

From the Principal's Desk



October 20, 2022



Holy Spirit School ***Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts*** **2022/2023** **"Joy"**

Are you ready???

Spirit Week is just days away! Are you ready for a week of fun and costumes culminating in the PTO's Trunk or Treat event?

Be sure to look at the schedule of days below and "Thank you" to the Student Council for putting together a great week.

Note that the National Junior Honor Society is sponsoring a pumpkin decorating contest on Monday, October 31st - the flyer with details is below.

Some of the blue bags are already arriving back at school and we thank all of the families who are supporting our annual Ton of Love food drive. There is a tremendous need for food assistance even in our immediate communities and Catholic Charities is a consistent source of support. We are honored to partner with the St. Lucy Project each year and are grateful to our families for their generosity.

We have been having such a great time with the Booster Team this week! The character lessons are tremendous as the children travel the week on this "Grand Land Adventure"! (I know I have a couple of trips to National Parks that I would like to now make!)

Thank you to all of those families who have spread the word to their families and friends. 93% of our families have registered at [Booster.com](https://www.booster.com)!

This year's goal is to raise \$40,000.00 which will go towards facility modernization projects and student and teacher services. We are well on our way having already raised over \$27,000.00 through Wednesday. Let's keep it going!

If we meet the fundraising goal, the whole school incentive is that Monday, February 13, 2023 (the day after the Super Bowl) will be a no school day.

Be sure to check out your child's homeroom Schoology page for class incentives for various giving levels. There is plenty of fun to be had!

Next Tuesday, October 25th will be the culmination of Boosterthon - our Fun Run! Parents are more than welcome to attend and cheer on the students!

The run times are as follows:

PreK-2nd @ 9:00-10:00am
3-5th @ 10:30-11:30am
6-8th @ 1:30-2:30pm

The importance of supporting the PTO and the school through events like Booster cannot be understated. As you know, the financial support of the PTO is pivotal to the experience that your children have at Holy Spirit as those dollars assist with providing opportunities for your children to attend field trips, participate in co-curricular activities, and take part in many of the fun "extras" throughout the year.

When you, your family, your friends give to Holy Spirit School you are helping us bring to life the school's mission to inspire life-long learners and ignite servant leaders. Your generosity helps turn moments into memories for the students at Holy Spirit. The faith-filled community which you have chosen for your children thrives because of people like you.

BOOSTER THON

We are in need of parent volunteers to assist on the day of the Fun Run! Check out Connect 1 under "Boosterthon Fun Run Help" to signup. Thank you!

Please remember the 8th graders in your prayers as they finish their preparation in advance of receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on October 26th.

A reminder that next Friday, October 28th is a NO school day as it is a Diocesan professional development day. Extended Day WILL be open for those who are pre-registered (no drop-ins).

All students are expected to be in the appropriate Winter uniform beginning Monday, October 31st. See the handbook for any questions. In general this means no more shorts or skirts until Spring!

We will attend Mass on Tuesday, November 1st as we celebrate All Saints Day.

Yearbook picture retakes are scheduled for Thursday, November 3rd.

Holy Spirit Spirit Week!!

Oct. 24th -28th

Get ready for lots of fun!

Monday: Manic Monday (wild colors, tacky clothes)



Tuesday: Boosterthon Day (PE uniform, crazy accessories)

Wednesday:



PreK-5th= Disney Day (Dress as your favorite Disney character)

Middle School= Favorite Teacher Day (Dress as your favorite teacher)

Thursday: Throwback Thursday (Dress as any decade you want)

Friday: Trunk-or-Treat, No School

TON of LOVE 2022

High grocery prices are hurting our less fortunate neighbors. As part of our annual Spirit Week, the Holy Spirit Student Council is sponsoring a school-wide food drive to help Catholic Charities' St. Lucy Project feed families for the holidays.

