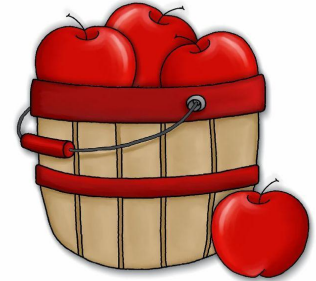


School of the Incarnation Newsletter

Thursday, September 21, 2023

Friday, September 22 nd :	Spirit Wear Day
Tuesday, Sept. 26 th :	AOB High School Fair 6:00 – 8:05 PM
Sept. 26 – Oct. 5:	Scholastic Book Fair - Library
Thursday, September 28 th :	Cafeteria Service begins for kindergarten students
Friday, September 29 th :	½ Day Dismissal – ESP in session Spirit Wear Day SOTI Homecoming 2:30 - 7:00 PM
Tuesday, October 3 rd :	Band Lessons begin
Thursday, October 5 th :	School Mass 10:00 AM
Friday, October 6 th :	School Closed – Professional Development
Friday, October 13 th :	Spirit Wear Day
Wednesday, Oct. 18 th :	Individual Student Pictures for Grades 5 - 8
Thursday, October 19 th :	Individual Student Pictures for Grades PreK - 4th
Friday, October 20 th :	½ Day Dismissal - ESP in session Spirit Wear Day
Monday, October 23 rd :	School Closed - Faculty Retreat
Wednesday, Oct. 25 th :	Kdgn. Field Trip to Maryland Zoo 8:45 AM - 2:00 PM
Friday, October 27 th :	Spirit Wear Day 8th Grade Retreat at Our Lady of the Fields 8:30 AM - 2:10 PM PAC Trunk or Treat 6:30 - 8:00 PM - more info to come



Homecoming Countdown!

Join us Friday, September 29th from 2:30 to 7:00 p.m. for SOTI Homecoming! Festivities will include pony rides, an inflatable obstacle course, face painting, hair tinsel, and a beer and wine garden. And our soccer, volleyball, and field hockey teams will play throughout the afternoon.

[Homecoming Ticket Presales 2023](#) Purchase tickets in advance [HERE](#) to pick up at the will-call table. You can also purchase tickets at the event. Homecoming shirt online sales are closed but our vendor will be at the event for custom sales.

[Pre-register for Food](#) Help us prepare by [filling out this registration form](#) to ensure enough food for our event.

[Sponsorships Still Available](#) We have GOLD and MAROON sponsorships available. Deadline to complete the [sponsor form](#) is Friday 9/20.

Thank you to those who have already purchased sponsorships: including our **KNIGHT sponsor, Horizon Builders; and **GOLD** sponsors CSM Lawn & Landscape, The Clark Financial Consulting Group, OnPoint Solutions, LLC, T & K Home Inspections, Caliber Tree Services and Querétaro Restaurant.**

[Call for Volunteers](#) We would love your support at Homecoming. Please consider signing up for one of the [volunteer slots in the SignUp Genius](#) to make this an amazing community event.

Have Homecoming questions? Contact Myllisa Kennedy at mkennedy@schooloftheincarnation.org.

Dress Like Your Favorite Book Character Day

Mark your calendars because Wednesday, September 27th is a special day! Students may dress like their favorite character from a book. Students 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 be put in a drawing for a prize as well. Remember that all costumes still need to follow School policy (Pg 52 in student handbook.) Please no face masks, makeup, weapons or scary things.

Mark your calendar - NJHS Meeting Dates

NJHS will meet in the school library on the third Thursday of the month from 3:00 - 4:00 PM on the following dates:

- September 21
- October 19
- November 16
- January 18
- February 15
- March 21
- April 18
- May 16

Attention 8th Grade Students and Parents - HSPT Registration

Registration for the High School Placement Test (HSPT) is open. You may access the form via the link below, and our **deadline for registration is Wednesday, November 22, 2023**. Please, note that a \$45.00 fee is required to be paid online at the time of registration.

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

As always, you may request to have results sent to three Archdiocese of Baltimore high schools. This year, 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.)

It is also important to understand that you may only select Archdiocese of Washington schools when you first register. However, you can edit those choices by changing the selected schools up until the day of the test. For example, if you do not select an ADW school when you first register, you cannot add one later. If you select only one ADW high school, you will not be able to add a second one later. For the Archdiocese of Baltimore schools, you may add, delete, or edit up until the day of the test.

SOTI students will take the exam in school on Wednesday, November 29th, 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. (Only students from public schools and/or those scheduled for make-ups will be tested at high schools. Please, do not select a high school as your testing site because they will contact us and request that you change your registration.)

For students who qualify to receive accommodations, parents must upload official copies of educational test results by November 16th. This is a firm deadline because the system will lock afterward, preventing further uploads. Per Archdiocese requirements, a doctor's note or a copy of an accommodation plan will not suffice, and test results must be from at least 5th grade or more recent. All students who plan to attend a Catholic High School MUST take the HSPT in order to apply. Students applying to public schools may also take the test for the experience and to gather relevant information pertaining to their skill levels. However, they are required to register and tentatively select at least one Catholic High School if they wish to test.

For questions, you may contact Kristin Jacobs: [kjacob@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org)

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>

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:

Book Fair Hours

Monday 9/25	Tuesday 9/26	Wednesday 9/27	Thursday 9/28	Friday 9/29 Homecoming
Preview Day for Students	Preview Day for Students	Book character costume contest/ 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 10/2	Tuesday 10/3	Wednesday 10/4	Thursday 10/5	Friday 10/6
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 11:30-4:30pm Last Day	

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

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

We are also looking for volunteers to help with our fair. You can sign up here:

Book Fair 2023 Sign Up Genius

or visit our Book Fair homepage and click the "we are looking for volunteers" link

Catch you at the Fair!

Please contact Mrs. Cunningham

scunningham@schooloftheincarnation.org with any questions.

ESP and Homecoming Activities

ESP will be in session during Homecoming Friday, September 29th. ESP students will remain with their group leaders until they are dismissed to their parent/guardian. ESP staff will not have the ability to take students to Homecoming activities.

Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)

Attention all military, postal, and federal civilian SOTI families- it is time to enroll for the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)! School of the Incarnation is a participating charity in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), which allows federal employees to donate to non-profit organizations through workplace giving.

Please consider designating SOTI on your CFC pledge form. Our school's CFC code is #94557.

Check out the CFC giving website for more information at <https://cfcgiving.opm.gov/welcome>

We thank you for your support!

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 Megan Johannes, Volunteer Screening Coordinator, at mjohannes@schooloftheincarnation.org.

Returning parents who have already completed Virtus training can contact Megan Johannes to check your Virtus status.

Save the Date for HOMECOMING

Join us Friday, September 29th from 2:30 to 7 p.m. to cheer on our SOTI soccer, field hockey and volleyball teams and for an afternoon of family fun including food, games, and entertainment. Please see the attached flyer for details!



AOB High School Fair

School of the Incarnation will be hosting an Archdiocese of Baltimore High School Fair on Tuesday, September 26th from 6:00 pm - 8:05 pm. The Open Fair takes place from 6:00 pm - 6:30 pm, followed by three breakout sessions. Registration is not required.

More information on AOB High School Fairs can be found here:

<https://basecamp.com/2809065/projects/16347021/messages/104596641>

Click this link to access the High School Guide:

<https://www.archbalt.org/schools/our-schools/high-school-admissions/>

ESP Teachers/Aids Needed

Do you know a college student or older high school student who loves to work with children and is looking for some part-time work? Our ESP program is still in need of additional staff for the afternoons (3:15-5:30 PM). In order to be considered for ESP Teacher positions, the candidate must be 18 years old. Teens 16-18 are eligible to be considered for assistant positions. Please contact Lisa Bucci, lbucci@schooloftheincarnation.org for more information.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Our school community is blessed with many gifted individuals. Please consider volunteering your time and talents with the Beyond Program: <https://forms.gle/gqJKYfGtwJ6fBi299>

The following clubs are still in need of additional volunteers:

Please email Miss Santini by the end of the school day on Monday, Sept. 25th if you're available to help make these clubs happen by volunteering! These will be proposed again for Trimester 2 and/or 3 if we're unable to have registration in time for Trimester 1.

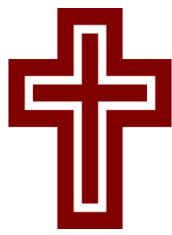
- FIRST Lego Discover Club (1st grade) day TBD
- Coding & Technology Club (4th-5th grade) on Wednesdays
- Arts & Crafts Club (1st-2nd grade) on Thursdays
- Knightly Readers Book Club (2nd grade) day TBD
- SOTI Scientists Club (3rd-4th grade) day TBD
- Knights' Chess Club (2nd-3rd grade) day TBD

GENERAL INFORMATION REMINDERS

Notes about volunteering for Beyond Program Clubs/Teams:

- Volunteers must be current with their VIRTUS certification
- One child in the same club group as the parent volunteer (or other adult family member) receives 50% off their registration fee as a thank you.
- Arrival time at school: no later than 2:45 PM (park against a curb or in the small lot/late lot area to avoid carline dismissal procedures)
- *Due to the expectation for volunteers to be fully present to lead, supervise, and manage the safety of those within their club, as well as space limitations in some cases, siblings are not permitted to attend club meetings.*

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



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



Parent Advisory Council News

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!

