



**All Saints Catholic School**  
**SAINTLY NOTES**  
**October 26, 2011**

Oct 27	Parent Teacher Conferences –Mandatory <b>(No School for Students)</b>
Oct 28	Staff Development- <b>No School</b>
Nov 1	All Saints Day-Holy Day of Obligation Mass 10:00 am Gr. 3-8, Lit of the Word 1:00 pm k-2 All Saints Class Parties 2:00 pm- 3:00 pm
Nov 6	1 <sup>st</sup> Reconciliation Parent/Child Mtg. 1:30 pm Fellowship Hall Confirmation Parent/Youth Mtg. 3:15 pm
Nov 7	Sacrament Forms Due
Nov 10	Liturgy of the Word 10:00 am k-2
Nov 11	Mass 10:00 am Gr. 3-8 Saints Alive 7:00 pm Gr. 5-8 at ASCS

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**Sister Says...** It's been a busy day so far. We started the morning by honoring our Saints of the Month. We then moved into acknowledging recipients of Honor Roll. 93 students in grades 6-8 received recognition. We finished things with our Student Council representatives receiving their pins which will be worn on dress uniform days. Congratulations to all!

When we started the school year there were discussions as to whether there would be an auction this year. Previous auctions have been very successful and have gone directly into the school's operating funds. Over the last two years, I have heard from many parents that it would be very positive if the funds could be used for a school project. At our beginning of the year HSA meeting we announced that we would have an auction this year and that we would be using the funds for specific projects. The projects were identified as renovations for the music room, liturgical furnishings for the cafeteria Mass area, and establishments of an outside grotto area.

In thinking about the plans for our actual auction evening, we have decided we will take a slightly different approach this year. We will have a **Casino Night** and at the conclusion of our game time, there will be an 8-10 item live auction. A smaller silent auction will include some of the favorite prizes such as teacher treats, classroom projects, road signs, etc. We hope this will take some of the pressure of a full blown auction off of our volunteers and school families. The event will be here at the school and it will give everyone the chance to have some food, some fun, and some fellowship. It will be a great opportunity to bring friends and family members along. So if you haven't already, put Saturday, **March 24, 2012** on your calendar! Much more info will be coming during these next weeks and months so be on the lookout for details and also for opportunities to be involved.

This coming Sunday we celebrate Priesthood Sunday. The teachers and children have been working on some projects to honor our wonderful priests. It would be great if you could take a few minutes to write a note for Bishop Mark, Father Peter, and Father Paul. It would mean a lot to them.

Have a great long weekend. We'll see you tomorrow at conferences!

God bless you, Sister Denise

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## Conferences

Conferences are Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 8 am until 6 pm. Please remember these are required so check your time and then sign in with the teacher that day. It will not be necessary to sign it at the office. All special teachers will be here that day.

Chair (Tony Lenhoff) at [alenhoff2001@yahoo.com](mailto:alenhoff2001@yahoo.com).

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## EAGLES AFTERCARE

Eagles Aftercare will be available on Thursday, October 27 during conferences in the gym. All day care as well as conference time care is being offered. Conference time care is \$2.00 per child. Please do not leave your child(ren) unattended while you are in your meeting. To reserve a spot for either option, contact [alagreca@allsaintsk8.org](mailto:alagreca@allsaintsk8.org) Eagles Care will also be open all day Friday, October 28, 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Be sure to contact Ms. Lagreca for lunch details and to make a (required) reservation.



## "A Note from the Clinic"

by Nurse Abby and Nurse Marie

Dear Parents: Please report to the school any student that has Strep, Pink Eye or Lice, and Flu when the season starts. Also, if your student has a temperature of 100.4°F or more, vomiting, or diarrhea he/she cannot return to school until they are free of these conditions, for 24 hours, *without* taking any medication to stop the problem.

Please up-date any health concerns i.e.: medication, allergies or health problems on your Emergency Sheet. Also, up-date any new names or phone numbers on the Emergency Form. Thank you.

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Attention Earthlings! The Scholastic Book Fair is here and it is "Out of this World!"

