



# SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL School Bulletin

December 15, 2017

## Upcoming Events



### December 15

Movie Night 6-8pm

### December 20

Mass with Student of the Month  
Early Dismissal 11:30 am  
NO Extended Day

### December 21-January 2

Christmas Break

### January 3

Return to School

### January 4

DDD for Lions Club

### January 5

Mass with Rosary

### January 8-26

Scantron Testing Window I-III

### January 15

No School

### January 16

Teacher Professional Development  
No School

### January 17

Re-registration Begins

### January 19

March for Life

### January 26

Mass with Student of the Month  
End of 2nd Quarter

### January 28-February 3

Catholic Schools Week

### January 28

Wear Uniforms to 5:30 Mass

### February 2

Mass w/ Blessing of the Throats  
Report Cards  
Early Dismissal 11:30am

Please check the school website  
for the complete calendar

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Dear Parents,

As Michaelann Martin once said, "It seems fitting that Advent is the beginning of the liturgical calendar, for it is a season of spiritual preparation marked by an eager longing for the birth of Our Savior Jesus Christ." It encourages us to live closer to Christ and utilize the time to share our faith and traditions with our family and school community. We will gather together for the final time Monday morning for our Advent Wreath Ceremony with an emphasis on prayer and song. It is a wonderful time of year! Please remember to send in hats and mittens for the children. It was very cold earlier this week and we certainly expect similar temperatures over the next few months. We want to give our students the opportunity to play outside as often as possible so thank you for your cooperation.

Our second round of standardized testing will commence Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup> and the last day for testing is Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. Our third through seventh grade students will once again be assessed in Reading, Language Arts, and Math to check their progression in these particular areas. Please make every attempt to have your child/ren here during this testing window to minimize make-up assessments and alternative schedules.

Believe it or not, it is almost time to begin re-registration for the 2018-2019 school year! Re-registration will begin on Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> for current students and siblings and will close on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Open registration will begin Monday, February 5 for new students. FACTS scholarship applications for tuition assistance are due before **March 16, 2017**. If applicable, please complete your application as soon as possible in order to qualify for the Diocesan Tuition Assistance and/or the Diocesan Scholarship Fund. Parish assistance is always limited so please complete your application as soon as possible.

Tuition will increase 4% for the 2018-2019 school year. To remain transparent, I would like to note that the actual cost per student at SJES is actually \$6,730. This indicates that each child is already receiving a subsidy from the parish independent from any type of financial assistance. We remain indebted to the Diocese of Arlington, Father Gould, and the parish for their continued investment in Catholic education.

Below are the 2018-2019 tuition rates for your convenience:

Catholic families will be charged \$6,190 (\$20/month increase) for one child, \$11,090 (\$35/month increase) for two children, \$15,070 (\$48/month increase) for three children, and \$16,640 (\$53/month increase) for four children. Any additional students from the same family may attend at no cost and families of other faiths will pay \$9,220 per child. The Diocese of Arlington continues to ask that parish schools be less dependent upon the church.

In an effort to limit increases, the Materials Fee will continue to remain at \$250/child.

This fee includes the cost of maintaining equipment used for student instruction, software licensing, workbooks, and other consumable supplies. The Materials Fee will be added to the FACTS account. You will receive more information regarding deadlines for the Materials Fee in the new year.

In closing, be attentive, be reflective, and be responsible to Christ during this advent season. Merry Christmas to one and all and may we continue to grow in God's grace and wisdom.

God bless,

Temple Macdonald





## School and Club News

- The Art Room is looking for computer mice. If you have any old computer mice (working or not) and are willing to donate them to the school please send them in a bag with your student labeled "Art Room". Some of our students will be using them to create a sculpture. Thank you for your continued support.
- Jr. Achievement 2018 Volunteer Opportunity: Help expand Financial Literacy!! Parents, Since 1965, Junior Achievement of Greater Washington has inspired the next generation to be financially capable and equipped with the tools to solve problems while focusing on financial literacy. As St. John's the Evangelist has supported this in the past and will again in 2018, our school is in need of 6 parents, Virtus trained, who would like to volunteer 30 minutes for 5 weeks to assist in reviewing prepared materials that include visual displays, games and a scripted lesson plan? As your Junior Achievement Leader, I will coordinate a short 30 minute overview meeting, help make sure you are comfortable with the lessons that will be shared with grades K to 5 and answer any questions you have. While you do not need to be employed to volunteer, the classes are designed to foster work readiness and entrepreneurship so if you are employed or self-employed, your experience may bring even more value to the dialogue with students. I welcome all volunteers for a wonderful experience with our children. Please contact Christine Emond, Jr. Achievement Coordinator, at [703-919-0514](tel:703-919-0514) or [cfondue@aol.com](mailto:cfondue@aol.com) Thank you, I look forward to your assistance on such a great lessons about life for our children.
- "It is now official. Holy Trinity has decided NOT to have a Children's Mass on Christmas Eve and has cancelled their Mass. The attendance for this Mass would have been close to 1,500 and since they have no place to go at that time, we now anticipate an additional 500 souls coming from Holy Trinity who will be attending our 4pm Christmas Eve Mass. So St. Johns is now changing our Christmas Eve Schedule. In light of this change, the 4pm Mass will now be a general Mass. Registration forms will be passed out to those attending from our neighboring parish welcoming them to join us from now on. Merry Christmas, Holy Trinity. The 6:30pm Mass will NOW be the Children's Mass for our parishioners. Please take this into account when planning your Christmas Mass attendance, especially with our limited parking. Carpooling is absolutely necessary. Yes, little Virginia (you and your family), carpooling is absolutely necessary. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this Holy time of year. God bless you. Let us pray for one another!" Fr. Gould





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Christmas, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we celebrate the birth of Our Lord and Savior, we are profoundly aware of the need to pray that His peace will reign in our world, in our nation, in our homes and in our lives. We are witnessing much turbulence, unrest and division in our midst. Yet, we do not despair. Our newborn King has shown us the way to peace and unity.

We pray that the leaders of our nation and those throughout the world will allow the Lord to guide their decisions, being ever mindful of the sacredness of all human life and the dignity of each and every human person. We pray that all people will recognize that they are united as God's holy family and respond by treating one another with charity and respect. In our own lives, we pray for the grace to love, honor and forgive each other. In a special way, may our prayer always lead us to seek peace not in the empty promises of the world but in the One who alone can sustain and protect us.

It is my hope and prayer that what we do at Christmas will continue throughout the New Year: to keep our relationship with the Lord our highest priority; to share our gifts and resources with all those in need; and to be instruments of His peace in our communities, workplaces and homes.

Please be assured of a special remembrance at the Masses I will celebrate on Christmas. Through the intercession of Mary our Mother and Saint Joseph, may Our Lord Jesus fill you with his choicest blessings at Christmas and always.

Sincerely in Christ,

*Bishop Michael Burbidge*

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge  
Bishop of Arlington

# DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

## Academic Year 2018-2019



### 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 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 [online.factsmtg.com/Signin](https://online.factsmtg.com/Signin)
    - Only one application is required per family.
- Remit processing fee.
- Families seeking aid for students in BOTH ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL should follow the high school submission date.

**Due Dates: HIGH SCHOOL**

**January 22, 2018**

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**March 16, 2018**

### 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. Once these final award decisions have been made, the schools will then credit the tuition accounts of approved families.

**\$3,369,025 awarded in 2017**

### ● For more information ●

#### Questions regarding process

Mary Manilla-Smith  
703.841.2519  
[m.manilla-smith@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:m.manilla-smith@arlingtondiocese.org)

#### Questions regarding application

FACTS Grant & Aid  
1.866.441.4637  
<https://factsmtg.com/parent-resources/grant-and-aid/>

#### Award decisions

Please contact [your school](#).

