

School of the Incarnation Newsletter



Thursday, September 4, 2025

Friday, September 5th: Feast Day of St. Teresa of Kolkata: out-of-uniform day for Blue House members only

Spirit Wear Day

Monday, September 8th: Cafeteria Service begins for students in Gr. 1-8

Tuesday, September 9th: In-Person Back-to-school Grades 4, 5, 7 and 8 6:30 – 8:30 PM Thursday, September 11th: In-Person Back-to-school Grades 1, 2, 3 and 6 6:30 – 8:30 PM

Friday, September 12th: Spirit Wear Day

Monday, September 15th: Middle School Parent High School Information Zoom Session

Tuesday, September 16th: MAP testing for Grades 2nd - 8th 8:45 - 10:45 AM Wednesday, Sept. 17th: MAP testing for Grades 2nd - 8th 8:45 - 10:00 AM Thursday, September 18th: Cafeteria Service begins for kindergarten students

Friday, September 19th: ½ Day (Noon) Dismissal – ESP in session

Spirit Wear Day

SOTI Groundbreaking 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

Friday, September 26th: Spirit Wear Day

Monday, Sept. 29th: Feast Day celebration of St. Lorenzo Ruiz: out-of-uniform day for Black House members only

Friday, October 4th: School Closed – Professional Development

Back-to-School Nights

On **Tuesday**, **September 9th parents of students in grades 4, 5, 7, 8** are invited to attend Back-to-School Night beginning at 6:30 PM.

- For grades 7 & 8: Parents will follow a designated schedule beginning at 6:30 PM and ending at approximately 7:50 PM.
- For grades 4 & 5: Teachers will present two identical sessions 6:30 7:15
 PM and 7:30 8:15 PM. Parents will meet all three teachers in the grade during one 30-minute session.



On **Thursday**, **September 11th parents of students in grades 1, 2, 3, 6** are invited to attend Back-to-School Night beginning at 6:30 PM.

- For grade 6: the teacher presentations will begin at 6:30 PM and end at approximately 7:50 PM.
- For grades 1, 2 & 3: Teachers will present two identical sessions. 6:30-7:00 PM and 7:10-7:40 PM. Announcements will be made to indicate the ending of each session. This allows parents to move to other grade levels if they have multiple children.

^{**}Due to space limitations, Back-to-School Nights on September 9th and 11th are for parents only.

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 Sept. 18th: Parent Income Survey Link

Duty Assistants for PreK, K & 1st Grade Needed

Looking for a reason to get out of the house for a few hours a day? Know someone who has some time to spare? 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. Interested candidates should send a resume.

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: <u>Book Fair 2025 Sign Up Genius</u> More volunteer spots will be added to volunteer during school hours soon.

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:

<u>Book Fair Homepage</u>

Catch you at the Fair!

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

Student Directory 2025-2026

We are in the process of compiling and publishing our 2025-2026 SOTI Student Directory. If you would like any information about your child (name, address, phone number) withheld from the Directory, please complete the attached form and return the completed form to Mrs. RaVell in the school office or send Directory information to withhold via email to jravell@schooloftheincarnation.org Deadline to respond is Friday, September 12th.

Homecoming Countdown!

Join us **Friday**, **Sept. 19th from 2:30 to 7:00 p.m.** for SOTI Homecoming 2025! Festivities include a petting zoo, an inflatable obstacle course, face painting, and a beer and wine garden. Our soccer, volleyball, and field hockey teams will play throughout the afternoon.





Pre-register for food. Help us prepare by filling out this registration form to ensure enough food for our event.

Sponsorships are still available! The deadline to complete the sponsor form is Friday 9/12.

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

*Thank you to our SOTI community businesses that have already purchased sponsorships!!!

KNIGHT Sponsor

OnPoint Solutions, LLC

Gold Sponsor

Caliber Tree Services

Silver Sponsor

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It's band registration time!

Mr. Learish, our band teacher, will lead a band demonstration on Monday, September 8th for students in grades 4-8. He will also be reaching out via email/phone to assist the parents of 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 School of the Incarnation Band Program:

Band Website - 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

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.



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.





Cafeteria Lunch service

Cafeteria lunch service will begin on Monday, September 8th for students in Grades 1 – 8. Students in Kindergarten will begin cafeteria lunch service on Thursday, September 18th. Please click on this link for more information regarding lunch accounts and procedures:

https://www.schooloftheincarnation.org/resources/hot-lunch

** Please remember School of the Incarnation is a peanut-free environment. Peanuts and peanut butter may not be brought to school. This includes snacks such as crackers with peanuts, peanut candies, trail mix that contains peanuts, etc. Foods that may contain peanuts are permitted.

