

School of the Incarnation Newsletter



Thursday, October 30, 2025

Friday, October 31st: School Closed - Happy Halloween!

Sunday, November 2nd: Daylight Savings Time Ends - remember to turn back your clocks

Monday, November 3rd: Winter Uniform Begins

Feast Day celebration of St, Martin de Porres: out-of-uniform day for **TEAL** House members

Tuesday, November 4th: PAC Used Uniform Sale 5:00 - 6:30 PM - see below for details!

PAC SOTI Spirit Night - Lime & Salt 4 - 8 PM - see attached flyer for details

Wednesday, Nov. 5th: Picture Make-up Day

Thursday, November 6th: Fall Clubs and Sports Picture Day

Friday, November 7th: Spirit Wear Day

2nd Gr. Field Trip - DC Basilica 8:45 AM - 2:30 PM

Tuesday, November 11th: Fall Open House for Prospective Students 8:30 - 11:00 AM

Wednesday, Nov. 12th: Vision & Hearing testing for PreK, K, 1st, 8th and all new students

Grades 4 - 8 School Mass 1:30 PM

Thursday, November 13th: 1st Gr. In-house Field Trip - Eco Adventures

Friday, November 14th: End of Trimester 1

Remote Day of school for students

Wednesday, Nov. 19th: HSPT for 8th grade students

Grades K - 3 School Mass 1:30 PM

Friday, November 21st: Spirit Wear Day

Tuesday, November 25th: Grandparent & Special Friends Day - stay tuned for more details

November 26 - 28: School Closed - Thanksgiving Break

Sunday, November 30th: Advent Begins Friday, December 5th: Spirit Wear Day

PAC SOTI Express - stay tuned for more details

Monday, December 8th: School Mass 1:30 PM

Tuesday, December 9th: Feast Day celebration of St. Juan Diego: out-of-uniform day for **ORANGE** House members

Therapy Dogs at SOTI

SOTI has formed a partnership with <u>Caring Canines Pet Therapy</u> to have therapy dogs (comfort dogs) visit SOTI on a regular basis. SOTI is not considering a full time therapy dog at this time.

There are many studies documenting the benefits of therapy dogs in schools. Studies show that the presence of therapy dogs boost confidence, they can reduce stress and bring calm, and they can improve reading and literacy skills in students.



We are also very much aware and sensitive to the fact that some individuals suffer from allergies and others may be afraid of dogs. These dogs are certified therapy dogs and accompanied by a trained handler at all times. A SOTI staff member also accompanies the dog during their visit. The dog typically interacts with students in small groups. We also bring the dog around the school or interact with larger groups of students outside at recess or break or through brief classroom visits. No student will ever be forced to approach or interact with the therapy dog. However, if you **DO NOT** want your child to interact with a therapy dog while on campus, **please complete this form.**



Vision and Hearing Opt Out

On Wednesday, November 12, 2025, Hearing and Vision Screenings will be conducted for students in PreK, Kindergarten, 1st grade, and 8th grade, as well as for all new students at SOTI this year who have no record of screenings within the past 12 months. The screenings will be coordinated by the Lion's Association for Sight and Hearing of Maryland, Inc. (L.A.S.H.), who will oversee the process and train volunteers to perform the screenings. If your child is already receiving care from a vision or hearing specialist, or if you prefer that your child not participate in the screening, please complete this form by 5 pm Monday, November 10th.

<u>Vision & Hearing Screening Opt Out</u>

Volunteers Needed

SOTI will be hosting Donut Sunday at Holy Family on November 2nd following the 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Masses. This is a wonderful chance to show our SOTI spirit and promote the upcoming Open House on November 11th. If you are free and would like to serve donuts and coffee on Sunday, please check out the link below and sign up for one of the available slots. See you there! <u>Donut Sunday Sign Up</u>

PreK Planning Survey

As the SOTI family grows and evolves, we are on the lookout to see how to best meet our community's needs. If you have a Little Knight who is a rising PreK student(s), aged 2, 3, or 4 years old, please take a moment to complete this form to help us plan for the future.

Click here to complete the survey: PreK Survey

Parent Safety Survey

A few weeks ago it was shared that a small safety committee was established to review all aspects of school safety including our current plans and procedures, building security, staff training, and parent education. As part of that review, we're also looking into the possibility of an armed safety officer at SOTI and what that would look like or mean for our community.

As part of that process, we also want your feedback as parents as we consider all of our options and whether or not this is a good fit for our school. The brief survey below gives you a chance to share your thoughts and help guide our next steps. Thank you for taking a few minutes to be part of this important conversation. Please complete this parent survey by 8:00 AM, Monday, November 3.

<u>Vision and Hearing Screening - Volunteers are still needed - Can you help??</u>

On Wednesday, November 12, 2025, we will be conducting hearing and vision screenings for our PreK, Kindergarten, 1st, 8th grade students and all new students joining SOTI this year. The screenings will be organized and supervised by the Lion's Association for Sight and Hearing of Maryland, Inc. (L.A.S.H.), who will also provide training for our volunteers.

To make this important event successful, we are seeking 15-18 VIRTUS-certified parent volunteers. While some parents will screen students, we also need additional hands to keep things flowing and walk students to and from the screening. There will be a training session for volunteers from 8:00 to 8:30 AM, after which screenings will continue throughout the school day until all students have been seen. Volunteers are welcome to participate for the entire day or for a portion of it.



Your support is crucial for this event to take place. We hope you will consider volunteering to help our students receive these essential screenings. **Contact Sue Toth, RN at** <u>stoth@schooloftheincarnation.org</u> **if you can help** or for any questions.

Sibling Applications for the 2026-2027 School Year

Applications for new students (**not current students**) are now available on our school website. Click here to apply - <u>Application Link</u>

Save the Date!

We are excited to welcome our grandparents and special friends to school on Tuesday, November 25, 2025 for a morning full of fun, laughter, and memory-making! Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details about this special tradition.



Feast Day Celebrations

Monday, November 3rd-

November 3rd is the Feast Day of **St. Martin de Porres** and students who are members of his house (Teal House) may dress out-of-uniform. Students must wear the color **TEAL** Students who have PE must wear sneakers. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for out-of-uniform guidelines.

Tuesday, December 9th-

Tuesday, December 9th is the Feast Day of **St. Juan Diego** and students who are members of his house (Orange House) may dress out-of-uniform. Students must wear the color **ORANGE**. Students who have PE must wear sneakers. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for out-of-uniform guidelines.

2025-2026 School Year

November 14: End of Trimester 1 - remote day for students

November 26 - 28: Thanksgiving break December 22 - January 2: Christmas break

February 27: End of Trimester 2 - remote day for students

April 3 - 10: Easter break

June 6: 8th Grade graduation June 10: Last day of school



*link to school calendar:

https://www.schooloftheincarnation.org/events/calendar

The Spirit Wear store is always open!!

The new Spirit Wear store will stay open year round. Items may change based on the season or special events. These items will be shipped directly to your home.

https://chesapeakedistribution.com/collections/school-of-the-incarnation



BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Our school and parish communities are blessed with many gifted individuals. Please consider volunteering your time and talents with the Beyond Program! Volunteers receive 50% off the registration fee for 1 child. If you have any questions or ideas for a club, please contact our school's Auxiliary Services Coordinator, Amy Santini at asantini@schooloftheincarnation.org

GENERAL INFORMATION REMINDERS

• Middle School Students who are in need of service hours can email Miss Santini to find out more about which clubs and what days are available for this opportunity.

- At the end of each club meeting, students are brought to the front doors to meet parents for pick up. Thank you for being on time, parking in the lot, and walking to the sidewalk to let the volunteers and/or Miss Santini know that you're taking your child. ESP students are taken back to their ESP class if parents haven't arrived.
- Snacks are optional. If brought, it should be a quick, healthy item (fresh or dried fruit or vegetable, applesauce pouch, and a small protein bar are great options). Please...NO candy, chips, cookies, etc. Labeling the food item with "club snack" is helpful to avoid it being eaten at lunch.



Parent Advisory Council News

First, we'd like to thank every single parent, teacher, administrator, middle school student, friend and relative that helped make SOTI Trunk or Treat a success! It was HARD work but we did it! The kids had a great time and that's all that matters!

We are having an upcoming Restaurant/Spirit Night on Tuesday November 11th at Lime and Salt in Odenton. Please see the flyer for all of the details. A reminder flyer will be coming home with your children in the days leading up to the event.

Of course, last but not least, it is nearing that time of year again as the holidays are right around the corner. You know what that means.... Christmas SOTI Express!!! ALL ABOARD!!!!! Mark your calendars for Friday December 5th! Highlights include a visit from Santa Claus, activities for the kiddos and so much more! Stay tuned.....

Finally, thank you again to everyone who has volunteered with us in the past and for those who have reached out to us offering your time and energy with future SOTI events. We couldn't do it without YOU!

Have a Happy Halloween! Melissa, Brittany and Theresa **SOTI PAC**

Used Uniform Sale - Winter Items Only!



Tuesday, November 4

Middle School Hallway



◯ 5:00−6:30 PM



Only winter uniform items will be sold at this sale.

Cash or checks accepted. All proceeds support the school — thank you for your support!

Donations welcome!

We're accepting uniforms from all seasons — please ensure items are:

- Clean, with no stains, rips, or holes
- Labeled with size (on masking tape on the front)
- Items should be in good to very good condition.

Note: Socks, stockings, accessories, and shoes can't be turned in for credit but may be added to the "Free" bin.

PAC Contact Information

Melissa Reagan, Brittany Musgrove & Theresa Booker PAC@schooloftheincarnation.org

PAC Facebook Page

Did you know the PAC has an <u>official Facebook page</u>? Join today to stay up to date on important PAC news and events! Please make sure you answer the qualifying questions to be added.

The God Spot

Adoration Volunteers Are Needed for November 7th

On Friday, November 7th we will have Adoration in our school chapel. We are looking for volunteer adorers to provide coverage for 30-60 minute blocks between the hours of 8:30-2:30. This will allow the teachers to bring their classes in for adoration according to their schedule throughout the day.

To volunteer, please click on this link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0849AFA92AA5F5C25-51656332-volunteers

For general information on Adoration, you may want to visit the following website for Catholic articles and resources: https://catholic-link.org/how-to-ao-to-adoration-eucharist/

Weekly Rosary

Parents, faculty, and staff are invited to participate in saying the rosary on Wednesday mornings at 7:15 a.m. in the chapel (enter through front doors – chapel through door to immediate right). We hope that you can join us for all or part of the rosary! Questions - please contact Ms. Hinton at chinton@schooloftheincarnation.org

From the Community

Are you interested in advertising your business?

JM Gaske prints the folders and Student Directory for School of the Incarnation. The cost of the folders and directory are paid by advertisers. Please see the attached flyer if you are interested in placing an ad on the folders or in our Student Directory for the 2026-27 school year.

*this is not a SOTI sponsorship - we are including the flyer at the request of JM Gaske





November 2025 Lunch Menu TOMMY'S FOOD SERVICE @ School of the Incarnation

"Great Food for Great kids"

Hamburgers\Cheese burgers French Fries Veggies 10 Corn Dogs or Chicken Nuggets French Fries Mixed Vegetables 17 Chicken Tenders or Chicken Nuggets French Fries Mataballs, Tossed Salad Chicken Nuggets French Fries Mixed Vegetables 18 Pancakes or French Toast Sticks Sausages, Tater Tots and Cinnamon Apples 19 Pancakes or French Toast Sticks Sausages, Tater Tots and Cinnamon Apples Pancakes or French Toast Sticks Sausages, Tater Tots and Cinnamon Apples Pancakes or French Toast Sticks Sausages, Tater Tots and Cinnamon Apples Penne in Marinara Sauce Meatballs, Tossed Salad Penne in Marinara Sauce Salad Penne in Marinara Sauce Meatballs, Tossed Salad Penne in Marinara Sauce Sal	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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Combo lunch is \$7.00. It includes the entrée, sides listed and a choice of milk, juice or water. **Hot dogs or grilled cheese** plus the sides and drink (milk, juice or water) is also a combo lunch. **See below for available daily items. The only exception is pizza day:** hot dogs and chicken nuggets are not available. We do not deep fry any food. **Prices and menu are subject to change without notice.**

