School of the Incarnation Newsletter

December 9, 2021

December 8 – 17: Friday, December 10 th : Tuesday, December 14 th : Thursday, December 16 th : Friday, December 17 th :	Student Council Cereal Drive Spirit Wear Day or Army/Navy wear Giving Back backpack packing day Christmas Pageant 7:00 PM 7 th Grade Science Fair Spirit Wear Day	
Monday, December 20 th : Tuesday, December 21 st :	Tag Day – see below for details 12:15 Dismissal – No PM ESP Wear an Ugly Christmas Sweater Day	
December 22 – January 2: Monday, January 3 rd :	School Closed – Christmas Break School resumes Reenrollment for current students begins	
Thursday, January 6 th : Friday, January 7 th : Friday, January 14 th :	School Mass 10:00 AM Spirit Wear Day 12:15 Dismissal Spirit Wear Day	A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A

Friday, December 10th

Tomorrow, Friday, December 10th is a Spirit Wear Day. To celebrate the annual Army/Navy football game, students may also choose to wear Army/Navy gear. Please see page 47 in Parent Student Handbook for out of uniform guidelines.

Tag Day - Monday, December 20th

Student Council has declared Monday, December 20th a Tag Day. The theme is Pajama Day – students may wear their favorite pajamas to school. Slippers may be worn but must be brought to school in a bag and changed into once your child is in their homeroom. Students who have PE on Fridays must wear sneakers. **The cost to dress out-of-uniform is \$1 – dollar bills only please – no coins.** The money collected will be donated to Giving Back. Please see page 47 in Parent-Student Handbook for out of uniform guidelines.

Ugly Christmas Sweater Day – Tuesday, December 21st – 12:15 Dismissal for all students – No PM ESP

On Tuesday, December 21st students may dress out of uniform. This is a free out-of-uniform day. Students are asked to wear ugly Christmas sweaters, other Christmas themed clothes or simply red and/or green. Please remember the dress guidelines for a tag day apply – page 47 in Parent/Student Handbook.

Reminder - Late Arrival Protocol

Per school policy, students arriving to school after 8:15 AM need to be signed in to school at the front door. Parents signing in their child(ren) late to school should scan the Sign In/Out QR code with their phone which will direct them to our digital Sign in/Sign Out Form. Once a parent has completed the sign in/sign out form, someone from the front office will admit the student into the building.

The Cereal Drive is Back!

The Student Council of SOTI is proud to announce that it is again sponsoring the annual cereal drive to assist those friends and neighbors who are in need at this time of year. The Student Council is collecting boxes of cereal through December 17th. We are asking that each student donate at least one box of cereal. Students will place their cereal boxes in a designated large box in their classroom between 12/8-12/17. These boxes will be donated to the Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Food Pantry and to the organization SPAN - Serving People Across Neighborhoods.

Our goal is to donate 1,000 boxes. Let's show everyone that the SOTI spirit of giving is alive and well this holiday season! Go Knights! We can do this! Thank you!

Applications for 2022-2023 school year

Applications for new students (**not current students**) are available on our school website. Applications should be submitted by February 4, 2022, to be considered in the first round. If you know a family interested in attending SOTI, please complete the attached referral form.

**Reenrollment for current students begins on Monday, January 3, 2022.

School Calendar changes

The Archdiocese of Baltimore has recently granted some flexibility to schools allowing them to add three more half days to the school calendar. These additional afternoons will provide some much-needed time to our faculty. These days also coincide with school breaks or long weekends which perhaps will provide some additional flexibility for families.

The following days will be 12:15 dismissal days:

- Tuesday, December 21, 2021 (no PM ESP)
- Thursday, March 17, 2022
- Friday, May 27, 2022

Please note that since December 21st is now a 12:15 dismissal, there will be NO AFTERNOON ESP on that day.