Groundbreaking Ceremony - Save the Date!

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!



MAP Testing for students in grades 2 - 8

The Archdiocese of Baltimore uses the MAP assessment for standardized testing. MAP is an online, untimed assessment that will be administered three times a year in the fall, winter, and spring to students in grades 2 - 8.

- ★ Reading: Tuesday, September 16th 8:45 10:45 AM
- ★ Language: Wednesday, September 17th 8:45 10:00 AM
- ★ Math: Wednesday, September 24th 8:45 10:45 AM

Feast Day Celebrations

TOMORROW!! Friday, September 5th-

Friday, September 5th is the Feast Day of **Saint Teresa of Kolkata**. Students who are members of her house (Blue House) may dress out-of-uniform on her Feast Day. Students must wear the color **BLUE**. Students who have PE must wear sneakers. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for out-of-uniform guidelines.

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.

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.

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



BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION

The goal of the Beyond Program is to provide students with a variety of opportunities to explore, be creative, and have fun with their peers while engaging in areas of interest "beyond" the regular school day.

Registration fees for clubs within this program apply towards facilities management, materials/supplies, administrative costs, paid personnel, vendor fees, prizes/treats, and some clubs have t-shirts, program "kits" and separate required organization fees.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Our school and parish communities are blessed with many gifted individuals. Please consider volunteering your time and talents with the Beyond Program! Within each interest form below is an area to let us know what days you are available. Volunteers receive 50% off the registration fee for 1 child.

INTEREST FORMS - Due tomorrow, Friday, Sept. 5th

Interest forms gauge the number of potential participants and adult volunteers for each club. More than one club form may be completed per child. Families who fill out these forms will be emailed updates and additional details, along with the registration links for whoever can be accommodated for that club/team. Once a club has their first session of the trimester, additional registrations cannot be accepted.

- *FIRST Lego Robotics Challenge Teams (5th-8th gr): https://forms.gle/Egfw1ZdRzMPEhFcK6
- *FIRST Lego Explore Teams (3rd-4th gr): https://forms.ale/8qY8pa9rHGcyRB347
- *FIRST Lego Discover Club (1st-2nd gr): https://forms.gle/mk4skDvcDBd3edv5A
- *Creation and Imagination Club (1st-4th gr): https://forms.gle/muzwHGpzTY4LMUCe6
- *Coding and Technology Club (4th-5th gr): https://forms.gle/UiLpQ149DpybKbP37
- *Guys on the Go Running Team (boys 3rd-5th gr): https://forms.gle/Pizkg5ggkrMh5Ahg6
- *Junior Joggers Running Club (co-ed 1st-2nd gr): https://forms.gle/Kf3cCFCmhwDJc7z6A
- *Arts and Crafts Club (1st-3rd gr):_https://forms.gle/9SvbLeWsZyQQCRei8
- *The Environmental Experts Club (1st-2nd gr): https://forms.gle/4fy1N65gHa7axD8Q9
- *The SOTI Scientists Club (3rd-4th gr): https://forms.gle/G3riEZDMSwQ3fGdU7
- *Knights' Chess Club: (5th-8th gr): https://forms.gle/mZx9CtkCxwC32W7L7

Girls on the Run Fall 2025 Season for grades 3-5

Registration is now open through September 10th and a "lottery" will be held on September 11th to create the SOTI team. Each team member will need a running buddy (adult to run the course with her) in order to be able to participate in the 5K on November 23rd.

Registration link: Girls on the Run

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 that club name to be called at dismissal and then meet their group's leader and Miss Santini. The ESP staff is provided with all rosters. At the end of a club meeting, students are brought to the front doors or outside near the flag poles to check if a parent has arrived for pick up. If needed, ESP students are sent back to their ESP class.

For Preschool and Kindergarten families:

Although clubs are not provided for Trimester 1, some options will be available during T2 and T3.

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



Parent Advisory Council News

Volunteers Wanted

You can sign up using these links:

PAC volunteer list
Room Parent Interest form

Stay tuned for more updates and event announcements!

As always, please feel free to reach out with any questions, suggestions, or simply to say hello. We look forward to partnering with you for a joyful and impactful year!

Melissa, Brittany & Theresa 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.



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

Holy Family Parish Mission: Eucharistic Encounter with Fr. Declan Sat, Sep 13, 2025 5:00 PM - Tue, Sep 16, 2025 8:00 PM

Come experience Jesus like never before, at our Parish Mission! Holy Family Parish joyfully welcomes Fr. Declan Gibson of the Most Holy Eucharistic Foundation (Most Holy Eucharist Foundation | Most Holy Eucharist Fr. Declan will celebrate all Masses the weekend of: Saturday & Sunday, September 13–14 (5 pm, 8:30 am, 10:30 am)

Then, deepen your encounter with Christ in the Eucharist during two evenings of grace-filled teaching:

- Monday, September 15 at 7:00 PM
- Tuesday, September 16 at 7:00 PM
- Join us for a Potluck dinner in Unity Hall at 6 pm!
- Both talks will be held in the church
- The talks will be followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. An opportunity for Reconciliation will be available. God is calling you!

Calling OLF 2nd grade parents!

Applications for 1st Reconciliation and Eucharist are not being accepted for parishioners of Our Lady of the Fields. Please apply at: https://www.ourladyofthefields.org/first-sacraments-preparation/
Parent Orientation is September 24th

School Directory 2025/2026

number published in the school directory and return the form to the school office or email your request to Jennifer RaVell at jravell@schooloftheincarnation.org by Friday, September 12th.						
I/We do <u>NOT</u> wish to have the following information published in the school directory. Please check the appropriate box(es) of information you <u>don't</u> want listed in the directory.						
□ Name □ Address □ Pho	ne Number					
Family Name:						
Student Name:	G	Grade	Teacher			
Student Name:	G	Grade	Teacher			
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SAVE THE DATE

HOMECOMING 9 - 1 9 - 2 0 2 5

Celebrate 25 years
of SOTI pride
with family & friends!

Details to follow in the school newsletter.



GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

Friday, September 19th • 9 AM

September 2025 Lunch Menu

TOMMY'S FOOD SERVICE @ School of the Incarnation

"Great Food for Great kids"

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2	3	4	5
Cafeteria Closed	Cafeteria Closed	Cafeteria Closed	Cafeteria Closed	Cafeteria Closed
8 Chicken Tenders or Chicken Nuggets French Fries Carrots Sticks	9 Rotini in Marinara Sauce Meatballs Tossed Salad	10 Corn Dogs or Chicken Nuggets French Fries Mixed Vegetables	11 Pancakes or French Toast Sticks Sausages, Tater Tots and Cinnamon Apples	Pizza Day PASILIS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
15 Hamburgers or Cheeseburgers French Fries Veggies	16 Shells in Marinara Sauce Meatballs Tossed Salad	17 Pancakes or French Toast Sticks Sausages, Tater Tots and Cinnamon Apples	Pizza Day PAPA JOHNS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.	19 Homecoming Cafeteria Closed
Cafeteria Closed	Cheese Ravioli in Marinara Sauce Meatballs Tossed Salad	24 Walking Taco Bar Spanish Rice Steamed Corn	25 Pancakes or French Toast Sticks Sausages, Tater Tots and Cinnamon Apples	Pizza Day PAPA JOHS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
29 Chicken Patties Waffle Fries Carrots Sticks	Penne Pasta in Marinara Sauce Meatballs Tossed Salad			

Effective April 1st, 2025, we will implement a modest increase to our menu prices, the first since 2020.

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.

<u>Tuesday</u>: Ice Cream <u>Wednesday:</u> Nachos <u>Friday</u>: Ice Cream

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Hot dog	\$2.90	Chips	\$1.30	French Frie/Curley/Tots	\$2.95
Grillled Cheese	\$2.90	Yogurt (Yoplait)	\$1.75	Walking Taco	\$5.95
Chicken Nuggets	\$3.75	GoGurt Yogurt Tube	\$1.05	Mac and Cheese	\$3.95
Homemade Soup	\$2.90	Pretzel Logs	\$1.95	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
		Side Veggie/salad	\$2.00	Corn dog	\$2.90
Salad/Sandwiches		Pudding/Jello	\$2.00	Meatballs (4 pcs)	\$2.75
Chicken, Tuna, Egg, Lg. Garden	\$5.50	Tuesday and Pizza Days Only		Meatball Sub	\$4.00
Side Salad	\$2.00	Ice cream cup	\$1.10	Pancakes/French toast/Waffles	\$3.75
Beverage		Twister	\$2.10	Pizza (1 slice)	\$2.95
Milk or Juice	\$1.00	Scooter bar	\$1.60		
Bottled Water	\$1.05	Wednesdays ONLY			
Gatorade/Propel	\$1.85	Nachos, Chips and Cheese	\$2.80		

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



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



SEPTEMBER 2025

MON 15 ST. MARK, CATONSVILLE

TUE **16** ST. JOSEPH, FULLERTON

WED 7 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 12 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	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		