Please donate the following items from Oct 24-27th

Pre-K – Cereal

Kindergarten – Side Dishes (i.e. instant potatoes, stuffing, rice packets)

1st – Mac & Cheese Boxes

2nd - Canned Chef Boyardee Pasta

3rd – Canned or Individual Fruit Cups

4th – Canned Chicken or Tuna

5th – Canned Green Beans or Corn

6th – Jelly/Jam (no glass please)

7th – Chunky Soups

8th – Canned Tomatoes



Food Drive



HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL NJHS

PRETTY COOL PUMPKINS



DECORATE A FESTIVE PUMPKIN AT HOME
AND BRING IT TO SCHOOL!
(YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO CARRY YOUR
PUMPKIN IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL)

WINNERS FROM PRE-K- GRADE 2;
GRADES 3-5; GRADES 6-8; WILL GET A SPOOKY
PRIZE

OCTOBER 31, 2022

The FACTS Tuition Assistance Application for the 2023/2024 academic year will open on November 1, 2022. Applications must be submitted by March 15, 2023. Below is a brief overview. A full overview of the programs and eligibility requirements may be found by clicking on the "button" below. Awards for Holy Spirit School are typically made in May after financial awards have been made by the Diocese.



What is the program?

The Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program provides financial assistance to families in Catholic schools in the Diocese of Arlington through funding from diocesan parishes as well as the Rooted in Faith-Forward in Hope Capital Campaign Endowment. It is open to all qualified students whose parents might not otherwise be able to pay the full cost of tuition.

Who is eligible?

- Students attending or accepted by a Diocese of Arlington Catholic school (K-12).
 - Preschool and Pre-K are not eligible.
 - Not applicable to students of private independent Catholic schools associated with the Diocese and/or international students.
- Students who are Catholic and members of a parish in the Diocese of Arlington or military base parish.
- Families who reside within the boundaries of the Diocese of Arlington and are registered and active members of a diocesan parish or a military base parish.

How do I apply?

- Submit financial aid assessment application and all supporting tax documentation by due date. Applications will be completed electronically online at <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin.aspx>. **Only one application and processing fee is required per family.**
- Families with students in **ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL** should follow the high school due date.

Due Dates

Elementary/Middle School students	March 15, 2023
Year of Tax Forms Required	2022

High School Students

• Bishop Ireton High School	January 6, 2023
• Bishop Denis J. O'Connell High School	January 7, 2023
• St. Paul VI Catholic High School	January 6, 2023
• Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School	January 18, 2023
Year of Tax Forms Required if submitted by due date	2021
Year of Tax Forms Required if submitted AFTER due date	2022

*Families applying for financial aid for both high school **AND** elementary/middle school students will need to submit BOTH 2021 **AND** 2022 tax forms.

Awards

Awards are made for **ONE ACADEMIC YEAR** and are based on each family's demonstrated financial need. Individual schools determine the amount and the distribution of all awards for each academic year. The schools will contact families when award decisions have been made and will credit the tuition accounts of approved families.

\$3,688,974 awarded in 2022

● For more information ●

Questions regarding financial aid process

Bo Zamoyta 703.841.2551
Bo.Zamoyta@arlingtondiocese.org

Questions regarding application

FACTS Management 1.866.441.4637
<https://online.factsmgt.com/platform/customer-service>

Award decisions

Please contact your school.

Diocesan Tuition Assistance

<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Catholic-Schools/Tuition-Assistance/>

¿En qué consiste el programa?

El Programa Diocesano de Ayuda Económica para Estudios ofrece ayuda financiera a las familias de escuelas Católicas de la Diócesis de Arlington. El programa está abierto a todos los alumnos que califiquen cuyos padres no puedan pagar el costo total de la matrícula escolar.

¿Quién puede acceder?

- Alumnos que concurren o son aceptados para ingresar a una escuela Católica de la Diócesis de Arlington (K-12). *Los alumnos prescolares o pre-K no son elegibles.*
- Alumnos que sean Católicos y miembros de una parroquia de la Diócesis de Arlington o parroquia en base militar.
- Familias que residan dentro de los límites de la Diócesis de Arlington y estén registradas y sean miembros activos de una parroquia diocesana o una parroquia en base militar.

¿Cómo solicitar la ayuda?

Presentar una solicitud, junto con toda la documentación fiscal correspondiente antes de la fecha límite. Se pueden obtener solicitudes impresas en cada una de las escuelas.

