From the Principal's Desk



March 25, 2021



Holy Spirit School Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts 2020/2021

"Protect the Creation; Praise the Creator"

A couple of calendar changes

Now that I feel fairly certain we are through the winter weather, please note a couple of changes to the school calendar.

First, Friday, May 28th will now be a NO SCHOOL day for students (as opposed to the half day it was originally scheduled to be).

Second, the LAST DAY OF SCHOOL for all students in grades prekindergarten through grade 7 will now be Thursday, June 10th. This will be an early dismissal (11:30 am) day.

As we continue through the year, again, I cannot begin to thank all of you for your support of the policies and procedures that we have had in place for the school year. We continue to be successful in our endeavors by having everyone's cooperation. To that end, if you are traveling over the Easter break, please be considerate of everyone in our community and consider whether your child needs to stay home during the first week back.

Enjoy the weekend! Although we need the rain, I am hopeful for a bit of sunshine too.



A few reminders:

Thursday, March 25 - PTO sponsored - Dr. Ray Guarendi talk - 7:00pm via Zoom

Friday, March 26 - Spring Pictures - order forms went home with students; see below, as well

Friday, March 26 - Used Uniform Sale - 4:00 - 7:00pm

Monday, 29 - Stations of the Cross - grades Prek - 5

Tuesday, March 30 - **Move Up Night** - parent meeting for rising 6th graders - 6:00 pm via Zoom

Wednesday, March 31 - Confessions - grades 2-4

April 1 - Living Stations of the Cross presented by the 8th grade

April 1 - Early Dismissal - No Extended Day

April 2 - April 11 - Easter break

April 12 - Return to school - Spring uniform begins

April 15 - PTO Spirit Wear Day

April 15, 22, 29 - Middle School - The Gift of Human Sexuality Programs

April 20 and 21 - ACRE Testing for Grades 5 and 8

April 22 - Prayer Service - St. Kateri of Tekakwitha

April 27 - Colonial Day - 4th Grade

April 30 - Trimester 3 Interims go home

-Maureen Ashby

Principal

5K Hybrid Spirit Run Benefiting the Holy Spirit School Resource Department Saturday, May 15, 2021



Congratulations Maddie K on winning the t-shirt design contest!

Are you faster than Father?

It is time to show off your speed and your school spirit by registering for the annual 5K Spirit Run!

The early registration fee through April 16 is \$25 for adults, \$20 for under 8, and free under 5.

Click here to register

Why We Race

Last year marked the 5th Anniversary of the 5K Spirit Run and the Holy Spirit community stayed strong as we took the race virtual! Thank you to everyone who participated in their neighborhoods and local parks, or on their treadmills and those who sent pictures. We truly are #holyspiritstrong! It was so fun to have a Facebook Live event with Father leading us in prayer and then officially starting the Virtual 5K Spirit Run.

Even though we were not able to gather as a group, the money from race registrations, generous donations, and business sponsors made it a successful fund-raiser. The money we raise each year helps to financially support our Resource Program. Our four-member Resource Team provides academic support for students with mild to moderate learning disabilities, Dyslexia, ADHD, Autism, Intellectual disabilities, and other special needs.

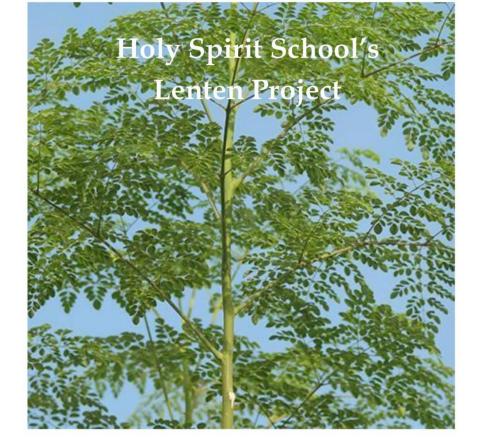
Holy Spirit School has been a leader in inclusive education in our diocese for many years due to the services our Resource Program provides.

