

School of the Incarnation Newsletter



April 7, 2022

Friday, April 8th: Spirit Wear Day

Faculty vs. Student Basketball Game 6:00 PM

Tuesday, April 12th: Living Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM – please note change of date

April 14 – 22: School Closed – Easter Break

Wednesday, April 27th: 8th Grade Field Trip – Chesapeake Arts Center 9:00 AM – Noon

Friday, April 29th: Spirit Wear Day

T3 interim reports sent home via email

Tuesday, May 3rd: Pre-HSPT for 7th grade students

Kindergarten Field Trip – Maryland Zoo 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM

PreK Field Trip -Clark's Elioak Farm 8:30 AM - Noon

Thursday, May 5th: School Mass – May Crowning 10:00 AM

Friday, May 6th: 8th Grade Field Trip – Hershey Park 6:45 AM – 9:00 PM

6th Grade Field Trip – Medieval Times 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Spirit Wear Day

Tuesday, May 10th: Band Concert 7:00 PM

Wednesday, May 11th: 3rd Grade Field Trip – Baltimore Museum of Industry 9:00 AM – 1:30 PM

Friday, May 13th: ½ Day – ESP in session

Spirit Wear Day

SOTI Gala 7:00 – 11:00 PM at Blackwall Barn & Lodge

Tuesday, May 17th: NJHS Induction Ceremony 6:30 PM



COME JOIN IN ON THE FUN!!!

Tomorrow Friday, April 8th, 2022, at 6pm @ Spalding High School, come out and watch SOTI student Basketball Teams vs. Faculty, Staff, and Coaches! See your favorite teachers and administrators shoot some hoops! ADMISSION: Adults: \$7 and Students/children: \$5 All advance sale orders are due by April 7th. Please use this link to purchase tickets in advance. Ticket prices at the door will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and children.

Homeroom (Grades PreK – 7th) class pictures

Homeroom class photos were taken this morning. You can order your child(ren)'s class photos for \$13 at https://my.lifetouch.com and enter Picture Day ID: EVTIZGW7G.

Returning from International Travel

Given the possibility of exposure to COVID-19 on your travels, whether you traveled by air, land, or sea, the following requirements are in place to return to school following international travel. Keep in mind those that traveled might feel well and not have any symptoms but can still be infected and spread the virus to others.

If those who traveled ARE NOT vaccinated and up to date with COVID-19 vaccines:

- Stay home and self-quarantine for a full 5 days after travel.
- Follow additional recommendations below for ALL travelers.

If those who traveled are vaccinated and up to date with COVIS-19 vaccines or recovered from a documented COVID-19 infection within the past 90 days:

- Get tested with a COVID-19 viral test 3-5 days after travel.
- Self-monitor for <u>COVID-19 symptoms</u>.
- <u>Isolate</u> and get tested if you develop symptoms.

SOTI Gala

The Gala is quickly approaching! As mentioned in the <u>Gala FAQ</u>, the class baskets and teacher experiences will be ONLINE this year! Anyone attending the event or bidding online must register with Auctria. Information will be coming out soon regarding how to register to be able to bid on these amazing items!

John Paul II Scholarship

Attention current 5th, 6th, and 7th Graders: The application for the JP II Scholarship is now available. Those students who have attended SOTI for at least 3 years, are in good academic and disciplinary standing and not related to a member of our school board are eligible to apply!

You can find the application on the website under "Resources" or pick up a hard copy in the office. Completed applications are due back on or before April 29, 2022.

Contact Development Director Kristina Rykiel with any questions at krykiel@schooloftheincarnation.org

FlynnO'Hara Uniform Company

Attached is the FlynnO'Hara (our school uniform company) Ways to Order flyer. This flyer shows all the ways to shop for your child's school uniform.

This flyer also includes a direct link to our school landing page. This is the best place to view uniform items and specifications because it automatically updates each year, and as changes are made. Families are encouraged to use this site, and to create an account to keep track of online purchases and student information.

