School of the Incarnation Newsletter

February 2, 2023

Jan. 26 th – Feb. 8 th : Jan. 29 th – Feb. 4 th :	NJHS Soup collection – see below for more information Catholic Schools Week
Friday, February 3 rd :	Students wear assigned color by grade level Middle School dance 3:00 – 6:00 PM
Thursday, February 9 th : Friday, February 10 th :	Free out-of-uniform day – Jersey Day – read below for more details Spirit Wear Day PAC Father/Daughter Dance 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Saturday, February 11 th : Tuesday, February 14 th :	Wine, Food & Brew 7:00 – 11:00 PM – see below for more information Happy Valentine's Day
Wednesday, February 15 th : Thursday, February 16 th :	Due date for Intent to Re-enroll with \$200 fee 5 th Gr. Field Trip – Biz Town 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Friday, February 17 th :	¹ / ₂ Day Dismissal – ESP in session No school for PreK and Kindergarten students Spirit Wear Day
Monday, February 20 th : Friday, February 24 th :	School Closed – Presidents' Day
Friday, March 3 rd :	School Closed – Professional Development End of Trimester 2
March 6 th – 10 th : Friday, May 12 th :	Wine, Food & Brew Out-of-uniform pass week The Gala 7:00 – 11:00 PM – more information to come

Catholic Schools Week Activities

Friday, February 3: Students

 Students/staff will dress by assigned colors per grade level PreK & 8th: Blue K & 4th: Orange

1st & 6th: Green 2nd & 5th: Purple 3rd & 7th: Red

- In the afternoon, students will meet with prayer pals to exchange saint/culture gifts.
- Schoolwide living rosary at the end of the day students seated and participate in grade levels with their prayer pals.

Wine, Food & Brew

Have you purchased your tickets? Ticket sales are closing on Monday. Read below for more details.

Souper Bowl

The NJHS is collecting cans of soup for Happy Helpers for the Homeless from January 26th - February 8th. Please consider assisting them in this act of service. If each student donates at least 1-2 cans of soup, it will go a long way toward achieving the overall goal of collecting 1,000 cans. The soup cans can be submitted to homeroom teachers and will be retrieved periodically by NJHS students.

A DRESS DOWN JERSEY DAY WILL BE THE REWARD IF WE ARE ABLE TO COLLECT 1,000 cans!!

**As of yesterday, 1308 cans of soup have been collected!! Students may wear their favorite team jersey or team colors for a free out-of-uniform day next Thursday, February 9th. Please remember out-of-uniform guidelines apply (pg. 50 in the Parent Student Handbook).

Monday, February 14th – Celebrate St. Valentine's Day

On Tuesday, February 14th students may wear Valentine/red/pink accessories (socks, bows, headbands, necklaces, ties, etc.) with their uniform. It is **not** a Tag Day or an out-of-uniform day.

BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION

If you have any questions about or ideas for a club, or would like to offer your time and talents, please contact our school's Auxiliary Services Coordinator, <u>Amy Santini</u>.

The Knights of the Kitchen Cooking Club members finished their meetings this week. Final tasty foods prepared included homemade bread, pasta, and meatballs, as well as Ramen noodles (taste tested pre-packaged versus fresh) with a variety of toppings. We thank the volunteers, Mrs. Beach, Mrs. Tupino, and Mr. Gill for their dedication and hard work to help make this Winter session a success and lots of fun for the club members!

The Arts and Crafts Clubs created a variety of wintry projects (snow scenes using the "pointillism" method, snowpeople, snowflakes) and animals (penguins, polar bears) as well as activities centered around Catholic Schools Week during their final meetings. Thank you to the volunteers who gave their time to these clubs for our youngest students: Mrs. Feld, Mrs. Huntington, Mrs. Reagan, Mrs. Akingbade, Mr. Vicino, Mrs. Medina, and Mrs. Louth.

The Knightly Readers Book Club finished the novel "The One and Only Ivan" and have begun reading the graphic novel "New Kid." Group members are creating their own comics based on various themes during each meeting. Thank you to Mrs. Carmody for helping with this group.

The Lego Explore Team has been busy working on their display boards, final projects, and coding various items to prepare for their presentation for their families next week. That will conclude their season together, which began back in September. A big thank you to Mrs. Kavukat who took on the task to moderate so its members could participate in this STEM oriented program!

The following clubs are being proposed for Trimester 3/Spring session.

THESE LINKS WILL CLOSE ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6th, so please fill out any that are of interest to your child(ren) ASAP.

- Guys on the Go Running Team (boys 3rd-5th) <u>https://forms.gle/fKpMTp4TzAQUXXdt7</u>
- Junior Joggers Running Club (Kindergarten-2nd) <u>https://forms.gle/NcsiNERPYdKgJEfH6</u>
- Knights on a Mission Outreach Club (all grades) <u>https://forms.gle/qPNuNTEHCNSHrPqu9</u>
- Environmental Club Caring for Creation (Preschool-3rd) https://forms.gle/DGrzUCPGZ69ghKPd9
- Science Club (all grades) <u>https://forms.gle/tov4YPeQacVDmcbN7</u>
- Chess Club (2nd-8th) <u>https://forms.gle/u9oaeqzp5Tms9Wg86</u>
- Coding and Technology Club (4th-5th) <u>https://forms.gle/gfpcm67vj9svPFBi8</u>
- Arts and Crafts Club (Preschool-5th) <u>https://forms.gle/xNWe9Hjwvv14pS7b7</u>
- Cultural Cooking Club (6th-8th) <u>https://forms.gle/J6UFKWzCLStpZrRr8</u>

Registration form links will be sent once volunteers have been confirmed for a particular club, hopefully within the next week or so. They will be sent to the number of students/grade levels able to be accommodated who have completed the interest forms.

SAVE THE DATE!

We are bringing The Gala home! After 10 years off-site, we will be hosting The Gala on Friday, May 12, 2023 on our school campus! Catering will be provided by Blackwall Barn & Lodge and back by popular demand, the 80's cover band The Reagan Years, will help us dance the night away!

Formal invitation with ticket information and event details coming soon! Sponsorship packages will also be available. This event sold out last year, so you will want to get your tickets fast!

2023-2024 School Year

First day of classes for students: August 28, 2023 Christmas Break: December 21, 2023 – January 2, 2024 Easter Break: March 29 – April 5, 2024 Last day of classes for students: June 6, 2024 <u>Wine, Food & Brew</u> - Saturday, February 11, 2023 7:00-11:00 pm GREAT NEWS!! Ticket sales have been extended. Sales will close on Monday 2/6/2023 at 9:00 am. Don't delay... buy your tickets today. REMEMBER! There will not be ticket sales at the door.

https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/wfb2023?token=1274876678

EVENT DETAILS - We will be serving heavy hors d'oeuvres, a signature cocktail, beer, wine and soft drinks. There will be door prizes throughout the evening and a DJ to ensure a fabulous fun filled evening. This is sure to be a great night. You won't want to miss it!

ONE WEEK Out-of-Uniform fundraiser - Parents that buy tickets to the event, can also purchase passes for their child(ren) at the special discounted event only price. Students may be out of uniform the week of March 6th.

Here's how the out-of-uniform pass pricing works (EVENT ATTENDEE PRICE ONLY):

* If you have two children, the cost is \$20 each (total \$40) If you have more than two children, each additional child will only cost \$10. (Example: 4 children=\$60, 5 children=\$70 etc.)

*Staff members may purchase an out of uniform for the week too! The price structure will work the same. Staff member will be \$20, first child would also be \$20, any additional children would be \$10 each.

AFTER EVENT PRICE - Available until 3/2/2023 (the after-event purchase link will become available on Sunday, February 12th)

*If you have two children, the cost is \$25 each (total \$50) If you have more than two children, each additional child will only cost \$15. (Example: 4 children=\$80, 5 children=\$95 etc.)

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TWO NEW OPTIONS FOR WINE FOOD AND BREW- Once you have purchased your tickets for the event online, you will have the option to purchase a SOTI signature glass and/or the out-of-uniform passes at the attendee only rate.

Girls on the Run Registration

Girls on the Run (GOTR) is back for the spring season! GOTR is a fun whole body health program for girls in grades 3 through 5. Participants learn about positive relationships, healthy habits, and girl power all while practicing for a 5K! Our spring season begins on February 16. Practices will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school until 4:15 PM. The spring 5k will be at Druid Hill Park on April 30 - all team members will need a running buddy (adult to run with her) for this event. **Registration is open from January 23 through February 5.** Go to www.gotrchesapeake.org to register. Space is limited - after registration closes a lottery will be run to determine team members. Feel free to reach out to Sarah Spaulding with questions (sspaulding@schooloftheincarnation.org).

MIDDLE SCHOOL SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION

Play ball! Based on the responses we received from the initial survey, we have enough interest for a middle school baseball team (maybe even two). Please take a moment to officially register your child for baseball; even if you already completed the survey. Below you will find the registrations for middle school baseball and lacrosse. All information regarding tryouts can be found using these links. If you have any questions, please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Keith Smith (kbsmith@schooloftheincarnation.org).



Re-enrollment for current students for 2023-2024

The re-enrollment process to secure your child's seat at School of the Incarnation for the 2023-2024 is open now. It is important for us to know which students are returning before we begin to offer spots to new applicants. Please login to your School Admin account to complete the "Intent to Re-Enroll" Form and pay the re-enrollment fee. The re-enrollment fee will go up according to the fee schedule below.

\$200 if paid between January 31st and February 15th If not paid by February 15th, your child's spot will be released.

The intent to re-enroll and payment of the fee is the first step in the re-enrollment process. The second step includes the signing of your contract, initiating your FACTS agreement, and payment of the tuition deposit. This will be launched in early February with a deadline of March 15, 2023. The first tuition payment will be in July 2023.

We require the intent to re-enroll from each student who is enrolled this year. If you know you are not reenrolling for 2023-2024, please complete the form with your intent to not enroll.

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications are now open for the 2023-2024 school year. The deadline to apply for Grant and Aid will be February 28, 2023. 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>.

Applications for 2023-2024 school year

Applications for new students (**not current students**) are now available on our school website. Applications should be submitted by February 3, 2023, to be considered in the first round. If you know a family interested in attending SOTI, please complete the attached referral form.

SOTI Summer Camp Dates and Themes

Below are the dates and themes for our summer camp – check future newsletters for more information!

- June 19-23 Around the World
- June 26-30 Lego Week
- July 3-7 Olympic Week (Red/White/Blue)
- July 10-14 Christmas in July
- July 17-21 Cooking Week (No Kitchen needed)
- July 24-28 Vacation Bible School (VBS)
- July 31- August 4 All About Animals

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



Parent Advisory Council News

SOTI Superbowl Fundraiser- TOMORROW IS THE LAST DAY TO ORDER!!

Friday, 3 February is the last day to order a chilled nugget tray from Chick-Fil-A for Super Bowl Sunday! SOTI will earn \$8 for each tray sold during our fundraiser. The class who sells the most chilled nugget trays will be treated to a donut breakfast by the PAC! See attached flyer for order link.

*Trays may be picked up at the Waugh Chapel Chick-Fil-A on Saturday February 11th after 11:00 a.m.

Save the Date - Irish Fest is Back!

The SOTI Irish Fest is back! Join us on Saturday March 11th for music, food, and family fun! More details to come. If you would like to help plan or volunteer during the event, please contact Zach Ragland (<u>zach.ragland@gmail.com</u>)



Weekly Rosary

Parents, faculty, and staff are invited to participate in saying the rosary on Wednesday morning 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! With any questions, please contact Mr. Stehle at <u>cstehle@schooloftheincarnation.org</u>

Adoration Volunteers Needed

We will be having First Friday Adoration in our school chapel. We are looking for volunteer adorers to provide coverage for 30-60 minute blocks between the hours of 8:30-2:30. This will allow the teachers to bring their classes in for adoration according to their schedule throughout the day. If you are interested and would like more information please contact our Adoration Coordinator, Mr. George Fritz- (301)440-2342 or <u>George@Horizonbuildersinc.net</u>

For general information on Adoration, you may want to visit the following website for Catholic articles and resources: <u>https://catholic-link.org/how-to-go-to-adoration-eucharist/</u>

Community News

Attention 8th grade students – Need volunteer hours??