Tuesday: Ice Cream Wednesday: Nachos Friday: Ice Cream

Available Daily		Available Daily		Extras When Available	
Hot dog	\$2.90	Chips	\$1.30	French Frie/Curley/Tots	\$2.95
Grillled Cheese	\$2.90	Yogurt (Yoplait)	\$1.80	Walking Taco	\$5.95
Chicken Nuggets	\$3.75	GoGurt Yogurt Tube	\$1.05	Mac and Cheese	\$3.95
Homemade Soup	\$2.90	Dole fruit cup	\$1.80	Buttered Noodles	\$2.90
Chicken Noodle or		Fruit (Apple or Orange)	\$1.50	Chicken Patty Sandwich	\$3.95
Tomato or		Fresh Fruit Cup/Cereal	\$2.50	Chicken Tenders (3 pcs)	\$3.75
Vegetable		String cheese	\$1.05	Cheeseburger/Hamburger	\$3.95
Salad/Sandwiches		Pudding/Jello	\$2.00	Corn dog	\$2.90
Side Salad	\$2.00	Tuesday and Pizza Days		Meatballs (4 pcs)	\$2.75
Chicken, Tuna, Egg, Lg. Garden	\$5.50	Ice cream cup	\$1.10	Meatball Sub	\$4.00
Beverage		Twister	\$2.10	Pancakes/French toast/Waffles	\$3.75
Gatorade/Propel	\$1.85	Scooter bar	\$1.60	Pizza (1 slice)	\$2.95
Milk or Juice	\$1.00	Supreme cup	\$3.75	Ciabatta Bread	\$5.50
Bottled Water	\$1.05	Cookies	\$1.30	Caprese Ciabatta Bread	\$6.00

Please call us at the school cafeteria 410-519-2285 Ext. 2504 or E-mail us at lunch@schooloftheincarnation.org for any inquiries.

Nutritional Info

Thank you, Tommy and Arianna



Grandparents & Special Friends Day



NOVEMBER 25, 2025



Invitations and other important information for this special day will be coming home soon. Until then, please let all grandparents and special friends know to SAVE THE DATE!





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100 Westgate Circle • Annapolis, MD





WIN A \$25 TARGET GIFT CARD

USE THE THEME TO CREATE YOUR POSTER.

- NO LARGER THAN 18 X 24 IN
- MUST BE ORIGINAL WORK
- COMPUTER GENERATED ART OR PRINTING NOT ALLOWED

DUE: NOVEMBER 6TH

TURN IN TO YOUR TEACHER
REMEMBER TO PUT YOUR
FIRST AND LAST NAME AND
YOUR GRADE ON THE BACK!

ONE WINNER CHOSEN FROM K-1-2 AND 3-4-5



New Family Referral Program

Our current Incarnation families are by far the best ambassadors for spreading the word about our school! Our New Family Referral Program rewards current families with a one-time \$250 tuition credit for referring a new family who applies and enrolls. Here's how it works:

- If you know of a family that you believe may be interested in School of the Incarnation, complete the "New Family Referral Form" below and submit to the school office.
- Reach out to the family and share your experiences at School of the Incarnation. Share with them the reasons you have chosen Catholic education and why you think they should do the same. Let them know that you have or will refer their information to the school and that an admissions representative will call or email them to provide more information.
- For each new family that applies and enrolls at least one full-time student, a \$250 tuition credit will be awarded to the current referring family after the new student has been in attendance for 30 days.
- Siblings of current students and previously enrolled students do not qualify as new families. Staff members are not eligible for the referral credit.
- Note that this form must be on file in the front office before the new family has contacted the school on their
 own for information or to visit so it is best to submit the form as soon as possible after speaking with the new
 family. In other words, the referral form is not retroactive and you are not eligible for the referral if the family
 contacts school before the referral.
- This referral program is open to all families with students currently enrolled in PreK4-Grade 8.
- Referral fees are limited to one per family per academic year.

<u>Current Family</u>	New Family				
Parent name(s)	Parent name(s)				
Student name(s) /Grade(s)	Student name(s)/Grade(s)				
Address	Address				
City, State, MD	City, State, Zip				
Phone	Phone				
Email	Email				
How do you know this family? \square Work \square	Friend □Relative □Neighbor				
	Community Other				
Incarnation with them. I understand that an Admi	this family and have shared the good news about School of the ssions representative from the school will be contacting this new family for a tour. I have read and understand the guidelines of the well at 410.519.2285 with any questions.				
Signature					
-Office use only- Form submission date					
Enrollment date \$250 tuition credit date					



We are looking for businesses to help underwrite the cost of our school publications.

If you would like to participate in these ad programs, please fill out the bottom portion of this page and return it to the school office, or call our printer directly.

Our children receive these items FREE from the advertisements.

If we are unable to utilize you as a sponsor at this time, we will contact you with the next available advertising space.

Thank you!

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