Boost Scholarship Applications Now Open

The BOOST program is available for students either already attending or hoping to attend a nonpublic participating school. Students must be enrolled at – or have applied to – a potential participating school before completing the BOOST application.

Visit the link below for more information on the BOOST program, including income criteria, or to apply for the scholarship. Applications must be submitted by April 25, 2022.

Click here for BOOST information and application

Please contact Mrs. Boswell at <u>cboswell@schooloftheincarnation.org</u> when you apply so that we can provide you with an enrollment verification letter to complete your BOOST application.

BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION

If you are able to volunteer, have an idea for a club, or have any questions, please contact our school's Auxiliary Services Coordinator, Amy Santini.

UPDATES:

At the recent State Tournament, our DI Teams represented our school very well at UMBC! The Firebirds from SOTI (8th graders), Incarnation STEAM Team (3rd/4th graders), SOTI Dynamite Creators...Boom!! (1st graders), and The Starry Knights (Kindergarteners) ended their season with participation medals for the Rising Stars (K and 1) and certificates for all. The 8th grade team earned a 4th place ranking for their improvisation challenge "Festival Frenzy" and the 3rd/4th grade team won 2nd place for their service project challenge "For the Future!" Thank you to the team managers (Dana Mierzwicki, Caroline Moore, Jackie Snell, Aimee Barbagallo, Lola Akingbade, Natalie Feld) who worked tirelessly from Oct. until April to make this a memorable season!

The Coding and Technology Club concluded this week with activities centered around Earth Day. The members also had the opportunity to explore some of the previously learned materials that they really enjoyed to create different projects.

The Arts and Crafts Club members will continue to work with different types of materials (pencil sketching/shading, watercolor and acrylic paints, felt fabric, clay, etc.) to create their works of art, which is centered around favorite animals or a topic of choice.

The Environmental Club: Caring for Creation Club members had a scavenger hunt last week and will enjoy a number of Earth Day centered activities this week. Earth Day is April 22, 2022, this year and the theme is "Invest

in Our Planet." Please consider ways in which your own family can help protect and nurture God's creation. Here are some ideas from an Earth Day website:

- In the backyard, organize a fun kid's garden project or help grow an organic garden to let children discover the importance of growing their own food, or build a compost heap to learn more about food recycling.
- Around the house, do little things like teach kids about energy saving and why it's important to turn the
 lights off to help the environment by using less energy and turn the water off while brushing teeth to
 conserve resources.

<u>Yearboo</u>ks

Each family will receive one free yearbook from the school. Families can purchase additional yearbooks, as well as personalize their free yearbook by adding a name, a hard cover, or a name and a hard cover. Pricing is as follows:

- Extra yearbook \$20
- Yearbook with name upgrade \$25
- Hardcover yearbook upgrade \$27.50
- Hardcover yearbook with name upgrade \$31.50

Extra yearbooks and upgrades can only be purchased until **April 15th**. If you need any help or have any questions, please contact Mrs. Oshenska.

SOTI Summer Camp

Good news! SOTI summer camps are back, and registration is now open. Attached is a detailed letter regarding our Summer Knights Camps (Grades K-4) and Summer Social Camps (Grades 5-8). Click on this link to register: SOTI Summer Camp registration

2022-2023 School Year

First day of classes for students: August 29, 2022

Christmas Break: December 21- January 2, 2023 *please note date change

Easter Break: April 7 - April 14, 2023

Last day of classes for students: June 8, 2023

The God Spot

Welcome to the new spot designated for the Adult Faith Formation Committee to share relevant information!

Please, see this week's attached flyer regarding the "Church Father's Study" that Holy Family Church is starting on **Wednesday**, **April 20**. It's going to be a study that allows for people to drop in for individual sessions on topics that they find interesting and/or to attend the entire study. Advanced notice is not necessary, but you may email Lisa Delgado at spaceham@aol.com if you know in advance that you will be attending. In that case, she will reserve a table for interested SOTI parents to sit together.

