



# School of the Incarnation Newsletter

## Thursday, September 18, 2025

Friday, September 19th:	½ Day (Noon) Dismissal – <b>ESP closing at 2:30 PM</b> <b>Students must wear regular uniform - no PE uniforms</b> SOTI Groundbreaking - East Field 9:00 AM SOTI Homecoming 2:30 - 7:00 PM	
Sept. 19 - Oct. 2:	Scholastic Book Fair	
Monday, September 22nd:	School Closed - Faculty Retreat	
Tuesday, Sept. 23rd:	AOB High School Fair 5:30 - 7:00 PM	
Wednesday, Sept. 24th:	MAP testing for Grades 2nd - 8th 8:45 - 10:00 AM Grades K - 3 School Mass 1:30 PM	
Thursday, September 25th:	Dress Like Your Favorite Book Character out-of-uniform day- more info below	
Friday, September 26th:	Spirit Wear Day	
Monday, Sept. 29th:	Feast Day celebration of St. Lorenzo Ruiz: out-of-uniform day for <b>Black</b> House members only	
Wednesday, October 1st:	Grades 4 - 8 School Mass 1:30 PM	
Friday, October 3rd:	School Closed – Professional Development	
Wednesday, October 8th:	Picture Day for students in grades 5 - 8 (see below for more info)	
Thursday, October 9th:	Picture Day for students in grades PreK - 4 (see below for more info)	
Friday, October 10th:	Spirit Wear Day	
Monday, October 13th:	No school for Students - Parent/Teacher Conferences	
Tuesday, October 14th:	Feast Day celebration of Saint Carlo Acutis: out-of-uniform day for <b>Red</b> House members only	
Friday, October 17th:	Spirit Wear Day 8th Grade Retreat - Our Lady of the Fields 8:15 AM - 2:15 PM	
Wednesday, Oct. 22nd:	Feast Day celebration of St. Pope JP II: out-of-uniform day for <b>Yellow</b> House members only	
Thursday, October 23rd:	Kindergarten Field Trip - Maryland Zoo 8:45 AM - 2:30 PM	
Friday, October 24th:	Spirit Wear Day <b>PAC Trunk or Treat 6:30 - 8:00 PM - gates open at 5:30 PM</b>	
Monday, October 27th:	5th Grade Field Trip - Drownproofing - Arundel Swim Center	
Tuesday, October 28th:	5th Grade Field Trip - Drownproofing - Arundel Swim Center	
Wednesday, Oct. 29th:	House Meeting 8:30 - 10:00 AM - wear your house color!! School Mass 1:30 PM	

### **TOMORROW - PLEASE NOTE! Change to school calendar**

Tomorrow, Friday, September 19th: Even though it is a Friday - and Homecoming - ALL STUDENTS must wear their regular uniforms. (No PE uniforms or Spirit Wear).

### **TOMORROW!! Groundbreaking Ceremony**

We are thrilled to announce that the long-awaited day has finally arrived! After years of planning and dreaming, and thanks to the incredible generosity of our community, we are breaking ground on our new dedicated cafeteria addition. Please join us as we celebrate this exciting milestone together.

Date: Friday, September 19th

Time: 9 AM

Location: The East Field

We invite our entire school community to come and share in this joyful occasion!



## **Homecoming is TOMORROW!!**

One more sleep til Homecoming 2025! Bring your school spirit and join us this Friday from 2:30pm to 7pm when our dance and cheer team will perform and SOTI soccer, volleyball, and field hockey teams will play throughout the afternoon.

Free festivities include a petting zoo, pony rides, and an inflatable obstacle course. There will be ticketed activities including: face painting, food concessions and a beer and wine garden. And we've added Spirit hair tinsel for 7 tickets!

The pre-sale for tickets and t-shirts are closed. Tickets will be available for sale at the gate and our apparel vendor will be at Homecoming for custom sales as well.



## **Volunteers needed!**

We need your help to make Homecoming a success! Please consider signing up for one of the volunteer slots in the [Volunteer Sign Up Genius](#). Please note that this sign up is for staff and parents (a student volunteer sign up has already been shared with 8th graders).

