

From the Principal's Desk



Holy Spirit | *Inspiring Minds*
CATHOLIC SCHOOL | *Igniting Hearts*

May 2, 2024



Holy Spirit School
Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts
2023/2024
"Faithfulness"

Once a Flame, Always a Flame!

Congratulations to the former Holy Spirit students who were recently recognized at the Bishop Ireton Academic and Service Awards Banquet. We are proud of you!

THE MARGUERITE SCAFATI
ACADEMIC AND SERVICE AWARDS
BANQUET



BISHOP IRETON HIGH SCHOOL
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

April 29, 2024

ACADEMIC AWARDS

GRADE 9
Micah Abalihin
Lily Ackerman
Erin Allen
Elijah Amund
Sophie Bliss
Matthias Borges
Penelope Borja
Diana Burke
Lorelei Burns
Penelope Campbell
Ryleigh Cellini
Noelle Clarys
Roman Conway
Kolby Curry
Jason Day
Nathaniel Degrandi
Natalie Drey
Ryan Fannon
Juliana Franco
Alexander Fukuda
Lily Grant
Ellory Gray
Reagan Grosselin
Manuel Guillermet
Fallon Healy
Ian Hixson
Meredith Hodges
Abigail Howie
Claire Holloway
Sahar Hussain
Justin Huynh
Miles Spencer Jackson
Nicholas Kasny
Madeleine Kies
Anthony Lewis
Evangeline Ludvigson
Kaden Lyle
Rory Lyons
Bridger Mate
Josephine McCloskey
Maevie McGuire
William McKnight
Ava Morse
Kaleb Mulmeh
Davis Nguyen
Isaiah Nguyen
Blaine Page
Owen Pentose
Bernadette Phan
Caroline Reams
Charlotte Sackett
Nikolas Salamanca
Sienna Santos
Elyse Schipper
Andrew Snodgrass
Rose Stack
Amanda Vargas
Cecilia Waddington

GRADE 10
Erika Abegg
Ingrid Abegg
Felipe Angel Acosta
Nicolas Angel Acosta
Andrew Antonio
Emma Bahdi
Roberts Baney
Tanner Bartol
Christiaan Berge
Catherine Bobrowski
Mirabelle Brantley
Gavin Brown
Isabella Brown
Adelyn Buffalo
Emilio Burneo
Catherine Cassidy
Virginia Chestham
Sofia Christie
Patrick Christman
Seamus Connolly Lisle
Sean Cosgrove
Maisy Costello
Caroline Couri
Cory Crawford
David De Costa
Million DeSio
Caroline Dick
Danielle Djansson
Dallas Douza
Eli Fattibab
Alejandra Ferrer
Mirella Ferrer
Giara Funk
Lissa Gomez

Sasha Guerra
Edward Harrington
Misty Harrington
Hannah Hawald
Mollie Hennigan
Margaret Hodavance
Elise Humphries
Jacob Hurley
Mathias Jiffar
Kevin Kerr
Patrick Kesmeier
Nicole Lewis
Quentin Lisecki
Reagan Lowrance
Maura Mahon
Catherine Martin
Ryan Marulli
Kyla Mathews
Richard McConagal
Nicholas Milewski
Ethan Miller
Roger Moore, Jr
Travis Mulder
Ranime Nawas
Alison Nienaber
Caitlin O'Neil
Rose O'Brien
Julia Pedone
Trevor Pickett
Philip Riley
Zoe Rodriguez-Orellana
Daniel Santillan
Lila Scanlon
Amelia Sendi
James Stirewalt
Timothy Stoll
Allison Swetz
Kensington Sylvia
Christian Tegene
Nora Towry
Virginia Voorhees
Marie Weidman
Madeline West

