

November 11, 2021



**Holy Spirit School**  
***Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts***  
**2021/2022**

**"In work there is dignity"**

**God Bless our military and First responders**



Yesterday morning we took the opportunity to thank those who have served and continue to serve our country as members of the military or as First responders. As a community we are grateful for the tremendous sacrifices that not just our service personnel make, but their families as well. We are blessed to have a strong presence of military families with us so that we can learn from and emulate their sense of duty to others. The proud tradition of service to others is something we strive to instill in the children at Holy Spirit. The presence of many of our parents and grandparents at yesterday's flag raising was a wonderful picture of service in action and we thank each of you for being a role model to our students.

A special "Thank you" to Mr. Farnham and the Safety Patrol squad for putting together the ceremony.



The week of November 14th is Discover Catholic Schools Week. We will have an Open House for prospective families on Wednesday, November 17th from 6:00 - 7:00 pm. If you know of families looking to become a part of the Catholic school family, please let them know. Thank you!



*Discover*  
**Catholic Schools**  
*Discover* **Holy Spirit**

**Wed, November 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**6-7PM Open House**

**Holy Spirit Catholic School**  
**Annandale, VA**

[www.holyspiritflames.org](http://www.holyspiritflames.org)



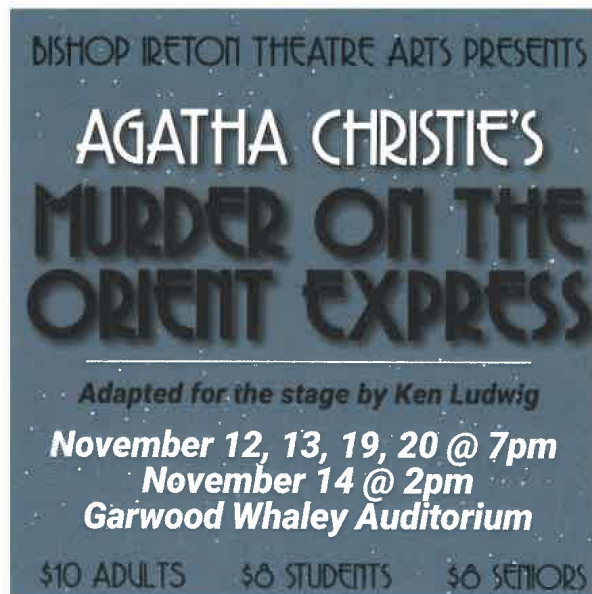
**Holy Spirit**  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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We appreciate our volunteers!

Be sure to log your PSSC service hours via the form on the school website. Go to the *Quick Links* portions and click on *PSSC Hours*.

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BISHOP IRETON THEATRE ARTS PRESENTS

**AGATHA CHRISTIE'S**  
**MURDER ON THE**  
**ORIENT EXPRESS**

*Adapted for the stage by Ken Ludwig*

**November 12, 13, 19, 20 @ 7pm**  
**November 14 @ 2pm**  
**Garwood Whaley Auditorium**

\$10 ADULTS    \$8 STUDENTS    \$6 SENIORS

Just a small plug for this particular Bishop Ireton production as several of our Holy Spirit alumni are a part, both in front of and behind the curtain! And as an added bonus for our 8th grade families - this is the next novel that the students will be taking on in Literature class.

*-Maureen Ashby*



## Holy Spirit School PTO



Hello, Holy Spirit Families!

Just a quick housekeeping item before the vacancies and important dates!

As we settle into fall, we are belatedly asking you to confirm your support of our work by joining the Holy Spirit Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). Your membership fee, along with various fundraising events, allow the parent membership to offer a variety of educational and fun activities for the students and support the school staff. Traditionally, activities that our PTO membership dues support include the following: cultural enrichment programs, buses for field trips, Field day, teacher appreciation events, staff training and supplies, classroom technology such as ChromeBooks, iPads and much more.

The PTO membership fee for the 2021-22 school year is \$40 per family. For your convenience, the dues will be collected through the FACTS system with tuition in December. If you do not wish to participate as a member of the PTO for this school year, please follow this link to complete the opt-out form: <https://forms.gle/nLN2VDgKCmziQBqk6>

There is no need to complete the form if you wish to participate as a PTO member this year. PTO members' families will receive a copy of the printed Holy Spirit Directory. The directory contains class lists, family contact information as well as faculty and staff contact information.

If you wish to opt-out of PTO membership, please complete the form by November 22, 2021.

### ***Featured Vacancies:***

**The Talent Show** – a much anticipated event in the spring. Consider co-chairing the event with Joe Terpenning. Duties include organizing auditions, planning the sequence of events, and activities on the evening of the show.

**Virtual Fundraising** – Seeking a tech-savvy volunteer to assist in developing virtual fundraising platforms!!!

If you happen to see an event announced that you would be interested in participating in as a committee member, please send inquires to the PTO Volunteer Coordinator, Mary Sonnen - [PTOvpmembership@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:PTOvpmembership@holyspiritflames.org) to be connected with the appropriate Committee Chairperson.