Have Homecoming questions? Contact Myllisa Kennedy at [mkennedy@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:mkennedy@schooloftheincarnation.org).

**\*\*\*Thank you to our 2025 SOTI Homecoming sponsors\*\*\***

### **KNIGHT Sponsor**

***OnPoint Solutions, LLC***

### **Gold Sponsor**

***Caliber Tree Services***

### **Silver Sponsors**

***Arctic Fireproofing, Inc.***

***Horizon Builders***

***McCully Polyniak & Collins Funeral Home, P.A.***

***O'Neil Builders, Inc.***

***Rinconcito Mexicano***

## **SOTI Men's Basketball Open Gym**

Looking for a way to get your husband in shape? Or get him out of the house on Mondays and Thursdays so something other than football is on the television? Have him contact Mr. Keith Smith ([kbsmith@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:kbsmith@schooloftheincarnation.org)) for more information about men's basketball right here at SOTI!



## **Deadline Extended!! Parent Income Survey**

Each year, our school has the opportunity to receive important funding and services through federal and state programs. To ensure we qualify for the maximum benefits, we need your help by completing the 2025–2026 Income Survey, which directly supports programs that provide textbooks, technology, and building improvements. Please complete this important survey by October 1st: [Parent Income Survey Link](#)



## **Liturgy Choir**

Liturgy choir will meet Tuesday mornings from 7:30am-8:05am, starting September 9th. Additional practices will occur on days we hold Mass for extra practice, but are not mandatory. Liturgy choir is available to students 4th-8th grade. Please sign up here: [Liturgy Choir Registration Link](#)

## **AOB High School Fair**

On Tuesday, September 23rd, School of the Incarnation will host an Archdiocese of Baltimore High School Fair from 5:30 -7:00 pm. This year's event will be a "fair only" format for middle school families, and it's a wonderful opportunity to learn more about our Catholic high schools. Additionally, the High School Guide for the 2025-2026 school year can be found [here](#).

### **HSPT Prep Class Opportunity for 8th Graders**

As shared in our email to 8th grade parents earlier this week, *HSPT Prep* by Student Achievement Associates is offering a 9-week fall class for students preparing to take the HSPT this November. Families from School of the Incarnation who register by Thursday evening, September 11 will receive priority consideration. Participation is optional; students may also prepare individually by using resources such as the *Barron's HSPT Test Prep* book.

For details, cost information, and the registration link, please refer to the email or visit <https://hsptprepprograms.com>.

### **Duty Assistants for PreK, K & 1st Grade Needed**

SOTI is looking for a couple of duty assistants to help with PreK, K & 1st Grade from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM, Monday-Friday. This is a part-time, hourly position. Candidates must have a high school diploma or equivalent, a commitment to our school values, and some experience with children is preferred. If you are interested or have questions, please reach out to Lisa Hanson at [lhanson@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:lhanson@schooloftheincarnation.org). Interested candidates should send a resume.

### **Picture Day is Coming**

- Wednesday, October 8th for students in grades 5 - 7 and 8th grade Cap & Gown
- Thursday, October 9th for students in grades PreK - 4

There is no pre-ordering for individual picture day. Each family will receive an email within 2 - 3 weeks of picture day with a link to a private gallery. Packages, digital downloads and prints will be available. Orders will ship to the school, if placed by the deadline.

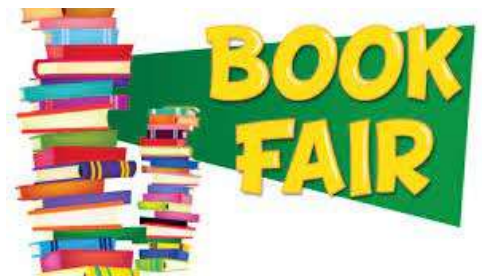


Students may come out of uniform, but should wear sneakers if they have PE. Please see the Parent Student Handbook for out-of-uniform guidelines.