GRADE 11
Antonio Adorno
James Alwine
Amirah Anderson
Eldars Aron
Gabriella Lynn Asesor
Samuel Barker
Michael Bobrowski
Cecily Boyle
Sean Burke
Andrew Callas
Lauren Capistran
Jackson Carmemark
Sophia Cassidy
Nadejda Cebotari
Alexa Charuhas
Emily Christensen
William Clark
Maria Cleary
Sophia Clendenin
Sariel Angelo Cruz
Megan Danaher
Pearl Danhas
Jamal Davis
Matthew Raphael De Guzman
Jennifer Dee
Cullen Duff
Lindsey Evans
Katherine Favaro
Zoe Flynn
Therese Forrer
Dionovan Furey
Nora Garland
Shriya Gnanasekaran
Carmie Gomez
Aiden Gray
Caelan Griffith
Cooper Guzzetti
Kate Hare
Kendra Harris
Nora Hixson
Wesley Hodges
Mia Inzerillo
Alexandros Ioannou
Charleston Kelly
Gabrielle Knight
Chelsey Ko
Emma Lentini
Annaliese Ludvigson
Gwenith Lutz
Harrison Lynn

Andrew Madden
Elisa Manalo
Cayleigh Marcluff
Maevie McCarthy
Iona McCluskey
Blythe McDaniel
Rory McGuire
Sofia Meller
Zoe Millett
Natalie Mueller
Pax Nguyen
Ella Nick
Bryce Patterson
Sarah Petz
Julia Plunkett
Kieran Radke
Madeline Koche
Robert Rosado
Gemma Sautucci
Vincent Scheivert
Charlotte Schouten
Anna Scolese
Katerina Skowronek
John Snowden
Alexa Stone
Alexandra Stuart
Greydon Stuber
Yunika Suwandhi
Alex Turcios
Joshua Underly
Colette von Schaumburg
Hudson Ward
Amelia Weiler
Georgia Whitehead
Loza-Mariam Woldeesemait
Cecelia Wright
Eyob Zebra
Nardos Zekarias

GRADE 12
Noah Abalihin
Lauren Allen
Richard Almon
Matthew Antonio
Samantha Battaglia
Chloes Beatic
Maren Blaha
Blake Brantley
Emma Breier
Patrick Carpenter
Abigail Chun
Catherine Couri
Bian Cruz
Sabrina Angeline Cruz
Madeline Cunningham
Beatrice Da Roit
Margaret Da Roit
Elini De Guzman
Miguel Antonio De Guzman
Zoe Francome
Olivia Gibbons
Antonia Goulet
Erik Gunderson
Calvin Hall
Sean Haskell
Eden Henok
Amelia Hooper
Aidan Kelleher
Bradley Khong
Kayla Lanier
Mackenzie Lodewick
Aidan Lundregan
Paige Martin
Maria Mate
Andrew Mathern
Steven McCormick
Ellie McNulty
Jacqueline Melley
Margaret Merrill
Hunter Michel
Claire Mitchell
Cecilia Nguyen
Charlotte Rayder
Hadley Reardon
Jacob Schlise
Grace Schwoers
Claire Sims
Mary Smith
Nicholas Waters
Sawyer Weiss
Maria Wise
Larissa Marie Yakse
Nicole Zajac

