

July 29, 2021



**Holy Spirit School**  
***Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts***  
**2021/2022**  
**"In work there is dignity"**

## The waning days of Summer

As we continue to prepare for the opening of school, I know that the topic on most everyone's minds is that of the wearing of masks. Information is coming in daily and, I will be honest, I am currently out of the State and so have not processed all that has been made available via the Virginia Department of Health and the Fairfax County Health Department among other entities.

Like most schools in the Diocese of Arlington, Holy Spirit is in the position of having to weigh the information across a multitude of age "situations." With Holy Spirit having students from 4 to 14 years old it means looking at decision impacts not just in terms of vaccinated versus unvaccinated students and staff, but also possible impacts to the licensing for the prekindergarten and extended day programs and everything in between. It also means considering quarantine expectations should positive cases present themselves.

With that being said, know that the intent is to go into the year with as much being "back to normal" as possible. We will make use of the entire building with students moving to the music and art rooms, the computer lab, the cafeteria, etc. The middle school students will be moving classrooms as they have traditionally done and we will be attending Mass in the church each week.

Students will not be required to wear masks when outdoors.

I will be returning to the school building next week and will provide information as soon as feasibly possible regarding the ultimate question of masks in the building; I thank you for your

patience.

Acknowledging that there may be further mandates and/or guidance over the coming weeks, below is the link to a short survey regarding the use of masks for the upcoming year at Holy Spirit School. The intent of the survey is to continue to gauge where the community is with regard to the topic of mask wearing.

[Parent Survey regarding use of masks in response to COVID-19](#)

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The Summer Reading list is posted to the school website under the *Happening at Holy Spirit* section on the front page.

IXL Math assignments for students in rising K-8 were included with each student's report card.

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*-Maureen Ashby*

**Principal**

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**Save the Date!**

**New Family Social  
Wednesday, August 18th 2021  
6:00pm.**

We are excited to welcome new families to our school community.

For returning families, if you would like to be a "buddy family," please email Anne Marie Chartrand ([amneatrour@gmail.com](mailto:amneatrour@gmail.com)) or Katie Corwin ([mattingly.katie@gmail.com](mailto:mattingly.katie@gmail.com)) for a fun way to serve as a resource to new families.

## Used Uniform Sale - COMING SOON!!!



Two Sale Dates- **Wednesday, August 18** from 5:00-7:30 (during the New Family Social)

**Friday, August 20** (during the Meet Your Teacher Event)

Where: Holy Spirit School – Quinn Room

Cost: \$5 per item (\$1 for socks/tights)

How to Pay: Cash or Check (made out to the Holy Spirit PTO)

**ADDITIONALLY, PLEASE HELP STOCK the SALE!!!**

**DONATE ANY USED UNIFORMS THAT ARE NO LONGER NEEDED TO THE OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS OR EMAIL - [MelanieAnneBennett@gmail.com](mailto:MelanieAnneBennett@gmail.com) TO ARRANGE FOR CONVENIENT PICKUP/DROP OFF OF DONATIONS**

### Important Details-

- Masks will be required
- Limited volume of shoppers at one time, as needed
- Enter and exit through the Quinn Room's SIDE DOOR
- Plan ahead - bring a list of items and sizes needed
- Shopping preference - one shopper per family, if possible

**Support this PTO Fundraiser While Getting a Great Deal!**

# Extended Day 2021/2022

The Registration Form and Rate Table for Morning Care/Extended Day for the upcoming academic year are available on the school website under the *Quick Links - Family Resources* tab.

The information is included in the "Family Folder" section below, as well.


See flyer below for school supply lists by grade level.

## Parish Happenings!

Wine & Cheese

### Short & Sweet

The Office of Youth Ministry invites all parents of youth in grades 6-12 to join us and learn about our vibrant and growing youth programs and how YOU can get involved!



Wednesday,  
Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>

7:30 - 9:00PM, Meeting Room 2

Please RSVP to [youthministry@holyspiritchurch.us](mailto:youthministry@holyspiritchurch.us) by Sept. 20

Middle School Summer Series

## Pray & Play Day

Pray hard and play hard with us this summer!



Tuesdays  
Day & Evening Sessions  
July 6 - Aug 3

Prayer & Apologetic Talk,  
Laser Tag, Dinner, Spiritual Talk  
Ice Cream Social

Registration Required! **\$15/day**

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[www.holyspiritchurch.us](http://www.holyspiritchurch.us)



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St. Lucy, pray for us!

## St. Lucy Summer Food Collection

to benefit the St. Lucy Food Project

Hungry children are home for the summer and are not able to get the usual free lunches at school. Demand for food increases in the summer. The St. Lucy Food Pantry network must respond.