#### Diocesan Tuition Assistance

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



St. John the Evangelist School's 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Movie Night  
Proudly Presents Disney's

# The Muppet Christmas Carol

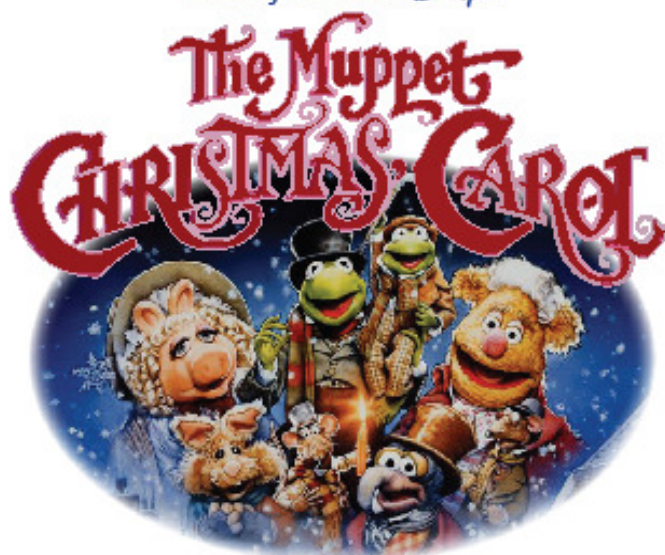


FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 FROM 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM IN TRINITY HALL

\$15 PER CHILD (\$45 MAX PER FAMILY)  
POPCORN • PIZZA • COOKIES

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CHILD NAME	GRADE	AGE

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME	EMERGENCY CONTACT #

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**Permission to Participate in St. John School Activity**

To attend and/or give permission to participate in St. John the Evangelist School activity this form must be signed and returned for each participant.

Participants Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

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Any physical handicaps, diet restrictions or allergies?

If YES, please explain:

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**Emergency Care Authorization**

Parent or Guardians of children must sign the following statement to allow possible emergency medical or dental and to release St. John the Evangelist School from liability while the child participates in the above listed activity.

"I hereby authorize an emergency service agency and physician or dentist associated with it to administer whatever medical care in their professional opinion necessary for the stated minor child who is participating in the above known activity. The School, Hospital and any emergency service agency and their associated physicians, surgeons, and/or dentist have the authority to consult as necessary."

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Release of Liability**

I agree to indemnify, hold harmless, release and discharge St. John the Evangelist School and all of it's board members, employees, volunteers or students from any claims, from I or my heirs, or any other persons on my behalf, of any accident, illness, injury, property loss/damage, or other consequences arising or resulting directly or indirectly from the participation of the above stated activity. By signing below I agree to the above and give permission for either myself or my minor child to participate in the stated activity. I also agree to deliver and pick up our child at the appropriate times. I understand the above stated information and agree to the terms; release of liability, emergency care authorization and permission to participate, by signing below."

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Participant, or if a minor, Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**\*\*\* Child must be signed in and out of Event \*\*\***



## **Fauquier Holiday Gift Wrapping Services**

Holiday shopping got you stressed?  
Gifts starting to pile up  
with no end in sight?  
Well come let the FHS Track  
and Field Team take one thing  
off your holiday to  
do list! All gift  
wrapping paper,  
bows, boxes, ties,  
ribbon, and tags  
are provided!



*Satisfaction Guaranteed!!!*

**Dec. 9th 10am-2pm & Dec. 23rd 9am to 3pm**

**Warrenton Presbyterian Church**

(Corner of 5th & Main Street Warrenton right off of Main Street  
in Old Town Warrenton)



**ALL DONATIONS ARE ACCEPTED AND WELCOME!  
THANK YOU!**







## SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL PTO

111 John E. Mann Street, WARRENTON, VA 20186

### Grocery Store Savings

Dear Parents,

One of the easiest ways to help contribute to our school is by using your local supermarket bonus card. This requires NO ADDITIONAL spending on your part. Each supermarket allocates a percentage of your sales back to the school you designate. Below is of our local supermarkets that participate in a school rewards program. St. John School has an account with each store. Please, on your next visit to the super-market, present your bonus card or telephone number to the Customer Service desk and ask to have St. John School assigned to your card. You may also visit each supermarket website and do it online at your convenience using the numbers below.

<u>SUPERMARKET</u>	<u>PROGRAM NAME</u>	<u>SJS ACCT #</u>
Giant	A+ School Rewards	02142
Harris Teeter	TIE – Together In Education	6937
Martins	A+ School Rewards	02142

If you have any questions please call the school at (540) 347-2458.

Thank you in advance for your help all year long!