### ***Important upcoming dates to remember:***

#### ***Committee Vacancies:***

**Spring Fundraising (Golf/BBQ)** – Chair and Co-Chair

**Talent Show** – Co-Chair

**Virtual Fundraising** – Chair

We hope you have a wonderful week!

Blessings,  
Your PTO Executive Board

### **PTO Board 2021/2022**

President - Tom Fields - [PTOPresident@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:PTOPresident@holyspiritflames.org)  
Vice President - Heather Howard - [PTOVP@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:PTOVP@holyspiritflames.org)  
Treasurer - Danielle Hetzler - [PTOTreasurer@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:PTOTreasurer@holyspiritflames.org)  
Secretary - Lee Conroy - [PTOSecretary@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:PTOSecretary@holyspiritflames.org)

Volunteer Coordinator - Mary Sonnen - [PTOVPMembership@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:PTOVPMembership@holyspiritflames.org)  
Fundraising Coordinator - Carolyn Rutherford - [PTOVPFundraising@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:PTOVPFundraising@holyspiritflames.org)  
Homeroom Parent Coordinator - Valerie Overstreet - [PTOHomeroomCoorindator@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:PTOHomeroomCoorindator@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 in activities where students are present.

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# Turkey Shoot Out



**WHEN:** November 8-15

**WHERE:** PE classes, gym

**FOR:** *Catholic Charities*

**COST:** *\$1.00.*

**Money will be collected starting on Monday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>** in homeroom.

**Parent Volunteers:** A signup link will be sent out to volunteer to help during the PE classes.

For a \$1-dollar donation, students will pair with their mass buddies in a free throw competition. Volunteers will be stationed throughout the gym to help keep score. Volunteers will assign points to shots-- 3 points for every basket made, 2 points for hitting the rim, backboard or net and 1 point for any missed attempts. Each team will get a total of 5 free throws. The top mass buddy teams will compete in a **final shoot out on Wednesday, November 17 at 1:30pm** with the entire school cheering them on. There will be a trophy for the winning team to be displayed in the front office. All proceeds will benefit Catholic Charities

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# **MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE!**

**WHO: All of Middle School**

**WHEN: November 12  
7PM - 9PM**

**THEME: Glow in the Dark**

**FEE: \$5.00**

**\*Proceeds go to "Water For Sudan"\***



# Santa's Secret Shop

## IS COMING SOON!

**Get that special gift for  
everyone on your list!**

**Date: December 9th and 10th**



## **COVID-19 Dashboard Information**

Virginia Department of Health - Level of Community Transmission: **Moderate**  
Updated weekly on Mondays using data through previous Saturday.  
Last updated 11/8/2021

<https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/covid-19-in-virginia/community-transmission/>

Holy Spirit School - Total new COVID positive cases while on campus during the infectious



## **Think about a Daily Health Observation before sending your child to school**

Symptoms of COVID-19 may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

Fever (100.0F) or chills  
Cough  
Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing  
Fatigue  
Muscle or body aches  
Headache  
New loss of taste or smell  
Sore throat  
Congestion or runny nose  
Nausea or vomiting  
Diarrhea

If your child has experienced any of these symptoms in the last 24 hours, please keep your child home, contact your physician, and let us know ([attendance@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:attendance@holyspiritflames.org)).

If someone in your household has tested positive for or is exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19, keep your child home and let us know ([attendance@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:attendance@holyspiritflames.org))

If someone in your household is currently being tested for COVID-19, please keep everyone home until the test results are received.

**If your child has received a COVID-19 vaccine and you would like to share that information with the school nurse, it may prove helpful if and when there is a need to contact trace in your child's class.**

## **Parish Happenings!**

Profits Support Vocations & Other Charities

## Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sale

Remember family and friends and help Keep Christ in CHRISTmas! Religious Christmas Cards are available for sale after weekend Masses. See below.



*Christmas Blessings*

**Before & After All Masses**

Weekends of Oct 30/31 - Dec 4/5

To pre-order and pick-up at Church, email, [knights@holyspiritchurch.us](mailto:knights@holyspiritchurch.us)

Pro-Life Committee

## ADVENT GREENS SALE

Benefits A Woman's Choice  
Pro-Life Crisis Pregnancy Center



HOLY Spirit CATHOLIC CHURCH

**NOVEMBER 27 & 28**

AFTER ALL MASSES  
(SATURDAY 5:30PM VIGIL THROUGH SUNDAY 6PM)

*Greens at terrific savings!*

*Candleholders & cards also for sale*

Come stop by for your Advent greens and support women in crisis pregnancies!

Wreaths: \$20 - \$25  
Mixed bunch of greens: \$5

## NEED INSPIRATION?

Tune in to your favorite Arlington priests' weekly wisdom and soul-stirring challenge!