Our Reading Resource component not only supports students identified as needing reading intervention but also regularly assesses students in elementary grades to identify students who may need small group early reading intervention.

This year, due to the uncertainty of COVID restrictions, we are going to hold a Hybrid 5K Spirit Run on May 15, 2021, at Holy Spirit School. We will have an in-person 5k route starting at Holy Spirit School and you will also be able to participate virtually.

Please consider making a donation, or becoming a business sponsor. By supporting the 5K Spirit Run you are saying that you support Catholic inclusive education for all students.

Click here for Sponsorship Information



Thank you to those who have made our tree project a part of your Lenten sacrifice. We have thus far raised just over \$2,367.85!



Used Uniform Sale - COMING SOON!!!





When: Friday, March 26

Time: 4-7

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 or SEE MELANIE in VANPOOL SLOT 2

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!

Spring Pictures Friday, March 26th

Students are welcome to wear their BEST DRESS for the Spring pictures.

They may not wear athletic wear, jeans, spaghetti strap dresses or tops, tank tops, open toed shoes or shoes of any sort with an open back.

Please refer to the Handbook for general guidelines, but the key is "Best Dress".

Spring pictures let you be you!

Order before Picture Day on:

my lifetouch.com



Friday, March 26, 2021 Holy Spirit School

- (1) Visit: my lifetouch.com
- 2 Enter your Picture Day ID: EVTMNRMRK
- 3 Order your perfect package— and don't worry about returning anything on Picture Day!



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Questions? Please contact Customer Service at 800-736-4753.



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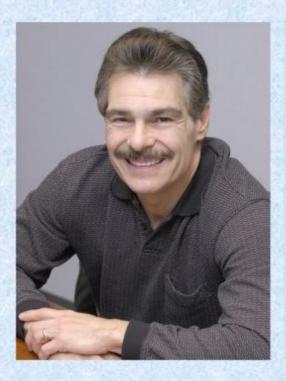
\$20 until APRIL 16, 2021

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Standing Strong as a Parent with Dr. Ray Guarendi

For the Holy Spirit Catholic School Community



Dr. Ray Guarendi is a Catholic father of ten adopted children, a clinical psychologist, author, professional speaker, and national radio and television host. His radio show, "The Dr. Is In" can be heard on over 440 stations and Sirius XM channel 130. His TV show, "Living Right With Dr. Ray" can be seen on EWTN Global Catholic Network and is aired in 140 countries. Check out www.drray.com for more information.

March 25, 2021 at 7 p.m. on Zoom
Please RSVP <u>here</u> to ensure we have
enough Zoom slots avaiable.

Sponsored by the Holy Spirit PTO

Click here to RSVP!

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 is not workable or practical for the staff.

Required Symptom Screening Questionnaire - 8.27.2020

Parish Happenings!













5 Car Raffle

5 - 2021 VEHICLES *plus* 20 CASH Drawings

1 - \$5.00 Ticket gives you a chance to win ALL 25 prizes, including:

2021 Honda Odyssey Van 2021 Honda CRV SUV 2021 GMC Canyon Truck 2021 Buick Encore 2021 Honda Civic

Plus 20 CASH Drawings totaling \$20,000

Drawings held April 24, 2021

To obtain tickets, see the bulletin or website, www.holyspiritchurch.us

Sponsored by: ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH Cars Provided By: Joyce Koons of Manassas

Community Happenings!



FAMILY FOLDER

The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "March 25, 2021" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

Family Folder

School Flyers:

- 1. Spring Pictures flyer
- 2. Yearbook order information
- 3. Dr. Guarendi presentation flyer

Parish Flyers:

- 1. Car raffle flyer
- 2. Parish Easter Egg Hunt
- 3. Bedding for Babies Drive

Community Flyers: