

School of the Incarnation Newsletter



Thursday, September 19, 2024

Friday, September 20th: Spirit Wear Day

Sept. 23 - Oct. 3: Book Fair - see below for details and hours

Monday, Sept. 23rd: Middle School Parent Zoom Meeting: Topic - High School 6:30 PM

Tuesday, Sept. 24th: MAP testing for Grade 2 (Reading) 8:45 - 10:45 AM

AOB High School Fair 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Wednesday, Sept. 25th: MAP testing for Grades 3rd - 8th (Math) 8:45 - 10:45 AM Thursday, September 26th: Cafeteria Service begins for kindergarten students

MAP testing for Grade 2 (Language) 8:45 - 10:00 AM

Book Fair Dress Like Your Favorite Book Character Day

Friday, September 27th: ½ Day (Noon) Dismissal – ESP in session

House Meeting Day Spirit Wear Day

SOTI Homecoming 2:30 - 7:00 PM

Monday, Sept. 30th: Feast Day celebration of St. Lorenzo Ruiz: out-of-uniform ay for Black House members only

Thursday, October 3rd; 8th Gr. Retreat at Our Lady of the Fields Catholic Church 8:30 AM - 2:10 PM

Friday, October4th: School Closed – Professional Development

Monday, October 7th: School Closed - Faculty Retreat

Wednesday, October 9th: Picture Day for students in Grades 5 - 8
Thursday, October 10th: Picture Day for students in Grades PreK - 4

Friday, October 11th: Spirit Wear Day

2nd Gr. Field Trip - Shrine of St. Anthony 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Monday, October 14th: Feast Day celebration of Bl. Carlo Acutis: out-of-uniform day for Red House members only

Wednesday, October 16th: House Meeting Day Thursday, October 17th: School Mass 10:00 AM

Friday, October 18th: Spirit Wear Day

Tuesday, October 22nd: PAC Uniform Exchange and Sale in Marian Hall 5:30 - 6:30 PM

PAC Social 6:30 - 8:00 PM

IT'S ART CLUB TIME!

Both the 3rd through 5th and 6th through 8th grade art clubs are about to begin for the Fall session! Students are invited to attend after school on Tuesdays (6th-8th) and Wednesdays (3rd-5th) until 4:15. Students will create both canvas and clay artworks. Students will also have the opportunity to create a bowl on the pottery wheel. Art club is a fun and welcoming space for students to flex their creativity and work with their peers and Mrs. Murphy to create artwork of their very own.

These clubs will cap at 20 students each and is first come, first serve.

This club will run for six weeks, see dates on the sign up forms below:

- 3rd through 5th grade sign up form
- 6th through 8th grade sign up form



STUDENTS IN GRADES 4-8 ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION'S CHOIR

Meetings will be held in the Music Room with Mr. Alex Ashman on Tuesdays at 7:30 AM, starting Sept. 17th. The registration form link is provided as follows: https://pavit.nelnet.net/form/lm9Yh3KP

SOTI Theater Club Registration

Fall registration for the theater club is open! This fall, the theater club will be meeting every Thursday, starting September 26th, after school until 4:30pm. During that time we will learn more about the history of theater and all things that happen behind the scenes. The students will have the opportunity to write, direct, produce, and perform in their very own one act plays on Friday, December 13th. For more information, check out this <u>link</u> or the SOTI Studies Theater page! <u>REGISTER HERE!</u>



HOMECOMING 2024

Homecoming is just around the corner! SOTI soccer, volleyball and field hockey teams will be playing games throughout the afternoon. Festivities will include pony rides and a petting zoo, a moon bounce obstacle course, a beer and wine garden.

To reduce wait times, we have two ways to buy tickets for Homecoming activities and food. You can pre-purchase your tickets for Homecoming here: Homecoming 2024
Presale Tickets
You will be able to pick up at a will-call table on the day of the event.
You can also purchase tickets on site during the event.



<u>Pre-register for Food - Help us prepare by filling out this registration form to ensure enough food for our event.</u> Event prices can be found in the attached flyer.

SPONSORSHIP still available!

Advertise your business at SOTI Homecoming! <u>We still have two levels of sponsorship available.</u> Deadline to complete the sponsor form is Friday, September 20th. Questions? Contact Myllisa Kennedy at mkennedy@schooloftheincarnation.org.

Festivities will include pony rides, a moon bounce obstacle course, a beer and wine garden. SOTI soccer, volleyball and field hockey teams will be playing games throughout the afternoon.

Many thanks to our Homecoming 2024 Sponsors!

Knight Sponsor

CSM Lawn and Landscape

Gold Sponsor

Triad Medical Spa

Silver Sponsors

Chiron Technology Services
Design Your Destiny
SPARTEK Engineering

Parent Income Survey

Parents, we need your help! Please take a moment to complete the Parent Income Survey on behalf of our school. Your participation enables us to benefit from valuable State and Federal materials and services. **Survey Link**



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:



Monday 9/23	Tuesday 9/24	Wednesday 9/25	Thursday 9/26 Dress Like Your Favorite Book Character Day	Friday 9/27 Homecoming
Preview day for students	Preview day for students	Preview day for students	Students may buy during class	Students may buy during class
Open 3-4 pm	Open 3-4 pm	Open 3-4 pm	Open 11:30-4 pm	Open 8am-12pm Open 2:30-7pm

Monday 9/30	Tuesday 10/1	Wednesday 10/2	Thursday 10/3	Friday 10/4
Students may buy during class	Students may buy during class	Students may buy during class	Students may buy during class	School Closed
Open 8am-12pm Open 3-4pm	Open 11:30-4 pm	Open 8am-12pm Open 3-4 pm	Open 11:30-3:30pm Last Day	

Book Fair 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. 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

Book Fair Volunteers

We are also looking for volunteers to help with our fair. You can sign up here: Book Fair 2024 Sign Up Genius or visit our Book Fair homepage and click the "we are looking for volunteers" link

Dress Like Your Favorite Book Character Day

Mark your calendars because Thursday, September 26 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 draw 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.

Please contact Mrs. Cunningham scunningham@schooloftheincarnation.org with any questions.

SOTI Middle School Winter Sports Registration

Below, you will find the registration for winter sports (basketball and hockey). Please take a moment to fully read and complete the registration. All current information regarding tryouts can be found on the registration page. Students may participate in one sport per season. Therefore, you are able to register your child for basketball or hockey. If you have any questions, please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Keith Smith (kbsmith@schooloftheincarnation.org).



WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION

It's band registration time!

Mrs. Thamert, our band teacher, led a band demonstration today for students in grades 4-8. Mrs. Thamert will be reaching out via email/phone to assist those who are interested in registering. Please visit the band website for information regarding registration, instrument rental, and the band schedule.

For more information about the SOTI School Band Program:

- Band Website: https://sites.google.com/view/mrs-erin-thamert/home
- Registration Form click here
- Instrument Rental Flyer click here
- Instrumental rental website https://www.musicarts.com/rentals
- Email: knightchic@aol.com
- Phone: 410.486.4322



8th Grade Registration for HSPT

Registration for the High School Placement Test (HSPT) is currently open online. You may access the site via the link below, and our **deadline for registration is Tuesday**, **November 26**, **2024**. Please, note that a \$45.00 fee is required to be paid online at the time of registration.

For students who qualify to receive accommodations, parents must upload official copies of educational test results by November 22nd. This is a firm deadline because the system will lock afterward, preventing further uploads.

https://stsusers.com/stsusers/registration/static/baltimore.php

SOTI students will take the exam in school on Wednesday, December 4th, and it is important that they register to test at School of the Incarnation. The high schools are listed in the first section on the registration site, and you will need to scroll through those choices to find the elementary/middle schools toward the bottom of the page.

As always, you may request to have results sent to three Archdiocese of Baltimore high schools. You may also select two Archdiocese of Washington schools for an additional \$10.00 each. (Please, note that there is no refund offered for the ADW school fees.)

House Feast Day Celebrations

Monday, September 30th-

Saturday, September 28th is the Feast Day of **Saint Lorenzo Ruiz**. His Feast Day will be observed on Monday, September 30th 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.

Monday, October 14th-

Saturday, October 12th is the Feast Day of **Blessed Carlo Acutis**. His Feast Day will be observed on Monday, 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.