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications are now open for the 2022-2023 school year. The deadline to apply for Grant and Aid will be February 28, 2022. There will not be any exceptions to this deadline. FACTS is the validation software used by the Archdiocese of Baltimore, the school and the parishes to verify the applications. FACTS does not provide any aid. Aid is awarded by the AOB, the school and parishes. The application can be found through this link: <u>https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3C65P</u> If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to Caroline Agresti, Business Manager at <u>cagresti@schooloftheincarnation.org</u>.

Giving Back - Holiday Help for the Homeless of Baltimore and Annapolis

With Christmas only a few weeks away, there is still time to make your donations for our yearly backpack drive. Being that the need is even greater this year, Giving Back ordered supplies for 3,000 backpacks. A \$25 donation buys a complete backpack filled with warm clothes that could be lifesaving to a homeless person. All donations will need to be made online <u>Donate here</u> (Please choose School of the Incarnation as your group in the 4th box.)

We are so excited to be able to host our traditional Backpack Day at School of the Incarnation on Tuesday, December 14th. Any adult who holds a current Virtus certification is welcome to come volunteer to set up on Monday, Dec 13 (6:00-7:30pm), as well as during our Backpack Day on Tuesday, Dec 14th (7:45-11:30am). Our Warmth Tree is also in the lobby. Any hats, gloves, socks or scarves put on it will be taken to shelters on Christmas Eve. Small stuffed animals can also be placed on the tree to be given to the children we meet during our deliveries.

More information about this year's drive and how to get involved can be found on <u>www.homelessdrive.org</u> If you would like to volunteer with Giving Back to organize donations or do shelter visits click <u>here for the</u> <u>SignUpGenius</u>

If you have any questions, please contact Sandi Dlugonski <u>sdlugonski@schooloftheincarnation.org</u>

SOTI Men's Basketball Open Gym



We are looking into the idea of starting an open gym for the men of the SOTI community to play basketball. We would like to make this available once or twice a week from 7:30-9:30 PM. The first step is to see what the interest level would be for such a thing. If you would be interested in joining us for a little basketball, please take a moment to fill out the <u>SOTI Men's Basketball Interest Survey</u>. This is not a registration commitment! Just a survey!

Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)

Attention all military, postal, and federal civilian SOTI families- the **Combined Federal Campaign** is wrapping up its enrollment period! **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. **Our school's CFC code is #94557. It is not too late to designate SOTI on your CFC pledge form.** We thank you for your support!

Knott Scholarship Applications

4th and 8th grade students may be eligible to apply for a **Knott Scholarship** this year. Students in 4th grade may apply for a scholarship for 5th-8th grade, and 8th graders may apply for a scholarship for 9th-12th grade. Please see the attached flyer for details to determine eligibility. Applications for the 2022-2023 school year are due by March 25, 2022, at 5:00 PM.

For questions, please contact Kristin Jacobs: kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org Visit<u>www.knottscholar.org for more information</u>

Help Wanted

Tommy's Food Service is looking for part time help in the cafeteria. If you are interested, please email <u>lunch@schooloftheincarnation.org</u>

Recess Monitors Needed

Are you looking for a way to volunteer at school? We are looking for volunteers to come in and help during outdoor recess for our 4th through 8th grade students. Volunteers must be Virtus certified. If interested please contact Jackie Haslinger at <u>jhaslinger@schooloftheincarnation.org</u>

Substitute Teachers Needed

SOTI is looking to build up its substitute teacher pool. If you have availability during the day and are interested in supporting our school by stepping into the gap when our teachers are out, please send your resume or reach out to Kristin Jacobs at kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org

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 Jackie Haslinger for more information jhaslinger@schooloftheincarnation.org

2022-23 OLF HNS Scholarship Program

Our Lady of the Fields Holy Name Society is offering two \$1000 scholarships for the 2022-2023 school year. Application is open to all Our Lady of the Fields parishioners with children attending or planning to attend the School of the Incarnation from grade 1 to 8.