Save the Date - Trunk or Treat

Our annual Trunk or Treat will be held on Friday October 27th from 6:30-8:00 PM.



SCHOOL OF THE
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HOMECOMING 2023

Friday, September 29
2:30 - 7:00 pm
Stein Athletic Field

SCHEDULE

2:30 - Gates Open
3:00 - Opening Ceremonies
3:15 - Girls Soccer
4:00 - Girls Volleyball
4:00 - Beer & Wine Garden Opens
4:15 - Boys Soccer
5:15 - Girls Field Hockey
6:30 - Last Call
7:00 - Homecoming Ends

FESTIVITIES

Beer & Wine Garden (21+)
Concessions by Tommy's
Snow Cones
Moon Bounce
Hair Tinsel & Face Painting
Pony Rides
Spirit Wear Sale
and more...

Pre-registration link coming soon!

October 2023 Lunch Menu
TOMMY'S FOOD SERVICE @ School of the Incarnation
"Great Food for Great Kids"

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Chicken Patty Sandwich , waffle fries and veggie	3 Cheese Ravioli with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	4 Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	5 10am Mass Pizza Day  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.	6 SCHOOL CLOSED Professional development day
9 Chicken Tenders , homemade mac and cheese and veggie	10 Pasta Shells with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	11 Philly Cheesesteak , French fries and veggie	12 Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	13 Pizza Day  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
16 Cheeseburger , French fries and veggie	17 Rotini with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	18 Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	19 Pizza Day  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.	20 EARLY DISMISSAL CAFETERIA CLOSED
23 SCHOOL CLOSED Faculty retreat	24 Spaghetti with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	25 K Field trip Walking Taco , Spanish rice and corn	26 Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	27 8 th Grade retreat Pizza Day  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
30 Chicken Nuggets/Corn dogs , Homemade mac and cheese and veggie	31 Cheese Ravioli with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad			

Combo lunch is \$6.50 it includes the **entrée**, choice of milk or juice or bottled water. **Hotdog or grilled cheese**, plus a side & drink (milk, juice or bottled water) is also combo lunch. **Available daily except pizza day**: variety of subs, hotdog, and grilled cheese sandwich, homemade soup, pretzel and **freshly baked cookies daily**. Nachos on Wednesdays, ice cream on Tuesdays & pizza days. We do not deep fry any food. **Prices and menu may change without notice.**

Available Daily		Available Daily		Not Available Daily	
Hot dog	\$2.75	Cookies	\$1.25	French Fries	\$2.75
Grilled Cheese	\$2.75	Chips	\$1.25	Rice or Mashed Potato	\$2.75
		Soft Pretzels	\$1.50	Waffle/Curly Fries/Tater tots	\$2.95
Homemade Soup		Pretzel Logs/Bites	\$1.95	Buttered Noodles	\$2.75
Chicken Noodle	\$2.75	Fruit (Apple or Orange)	\$1.50	Chicken Patty Sandwich	\$3.95
Tomato	\$2.75	Fresh Fruit in a Cup	\$2.50	Chicken Tenders (3 pcs)	\$3.50
Vegetable	\$2.75	Yogurt (Yoplait)	\$1.75	Cheeseburger/Hamburger	\$3.95
		GoGurt Yogurt Tube	\$1.00	Corn dog	\$2.75
Salad		String cheese	\$0.60	Meatballs (4 pcs)	\$2.50
Greek, Chicken, Tuna or Egg	\$4.75	Veggie (tossed salad, carrots or sliced cucumber)	\$2.00	Meatball Sub	\$4.00
				Pancakes (3)/French toast sticks (3-4)	\$3.50
Beverage		Tuesdays and Pizza Days ONLY		Philly Cheesesteak	\$4.50
Milk or Juice	\$0.90	Ice cream cup	\$1.00	Pizza (1 slice)	\$2.85
Bottled Water	\$1.00	Twister	\$1.75	Mac and Cheese	\$3.95
Gatorade/Propel	\$1.75	Scooter Bar	\$1.50	Cheese Ravioli (7 pcs)	\$3.95
		Wednesdays ONLY		Walking Taco	\$4.25
		Nachos, Chips and Cheese	\$2.75	Fish sandwich	\$4.00

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

Thank you, Tommy and Ivanna



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 _____

<p>-Office use only- Form submission date _____ Contact date _____ Enrollment date _____ \$250 tuition credit date _____</p>
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