8th grade students must wear their white button-down (winter uniform) shirt and boys must wear ties. The school will give students a graduation gown to wear over the winter shirt. 8th grade students can wear non-uniform shorts or pants with their uniform shirts. They can also wear a white t-shirt underneath their uniform shirt and take their uniform shirt off after their portrait. Please see the Parent Student Handbook for out-of-uniform guidelines.

### **Book Fair is Coming!!**

Get ready! The Scholastic Book Fair is coming our way (YAY!). Choosing their own books empowers kids and inspires them on their journey to becoming lifelong readers. AND—as always—every purchase at the Fair benefits our school. Here's what you need to know about the big event, which will take place:



Dates: September 19-October 2nd Hours will be posted soon.

***We are open during Homecoming!!***

### **Volunteers**

We are also looking for volunteers to help with our fair. You can sign up here: [Book Fair 2025 Sign Up Genius](#)  
More volunteer spots for middle schoolers who are looking for service hours have been added.

### **eWallet**

Say goodbye to cash and hello to eWallet—your child's digital payment account. Before the Fair, set up eWallet for worry-free, cash-free purchases. Anyone can contribute! Share each child's eWallet so friends and family can add funds and give your kids more books to enjoy. Click this link: [eWallet](#)

### Book Fair Online

If you can't make it to the Fair, then shop at our school's Book Fair online. All orders ship directly to your home, and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Every online purchase will also benefit our school. Visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more and get started with eWallet and online shopping: [Book Fair Homepage](#)

### Dress as your favorite book character day - Thursday, September 25th

Mark your calendars because Thursday, September 25 is a special day! You may dress like your favorite character from a book. Look around your house and throw something together, your child must be able to tell us which character and what book they are from. There will be prizes for costumes and all who dress up will get put in a drawing for a prize as well. Please remember that all costumes still need to follow School policy (Pg 62 in student/parent handbook) Please no face masks or makeup, no weapons or scary things.

### **Book Fair Hours:**

Friday, Sept. 19: Homecoming - Open 2:30 - 6:00 PM

Tuesday, Sept. 23: Students will make wish lists - Open 8am-4pm

Wednesday, Sept. 24: Students will make wish lists - Open 8am-4pm

Thursday, Sept. 25: Dress as your favorite book character day! Students will make wish lists - Open 8am-4pm

Friday, Sept. 26: Students may buy during class - Open 8am-4pm

Monday, Sept. 29: Students may buy during class - Open 8am-4pm

Tuesday, Sept. 30: Students may buy during class - Open 8am-4pm

Wednesday, Oct. 1: Students may buy during class - Open 8am-4pm

Thursday, Oct. 2: LAST DAY!! Students may buy during class - Open 8am-4pm

Please contact Mrs. Cunningham at [scunningham@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:scunningham@schooloftheincarnation.org) with any questions.

### **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>

### **It's band registration time!**

For more information about the School of the Incarnation Band Program: [Click Here!](#)

- o Registration form - Instrumental Music Program
- o Instrument rental - Music and Arts
- o Instrument demonstration video
- o Band schedule

Email: [benjamin.learish@gmail.com](mailto:benjamin.learish@gmail.com)

Phone: 443-877-9354



When do band lessons start?

Our first lesson is on Monday, September 29th. Beginner Band students will have lessons every Monday or Tuesday during the school day. A schedule will be provided as soon as the students' groups are established. Concert Band students will have lessons every Monday during the school day and after school from 3:15 - 4:15.

### **Feast Day Celebrations**

*Monday, September 29th-*

Sunday, September 28th is the Feast Day of **Saint Lorenzo Ruiz**. His Feast Day will be observed on Monday, September 29th and students who are members of his house (Black House) may dress out-of-uniform. Students must wear the color **BLACK**. Students who have PE must wear sneakers. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for out-of-uniform guidelines.

Tuesday, October 14th-

Sunday, October 12th is the Feast Day of **Saint Carlo Acutis**. His Feast Day will be observed on Tuesday, October 14th and students who are members of his house (Red House) may dress out-of-uniform. Students must wear the color **RED**. Students who have PE must wear sneakers. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for out-of-uniform guidelines.

### **2025-2026 School Year**

September 22: Faculty Retreat - No school for students  
October 3: Professional Day - No school for students  
October 13: Parent/Teacher Conferences - No school for students  
October 31: School Closed  
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>

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### **BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION**

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](mailto:asantini@schooloftheincarnation.org)

#### **UPDATE:**

If your child is on an interest list for a Trimester 1 club, an email will be sent by this Friday providing an update and additional information. Besides the Dance and Cheer Squad which has already been meeting, other Beyond Program clubs are scheduled to start by the end of September.

In the event that your child(ren) aren't able to participate in a club at this time, please look for options that will be provided in a school newsletter prior to Thanksgiving break for Trimester 2 clubs.

### **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



### **PAC Contact Information**

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

### **PAC Facebook Page**

Did you know the PAC has an [official Facebook page](#)? Join today to stay up to date on important PAC news and events! Please make sure you answer the qualifying questions to be added.

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# The God Spot

## **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](mailto:chinton@schooloftheincarnation.org)

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## From the Community

### **Healthy Kids Running Series**

Spalding hosts the Healthy Kids Running Series, a youth running event. We have various races from the 50 yard dash to the mile, depending on age. Click the link below for more information.

<https://runsignup.com/Race/MD/Severn/HKRSGreaterAnnapolisMD>

### **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Faith Formation**

Please see attached flyer for Faith Formation information and registration.

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Please join us for our SOTI Homecoming  
Tomorrow, Friday, September 19th  
2:30 - 7:00 PM  
GO KNIGHTS!!



# SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO THE  
**DEDICATED CAFETERIA ADDITION**  
GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

Friday, September 19, 2025  
9:00 A.M.

The East Field  
2601 Symphony Lane  
Gambrills, MD



**BUILDING THE FAITH**



**BUILDING OUR FUTURE**





# ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE HIGH SCHOOL FAIRS

DISCOVER WHY  
AOB HIGH SCHOOLS  
RISE ABOVE

ALL ARE WELCOME.

NO REGISTRATION  
REQUIRED.

HIGH SCHOOL FAIRS RUN  
FROM 5:30PM TO 7PM



**Catholic  
Schools**  
*Rise ABOVE*

## SEPTEMBER 2025

MON **15** ST. MARK, CATONSVILLE

TUE **16** ST. JOSEPH, FULLERTON

WED **17** IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, TOWSON

THU **18** SACRED HEART, GLYNDON

MON **22** RESURRECTION-ST. PAUL, ELLICOTT CITY

TUE **23** SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION, GAMBRILLS

WED **24** ST. URSULA, PARKVILLE

THU **25** ST. MARGARET, BEL AIR

MON **29** MOTHER MARY LANGE, BALTIMORE

## OCTOBER 2025

THU **02** ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, SEVERNA PARK



# 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.

## Current Family

Parent name(s)

Student name(s) /Grade(s)

Address

City, State, MD

Phone

Email

## New Family

Parent name(s)

Student name(s)/Grade(s)

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

Email

**How do you know this family?** ☐Work ☐Friend ☐Relative ☐Neighbor  
☐Church ☐Community ☐Other\_\_\_\_\_

**Any information we should know?**\_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, I confirm that I personally know this family and have shared the good news about School of the Incarnation with them. I understand that an Admissions representative from the school will be contacting this new family to provide more information and invite the family for a tour. I have read and understand the guidelines of the New Family Referral Program. Contact Casey Boswell at 410.519.2285 with any questions.

**Signature**\_\_\_\_\_

**-Office use only-** Form submission date\_\_\_\_\_ Contact date\_\_\_\_\_  
Enrollment date\_\_\_\_\_ \$250 tuition credit date \_\_\_\_\_

# FAMILY FAITH FORMATION



## 2025-2026 registration information

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

### Foundational Faith

*Ideal for those...  
new to the parish  
new child of school age  
in between sacraments*

**SEEK** and **ROOT** offer vibrant foundational catechetical experiences designed just for you! If your family has never tried family formation before, this is the perfect place to start.