Subscribe below or text "2m2v" to 84576



**2Minutes2Virtue™**  
*The Weekly Challenge*

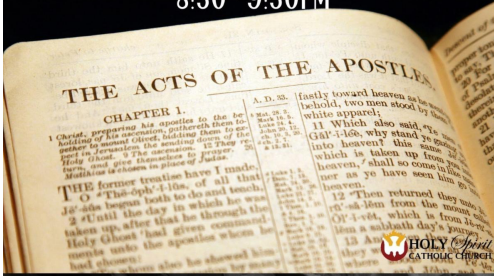
## WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

WITH FR. O'DONOHUE

SEPT 15, 2021- MAY 18, 2022

PARISH CENTER LARGE MEETING ROOM

8:30- 9:30PM



**JOURNEYING THROUGH THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES**

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

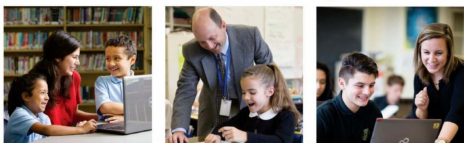
## The Best Hour You Will Spend On Earth.



Email us with **YOUR HOUR** at: [adoration@holyspiritchurch.us](mailto:adoration@holyspiritchurch.us)

# Community Happenings!

## discover you



### Prospective Teacher Information Sessions

In Person **November 15, 2021 7:00 PM**  
 Virtual **November 17, 2021 7:00 PM**  
 Virtual **November 18, 2021 1:00 PM**

Discover the Diocese of Arlington. Meet with school representatives to explore teaching in one of the 37 elementary schools, 4 high schools and 3 stand-alone preschools serving 18,000 students in the 13 cities and counties in this growing diocese. Our schools are seeking highly-qualified, faith-filled and dynamic professionals.

**Explore website**  
<https://arlingtondiocese.org/catholic/schools/>  
**job openings**  
<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/catholic-schools/careers/>  
**application process**  
<https://arlingtondiocese.org/catholic-schools/careers/application/>

**Register**



<https://forms.office.com/t/aWU5LzKH43>

**ANNANDALE BOYS' & GIRLS' CLUB REGISTRATION**  
 4216 Annandale Rd. Annandale, VA 22003 703-941-ABGC (2342) FAX: 703-941-4412  
 Basketball Coordinators: Gary Wright [garywright@abgc.org](mailto:garywright@abgc.org) (boys) Juan Colon [jcolon@abgc.org](mailto:jcolon@abgc.org) (girls)  
 Commissioner: Juan Colon [jcolon@abgc.org](mailto:jcolon@abgc.org)  
 Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 3 – 7 PM, Saturday 9 – 12 Noon  
 EMAIL: [abgc@abgc.org](mailto:abgc@abgc.org)  
**\*REGISTER ONLINE AND SAVE \$5 @ WWW.ABGC.ORG**

Basketball \$140	Wrestling \$150	Boxing
First Time \$70	Ages 5 – 14	Ages 7 – Adult
K – 12th Grade		\$71-436-9983

The basketball fee includes clinics for 5-12 year olds. The registration fee of \$70 is only for "First Time" basketball players with the Annandale Boys' & Girls' Club. Basketball season is from Dec. 2021 thru March 2022. The wrestling program will begin in November and run through February. Registration will close Dec. 11, 2021. Teams are formed with a neighborhood concept by grade level. *These materials are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Fairfax County School Board, the Superintendent, or this school.*

REQUESTED COACH \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL REQUESTS \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL OR DELIVER FORM AND FEE TO: ABGC, 4216 Annandale Rd., ANNANDALE, VA 22003

Player's First Name (Type or Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boy \_\_\_\_\_ Girl \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Grade in Sept. 2021 \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

**WE RELY ON VOLUNTEERS. PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**  
 NO FEES: \$10.00 Refund No Refund  
 Coach Assistant Coach Will be a spectator

I hereby give permission for my child to play \_\_\_\_\_ (sport). I have insurance to cover all risks of injury or doctor's bills that might be incurred and accept all responsibility for my child's safety at practice and in games.

**I also understand that there are no refunds. In the event I cannot get the team of my choice, I will accept an assignment made by ABGC.**

IF YOU ARE NOT A FAIRFAX COUNTY RESIDENT, THERE IS A \$30 FEE Amt. Paid \_\_\_\_\_

IF YOU ARE A SCHOLARSHIP PLAYER, THERE IS A \$30 NON-REFUNDABLE FEE Amt. Paid \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check Cash Cr. Card

Print Parents' First & Last Names \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## FAMILY FOLDER

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

Family Folder

### School Flyers:

1. Turkey Shoot Out flyer
2. Santa Boutique flyer

### Parish Flyers:

1. 2 Minutes 2 Virtue flyer
2. Christmas Card sale flyer
3. Advent Greens Sale flyer
4. Wednesday Night Bible Study flyer
5. Adoration flyer

### Community Flyers:

1. Diocese of Arlington Prospective Teacher Information Sessions flyer