También se pueden completar las solicitudes en forma electrónica en el sitio web <https://online.factsmgmt.com/signin.aspx>. Se requiere solo una solicitud por familia.

- Remitir el cargo por procesamiento.
- Las familias que solicitan ayuda para alumnos *TANTO DE NIVEL PRIMARIO COMO SECUNDARIO* deben acatar la fecha de presentación de la escuela secundaria.

Fechas de presentación

ESCUELA PRIMARIA El 15 de Marzo de 2023
Se requieren formularios de impuestos de 2022

ESCUELA SECUNDARIA

- Bishop Ireton High School El 6 de Enero de 2023
- Bishop Denis J. O'Connell High School El 7 de Enero de 2023
- St. Paul VI Catholic High School El 6 de Enero de 2023
- Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School El 18 de Enero de 2023

Se requieren formularios de impuestos de 2021 si se envían antes de la fecha de vencimiento. Se requieren formularios de impuestos de 2022 si se envían **después** de la fecha de vencimiento.

*Las solicitudes con estudiantes de secundaria y primaria deben presentar los formularios de impuestos de 2021 y 2022.

Asignaciones

Las asignaciones se otorgan por UN AÑO ACADÉMICO y se basan en las necesidades financieras comprobadas de cada familia. Cada escuela determina el monto y la distribución de las asignaciones para cada año académico. Las escuelas se contactarán con las familias después de tomar la decisión con respecto a la asignación. Una vez tomada esta decisión final, las escuelas acreditarán las cuentas de las matrículas de las familias aprobadas.

Otras consultas

FACTS Management
1-866-441-4637

Bo Zamoyta
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Bo.Zamoyta@arlingtondiocese.org

Rence Quirós White
Rence.White@arlingtondiocese.org

~Para más información~

Decisiones sobre las asignaciones

Por favor, contáctese con [su escuela](#).

Diócesis de Arlington
Escuelas Católicas



Diocese of Arlington Tuition Assistance Overview 2023/2024

Holy Spirit School relies heavily on our current families to help promote our school. If you know of someone considering a Catholic school education for their children - send them our way! Our first Open House for prospective families is scheduled for Wednesday, November 16th.

Discover

Catholic Schools

Discover Holy Spirit

November 16th
& January 11th

6-7:30 PM Open House

Holy Spirit Catholic School
Annandale, VA

www.holyspiritflames.org



-Maureen Ashby

Principal

Holy Spirit School PTO



Upcoming Events:

October 17 - October 25 – Boosterthon
October 28 – Trunk or Treat
November 7 – Ledo's Pizza Fundraiser!

PTO Meeting: The November PTO meeting will be on November 16, 2022, at 6:30 pm. It will be a hybrid option (come in person or online). It is a great opportunity to learn about upcoming events, meet fellow parents, and to get involved. The meeting attendance counts towards the PSSC hours. Please join us at the following link:

<https://holyspiritflames.zoom.us/j/87077053723?pwd=SkJiMEdsWHcvKzdVZC9qN09GdlgrZz09>

Meeting ID: 870 7705 3723 Passcode: 483688

Homeroom Parent Volunteers: We have a GREAT opportunity to earn all 20 PSSC hours and spend quality time with your child. The following classes are looking for Home Room Parents to assist the teacher in making this school year the best yet. Planning parties, communicating important information, and working closely with your child's teacher are just a few of the benefits. If you do not see your child's teacher on this list and are interested, please contact ptohomeroomcoordinator@holyspiritflames.org.

6th - Alvarado – 1

7th - Del Canto – 1

Recess Duty: Sign up for recess duty opportunities is now available through:

<https://app.connect1.io/volunteers/ta43kmlw3>.

Connect1:

If you need more assistance with Connect 1 you can either contact Tom Fields at PTOPSSC@holyspiritflames.org or visit <https://app.connect1.io/volunteers/gmguij6pp>

BOOSTERTHON!!

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

MYBOOSTER.COM



The students have been having a fabulous week with the Booster Team! Have you registered yet?

Log into [MYBOOSTER.COM](https://mybooster.com) today to get started!