Tuesday, October 22nd-

Tuesday, October 22nd is the Feast Day of **Pope St. John Paul II** and students who are members of his house (Yellow House) may dress out-of-uniform. Students must wear the color **YELLOW**. Students who have PE must wear sneakers. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for out-of-uniform guidelines.

ESP Teachers/Aids Needed for 24-25 School Year

2024-2025 School Year

School Closed (Professional Day)- Friday, October, 4, 2024 School Closed (Faculty Retreat) - Monday, October 7, 2024

Thanksgiving Break: November 27 - 29, 2024

Christmas Break: December 23, 2024 – January 1, 2025 School Closed (Professional Day) - Friday, March 21, 2025

School Closed - Monday, March 24, 2025

Easter Break: April 18 - 25, 2025 8th Grade Graduation: May 31, 2025

Last day of classes for students (Grade K-7): June 5, 2025



*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

Volunteer Certification

If you are new to School of the Incarnation and would like to volunteer or chaperone for an upcoming event or field trip, you must complete Virtus training. Please follow the steps outlined on our website. The link can be found here: https://www.schooloftheincarnation.org/resources/parent-volunteering

If you need assistance or have questions, please contact Lisa Hanson, Volunteer Screening Coordinator, at lhanson@schooloftheincarnation.org

Returning parents who have already completed Virtus training can contact Lisa Hanson to check your Virtus status.

BEYOND

SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION

BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Please consider giving the gift of your time and talents! VIRTUS certified family members (parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, close friends) are also welcome to volunteer.

GENERAL INFORMATION REMINDERS

For families enrolled in the school's Extended School Program (ESP):

If your child participates in Beyond Program clubs, they will listen for their club name to be called and then meet their group's leader and Miss Santini at dismissal time. The ESP staff is provided rosters for all clubs. At the end of the club meeting, all students are brought to the front doors to check if a parent has arrived for pick up. If needed, ESP students are sent to their ESP class for regular pick up.

For Preschool and Kindergarten families:

Although club options are not provided at this time for Trimester 1, certain clubs will become available for these grade levels during Trimester 2 and 3.

UPDATE FOR TRIMESTER 1

Most families who completed interest forms in early September should have already received email updates with the status of their particular club(s). Additional emails will be sent this week indicating whether registration can occur or if students are not able to be accommodated for this first trimester. If a club isn't able to form, or students are not able to participate for whatever reason, the hope is to offer many of the same options again for Trimester 2 and/or Trimester 3.

If you have any questions or ideas for a club, please contact our school's Auxiliary Services Coordinator, Amy Santini at asantini@schooloftheincarnation.org



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



Parent Advisory Council News

PAC Uniform Exchange/Sale and Social

Tuesday, October 22nd in Marian Hall Uniform Exchange/Sale 5:30 - 6:30 PM (Winter Uniform begins on Monday, November 4th) PAC Social 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Save the Date - Trunk or Treat

Our annual Trunk or Treat will be held on Friday October 25th from 6:30-8:00 PM.



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!

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From the Community

Holy Family Youth Ministry Kickoff - Sept 28, 6-8:30pm, Unity Hall

Calling all middle & high school youth and their families to come to Holy Family on Saturday, September 28, immediately following the 5pm Mass for a Glow Party with laser tag! There will also be free food, make your own t-shirt, games, music, raffle prizes and more. Please pre-register on holyfamilychurch.com by Sept 25 to get the t-shirt size you want. Bring the whole family and let's glow!

Softball Skills Clinic

St. Vincent Pallotti High School will be hosting a Softball Skills Clinic for 6th-8th grade girls on October 27th from 1 PM to 3 PM. This clinic is a fantastic opportunity for prospective students to experience their softball program firsthand while learning more about Pallotti.

Participants will work with the coach and current players to enhance their fielding and batting skills. It's also a great chance for families to learn about our school's academic programs and the admissions process.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> or see the attached flyer for more details and registration information.

