

School of the Incarnation Newsletter



September 29, 2022

Friday, September 30th: Spirit Wear Day

Last day to shop at the Book Fair in the library Cafeteria Service begins for kindergarten students

SOTI Homecoming 3:30 - 7:00 PM

Tuesday, October 4th: Band lessons begin

Spirit Night at Coal Fire Pizza 11:30 AM - 9:00 PM

Thursday, October 6th: School Mass 10:00 AM

Friday, October 7th: School Closed – Professional Development

Monday, October 10th: 2nd Grade Field Trip – Jug Bay 8:20 AM – 2:00 PM

Tuesday, October 11th: 2nd Grade Field Trip – Jug Bay 8:20 AM – 2:00 PM

Friday, October 14th: Spirit Wear Day

Tuesday, October 18th: Individual Yearbook pictures for Gr. PreK – 7th

Cap and Gown pictures for Grade 8

Friday, October 21st: Spirit Wear Day

Trunk or Treat 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Monday, October 24th: Fall Club Picture Day

Friday, October 28th: School Closed – Faculty Retreat

Monday, October 31st: School Closed

Tuesday, November 1st: Winter Uniform begins School Mass 10:00 AM



TOMORROW!!! SOTI Homecoming – Mark your calendar!!

Join us tomorrow, Friday, September 30th, 3:30-7:00 PM for our family friendly Homecoming event. There will be fun, food and games for everyone in the family to enjoy! Online pre-sale ticket purchase has closed. Tickets can be purchased at the event. If you plan to purchase food for our event, please click on https://doi.org/10.2016/ to register.



***PLEASE NOTE - All homecoming guests visiting the beer garden will have to show a valid ID.

*If you pre-purchased tickets – please pick up in the school office tomorrow during the school day or at the Will Call table tomorrow beginning at 3:00 PM.

Friday is a spirit wear day per our usual. However, students will also have the option to show a little more school spirit if they choose to do so. **The following guidelines are for this Friday only:**

Face paint is allowed according to the following guidelines:

- Acceptable colors: Maroon, yellow, gold, or white
- Appropriate and sparing (i.e. entire face may not be covered, no handprints)
- Face painting on the face only (no other parts of the body such as arms and legs)
- Students wearing face paint that is deemed by the administration as inappropriate, distracting, or not in the spirit of the guidelines will be asked to remove the face paint

Hair color is allowed according to the following guidelines:

- Acceptable colors: Maroon, yellow, gold, white, grey
- Color must be temporary and washed out (or mostly out) by Monday.
- Decorative bows, jewels in hair, braiding with colored string (maroon, white, gold) are also acceptable.

We will be having a **simple pep rally** for the students at the end of the day on the athletic field. However, the actual order of dismissal will be the same.

Spirit Wear Update

Always shirts are always in style and can be purchased in the school office. Sizes Youth XS-YL and Adult S-3X. Shirt price is \$10 cash or check. We will also have these shirts for sale at Homecoming.



Theatre Club Needs Volunteers!

Mrs. Petersen is looking for volunteers to lead the Stage Crew for the Middle School Fall Play. We have quite a few middle school students who want to join the Stage Crew, but Mrs. Petersen needs an adult moderator because she is busy working with the actors. Stage Crew might not be able to happen without the help of volunteers. So, if you are familiar with working with stage crew or think you might be good with helping to guide students in designing/building sets/props/costumes for the Fall Play, please contact Mrs. Petersen as soon as possible. Thank you! (spetersen@schooloftheincarnation.org)

Last day to shop at the Book Fair is tomorrow!

The book fair is officially open, here are the hours:

Thursday 9/29 9am-4pm

Friday 9/30 (Homecoming) 8am-6pm

Poster Raffle: During our book fair students may purchase tickets for our Poster Raffle. Tickets are \$0.25 each with a maximum of 4/student.

Book Fair Ways to pay: Students can pay with cash, check (made out to SOTI), <u>eWallet</u>, credit card, apple pay and G pay

Book Fair Online

Any questions please reach out to Mrs. Cunningham: scunningham@schooloftheincarnation.org

Join the Choir!!

Cherub Choir: Registration is now closed for Cherub Choir.

Elementary Concert Choir: 3rd, 4th, 5th Grade Only (\$100) --Full Year beginning Sept. 26. This choir will meet on Wednesdays from 3:00-4:00pm

Middle School Concert Choir: 6th, 7th, 8th Grade Only (\$100) --Full Year beginning Sept. 26. This choir will meet on Tuesdays from 3:00-4:00

For more information about how to sign up for Choir, please see attached flyer.