The book fair will be open during conferences and will run until Monday, October 31st. Be sure to get by and check out the selections your child has set aside.

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### **SAC (Student Advisory Council) Spotlights: The ASCS Reading Program**

Last year ASCS started a reading program with a curriculum that teaches our children to become successful readers. The program at ASCS can be beneficial to children with and without dyslexia. Dyslexia is a specific reading disability that is neurobiological in origin. It is characterized by difficulties with accurate and /or fluent word recognition and by poor spelling and decoding abilities. Miss Christy Johns, our academic specialist for the ASCS reading program, teaches a curriculum that is derived from the researchers at Scottish Rite Hospital. The programs are called Pre-Flight, Take Flight and Rite Flight. The focus of Pre-Flight is phonological awareness, which is the strongest indicator of a student's future reading skills. The Take Flight program is completely multisensory and incorporates the five essential elements of effective reading instruction: phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and reading comprehension. Rite Flight is a program that focuses solely on reading rate and fluency.

One out of every five children in the United States suffers from dyslexia. While reading programs in the public school system have been in place for many years, there are few Catholic Schools within the Dallas Diocese that offer this type of program. Because our school has been blessed with the resources and the experience of Miss Johns, ASCS has retained at least twenty to thirty children each year that may have gone elsewhere to get the needed help. What an incredible gift that ASCS can give to any child: the ability to become a successful reader!

*The School Advisory Council (SAC) is a group of parents and school administrators organized to advise and promote the educational programs at ASCS. Comments or questions regarding the above submission should be directed to the Communications.*

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## CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Please join our All Saints Catholic School Chamber Orchestra as they perform their Fall Concert on November 3, 2011 at 7 pm at John Paul II High School. The Chamber Orchestra is our top string orchestra at ASCS and our musicians have worked very hard. We hope you will join us for a fun filled evening. The concert will also feature the John Paul II High School Orchestra and the John Paul II Honors Orchestra. Come join us in the Cafeteria for some great music!

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## AN EVERLASTING GIFT

What do you get for the person who has everything? Do you have someone on your Christmas list that is hard to shop for? Well, hopefully you have noticed our brick walkway at the main entrance of the school. We have many engraved bricks with the names of loved ones, students and those who support All Saints Catholic School. Please consider honoring a grandparent, favorite aunt or uncle or another special person on your Christmas list. The cost of a brick is \$250 and is tax deductible. You may engrave a maximum of two lines of 15 characters each including punctuation and spaces. For more information or to place an order, contact the school office.

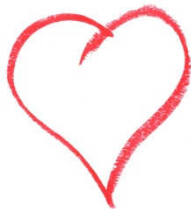
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## Work of the Heart

The Catholic Foundation is continuing the Work of the Heart program this year. The Work of the Heart honors excellence in Catholic Education. The award recognizes those who go above and beyond. Any teacher, administrator or school staff member can be nominated. All it takes is a one page letter citing one or all of the following criteria:

- ♥ Traditional Merit including tenure and leadership
- ♥ Enthusiastic instruction
- ♥ Individual or unexpected acts of kindness or charity
- ♥ Christian example
- ♥ Mentoring
- ♥ Simply going the extra mile for an individual student, family or community

Mail, fax or email your nomination letter by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month including your name and relation to the nominee to:



The Catholic Foundation  
Work of the Heart Award  
5310 Harvest Hill Road Suite 248  
Dallas, TX 75230  
Fax 972-661-0140  
Email: [workofheart@catholicfoundation.com](mailto:workofheart@catholicfoundation.com)

Up to 20 Work of the Hearts are awarded each month throughout the diocese. There are up to four grand awards during the school year. Past winners from ASCS include: Anthony Gamble, Pam Wessling, Coach Andy, Ellen Hollister, Shana Druffner, Karen Beacham, Mary Reiter, Joan Simler, Mary Tanner, and Marty Koss to name a few.

## Emergency Notifications Flashalert.net



This year All Saints Catholic School will continue to use a program called FlashAlert for informing both faculty and parents about issues and events that occur at the school. This will be especially useful for emergency communications such as early school closings, storm alerts, and such events. To make the process work we need as many parents and staff members to register as a participant in the system as possible. Registration is REALLY simple. You can receive messages by cell phone and computer, but you must register by computer to receive your annual updates from the vendor and tests of the system.

Here is the process for registering:

- (1) Log on to the internet and access [www.flashalert.net](http://www.flashalert.net).
- (2) On the map, click on the Dallas/Ft. Worth button.
- (3) On the list, click on Collin/Grayson Co. Schools.
- (4) On the list, click on All Saints Catholic School.
- (5) Enter an e-mail address for your home computer (or the computer you choose) in the box.
- (6) Make sure the box is checked in front of Emergency Alerts and click on the Subscribe button.

NOTE: Prior to clicking the Subscribe button, you may click on Follow our Flash alerts on Twitter to receive district information in that way also. Follow the direction online to add All Saints Catholic School to your Twitter account or to create a Twitter account using their directions. After you have created your Twitter account, return to this screen and start at Step #6).

- (7) Re-enter your e-mail address and create a MEMORABLE password (there is password recovery should you forget it),
- (8) Select Dallas/Ft. Worth/North Central TX from the first list and Collin & Grayson Co Schools from the second list,
- (9) Enter additional devices (computers or cell phones as directed).
- (10) Click on the RED test message to send a test to your devices. You are now registered.

You will now begin receiving emergency announcements from All Saints Catholic School by e-mail and cell phone texting. You must be able to receive text messages to get cell phone notifications. If you also added All Saints Catholic School to your Twitter account, you will receive these messages that way also.

Thank you for registering to help All Saints Catholic School keep its parents and staff more informed and up-to-date should emergencies occur. If you have any questions please call Laura Olson.

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# Save the Date

## Grandparent's Day Open House

Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

9:15 AM Mass at All Saints Catholic Church.

5231 Meadowcreek Drive  
Dallas, TX 75278

10:30 AM-1:00 PM Open House at the school.

7777 Osage Plaza Parkway  
Dallas, TX 75252



### Church Ministries

## ***St. Nick's Christmas Party***

**Sunday, December 4, 2011**

***All Saints Fellowship Hall***

***1:00 pm to 3:00 pm***

**Admission: New unwrapped toy to benefit under privileged children  
at the Marillac Center**

We hope families will join us for an afternoon of fun. There will be delicious treats, memories,  
and a Celebration of the Spirit of Christmas.

### Activities include:

- \*\*\* Having your child's photo taken with the original St. Nicholas
- \*\*\* A special story time in the Cozy Story Corner
- \*\*\* Watch "The Birth of Jesus Puppet show" sponsored by the Men's Club
- \*\*\* Join us at the craft table for fun activities and holiday projects.
- \*\*\* Watch the video "Nicholas, The Boy Who Became Santa"

For more information contact, Marie Tilden 972/713-7632

## ATTACHMENTS

Don't miss out on the following:

- Spirit Wear Sale
- Senior (Citizen) Prom Volunteers
- Confirmation Dates
- Eucharist and Reconciliation Meetings

**Minute To Win It**  
Join your friends for a  
night of awesome games!

We are always in need of adult leaders for these events!  
Contact Matt Woyak, the Coordinator of Junior High Youth Ministry 972/718-0330 or mwoyak@allsaintsdallas.org

## ASCS Community Service Group (CSG)

Thank you all so much for making the 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade COAT DRIVE a huge success!! At mass on Friday, our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade representatives, Brianna Bleeck and Abigail Guerra, presented over **300 coats** to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School's principal, Mr. Dan Quill. Mr. Quill was genuinely overwhelmed by your generosity, and its staff was equally as



delighted! Our Sister School has wonderfully promising students and an incredibly dedicated principal and staff, and they are in much need of your help and prayers.