Dear SOTI Family,

We are so happy to share information about this year's summer camps! In addition to the traditional **Summer Knights Camps (Gr. K-4),** we will continue to offer 4 weeks of **Summer Social Camps** for students in grades 5-8! **All grade levels refer to the 2022-2023 school year.**

Both camp programs will be operating under the school's ESP Program, but will be two distinct day programs. Mrs. Shai and Mrs. Bucci will be coordinating the camps for Gr. K-4, and Mr. Smith will be coordinating the camps for grades 5-8. Below is information for both programs, and a calendar for the scheduled camps.

Each **Summer Knights Camp** lasts one week and is independent of the other weeks. Families can choose the weeks that work best for them. These camps consist of age appropriate activities and in house field trips which follow the theme for the week. Vacation Bible School is actually run by St. Joseph Parish, but takes place at SOTI.

Each **Summer Social Camps** lasts one week and is independent of the other weeks. Families can choose the weeks that work best for them. There are two weeks in June and two in July. These camps will consist of age appropriate activities and games to allow the students to spend time with their peers having fun while being active indoors and out. This also includes short day trips for activities such as minigolf or bowling.

*Special note for 5th grade parents. Fifth grade students participating in summer camps, will spend the morning in the older group (Summer Social Camps). You may choose to have them leave at 12:15 PM with the students in grades 6-8. If you wish for your 5th grader to remain for the full day, they would transition to the Summer Knight Camp from 12:15-4:00 PM. See below for pricing information

The registration form and non refundable fee can be processed via this <u>form</u> or the school website under the Student Life tab. The registration deadline is Friday, May 6. The payment for the remaining balance of the camp(s) will be assessed separately and will be due by Friday, June 3.

CALENDAR

Summer Knight's Camp	Summer Social Camp
June 20 - 24: Olympic Week	June 20-24
June 27 - July 1: Space is the Place	June 27 – July 1
July 4 - July 8: American Hero Week	
July 11 - 15: Fun in LegoLand Week	July 11-15
July 18 - 22: All About Hobbies	July 18 - 22
July 25 - 29: Vacation Bible School	
August 1 - 5: Explore Science Week	

PRICING INFORMATION

Below is detailed information about pricing for each program. Registration information must be complete and the registration fee (non refundable) must be paid by Friday, May 6, 2022. Full payment (non refundable) for the camp is due Friday, June 3, 2022.

Summer Knights Camps (Gr. K-4)

Time	8:00 AM - 4:00 PM (K-4th)
Registration Fee	\$35.00 per child (non-refundable)
Cost Per Week	\$275.00 per week (per child) *WEEK 3 - July 5-8: \$225.00 - four days *WEEK 6 - July 25-29: \$300.00
Before Care	\$25.00 per week per child 7:30 – 8:00 AM
After Care	\$50.00 per week per child 4:00 – 6:00 PM

Summer Social Camps (Gr. 5-8)

Time	8:00 AM - 12:15 PM (5th-8th)
Registration Fee	\$35.00 per child (non-refundable)
Cost Per Week	\$200.00 per week (per child) *add \$50.00 per week (per child) for 5th grade students who join Summer Knights from 12:15 - 4:00 PM **If any day trip requires bus transportation, there may be an additional fee for that trip to cover the cost of the bus.
Before Care	\$25.00 per week per child 7:30 – 8:00 AM
After Care	*Available for 5th grade students only. \$50.00 per week per child 4:00 – 6:00 PM



School Uniform Shopping

Whether you're brand new to school uniforms or a returning shopper preparing for the school year ahead, FlynnO'Hara makes it safe & easy to shop for back-to-school.



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Review Your Uniform Requirements

Click the link below & enter your student's Grade & Gender to view their specific uniform requirements, products, and pricing.

FIND YOUR UNIFORM



Shop For Your Uniform!

IN-STORE

1608 W. FURNACE BRANCH ROAD GLEN BURNIE, MD 21061 (410) 684-2816

HOURS & DIRECTIONS

ONLINE

FLYNNOHARA.COM

IMPORTANT NOTE: We recommend families get their uniform shopping done at least **ONE MONTH** before the first day of school to ensure your students have everything they need!



Additional Resources

Need Help with Sizing?

Visit the link below for fitting tutorials and other resources to help you choose the right sizes for your student's uniform.



Questions? We're Here to Help!

atyourservice@flynnohara.com (800) 441-4122





2022 Gala Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

What are the details of The Gala?

Join us from 7pm-11pm at Blackwall Barn & Lodge for a celebratory evening! We will begin the evening with cocktails and passed gourmet appetizers followed by a 3 course seated dinner. Enjoy a full service complimentary bar serving beer, wine and cocktails. The live auction will include vacations, trips, experiences, and signature SOTI items. To finish the evening, you will be entertained by our musical guest featuring live music performed by the band The Reagan Years. The all inclusive ticket price is \$125 per person. Limited VIP Table packages are available for \$1,800. Complimentary valet parking will be provided.

Cocktails at 7pm
Dinner and Live Auction at 8pm
The Reagan Years at 9pm

How do I bid on items in the silent and live auction?

We are making new and exciting changes to *The Gala*. This year, the silent auction featuring class baskets and teacher experiences will be available for online bidding beginning one week prior to the event and will remain open until 7pm on Sunday May 15th. The live auction will be held during *The Gala* and will include vacations, trips, experiences and signature SOTI items. Only those guests attending *The Gala* will have access to bid on the live auction items.

What do I wear to The Gala?

Dress code for the evening is Formal/Blacktie optional. Ladies, dress for an elegant night out in an evening gown, fancy cocktail dress, dressy pantsuit or that little black dress. Gentleman, you have the option to wear a tuxedo or simply dust off that formal dark suit in the closet!

Can I be seated with friends at dinner?

Yes! For those friends and family members who wish to be seated together, you can purchase a VIP Table for 8 or indicate requests for seating of groups with 4-6 guests. When purchasing your tickets you will be able to list those with whom you wish to be seated. We will do our best to accommodate all requests.

Can I invite friends and family to The Gala?

Yes! We welcome friends, family and SOTI Alumni over the age of 21.

I can't attend The Gala, but I would like to support it in some way. Is there a way I can do this?

Yes! You can bid on a classroom basket or teacher experience on our online auction, be an event sponsor or donor, or donate a ticket for use by a teacher or staff member!

Not ready to go home at 11pm?

No problem! Blackwall Barn and Lodge is open on Friday evenings until 1am.

How do I pay for items that I won?

We use the online auction website called Auctria (secure online auction website) to manage our online and live auction items for bid. You will set up an account which will allow you to bid online or at the event. All bidders, including payment information, are entered into Auctria. If you are the winning bidder (online or at the event), you will be notified of items won and your credit card on file will automatically be billed.

Additional Questions?

Contact Development Director Kristina Rykiel at krykiel@scholoftheincarnation.org or by calling (410) 519-2285.



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
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<u></u>	\$250 tuition credit date

Church Fathers



April 20 - June 22 Wednesdays 9:45 - 11:15

The Church Fathers continue to teach us even today. Their teachings, guidance, insights and sacrifice shaped the Catholic church. This lecture series will touch on the Church's Ancestry and give you an introduction to the Early Church and Church Fathers.

Attend all the lectures or choose the one that interests you. A schedule of topics can be found on the Holy Family website.

Church Fathers Schedule

Session 1, April 20th

Consecration to the Holy Family

Thoughts on the Early Fathers Assumption of Mary - Articles Acts of the Apostles

Session 2, April 27th

The Early Church

Early Church Fathers, Hermas, Didache & Letter to Diognetus

Apostolic Fathers

Intro to St. Clement of Rome

Intro to St. Ignatius of Antioch

Intro to St. Polycarp

Pre-Nicene Fathers

Intro to St. Justin Martyr

Intro to St. Irenaeus of Lyons

Intro to Tertullian

Intro to St. Cyprian of Carthage

Heresies & Councils (Brief Overview)

Council of Nicea

Session 3, May 4

Session 4, May 11th

Session 5, May 18

Session 6, May 25

Session 7, June 1

Session 8, June 8th

Session 9, June 15th

Session 10, June 22