SEEK: 4 At Church Sessions

### A Sacramental Path

#### First Reconciliation First Eucharist

**MEND** is a family experience of faith and forgiveness.  
**NOURISH** offers families engaging experiences nourishing their daily lives and deepening connection with God.



3 At-Church Sessions  
7 Home Family Meetings & 1 Retreat

#### Confirmation

**ZEAL** is a dynamic faith formation program designed to prepare children for Confirmation. Through engaging discussions, hands-on activities, prayer and reflection, participants will learn about the gifts of the Holy Spirit.



3 At-Church Sessions  
7 Home Family Meetings & 1 Retreat



6 Home Family Meetings  
6 Parent Mini-Series  
3 at-church sessions



3 At-Church Sessions  
7 Home Family Meetings & 1 Retreat

#### ZEAL Confirmation

9 - 10 yrs (Gr 4 and 5)  
11-12 yrs (Gr 6 and 7)  
13 yrs and High School

## REGISTRATION BEGINS MAY 1, 2025

### Interested in forming your family in the Catholic faith?

We invite you to learn more about Seton's Family Faith Formation for the upcoming school year. This style of formation is a hybrid model of ministry with gatherings at church and in the home. You are invited to meet with our Director for Marriage and Family Life, Sarah Jarzembowski to learn more and discuss how this ministry will work best with your family dynamics.

Schedule a time to meet today: <https://tinyurl.com/Sarah-J>

# FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

## 2025-2026 Activity Schedule



### THURSDAY'S 6-7:30 PM

October 2 - Session 1  
October 16 - Session 2  
October 23 - Session 3  
November 6 - Session 4

### WEDNESDAY'S 5-8 PM

(a meal will be shared)  
October 8 - Sessions 1&2  
October 29 - Session 3&4



### THURSDAY'S 6-7:30 PM

October 9 - Session 1  
November 13 - Session 2

### WEDNESDAY'S 6-7:30 PM

October 22 - Session 1  
November 19 - Session 2

### RETREAT OPTIONS

Saturday, December 6 (9am-12pm)  
Wednesday, December 10 (5-8pm)



### Confirmation for age 9 & 10

### THURSDAY'S 6-7:30 PM

February 26 - Session 1  
March 19 - Session 2

### WEDNESDAY'S 6-7:30 PM

March 4 - Session 1  
March 25 - Session 2

### RETREAT OPTIONS

Saturday, April 18 (9am-12pm)  
Wednesday, April 22 (5-8pm)



### THURSDAY'S 6-7:30 PM

January 8 - Session 1  
March 12 - Session 2  
April 16 - Session 3

### WEDNESDAY'S 6-7:30 PM

January 7 - Session 1  
March 18 - Session 2  
May 3 - Session 3



### THURSDAY'S 6-7:30 PM

January 22 - Session 1  
March 5 - Session 2  
April 23 - Session 3

### WEDNESDAY'S 6-7:30 PM

January 28 - Session 1  
March 11 - Session 2  
April 29 - Session 3

### RETREAT OPTIONS

Saturday, March 21 (9am-12pm)  
Wednesday, April 15 (5-8pm)

### Confirmation for age 11-13

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

### KICKOFF: SEPTEMBER 13

*parent and student theme*

### TIME IS HOLY

### SATURDAY'S 5:30-8:00 PM

*FOLLOWING 4:30 PM MASS  
FOOD INCLUDED*

October 11 - Session 1  
January 10 - Session 2

### WEDNESDAY'S 6-7:30 PM

October 15 - Session 1  
January 14 - Session 2

### RETREAT OPTIONS

Saturday, January 24 (Time TBD)

## TIME IS HOLY

ALL Families, new and old, should plan to participate in one of these options BEFORE starting the scheduled gatherings. Giving us an opportunity to learn the process of Family Formation and the value of Kiros = God's Time

Thursday's 6-7:30 pm  
September 18

Wednesday's 6-7:30 pm  
September 10

8th grade students have the opportunity to receive the sacrament of Confirmation with our High School Youth Ministry. For more information check the bulletin or reach out to [Michael.Fitzpatrick@seaseton.org](mailto:Michael.Fitzpatrick@seaseton.org)