Attention 8th Grade Parents and Students - HSPT Registration

Registration for the High School Placement Test (HSPT) is now open. You may access the form via the following link, and our deadline for registration is Wednesday, November 23, 2022. Please, note that a \$40.00 fee is required to be paid online at the time of registration.

https://stsusers.com/stsusers/registration/static/baltimore.php

All our students will take the exam in school on Wednesday, November 30th, and it is important that they register to test at School of the Incarnation. High schools are listed first on the registration site, so you will need to scroll through those choices to find the elementary/middle schools toward the bottom of the page.

For students who qualify to receive accommodations, parents must upload official copies of educational test results by November 18th. This is a firm deadline because the system will lock afterward, preventing further uploads. Per Archdiocese requirements, a doctor's note or a copy of an accommodation plan will not suffice, and test results must be from at least 5th grade or more recent.

For questions or further assistance, you may contact Kristin Jacobs: kjacobs@schooloftheincarantion.org

BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION

If you have any questions or ideas for a club, please contact our school's Auxiliary Services Coordinator, <u>Amy</u> Santini.

Come watch the School of the Incarnation's Dance and Cheer Squad perform their routine at the very start of the Homecoming festivities this Friday, September 30th!!!

Registration has concluded for the following clubs, which will start meeting soon:

- Robotics FIRST Lego League Challenge (5th-8th grades) is set to start on Oct. 14th
- Coding and Technology Club (3rd-4th grades) is set to start on Oct. 6th

The Knights on a Mission Outreach Club for the Fall/Trimester 1 session (Preschool-3rd grade) is currently registering members and the anticipated first meeting date is Oct. 11th. There are a few openings for this club, so email Miss Santini if your child is interested in joining.

A 4th grade FIRST Lego League Team is being formed this week (registration was sent directly to those able to be accommodated from the interest form list) and will begin their meetings on Wednesdays by the end of October.

We are still in need of adult volunteers, so please email Miss Santini ASAP if you are available to help with any of these clubs. If we are not able to have these run during Trimester 1, then the plan is to offer them again for Trimester 2.

- Environmental Club: Caring for Creation on Wednesdays or Thursdays (PreK-3rd grade)
- Arts and Crafts Club on Tuesdays (1st-2nd grades)
- FIRST Lego League Explorers on Wednesdays (2nd grade team, 3rd grade team)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Our school community is blessed with many gifted individuals. Please consider volunteering your time and talents with the Beyond Program: https://forms.gle/qrfj7rTZJmH6P5gr7

Dogs of Drop-Off Treats

Bring your dog for student morning arrival drop-off on Tuesday, October 4th for a treat to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.



AOB High School Fair

The Archdiocese of Baltimore will be offering a **Virtual Fair** for those who prefer to participate remotely. It will take place on Monday, October 3rd, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Please visit https://www.archbalt.org/schools-2/our-schools/high-school-admissions/virtual-admissions/ to register for the event, and to receive access details if interested.

The High School Guide for the 2022-23 school year can be found on the Archdiocese of Baltimore website: https://www.archbalt.org/schools/our-schools/high-school-admissions/

It's band registration time!

Band lessons begin on Tuesday, October 4th. For more information about the Band Program:

- Band Website: https://sites.google.com/view/mrs-erin-thamert/home
- Registration form: https://www.instrumentalmusicprogram.org/
- Instrumental rental info: On Mrs. Thamert's website
- Band Interest Form: https://forms.gle/zj67S6Rpi1WUqBjSA
- Email: knightchic@aol.com
- Phone: 410.486.4322

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 part-time work? Our ESP program is still in need of additional staff for the afternoons (3:15-5:30 PM). 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 Lisa Bucci, lbucci@schooloftheincarnation.org or Jackie Simon for more information JSimon@schooloftheincarnation.org

The God Spot

Parents, faculty, and staff are invited to participate in saying the rosary on Wednesday morning at 7:15 a.m. in the "Gathering Place" (outside of the doors to the middle school hallway on the west side of the building). We hope that you can join us for all or part of the rosary! With any questions, please contact Mr. Stehle at cstehle@schooloftheincarnation.org



Parent Advisory Council News

Spirit Night at Coal Fire Pizza – Tuesday, October 4th

Busy night ahead? No time to make dinner for the family? SOTI Spirit Nights are back! Stop by to dine in or carry out dinner from Coal Fire Pizza. 20% of all proceeds are donated back to SOTI! See attached flier for more information.

Sunshine Committee

Help the PAC spread sunshine around SOTI! Sign up to bring treats to the faculty lounge to celebrate teacher birthdays, celebrate teachers on teacher appreciation day or join the committee in serving beer and wine at the PAC Informative Socials. For more information, please contact Lauren Hay at laurenelainehay@gmail.com.

Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Kickoff

The new Parent Advisory Council (PAC) has kicked off and we need YOU! Our mission is to create a FUN community environment where we all thrive! We have several amazing events planned for the upcoming school year but none of them can happen without your help! Please take a moment to fill out the <u>Parent Volunteer Interest Form</u> to sign up today! Descriptions of volunteer opportunities may be found <u>here</u>.

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!

Trunk or Treat

Our annual Trunk or Treat will be held on Friday October 21st from 6:30-8:00 PM. See the attached flyer for more details. To purchase entry ticket and pizza, please click the link below:



https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/trunkortreat22

8th Grade Mt de Sales Academy Visits

We look forward to hosting eighth grade students for a Sailor Visit this fall! A Sailor Visit is the best way for a prospective student to immerse herself in the Mount de Sales environment where she can experience our culture, values, student life and academics first-hand. Our Sailor Visitors will spend a day in the life of a Sailor student by attending classes with a student Academy Ambassador, interacting with our faculty and staff, and exploring our beautiful, historic campus. Although not required, parents/guardians are invited to stay after your daughter's Sailor Visit drop off for a brief campus tour and walking information session led by the admissions team.

How to register for a Sailor Visit:

- 1. <u>Fill out an inquiry form.</u> Once the inquiry has been processed, parents/guardians will receive an email with instructions on how to access the Sailor Portal.
- 2. Log on to the Sailor Portal, review the admissions checklist and self-schedule a Sailor Visit.

Discover the Arts at MDSA- for 7th and 8th grade girls

Join us for an evening in our new Center for Performing Arts and Student Life discovering the arts at Mount de Sales! Guests will have the opportunity to participate in theatre, music and dance activities with current Sailor students and faculty. Dinner will be provided. **RSVPs due September 30th.** Please <u>click here to register.</u>

- Date: Tuesday, October 4th
- **Time:** 5:45 7:30 p.m.
- Location: Mount de Sales campus Center for Performing Arts and Student Life
- Contact: Angela Romeo, Performing Arts Department Chair, aromeo@mountdesales.org

Mount de Sales Academy Lacrosse Clinic-for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade girls

You are invited to a Sailor Lacrosse Clinic on the campus of Mount de Sales. Join us on Saturday, October 22nd for a campus tour and free clinic with current Sailor lacrosse players. **Register by Thursday, October 20th.** The clinic is open to all middle school female student athletes.

• **Event Date:** Saturday, October 22nd

Event Time: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.Please click here to register.

October 2022 Lunch Menu

TOMMY'S FOOD SERVICE @ School of the Incarnation

"Great Food for Great kids"

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Tenders, French fries and fresh veggie	4 Spaghetti w/ marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	Breakfast for lunch Pancake, or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	Pizza Day PAPA JOHNS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.	7 SCHOOL CLOSED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY
10 Chicken Nuggets or Corn dogs, homemade mac and cheese and fresh veggie	Cheese Ravioli w/ marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	Cheeseburgers, French fries and fresh veggie	Breakfast for lunch Pancake, or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	Pizza Day PIZZA PAJORIS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
17 Chicken Nuggets, French fries and fresh veggie	Rotini pasta w/ marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	Walking Taco, Spanish rice and corn	Breakfast for lunch Pancake, or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	Pizza Day PIZZA PAJORIS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
Chicken Patty Sandwich, homemade mac and cheese and fresh veggie	25 Spaghetti w/ marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	26 Breakfast for lunch Pancake, or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	Pizza Day PAPA JOHNS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.	28 SCHOOL CLOSED STAFF RETREAT
31 SCHOOL CLOSED				

Combo lunch is \$5.95 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 or Tater tots	\$2.75
Grillled Cheese	\$2.75	Chips	\$1.25	Rice or Mashed Potato	\$2.75
		Soft Pretzels	\$1.25	Waffle/Curly Fries	\$2.95
Homemade Soup		Pretzel Logs/Bites	\$1.75	Buttered Noodles	\$2.75
Chicken Noodle	\$2.75	Fruit (Apple or Orange)	\$1.40	Chicken Patty Sandwich	\$3.95
Tomato	\$2.75	Fresh Fruit in a Cup	\$1.75	Chicken Tenders (3 pcs)	\$3.50
Vegetable	\$2.75	Yogurt (Yoplait)	\$1.50	Cheeseburger/Hamburger	\$3.75
		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 ONLY		NLY	Philly Cheesesteak	\$4.00	
Milk or Juice	\$0.90	Ice cream cup	\$1.00	Pizza (1 slice)	\$2.50
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		







Homecoming Tee shirt Special

Lobby Sales

Tuesday Sept. 27th- Thursday Sept. 29th
During School Hours

Homecoming Sales at the event

September 29th

All sizes - \$12 (Cash or check only)



SAVE THE DATE!!!

School of the Incarnation PAC presents our annual



Friday October 21st

6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

\$20 per car

Kids of all ages are invited to join us for a Spooktakular evening of safe Halloween fun!

- Trick or treating from the trunks of decorated cars
- DJ and Photo Booth
- Prizes for best costumes and decorated cars
- Purchase a large pizza for \$15 (advanced purchase required)

Purchase tickets here!





(410) 721-2625 | 1402 S Main Chapel Way, Gambrills, MD 21054 LOCATED IN WAUGH CHAPEL SOUTH

www.coalfireonline.com

Bring in this flyer *or* present via smartphone Tuesday, October 4, 2022 11:30 AM- 9:00 PM

& 20% of all generated dine in, carry out and catering sales will go directly to:

"School of the Incarnation in Gambrills"

Not valid with happy hour or any other promotion



I am Shannyn Petersen, the new music teacher here at SOTI. I am very excited to get started with the Choir program! Please read the descriptions of each Choir listed below and select the choir that your child would like to join. Feel free to email me with any questions: spetersen@schooloftheincarnation.org.

Expectations/Rules:

<u>Cost:</u> The choir program is associated with the Beyond program at SOTI, but it follows a different timeline due to seasonal performances. The cost of the Choirs is as follows:

Cherub Choir: \$75 for half the year (Cherub Choir will end in December) Elementary & Middle Concert Choir: \$100 for the full year

<u>Attendance:</u> Performances are one of the major goals of singing in a Choir, and attendance at rehearsals is necessary in order to be successful during a performance. Students are more confident in front of an audience when they are well-rehearsed. Please check the dates below and make sure your child can attend most, if not all of the rehearsal dates listed before signing up.

<u>Behavior:</u> Choir is a team activity that depends on everyone working together. Students will be performing in front of an audience and are expected to have good performing etiquette during these performances. Any students who are not behaving well during rehearsals will most likely struggle during a performance. Students consistently not following the rules will be asked to leave the group.

<u>Performances:</u> Our first performances will be a bit more relaxed. The students will be learning proper vocal technique, how to blend, and to work together as a group. We will use familiar Christmas Carols in order to prepare to go caroling as our performance. Students will be expected to attend at least one caroling activity. Once we have established ourselves as a well-blended ensemble, we will move on to more challenging performance pieces. There will be a more formal Spring Concert in May. If you have a community or Church event that could use some carolers, please let me know and we will try to set up "gigs" for our Christmas carolers.

Cherub Choir: 1st/2nd Grade Only (\$75)--Lasts Sept. 26 - Dec. 7

This choir will meet Mondays from 3:00-4:00pm in the Music Room, but not every Monday. Here is the list of dates: Sept. 26, Oct. 10, Oct. 24, Nov. 7, Nov. 21, Nov. 28, Dec. 7.

Elementary Concert Choir: 3rd, 4th, 5th Grade Only (\$100)--Full Year
This choir will meet on Wednesdays from 3:00-4:00pm in the Music Room.

Middle School Concert Choir: 6th, 7th, 8th Grade Only (\$100)--Full Year
This choir will meet on Tuesdays from 3:00-4:00pm in the Music Room.



Please print this form and return to Mrs. Petersen. You can also scan and email. To pay the fee, please go to: https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/choir22 ***If you have multiple students signing up for Choir, please fill out a separate slip for each student***

REGISTRATION FORM

STUDENT FIRST &	KLAST NAME:	
GRADE:	HOMEROOM TEACHER:	
CHOIR SELECTIO	N : (CIRCLE)	
CHERUB (1/2)	ELEMENTARY (3/4/5)	MIDDLE SCHOOL (6/7/8)
PARENT NAMES:		
PARENT EMAIL: _		
PARENT PHONE N	IUMBER:	
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transportation at the rehearsal and perfo	ssion to stay after school for e correct pick up time. We w ormance. My child understar articipation in the Choir.	vill do our best to be at every
Parent Signature:		Date:



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

Thursday, September 29, 2022

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:

- Fourth grade student in Mrs. Ricardi's homeroom. Last day in school was 9/23/22.
- Third grade student in Mrs. Keil's homeroom. Last day in school was 9/22/22.
- Eighth grade student in Ms. Boretti's homeroom. Last day in school was 9/26/22.
- Seventh grade student in Mrs. Corbin's homeroom. Last day in school was 9/25/22.
- Fourth grade student in Mrs. Kavanaugh's homeroom. Last day in school was 9/23/22.

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



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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-Office use only- Form submission date	Contact date		
<u></u>	\$250 tuition credit date		