**Blue Bag Pickup: August 7 - 8**  
Fill it with non-perishable food items.

**Blue Bag Food Drop Off: August 14 - 15**  
All Masses, Holy Spirit Church

The St. Lucy Project is in need of the following items:  
 1 Peanut Butter and 2 Jellies  
 Canned Chicken and Tuna  
 Canned Tofu  
 Breakfast Cereal (can be used for all meals)  
 Children's Snacks  
 Granola Bars  
 Pudding  
 Non-Perishable Juices  
 Shelf Stable Chocolate Milk  
 Apple Sauce  
 Raisins

It costs \$6 cents a lb. to transport food to the poor in over 50 locations. Check Donations are gratefully appreciated. Please mail a check in the pre-addressed envelope provided with the blue bag (or bring it to the truck with your bag). Please make checks payable to "CCDA" with "The St. Lucy Food Project" in the memo of the check. Thank you.

**SIGNUP TODAY!**  
[www.holyspiritchurch.us](http://www.holyspiritchurch.us)

**CONVICT CHARITIES**

# THAT MAN IS YOU

BECOME A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

*All Men Invited!*  
**Summer Session!**  
ON DIVINE MERCY

Every 2nd & 4th Saturday  
MAY - AUGUST

Wherever you are in your spiritual life,  
Jesus Christ wants to encounter  
you right there...  
*and take you further.*

**Saturday Mornings**  
7:00 - 8:30 AM  
In the Quinn Room, School Building

0700 - Coffee and light breakfast, "meet and greet"  
0730 - Video Presentation  
0800 - Small Group Discussions  
0830 SHARP - END

**TMY**  
[www.thatmanisyou.org](http://www.thatmanisyou.org)

For more info, contact Sean Roberts  
[seanroberts911@gmail.com](mailto:seanroberts911@gmail.com)

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# Huge

## PARISH YARD SALE!

Donation Drop off Dates:

**Jul 31 & Aug 1**  
**Aug 2 - Aug 5**

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## PARISH YARD SALE

**FRIDAY, AUG 6**  
5:30 PM - 8 PM

**SATURDAY, AUG 7**  
8 AM - 2 PM FREE ADMISSION

*In the School*  
*HOLY SPIRIT*  
*Catholic Church*  
*PRESALE \$5/person*

**DONATION DROP-OFF**  
Items Accepted at the School Starting:

**Saturday Jul 31st & Sunday Aug 1**  
9AM - 5PM

**Monday, Aug 2 - Thursday, Aug 5**  
9AM - 8PM

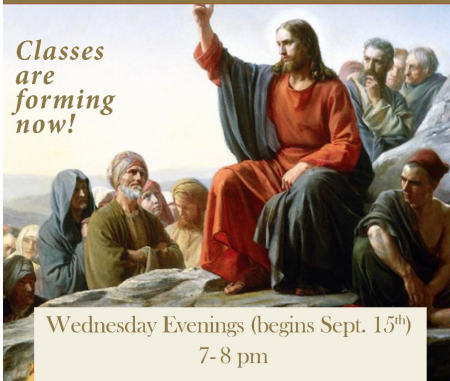
For more info, contact Irwin Oliver at [hsmc@holyspiritchurch.us](mailto:hsmc@holyspiritchurch.us)

[www.holyspiritchurch.us/yardsale](http://www.holyspiritchurch.us/yardsale)  
Proceeds benefit Holy Spirit Community

The following items cannot be accepted:  
mattresses, tires, old TVs, computer equipment, and undergarments. Donations must be clean, complete and in operable condition.

Interested in becoming  
Catholic  
or learning more?

*Classes are forming now!*



**Wednesday Evenings (begins Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>)**  
7-8 pm

Parish Center

For more information:  
E-mail Father Carroll at [fc Carroll@holyspiritchurch.us](mailto:fc Carroll@holyspiritchurch.us)

# BAKE SALE

*At the Parish Yard Sale in the School*

**Friday, Aug 6** 5:30 - 8PM  
**Saturday, Aug 7** 8AM - 2PM

**We need B&Bs Bakers & Buyers!**

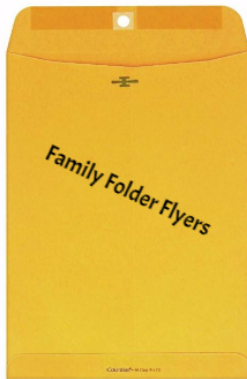
*Can you donate an item to the Bake Sale?*

*Bake Sale proceeds benefit the Poor Clare Monasteries*

For details,  
[www.holyspiritchurch.us](http://www.holyspiritchurch.us)

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# Community Happenings!



## FAMILY FOLDER

The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "July 29, 2021" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

Family  
Folder

### School Flyers:

1. School Supply Lists
2. Used Uniform flyer
3. Extended Day 2021/2022 Registration Form
4. Extended Day 2021/2022 Rate Table

### Parish Flyers:

1. Prayer & Play Day flyer
2. St. Lucy Summer Food Collection flyer
3. Parish Yard Sale flyer
4. That Man is You Summer Session flyer
5. RCIA flyer

### Community Flyers: