

School of the Incarnation Newsletter

February 4, 2021

February 4 – 11 th at 5:00 PM:	Order your Wine, Food & Brew – see attached flyer for more information
Friday, February 5 th :	Student Appreciation Day – see below for more information
	Spring Spirit Wear store opens – see below for more information
Friday, February 12 th :	12:15 Dismissal – ESP in session
	No school for Pre-K and Kindergarten students
	Spirit Wear Day
	Screening for prospective Kindergarten and PreK students
Saturday, February 13 th :	Wine, Food & Brew delivery 1:00 – 5:00 PM
Monday, February 15 th :	School Closed – Presidents Day
	Deadline to re-enroll for current students
Tuesday, February 16 th :	HSA Virtual Parent Meeting for Pre-K – Grade 3 at 6:30 PM
Wednesday, February 17 th :	Ash Wednesday
	School Mass 10:00 AM
Thursday, February 18 th :	HSA Virtual Parent Meeting for Grade 4-8 at 6:30 PM
Sunday, February 28 th :	Deadline to apply for FACTS Grant & Aid
Thursday, March 4 th :	End of Trimester 2



Catholic Schools Week: January 31 – February 5

- Friday, 2/5 – Student Appreciation Day - students can dress out of uniform (out-of-uniform guidelines can be found in the Parent-Student Handbook on page 47)

We Love Spirit Wear!!

The spring spirit wear store is opening this Friday! The online store will be open from 2/5 - 2/19 and orders will be delivered before spring break! Even though the groundhog saw his shadow, you are still going to want short sleeved tees and shorts for when the spring weather spirit wear days are here!

<https://incarnationspring2021.itemorder.com/sale>

WINE, FOOD & BREW at Home Edition

See the attached flyer for this year's Wine, Food, & Brew event. Since we cannot come together as a school community this year, we are working with Vintage Views to provide an alternative Wine, Food, & Brew event to support the school. Ordering begins today and ends at 5:00 PM on Thursday, February 11th. Only orders of our four curated choices from our personalized page support the school. Please email Mrs. Kerrie Smith at ksmith@schooloftheincarnation.org if you have any questions.

Re-enrollment for current students for 2021-2022

The re-enrollment process to secure your child's seat at School of the Incarnation for the 2021-2022 is open now. It is important for us to know which students are returning before we begin to offer spots to new applicants. You should have received an email with instructions on how to login to the parent portal in School Admin 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.

- \$100 if paid by January 15th
- \$150 if paid between January 16th and January 31st
- \$200 if paid between February 1st 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 6, 2021.

We require the intent to re-enroll from each student who is enrolled this year. If you know you are not re-enrolling for 2021-2022, please complete the form with your intent to not enroll.

Applications for 2021-2022 school year

Applications for new students (not current students) are available on our school website. Applications should be submitted by January 29, 2021 to be considered in the first round. If you know a family interested in attending SOTI, please complete the attached referral form.

2021-2022 School Year

First day of classes for students: August 30, 2021

Christmas Break: December 22, 2021 – January 2, 2022

Easter Break: April 15 - April 24, 2022

Last day of classes for students: June 9, 2022

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications – Updated information – Please Read!!

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications are now open for the 2021-2022 school year. The deadline to apply for Grant and Aid will be February 28, 2021. IMPORTANT CHANGE: The Archdiocese of Baltimore is requiring 2020 W2's and 2020 tax returns. This is a change from prior years. This is due to many families having a decrease in income due to COVID and the 2019 tax returns would not reflect this, so they need the most current information. The application deadline is February 28th to submit your application but you will have until March 30 to upload those tax returns. 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: <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3C65P>. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to Caroline Agresti, Business Manager at cagresti@schooloftheincarnation.org. An informational flyer is attached.



Home and School Association (HSA) News

Book Fair

Missing the Spring Book Fair? So are we! The HSA will be hosting our first virtual Book Fair! Shop from the comfort of your home! Kids can visit a 360 degree virtual book fair and select from hundreds of items and you can share the link with anyone! Watch for the link- early March 2021!!

IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

We will be planning a VIRTUAL SILENT AUCTION in place of the Gala. We will be sending information to each cohort/grade for volunteers as well as class baskets information. If anyone would like to donate an item to be auctioned or knows of any great auction item donations please contact the HSA. Please see the attached flyer if you would like to help plan the event.

SAVE THE DATES

Our next Parent Meetings will be held on February 16 and February 18 at 6:30 PM. We will do these just as we did in November with Pre K- Grade 3 on the 16th and Grades 4-8 on the 18th. Please be on the lookout for more information.

COMMUNICATING WITH HSA

If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer for anything, please contact the HSA using SOTIHSA@gmail.com

SOTI Knights Facemask

Please click on the link below to purchase additional SOTI Knights facemasks. Cost is \$10.
<https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/facemasks?token=369867739>

PLEASE TAKE TIME TO JOIN THE OFFICIAL SOTI HSA FACEBOOK PAGE!!! We will keep information up to date on events coming up there.

YOU'RE INVITED TO ENJOY

wine food & brew *at home!*

<https://vintage-views-bar.myshopify.com/collections/school-of-incarnation-wine-food-brew/>

Delivery Saturday February 13th (between 1-5pm)

Free delivery within AA County.
Delivery within 30 miles of Annapolis for \$5 fee.

Every alcohol order must include a food item.

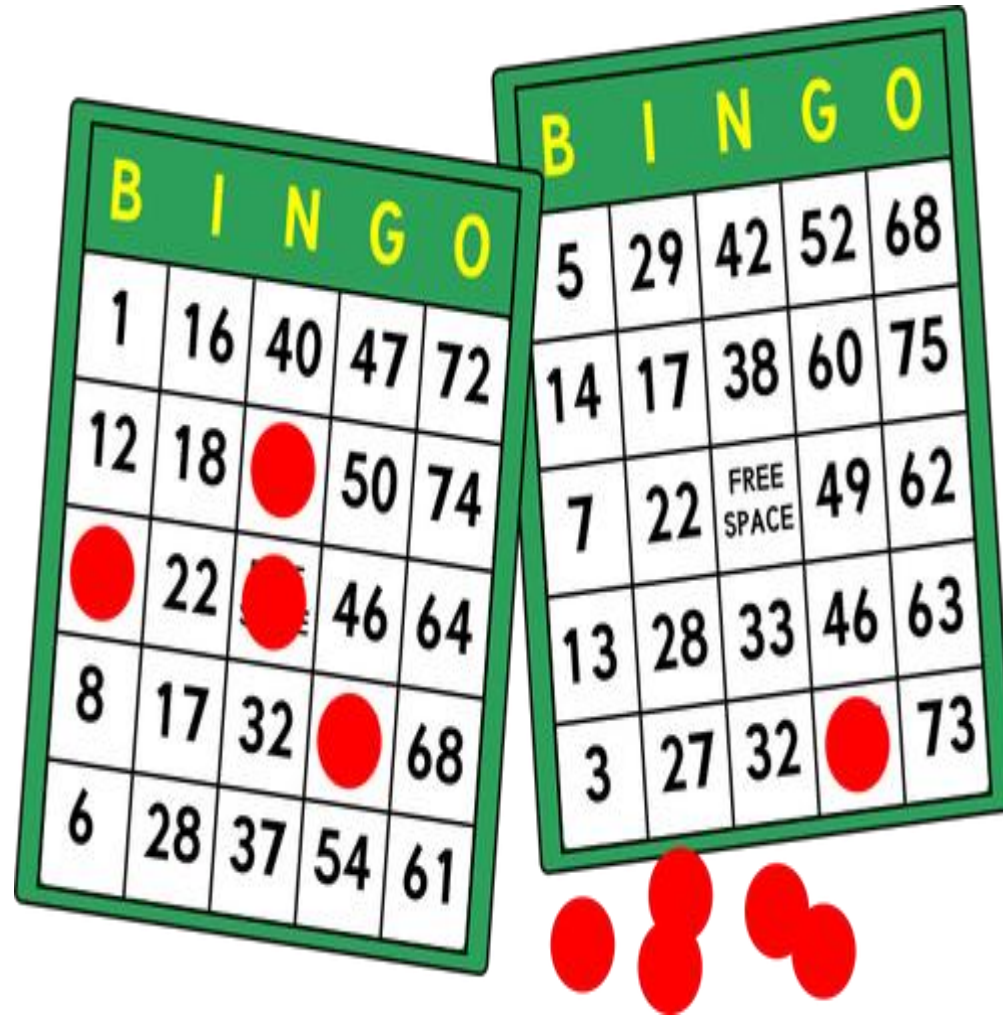
To support our school please select from the
four curated choices that are found on our
personalized link.



The HSA is seeking a chair and committee members to facilitate a virtual bingo on March 5, 2021!

Please click on the link to sign up to assist us with this event!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfGrjhxdsJLNy0SX-p5Td9hyv3XfmKOFyMYfG8ymMzNy-GXDQ/viewform?usp=pp_url





The Show Must Go On!

**Please join the HSA in planning a virtual
Spring Gala Auction!**

**We are looking to form a committee to support with
this event. Please click on the link to sign up. Thank
you for lending your talents to help our school
community**

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfGrjhxdsJLNy0SX-p5Td9hyv3XfmKOFyMYfG8ymMzNy-GXDQ/viewform?usp=pp_url



Grant & Aid Assessment

FACTS makes quality education affordable for families by assisting schools in awarding financial aid. We work with schools to create a custom application and collect financial data so schools can make accurate award decisions based on financial need.

To apply for financial aid, visit <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3C65P>

After completing the online application, you will need to upload all required supporting documentation.

The following supporting documents are required to complete the application process:

- **IRS Federal Income Tax Return**, including all supporting schedules (the year of the tax return depends on the tax requirements of your school). If applicant and co-applicant file separately, we require both tax returns for the same tax year.
- Copies of **all the current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements** for both the applicant and co-applicant.
NOTE: If you are applying before you have received all the current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements, please submit them as soon as they become available.
- Copies of all supporting tax documents if you have business income/loss from any of the following:
 - Business** - send Schedule C or C-EZ and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
 - Farm** - send Schedule F and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
 - Rental Property** - send Schedule E (page 1)
 - S-Corporation** - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1120S (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
 - Partnership** - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1065 (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
 - Estates and Trusts** - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1041 and Schedule K-1

IMPORTANT: If you file a tax return but do not have W-2 wages because you are self-employed, you will be required to submit a copy of your current year Federal Form 1040 Tax Return.

- Copies of all supporting documentation for household Non-Taxable Income such as: Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). If you do not file a tax return, you are required to provide documentation of all income received.

All documentation received is imaged upon receipt and then destroyed.

You may log in to your FACTS user account to review the status of your application. Please allow 2 weeks processing time before inquiring further about receipt and/or status of the uploaded documents. Application deadlines are set by the institution awarding the aid. If you are applying after the deadline, contact your school to ensure that your application will be accepted.

A non-refundable application fee may be required before your application will be submitted.

NOTE: Award decisions are made by the institution providing the financial aid, not FACTS.



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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