SERVICE AWARDS

Lauren Allen Cappies Critics
Lauren Allen International Thespian Society
Lauren Allen National Honors Society
Lauren Allen Theater Marketing and Publicity
Lauren Allen Bishop Ireton Young Mentors
Richard Almon Cappies
Gabriella Asesor Theater Technical Service
Allison Baldino Photography Club
Charlotte Benson Chess Club
Michael Bobrowski Coding Club
Michael Bobrowski Hack BI
Lauren Capistran Theater Technical Service
Madeline Carroll Computer Science Honor Society
Marco Cecchi-Rivas Computer Science Honor Society
Marco Cecchi-Rivas Hack BI
Nora Collins Art club
Mary Katherine Costello Catholic Witness / Pro-Life Club
Mary Katherine Costello Red Cross Club
Emily Crabtree Hack BI
Hallie Crawford Cambridge Road
Bian Cruz National Honors Society
Sabrina Cruz Broadcasting Club
Sabrina Cruz Theater Technical Service
Madeline Cunningham Science National Honor Society
Kolby Curry Student Ambassadors
Jennifer Dee Spanish Honor Society
Dallas Douza It's Academic
Elizabeth D'Souza Theater Marketing and Publicity
Emmanuel Ehuma Special Olympics
Ryan Fannon Student Ambassadors
Zoe Francome One Love Bishop Ireton
Felipe Garcia Student Ambassadors
Grace Gibbons Be the Good Club
Samantha Guilaran National Chinese Honor Society
Erik Gunderson Model UN
Erik Gunderson Student Council Association
Calvin Hall Hack BI
Otto Hardinger Student Ambassadors
McKenna Hayden Diversity Council
McKenna Hayden Student Council Association
Elise Humphries Philosophy Club
Justin Huynh Student Ambassadors
Aidan Kelleher Props
Aidan Kelleher Spanish Honor Society
Charlotte Kelly Aspiring Medical Professionals
Ava Lebers Go Pink
Joseph Lentini Computer Science Honor Society
Mackenzie Lodewick French Honor Society
Mackenzie Lodewick Hack BI
Annaliese Ludvigson Catholic Witness / Pro-Life Club
Annaliese Ludvigson Cambridge Road
Annaliese Ludvigson Space Club
Kaden Lyle Student Ambassadors
Maura Mahon Red Cross Club
Paige Martin Props
Maria Mate Hack BI
Rory McGuire Coding Club
Joseph Meyers Catholic Witness / Pro-Life Club
Ania Milewski Best Buddies
Isabella Miller Theater Technical Service
Ethan Miller Student Ambassadors
Eyoel Misganaw Student Ambassadors
Claire Mitchell Aspiring Medical Professionals
Claire Mitchell Salesian Leadership
Jack Nagzaam National Chinese Honor Society
Raisa Ntumba Cultural Fair
Cassie Page Student Ambassadors
Bryce Patterson National Chinese Honor Society
Sarah Petz Dramaturgy
Chase Poray Student Ambassadors
Palestine Rashed Cultural Fair
Charlotte Rayder Rio Kappa / National Social Studies Honor Society
Caroline Reams Scenic Art Club
Daniel Santillan It's Academic
Jacob Schlise National Chinese Honor Society
Heidi Schulte Student Ambassadors
Thomas Schultz Special Olympics
Anna Scolese Beta Club
Katerina Skowronek The Knotty Knitters
Caitlin Sted Diversity Council
James Stirewalt It's Academic
Alexandra Stuart Military Service and Support Club
Lauren Whitman Student Ambassadors
Maria Wise Stage Management
Larissa Zhao Drama Club
Nardos Zekarias Aspiring Medical Professionals
Larissa Zhao Asian Heritage Club

meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 8th has been rescheduled to Wednesday, May 29th.

Our rolling list of reminders!

On Friday, May 3rd we will have our second **Nothing But Faith Day** of the year. The concentration will be on Pentecost.

Please remember our 2nd Graders on Saturday, May 4th when they receive their **First Holy Communion**.

The **Spring testing session** for NWEA begins Monday, May 6th and goes through Friday, May 24th. This testing is for grades 3-7; parents, watch for information from the classroom teacher as to which days/times your student will be testing.

The 8th grade will attend the annual **Vocations Mass** along with all of the 8th graders across the Diocese. This is a wonderful Mass celebrated by Bishop Burbidge as the students spend time contemplating and discerning the call God has for them.

The 8th grade will be taking the **Spanish Language High School Placement Exam** on May 9th. Students should be sure to be here on time as the exam begins promptly at 8:15 am.

We will **celebrate all of the mothers and women in our lives** on Friday, May 10th with Mass and receptions in the classrooms. See the flyer below with detail information.

Thursday, May 16th is the next **PTO Spirit Gear Day**.

We will also be attending Mass this day at 1:30pm to assist in opening the parish's **40 Hours Prayer Devotion**. Bishop Burbidge asks parishes to provide this opportunity for continuous public prayer in the presence of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Friday, May 17th is **FIELD DAY!** See the information above for needed help.

Saturday, May 18th is the **5K Spirit Run** benefiting the school's Resource Department. Have you registered yet?

The 8th grade will head to St. Paul VI High School to participate in the annual **Diocesan Shakespeare Festival** on May 20th.

Induction of new members to the **Holy Spirit School Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society** is May 21st.

LUNCH ON THE LAWN will be on Wednesday, May 22nd. See the flyer below. There is NO hot lunch being served this day.

Friday, May 24th is an **early release** day with no afternoon Extended Day. And Monday, May 27th is a **school holiday for Memorial Day**.

Final exams for Grades 6-8 will run from May 28 - May 31st.

5th Grade Move-Up Night Information Session will be May 29th at 6:00 pm. This session is both for parents and the rising 6th grade students.

The **Algebra and Geometry High School Exemption exams** will be held Saturday, June 1st.

8th Grade Mass and Graduation Awards Ceremony is Wednesday, June 5th at 7:00 pm.

The **last day of school for the Prekindergarten students** is Friday, June 7th.

The **Kindergarten Completion Ceremony** is Monday, June 10th at 10:00 am (students will go home with parents following the ceremony).

The **last day of school for Grades 1-7** is Tuesday, June 11th. This is an 11:30am dismissal day with no afternoon Extended Day.

Please be sure to watch the Schoology pages for items particular to your child.



Did you create your own Holy Moment this week? Did you provide small acts of service to others with a sense of love to those people? This time of year is crazy - there are so many items on everyone's calendar as we barrel into the month of May - but taking time to slow down and consider others may help to recenter us. Helping our children to learn that the "world does not revolve around us" is a lesson that is well worth them knowing and taking with them as they grow and mature. Help them to look for the ways we can participate in corporal works of mercy that benefit others.



Right Around the Corner!!

And as if coming out and running on a Saturday morning to benefit a department vital to our school isn't enough...

The homeroom class with the greatest number of sign-ups wins an afternoon with Father O'Donohue!!!

9th Annual

5K RUN & WALK

SATURDAY
MAY 18, 2024

EARLY REGISTRATION
\$25
PER PERSON UNTIL
APRIL 24TH



ONLINE REGISTRATION IS
REQUIRED.

To Support the Holy Spirit Resource Program

FOR MORE
INFORMATION
PLEASE EMAIL:
sgibbons@holyspiritflames.org



[Click Here to Register!](#)

[Race Sponsorship Information](#)

PLEASE JOIN US!



Holy Spirit School
Mother's Day Mass

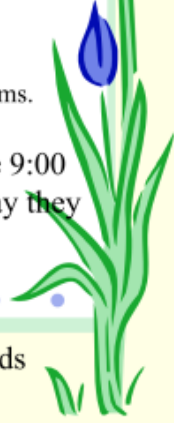
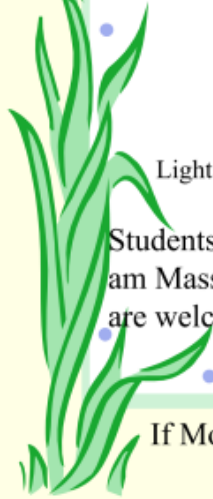


May 10, 2024
9:00am

Light refreshments will be served after mass in your children's classrooms.

Students should arrive at school with their guest in time for the 9:00 am Mass in the church. If students will not have a guest that day they are welcome to arrive at school at regular time.

If Moms are unable to come then Grandmas, aunts, or friends are welcome to stand in for you.



It's right around the corner!

Lunch on the Lawn



May 22, 2024

6, 7, 8th Grades 11:15-12:00

3, 4, 5th Grades 11:50-12:35

K, 1st, 2nd Grades 12:25-1:10

Prek - watch for information from your teacher as to the time

Students should bring a bag lunch and a towel/blanket on which to sit. We will eat on the parish lawn and enjoy the great outdoors!

Parents are highly encouraged to join us!

Please do not forget there is NO hot lunch served this day.



Mark Your Calendars!

The Keys to Success
Middle School Orientation

for

Fifth Grade Parents **AND** Students

WHEN: May 29, 2024 @ 6pm

WHERE: Holy Spirit Quinn Room

A "What You Can
Expect"
Information
Session



Please join us
for

Variations

Of a Traditional Christian Hymn

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

and other selections

Featuring: Keyboard, Ukulele, Handbells and Chorus

Thursday June 6, 2024, 1:30 p.m.

May's Partners in Faith Newsletter!



May 2024

Holy Spirit School

Thoughtful Moments

St. Athanasius of Alexandria

Born a Christian in Egypt, St. Athanasius became a priest and a great defender of the Catholic faith. He served as secretary to Bishop Alexander of Alexandria, and later succeeded him as bishop. Because of the terrible persecutions, he was exiled several times during his life and was (falsely) accused of murder by his enemies. By popular demand, Emperor Valens permitted St. Athanasius to return to his diocese. He spent the rest of his life working to defend Christ's divinity.

Our spiritual GPS

Children understand the importance of having guides. When we want to travel somewhere, a map or GPS can show us how to get there. The Ten Commandments and the Beatitudes are like our spiritual GPS. If we follow them, we will get where Jesus wants us to go.

"Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me" (Matthew 18:4-5).



Honor our Blessed Mother this month

In the month during which we honor our mothers, we give special honor to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Jesus gave her to us as our Mother and we honor her for her love and care. Here's how we can show it:

Offer flowers: Flowers are a traditional way to show devotion.

Place a flower crown on a statue of Mary in your home, plant a garden in her name, or place bouquets by her image. Praying the Rosary is also a way of giving flowers, with each prayer like a rose for Mary.

Give thanks: We owe Mary our gratitude for agreeing to be God's mother, and ours, too. It is hard to comprehend the depth of the sacrifice involved in her "yes" to God.

Follow Mother's instructions:

Mary's requests are simple yet profound. Her directive, "Do whatever [Jesus] tells you," found in John 2:5, is her clearest instruction. By following Jesus, Mary tells us we will find happiness.

Acts of service and imitation: Another way to show devotion to Mary is to emulate her virtues by following her example. Mary is venerated for her humility, obedience, purity, and love. By striving to live out these virtues in our own lives and by serving others with compassion and love, we honor her legacy and demonstrate our devotion to our Mother.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

The practice of crowning images of Mary began in the eighteenth century. Origins of the practice drew inspiration from Scripture, particularly Revelation 12:1, which describes the crowning of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth. By

Why do Catholics crown Mary in May?

crowning a statue of Mary with flowers, and commemorating her royal role, Catholics express gratitude for her unwavering faith and her "yes" to God, fostering a personal and communal renewal of devotion.



-Maureen Ashby

Principal

Holy Spirit School PTO



PTO Executive Board Nominations for 2024/2025

The Holy Spirit PTO is accepting nominations for the PTO Executive Board for the 2024/2025 academic year, specifically the position of Fundraising Coordinator.

Do you know a parent who made make a great contribution to the board?
Perhaps you have always wanted to participate and want to self-nominate?

Nominations are now being accepted.

[Click here to access the nomination form](#)

Upcoming PTO Events

Week of May 6th

Teacher Appreciation Week!

See Volunteer Opportunities and flier below for more details and link to volunteer.

Thursday, May 16th

Spirit Gear Day

Friday, May 17th

Field Day!!

See Volunteer Opportunities below for links to help out. **We are still in need of Coaches!**

Tuesday, May 21st

PTO Meeting 6:30 – 7:30pm in person and via [Zoom](#)

Meeting ID: 895 9844 5225 Passcode: 268985

See Volunteer Opportunities for more information.

Friday, May 24th

Ice Cream Fundraiser 12pm – 9pm Woody's Ice Cream

10435 North Street, Fairfax

10% of all sales go to Holy Spirit – See flier below for more information

Volunteer Opportunities (1 point/30 mins volunteered)

Teacher Appreciation Week

Let's spend the week of **May 6th** getting the teacher's lounge fully stocked with drinks, snacks, treats, and toiletries! Items can be dropped off at the front office or at drop off in the upper lot - Spot 19. In addition, see the flier below with more details on the schedule for the week as well as the Kickoff Day on May 5th.

Questions? Email Jenny Tobin at tobinusaf21@gmail.com or Stephanie Thull at stephthull@gmail.com

Field Day

Field Day will be **Friday, May 17th**. All grades participate, with grades K-7 assigned to teams. 8th graders run the games, and PK has its own fun activities this day.

There are still many volunteer spots open for our super-fun Field Day, **including 5 spots for Team Coaches. All Team Coach volunteers must register by Friday, April 19th** to ensure placement on a team with their child -- that's less than two weeks away! Please help us ensure a fun and safe day for our kids by volunteering to help this way!

If you need volunteer hours, this is an awesome way to fill them! There are so many volunteer opportunities for Field Day, found in three separate sign ups in Connect One. You can search "Field Day 2024" to find these:

[Field Day 2024: Team Coach](#) (Please help us here! We need 8 more fully child protection compliant volunteers!)

[Field Day 2024](#) a myriad of opportunities!

[Field Day 2024: Coolers with Waters and Ice](#) (one needed to each classroom)

More information will be shared in May about the day of. We hope to see you there!

