenary Indulgences**  
A plenary indulgence (the remission of temporal punishment due to sin) is granted to the faithful who, with a spirit detached from any sin, fulfill the usual conditions of sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions and who, during the Year of Saint Joseph...

**Litany of Saint Joseph**

Lord, have mercy	R/ Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy	R/ Christ, have mercy.
Land, have mercy	R/ Land, have mercy.
God our Father in heaven	R/ Have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world	R/ Have mercy on us.
God the Holy Spirit	R/ Have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, one God	R/ Have mercy on us.
Holy Mary	R/ Pray for us.
Saint Joseph	R/ Pray for us.
Noble son of the House of David	R/ Pray for us.
Light of patriarchs	R/ Pray for us.
Husband of the Mother of God	R/ Pray for us.
Guardian of the Virgin	R/ Pray for us.
Foster father of the Son of God	R/ Pray for us.
Faithful guardian of Christ	R/ Pray for us.
Head of the holy family	R/ Pray for us.
Joseph, chaste and just	R/ Pray for us.
Joseph, prudent and brave	R/ Pray for us.
Joseph, obedient and loyal	R/ Pray for us.
Pattern of patience	R/ Pray for us.
Model of workers	R/ Pray for us.
Example to parents	R/ Pray for us.
Guardian of origins	R/ Pray for us.
Pillar of family life	R/ Pray for us.
Comfort of the troubled	R/ Pray for us.
Hope of the sick	R/ Pray for us.
Patron of the dying	R/ Pray for us.
Terror of evil spirits	R/ Pray for us.
Protector of the Church	R/ Pray for us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world	R/ Spare us O Lord.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world	R/ Hear us O Lord.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world	R/ Have mercy on us.

Let us pray: God, in your infinite wisdom and love you chose Joseph to be the husband of Mary, the mother of your Son. May we have the help of his prayers in heaven and enjoy his protection on earth. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For more ways to observe the Year of Saint Joseph, including prayers, devotions, and additional resources, visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/2020SaintJoseph](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/2020SaintJoseph).

Covid can't stop the Love! The Squire Roses are sponsoring the

**Soup Supper Drive Thru!**

6 Fridays of Lent  
February 19 - March 26

**Come Join Us!**  
Drive Thru Upper Parking Lot 5:30-7pm

**Soup Makers Needed!**  
**Sign Up Today!**  
(see website for details)

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**QUESTIONS?**  
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**HOLY Spirit CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**2021 All Saints Car Raffle**

**You could win!**

**Five 2021 Vehicles plus 20 cash prize drawings!**

*When you buy a ticket, the parish gets a cut either way!*

**How does my purchase help?**

This year's raffle will be used for special furnishings and needs: our new narthex to be built this year, a welcome desk, kitchen service items, artwork and more.

**Only \$5/ticket!**

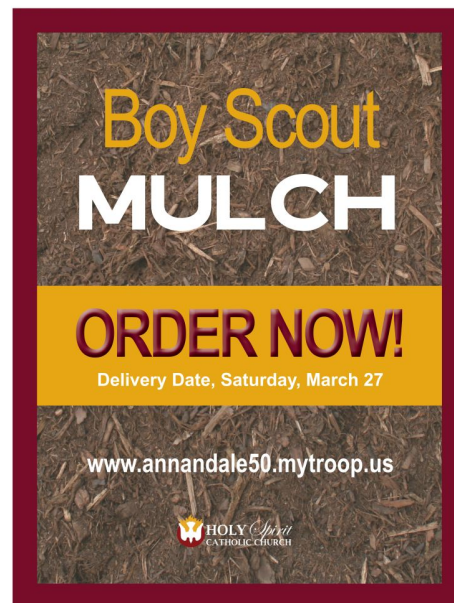
For raffle ticket purchases, visit [www.holyspiritchurch.us/caraffle2021](http://www.holyspiritchurch.us/caraffle2021)  
Or contact Tom Kennedy at [tkinna@aol.com](mailto:tkinna@aol.com)

*Many Holy Spirit winners over the years cars and cash!!*





## Community Happenings!



## FAMILY FOLDER

The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "February 11, 2021" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

Family  
Folder

School Flyers:

1. 5K Spirit Run T-shirt Contest flyer
2. PTO Annual Talent Showcase Signup/Audition flyer
3. Dental Supplies Collection flyer
4. Lenten Service Project Information
5. PTO Sponsored presentation by Steve Weidenkopf

Parish Flyers:

1. Men's Lenten Day of Reflection flyer
2. Women's Lenten Day of Reflection flyer
3. Year of St. Joseph flyer Part I
4. Year of St. Joseph flyer Part II
5. Car raffle flyer
6. Lenten Soup Supper flyer
7. Young adult Holy Hour
8. Sunday Night Holy Hours - Middle School Youth Group

Community Flyers:

1. Boy Scout Mulch Sale