Register & share today to help our school reach our goal of \$40,000 for students & staff.

Thank you for supporting our school - we are grateful for our amazing school community!

Next Week! Next Week! Next Week!

**Check out the sign up in Connect 1 as we are still
in need of 6 "trunkers"!**

**This is a "rain or shine" event and we hope you can
help make it a special evening for all of the
students!**

TRUNK OR TREAT

Decorate your booth and fill it with candy!

Prizes:
-Best decorated booth!



Friday, October 28th
6:30 - 8:30 PM
On the School Grounds

Limited spaces available. For info and to reserve a spot,
Contact or email PTOtrunkortreat@holyspiritflames.org

(More than one family can share a spot.)

(In the event of inclement weather, Trunk or Treat will take place inside the school.)

As an "Admission Fee", we ask that all families bring at least one bag of candy to donate to the "cause" so that we can keep the fun going!

A reminder that this is a "family friendly" event and we count on parents to help monitor children in order to be sure there are plenty of treats for all.

HUNGRY???

Ledo
Pizza.

Bring this
flyer with
you!

Enjoy a great family dinner while raising money for
Holy Spirit School

November 7th from 5pm to 9pm

West Springfield Ledo Pizza

8324 Old Keene Mill Road
West Springfield, Virginia 22152

The organizer receives 20% of dine-in sales for each flyer
presented!

Your group also receives 20% of takeout orders when
mentioning the fundraiser! Call ahead for takeout!
703-451-5336

If any staff or parents order catering the entire week of the
fundraiser, our school will get 10% of the check total!

Bring a friend and tell your neighbors too!

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO
Holy Spirit School



The PTO Christmas Tree sale is not long off! Check out Connect 1 for volunteer opportunities!

PTO Board 2022 - 2023

President - Christine Ploschke - PTOPresident@holyspiritflames.org

Vice President - **Vacant** - PTOVP@holyspiritflames.org

Treasurer - Danielle Hetzler - PTOTreasurer@holyspiritflames.org

Secretary - Lee Conroy - PTOSecretary@holyspiritflames.org

Volunteer Coordinator - Mary Sonnen - PTOVPMembership@holyspiritflames.org

Fundraising Coordinator - Toni O'Neill - PTOVDevelopment@holyspiritflames.org

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 in activities where students are present.

Parish Happenings!

Family Oktoberfest is Coming!

Brotwurst, Knockwurst, Frankfurters,
Hamburgers, Sauerkraut, German Potato
Salad, Big Soft Pretzels, German Desserts,
Sodas, Assorted Beers*

*Charge for Beer only, Food Complimentary



DJ Deacon Malcom's
Polka Music

7:15 pm - Family Movie

Saturday, October 22, 2022
6 to 9 pm
Holy Spirit School Gym



FAMILY BINGO

Fall Harvest Fun



Accepting Troop 50/Pack 50 Scouting For Food Donations

November 5, 2022
Holy Spirit School Gym
Doors Open 6 PM | Games Begin 7 PM

Snack Sold	Admission	Prizes
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pizza• Hot Dogs• Nachos• Soft Drinks• Juice	<p>(Includes Book of Cards w/ 3 games/card) All Proceeds will support Holy Spirit and Diocesan Seminarians and religious</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Players 12 Years and Older: \$5• Players under 12 Years: \$3• Extra Books of Cards: \$3• Free for children under 5 years who are not playing	<p>New Larger Cash Prizes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grand Prize \$150• Other Games \$40• Specials – based on number of tickets sold

 **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

 **HOLY Spirit CATHOLIC CHURCH**

HOLY SPIRIT CYO

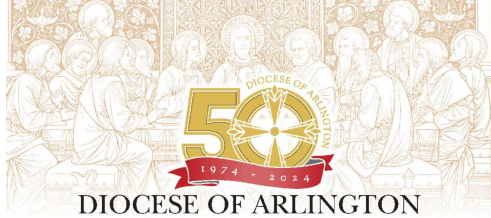
CYO CHEER REGISTRATION OPEN

OPEN UNTIL NOVEMBER 4TH

Open to boys and girls grades 3rd through 8th!