Questions? Email Jessica Driscoll jessica.a.driscoll@gmail.com.

May PTO Board Meeting

Join us **in person or via [Zoom](#) on Tuesday, May 21st at 6:30pm** and hear from your PTO president, Mrs. Ploschke, your principal, Mrs. Ashby, and various committees about what is going on at Holy Spirit School for the remainder of the year. Have an idea to share? Want to provide feedback on something? This is a great opportunity for all families to share your thoughts, stay up to date and connect with other parents and the PTO board. For meeting details and to earn PSSC points for attending, please be sure to sign up in [Connect1](#).

Questions? Contact Kristyn Poreba PTOSecretary@holyspiritflames.org

Reminders

In order to volunteer with any youth in the Arlington Diocese, you must be [Child Protection Compliant](#).

Parents or legal guardians of each student(s) registered at Holy Spirit School are required to earn a minimum of 20 hours (40 PSSC points) per family or 10 hours (20 PSSC points) for single parent families (single parent families also include families with a deployed spouse) of combined volunteer service during the current school year. For more information, reference the [PSSC Handbook](#).

FIELD DAY 2024



Friday, May 17, 8 am - 1 pm

Earn Volunteer Hours at the most fun day of the school year

**Volunteer signs ups available on Connect One.
Search "Field Day 2024"**

Team coaches must be fully child protection compliant

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WE NEED YOUR HELP

check out Connect1 for items to donate or volunteer to help with lunch



TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

MAY 6 - MAY 10

A whole week dedicated to show love for our teachers



WHAT CAN YOUR KIDS DO

MONDAY

Bring your teacher a few flowers to brighten up their room all week

TUESDAY

Bring your teacher their favorite snack or treat

WEDNESDAY

Don't forget about specials! Bring in a note, treat, or flower for our specials and resource teachers



THURSDAY

Bring in a pack of fun pens, glue sticks, dry erase markers, or anything else your teacher may need to finish the year.

FRIDAY

Have your child fill out the provided writing prompt and bring it in to close out the week

KICK-OFF DECORATION PARTY

Join us Sunday May 5th to decorate the front sidewalks and school, and create a fun craft gift for teachers

LOOK OUT FOR

Keep an eye out for emails from your homeroom parents, posts in Facebook, and weekly email for updates and further details

QUESTIONS?

Contact

Jenny Tobin
tobinusaf21@gmail.com

Stephanie Thull
stephthull@gmail.com



Holy Spirit Catholic School PTO



TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK KICK OFF

Sunday, May 5th
1:00-3:00
school cafeteria and
front of school

*stop by
after mass!*



DECORATE THE SCHOOL

create posters and signs to
decorate the school

adorn the front walks with colorful
messages using chalk

GIVE A CRAFT

create a magnet for a
staff member and then
make one for yourself!



Holy Spirit Catholic School PTO

We all scream for.... ICE CREAM!

Join the Holy Spirit Flames for
an ice cream fundraiser!



When: Friday, May 24th, 12 pm – 9 pm

Where: Woody's Ice Cream

10435 North St, Fairfax, VA 22030-2509

**Holy Spirit School will earn 10% of the
proceeds from the fundraiser!**

**Woody's has indoor seating as well as an outdoor covered
patio. There's a small parking lot, as well as free nearby
parking garages and lots throughout Fairfax City.**

PTO Board 2023 - 2024

President - Christine Ploschke - PTOPresident@holyspiritflames.org

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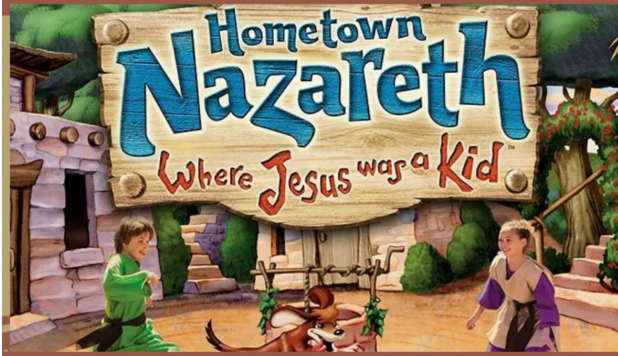
Homeroom Parent Coordinator - Valerie Overstreet - PTOHomeroomCoordinator@holyspiritflames.org

Volunteering

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 for activities where students are present.