St. Joseph Catholic Church in Odenton is having their Annual Mardi Gras Pancake Supper on February 21st. Kids under the age of 14 are allowed to volunteer if they have a parent or guardian volunteering with them.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0948A8AF29A0F5CE9-mardi

Men's Retreat

Please join us at our upcoming Men's Retreat at Holy Family Church the morning of Saturday February 25, 2023! Please see the attached flyer for more information.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040f4aafaa29a3f58-mens#/

You're invited to School of the Incarnation's 4th Annual



Your ticket includes Food & Drink and raffle

for door Prizes and Drawings Every Hour

This is a 21 and over event.



MARIAN HALL

2601 Symphony Lane Gambrills, MD **TICKETS** \$40 per person

Tickets sold online until February 3rd. <u>https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/</u> <u>wfb2023</u>



CHILLED Nugget Tray Fundraiser

Support School of the Incarnation Perfect for the BIG GAME !

	Purchase a small CHILLED Chick-fil-A Nugget Tray (64 nuggets/Serves 8-10) and SOTI will earn \$8 for each tray sold. Orders due by Friday, February 3rd
(FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF	**Your CHILLED Nugget Tray will be ready for pickup Saturday, February 11th after 11:00 am at Chick-fil-A Waugh Chapel only.**
Order Placed By (First, Last Name):	
Student Name:	Homeroom Teacher:
Number of Trays: (\$39 per tray))
Sauce(s): Choose 1 (8oz) sauce per tray ordere Chick-fil-A: Honey Mustard: BBQ:	
Total Amount Due: Please make payment online: https://tinyu	rl.com/SOTIchicfila

February 2023 Lunch Menu TOMMY'S FOOD SERVICE @ School of the Incarnation

"Great Food for Great kids"				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Baked Potato Bar with cheddar cheese, bacon bits, broccoli, butter and sour cream	2 Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	3 Pizza Day PAPA JOHNS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
6 Chicken Patty Sandwich, waffle fries and veggie	7 Spaghetti with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	8 Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes with gravy and mixed veggies	9 Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	10 Pizza Day PAPA JOHNS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza. Father daughter dance
13 Corn dog/Chicken nuggets, homemade mac and cheese and veggie	14 Cheese Ravioli with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	15 Walking taco, Spanish rice and corn	16 5 [™] Grade Field Trip Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	17 12:15 DISMISSAL CAFETERIA CLOSED
20 SCHOOL CLOSED PRESIDENT'S DAY	21 Rotini pasta with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	22 ASH WEDNESDAY Seafood nuggets or Cod filet sandwich, homemade mac and cheese and mixed veggies	23 Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	24 Pizza Day PAPA JORNS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
27 Cheeseburger, French fries and veggie	28 Spaghetti with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	1 MARCH Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	2 Pizza Day PAPA JOHNS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.	³ SCHOOL CLOSED

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**.