<https://reg.sportspilot.com/106529>

Community Happenings!



DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON

1974-2024



EUCCHARISTIC SYMPOSIUM

with Most Reverend
Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
Archbishop Emeritus of Philadelphia

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT THOMAS MORE
3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington, VA 22203

9:00 – 9:45 a.m. HOLY MASS IN CATHEDRAL

Celebrant: BISHOP BURBIDGE | Homilist: ARCHBISHOP CHAPUT
Coffee Break in Burke Hall

10:30 a.m. REFLECTION BY ARCHBISHOP CHAPUT

11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. ADORATION AND BENEDICTION
Dismissal

LIMITED SEATING CAPACITY. Please respond as soon as possible via the link below
arlingtondiocese.org/eucharistic-symposium



YEAR ONE: REMEMBER

“Do this in remembrance of me.”

Remembering the past with gratitude

FOCUS: THE REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST AND THE MEANING OF THE MASS

Learn more at

► JUBILEE.ARLINGTONDIOCESE.ORG



2022 DIOCESAN CATECHETICAL CONFERENCE

THEME: **MY SPIRIT REJOICES IN GOD, MY SAVIOR**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2022; 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

(MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW MID-SEPTEMBER)



SHERATON RESTON HOTEL, RESTON, VIRGINIA

From Inclusion to Belonging
EMBRACING DISABILITY AS PART OF THE CHURCH

2022 CONFERENCE

PRESENTED BY:

05 NOV
8:00AM-12:30PM

AT BISHOP O'CONNELL HIGH SCHOOL
ARLINGTON, VA

\$10 REGISTRATION

A CATHOLIC CONFERENCE ON INCLUSION FEATURING:

- Inspiring Keynote Conversation
- Informative Breakout Sessions
- Exhibition and Networking Area
- Sensory Mass Celebrated by Most Rev. Michael F. Burbidge

This event is for clergy, catechists, youth ministers, school teachers and administrators, parents and all advocates interested in increasing access to Catholic education, employment, faith formation, and community resources for individuals with disabilities.

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED AT: WWW.BISHOPOCONNELL.ORG/BELONGING

SPEAKERS

BISHOP MICHAEL F. BURBIDGE
CELEBRANT AND HOMILIST AT MASS

REV. ROBERT CILINSKI
PASTOR, NATIVITY CHURCH

JOYCE KELLY
TRANSITION SPECIALIST

KEYNOTE CONVERSATION

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

KEVIN BOHLI
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CHIEF OPERATIONAL OFFICER, CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON

CHARLEEN KATRA
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL CATHOLIC PARTNERSHIP ON DISABILITY

INCLUSION IN ACTION WEBINAR SERIES

GROWING INCLUSION: THE BASILICA OF ST. MARY'S SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

MONDAY OCT. 24TH
7:00pm-8:15pm

PRESENTER: **MONICA CHOQUETTE**
INCLUSION COORDINATOR
BASILICA OF ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

School administrators, teachers and parents: You won't want to miss this great opportunity to learn about the 'Mater Dei' services provided for children with disabilities in a Catholic School in the Diocese of Arlington, VA.

TO ACCESS FREE ZOOM LINK REGISTER AT:
WWW.PORTOCHARITIES.ORG/PORTOEVENTS

SPONSORED THROUGH A GENEROUS GRANT OF THE MARIA GRAZIA PANARO FOUNDATION



FAMILY FOLDER

The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "October 20, 2022" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

Family Folder

School Flyers:

1. Partners in Faith (October) newsletter
2. Spirit Week flyer
3. Ton of Love Food Drive flyer
4. Trunk or Treat flyer
5. Ledo Pizza PTO Fundraiser flyer
6. Diocese of Arlington Tuition Assistance Overview

Parish Flyers:

1. Oktoberfest flyer
2. Family BINGO flyer
3. CYO Cheerleading flyer

Community Flyers:

1. Diocese of Arlington - Eucharistic Symposium flyer
2. Diocesan Catechetical Conference flyer
3. From Inclusion to Belonging 2022 Conference flyer
4. Inclusion in Action webinar