Homecoming 2024 September 27 2:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Activity & Food Price List 1 Ticket = \$1

Ticketed Activities

Face Painting 5 to 10 Tickets
Caricatures 5 Tickets

Free Activities

Balloon Animals, Petting Zoo, Pony Rides, Obstacle Course, Spirit Nail Polish, and Temporary Tattoos

Food Concessions

Hamburgers 3 Tickets
Hot dogs 2 Tickets
Chips 1 Ticket
Bottled water 1 Ticket
COOKIES 1 Ticket
GATORADE 2 Tickets

Other Food Items

Bake Sale Items 1 Ticket
Cotton Candy 3 Tickets
Peppermint Lemon Sticks 2 Tickets

Beer & Wine Garden

Light Beer 4 Tickets Amber Beer 4 Tickets India Pale Ale 4 Tickets Oktoberfest 4 Tickets Pumpkin Beer 5 Tickets Seltzer 5 Tickets High Noon 5 Tickets Wine 5 Tickets

Snowballs Sold separately by vendor for \$4.00-6.00



2024 HOMECOMING SPONSORSHIP

Contact Information Name:
Organization Name:
Address:
Email:
Phone:

Please choose a sponsorship level and return this form with payment by <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>September 18th</u>

□ Knight Sponsor \$1000 (one available)

- Banner recognition in the beer garden
- Banner moved adjacent to the school sign and remain throughout October,
- 4 complimentary T-shirts and spirit items to cheer for SOTI teams

□ Gold Sponsor \$750 (one available)

- Sign recognition on the scoreboard during the event
- Sign to remain on property throughout Fall Sports season
- 2 complimentary T-shirts and spirit items to cheer for SOTI teams

□ Silver Sponsor \$500

- Sign recognition during the event
- Sign to remain on property throughout October
- 2 complimentary T-shirts and spirit items to cheer for SOTI teams

□ Maroon Sponsor \$250

- Sign recognition during the event
- Complimentary T-shirt and spirit items to cheer for SOTI teams



2024 HIGH SCHOOL FAIRS

Our 2024 High School Fairs are offered from **6:00pm** to **7:30pm** according

to the following schedule:

MONDAY, SEPT. 16, 2024 St. Mark School, Catonsville

TUESDAY, SEPT. 17, 2024

St. Margaret Middle School, Bel Air

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 18, 2024

Resurrection-St. Paul School, Ellicott City

THURSDAY, SEPT. 19, 2024

Immaculate Conception School, Towson

MONDAY, SEPT. 23, 2024

St. Joseph School, Fullerton

TUESDAY, SEPT. 24, 2024

School of the Incarnation, Gambrills

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 25, 2024

St. Ursula School, Parkville

THURSDAY, SEPT. 26, 2024

Sacred Heart School, Glyndon

MONDAY, SEPT. 30, 2024

Mother Mary Lange School, Baltimore City

THURSDAY, OCT. 3, 2024

Monsignor Slade School, Glen Burnie

Registration Not Required. All Are Welcome!



PART

ALL MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH & FAMILIES INVITED.

SEPT 28, 6-8:30PM
UNITY HALL @ HOLY FAMILY
CATHOLIC CHURCH

FOOD, GAMES, MAKE YOUR OWN TSHIRT, RAFFLE PRIZES & MORE!



REGISTER ON HOLYFAMILYCHURCH.COM OR RSVP TO CATHERINE.OYSTER@HFCCMAIL.ORG





Date: October 27th 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Location: St. Vincent Pallotti High School

For: 6th-8th Grade Girls Interested in Attending

St. Vincent Pallotti and Playing Softball

Are you passionate about softball and considering St. Vincent Pallotti High School? This FREE clinic is for you!

Join our Head Varsity Coach, **Phillip Tomlin**, and take part in drills to enhance your fielding, batting, and overall softball skills. You'll also get the chance to meet current players and learn about our softball program, academic offerings, and student life at Pallotti.

Clinic Highlights:

- Fielding & Batting Drills
- Meet & Greet with Coaches and Players
- Learn about St. Vincent Pallotti's Softball Program, School, and Admissions Process

Scan to Register or Email



Head Softball Coach
Phillip Tomlin
ptomlin@pallottihs.org



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	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 F	riend □Relative □Neighbor		
□Church □ (Community Other		
Any information we should know?	•		
Incarnation with them. I understand that an Admiss	nis family and have shared the good news about School of the ions representative from the school will be contacting this new mily for a tour. I have read and understand the guidelines of the at 410.519.2285 with any questions.		
Signature			
	Contact date		