Ala Carte Price List Only - Not available daily

Available Daily		Available Daily		Not Available Daily	
Hot dog	\$2.75	Cookies	\$1.25	French Fries	\$2.75
Grillled Cheese	\$2.75	Chips	\$1.25	Rice or Mashed Potato	\$2.75
		Soft Pretzels	\$1.25	Waffle/Curly Fries/Tater tots	\$2.95
Homemade Soup		Pretzel Logs/Bites	\$1.75	Buttered Noodles	\$2.75
Chicken Noodle	\$2.75	Fruit (Apple or Orange)	\$1.25	Chicken Patty Sandwich	\$3.95
Tomato	\$2.75	Fresh Fruit in a Cup	\$2.25	Chicken Tenders (3 pcs)	\$3.50
Vegetable	\$2.75	Yogurt (Yoplait)	\$1.50	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	\$4.25	Veggie (tossed salad,	\$2.00	Meatball Sub	\$3.00
		carrots or sliced cucumber		Pancakes (3)/French toast sticks (3-4)	\$3.25
Beverage		Tuesdays and Pizza Days O	NLY	Philly Cheesesteak	\$4.00
Milk or Juice	\$0.90	Ice cream cup	\$1.00	Pizza (1 slice)	\$2.60
Bottled Water	\$1.00	Twister	\$1.75	Mac and Cheese	\$3.75
Gatorade/Propel	\$1.50	Scooter Bar	\$1.50	Cheese Ravioli (7 pcs)	\$3.75
		Wednesdays ONLY		Walking Taco	\$4.00
		Nachos, Chips and Cheese	\$2.50	Fish sandwich	\$4.00

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*

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HOLY FAMILY | OUR LADY OF THE FIELDS | OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP | ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON | ST. JOSEPH

Thursday, February 2, 2023

Dear School of the Incarnation Families,

School of the Incarnation is committed to proper safety measures, transparent communication, and adapting to changing COVID conditions. Our primary focus is on keeping the well-being of our students, faculty, and staff as our top priority.

In accord with the most recent guidance, we will report positive COVID- 19 cases on a weekly basis. School-wide notifications of such cases will be sent out on Thursdays via the School Newsletter. We will not be contact tracing and identifying close contacts within school.

The following positive Covid cases have been reported in our school community:

- Fifth Grade student in Mrs. Dinsmore's homeroom. Last day in school was 1/27/23.
- First Grade student in Mrs. Mulville's classroom. Last day in school was 1/26/23.
- Seventh Grade student in Mr. Saverino's homeroom. Last day in school was 2/1/23.

We encourage you to continue to actively monitor the health of your child daily and be alert to any of the major symptoms of COVID; including, but not limited to, fever, cough, sore throat, and shortness of breath. Masking is optional unless directed to do so by a health official after a quarantine. The school is not responsible for enforcing any individual masking preferences or obligations. Should any concerning symptoms appear, please contact your medical professional and alert the school office at 410-519-2285.

Should you wish to review additional information to address any questions regarding your child's potential exposure to a COVID-positive individual, we encourage you to visit the CDC, Maryland Department of Health, or local health department's websites. Thank you for your assistance in this process. We are grateful for your support and partnership.

Sincerely in Christ,

Nancy Baker Principal

INTEGRITY † INITIATIVE † INCLUSION

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.

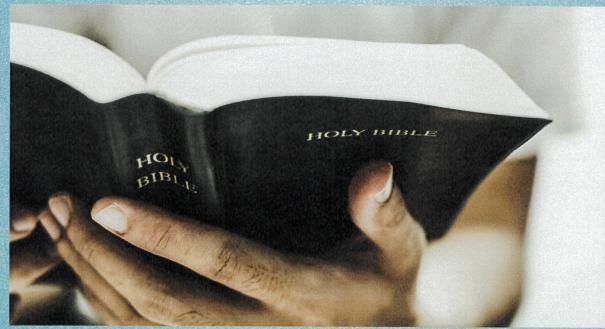
Current Family	<u>New Family</u>
Parent name(s)	Parent name(s)
	Student name(s)/Grade(s)
Address	Address
City, State, MD	City, State, Zip
Phone	Phone
Email	Email
How do you know this family? \Box Work \Box H	Friend 🗆 Relative 🗆 Neighbor
	Community 🗆 Other
Any information we should know?	

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

MEN'S RETREAT Holy Family Catholic Church Davidsonville, MD Saturday, February 25, 2023 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



Come be renewed through the Eucharist, the uplifting words of two guest speakers, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation (optional). Breakfast is also included!

Cost is \$15, payable at the door. For more information and to register, please contact Margaret Wood at margaret.wood@hfccmail.org