Applications are available at Our Lady of the Fields parish office or online at OurLadyOfTheFields.org under Announcements. Completed applications must be received in a sealed envelope at the OLF Parish office by January 31, 2022. Every attempt will be made to notify the selected recipient in order to meet the SOTI registration requirement.

All applications will be held in strictest confidence and destroyed upon completion of the selection process.

Contact Bill Schummer at 410-923-2596 or <u>wschummer@comcast.net</u> for any questions.

December 2021 Lunch Menu TOMMY'S FOOD SERVICE @ School of the Incarnation "Great Food for Great Kids"

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Corn dogs or Chicken Nuggets , fries and fresh veggie	2 Breakfast for lunch Pancake, or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	3 Pizza Day PAPA JOHDS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
6 Chicken Patty Sandwich, French fries and fresh veggie	7 Cheese Ravioli with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	8 Soft beef tacos , Spanish rice and corn	9 Breakfast for lunch Pancake, or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	10 Pizza Day PAPA JOHNS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
13 Cheeseburger, French fries and fresh veggie	14 Spaghetti in marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	15 Baked Potato Bar with cheddar cheese, bacon, broccoli, butter and sour cream	16 Breakfast for lunch Pancake, or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	17 Pizza Day PAPA JOHNS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
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Combo lunch is \$5.75 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 salads, sandwiches, hotdog, and grilled cheese sandwiches, homemade soup, soft pretzels and **freshly baked cookies**. Nachos on Wednesdays, ice cream on Tuesdays & pizza day. We do not deep fry any food. **Prices and menu may change without notice.**

		Ala Carte Price List Only Not available daily			
Available Daily:		Available Daily:		Buttered noodles	\$2.75
Hotdog	\$2.75	Cookies	\$1.25	Chicken Patty Sandwich	\$3.75
Grilled Cheese	\$2.75	Potato Chips (1oz)	\$1.00	Chicken tenders (3pcs)	\$3.25
Turkey & Cheese Sub	\$3.40	Pretzel	\$1.25	Chicken wings (4pcs)	\$4.50
Ham & Cheese Sub	\$3.40	Fruit (whole apple or orange)	\$1.40	Cheeseburger	\$3.75
Homemade Soup:	\$2.75	Fresh Fruit in Cup (sliced)		Corndog	\$2.75
chicken noodle		Yogurt (Yoplait)	\$1.35	Meatballs (4pcs)	\$2.50
tomato		Veggie (tossed salad, carrots or sliced		Meatball sub	\$2.75
cheesy potato		cucumber)	\$2.00	Pancake 3/ French toast stick	\$3.25
bean soup		Tuesdays & Pizza day only		Philly cheesesteak	\$3.75
Assorted Salad:	\$4.25	Ice cream	\$1.00	Pizza (1 sliced)	\$2.30
Greek, Chicken, Tuna,	or Egg	Twister	\$1.50	Popcorn Shrimp	\$3.75
Beverage:	00	Wednesday only:		Soft beef taco (1)	\$1.15
Milk or juice	\$0.80	Nacho Chips w/ cheese	\$2.25	Mac N Cheese	\$3.75
Bottled water	\$1.00	Not Available Daily:		Ravioli (7 pcs)	\$3.75
Gatorade/Propel	\$1.50	French Fries or Tater tots Rice or Mashed potato	\$2.75 \$2.75	Ziti	\$3.75

Please call us at the school cafeteria 410-519-2285 Ext. 2504 or E-mail us at <u>lunch@schooloftheincarnation.org</u> 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 <u>after the new student has been in attendance for 30 days.</u>
- 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	<u>New Family</u>
Parent name(s)	Parent name(s)
	Student name(s)/Grade(s)
Address	Address
City, State, MD	City, State, Zip
Phone	Phone
Email	Email
How do you know this family? \Box Work \Box Friend \Box Relative \Box Neighbor	
	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