Parish Happenings!

Vacation Bible School



June
17-21

Vacation Bible School is Holy Spirit's weeklong event where children engage in lots of fun activities, games, and crafts, all while learning about Jesus Christ and the Catholic faith. All rising Kindergarteners through rising 5th graders are invited to participate. Older children (under 18) are welcome as youth assistant volunteers.

For more information, or to register visit
www.holyspirtchurch.us/vbs

RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION

www.holyspirtchurch.us/re
(703) 978 - 8925
REStaff@holyspirtchurch.us

Community Happenings!

✕ DYSLEXIC EDGE

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

DYSLEXIC EDGE IS EXCITED TO EXPAND ITS AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR!

THIS PROGRAM PROVIDES:
 ONE ON ONE READING INTERVENTION
 GROUP STEM ACTIVITIES
 PARTICIPATION IN MONTHLY STEM-BASED FIELD TRIPS

TO LEARN MORE YOU CAN:
 VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT:
[HTTPS://WWW.SDSQUARED.ORG/](https://www.sdsquared.org/)
 OR EMAIL OUR DIRECTOR KRISTA GAUTHIER:
KRISTA@SDSQUARED.ORG



DON'T MISS OUT!

SUMMER CAMPS

AT BISHOP O'CONNELL HIGH SCHOOL

GRADES 5 - 8

Sports Management • Theatre • Poetry
Game Design • Fashion • Gardening • Spanish
Brain Games • Blogging • Forensics • Entrepreneurs
Graphic Design • Photography • Intro to A.I. • Band
App Inventors • Junior Veterinary
 ...and more!

bishopoconnell.org/summercamps

CLASSES OFFERED IN CHANTILLY, SPRINGFIELD, and STERLING

Program for 4-Year-Olds and 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 learn to read simple words and short sentences and get 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.

Program for Entering 2nd Graders
 In this fun summer program, your child will become a confident, fluent reader. Children build solid phonics and word-attack skills, develop reading fluency, and improve comprehension. Your child will develop a love of reading and get off to a great start in second grade.

Program for Entering 3rd Graders
 In this fun summer program, your child will become a strong, confident reader. Children improve fluency and comprehension, build long-word decoding skills, and expand vocabulary. Your child will develop a lifelong love of reading and get off to a great start in third grade.

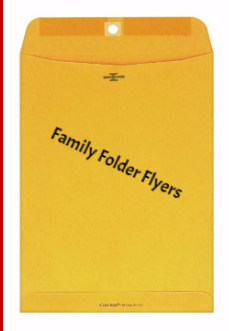
Programs for Entering 4th and 5th Graders
 In these fun single-grade programs, your child will become a skilled, confident reader with strong comprehension in fiction, nonfiction, and textbooks. Students expand their vocabulary and learn to read more fluently and rapidly. As a result, your child will complete homework more quickly and easily, get better grades, and enjoy reading more.

Programs for Entering 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders
 In these single-grade programs, your son or daughter will make substantial gains in comprehension and reading speed in fiction, nonfiction, and textbooks. Students expand their vocabulary and learn to read more fluently and rapidly. As a result, your child will complete homework more quickly and easily, get better grades, and build confidence as a reader.

Programs for Entering 9th and 10th Graders
 In these single-grade programs, students learn the skills they need to succeed in high school. Your child will double reading speed and improve comprehension and focus in fiction, textbooks, and nonfiction. Students expand their academic vocabulary and learn study strategies to complete work efficiently, get better grades, and score higher on exams.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER
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School Flyers:

1. Mother's Day Mass and Receptions flyer
2. Lunch on the Lawn flyer
3. End of Year Music Performance flyer
4. 5th Grade Move-Up Night flyer
5. Partners in Faith (May) newsletter

5K Spirit Run

1. Race Registration information
2. Sponsorship Information

PTO Flyers:

1. Teacher Appreciation Week flyer
2. Teacher Appreciation Week flyer Part II
3. PTO Ice Cream Fundraiser at Woody's Ice Cream flyer

Parish Flyers:

1. Vacation Bible School

Community Flyers:

1. Dyslexic Edge After School Program flyer
2. Bishop O'Connell Summer Camps flyer
3. University of Richmond Summer Reading Skills program flyer

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