# SPIRIT WEAR



## SALE

# October 27

(same day as parent teacher conferences)

## 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

(in the school atrium)

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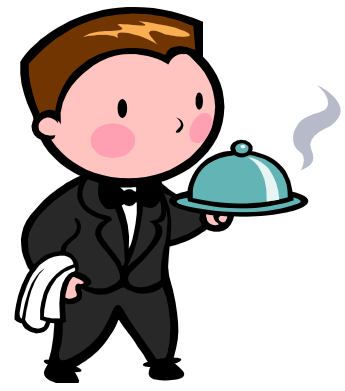


*With Fall & Winter  
around the corner it's  
a great time to order  
**SCHOOL  
SWEATSHIRTS!!!***

**\$20.00 each**

\*\*\*Additional \$2.00 charge for XXLs





# Seeking Youth & Adult Volunteers for the “Senior Prom”

The event will take place on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:15 to 8:30pm

**Volunteers are needed from 4:15 to 9:00pm**

We are in need of youth in grades 6 through 12 as well as adults to volunteer for this amazing event! It's a fantastic way to give back to the older members of our parish and show them our appreciation for all they do for us and our church community throughout the year.

## Important Volunteer Information

**Youth volunteers** will be divided into teams of 5. Each team will have a specific schedule and list of duties that they will have to complete throughout the course of the event.

**Adult volunteers** will serve as team leaders. Each adult leader will be in charge of a team of 5 and will be responsible for aiding them in their duties and keeping them on task and on schedule.

- To volunteer, you must sign up by emailing Matt Woyak ([mwoyak@allsaintsdallas.org](mailto:mwoyak@allsaintsdallas.org)).
- You **must** attend *ONE* of the two mandatory server trainings offered on the following dates:
  - Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 8:00pm
  - Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 8:00pm
- **If you cannot make it to either one of these meetings**, you may still help with set-up on the afternoons of Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> but you will not be able to serve at the event on Sunday.
- Please indicate which training you will attend in your email and provide a contact phone number as well.
- On November 13<sup>th</sup> volunteers must check in at 4:00pm in Fellowship Hall for orientation.
- We will attend 5:00pm Mass together as a group and then return to Fellowship Hall.
- Volunteers may sign-out after clean-up following the event.

*There are a limited number of volunteer spots available which will be filled on a first-come first-serve basis!*

**Everyone who attends this event always talks about how amazing it is; come help make their memories wonderful!**

# CONFIRMATION

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER “MANDATORY” PARENT/YOUTH CONFIRMATION PREPARATION MEETINGS

(DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

- October 30<sup>th</sup> – Presentation of Saint Reports: 9:30 - 11:30am in Fellowship Hall
- November 6<sup>th</sup> – Parent/Youth Confirmation Preparation Meeting: 3:15-4:45pm in Fellowship Hall
- November 7<sup>th</sup> – Deadline to hand in Sacrament Forms, Baptismal Certificates & Sponsor’s Letter of Good Standing
- February 11<sup>th</sup> - Mandatory Confirmation Retreat @ Mount St. Michael’s 8am-9pm
- February 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> – Confirmation Discernment Interviews 6:30pm-8:30pm Contact Donna Ross [dross@allsaintsdallas.org](mailto:dross@allsaintsdallas.org)
- Beginning Feb 1<sup>st</sup> for an appointment
- March 4<sup>th</sup> – Teaching Mass in the Sanctuary 12:30pm
- March 19<sup>th</sup> - Confirmation Discernment Interviews and Paperwork Due
- March 25<sup>th</sup> –Parent Confirmation Preparation Meeting: 3:15pm-4:45 in Fellowship Hall
- Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup> - Confirmation Practice in the Sanctuary 6:30pm
- Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> – Confirmation/Reception in the Sanctuary 5:00pm

### Service Opportunities

- October – Pumpkin Sale/Ornament Sale
- October 21-22 – ASWO Hearts & Hands Bazaar
- October – November – Coat Collection
- Senior Prom Planning Committee Monday Nights 7pm-8pm in July-Nov
- Senior Prom Nov 13 December – Adopt-A-Family
- February 14<sup>th</sup> - Valentine Cookies for Austin Street Shelter
- March 2nd – Stone Soup Lenten Dinner

Donna Ross 972-778-0313 [dross@allsaintsdallas.org](mailto:dross@allsaintsdallas.org)

**IMPORTANT DATES TO  
REMEMBER**

**RECONCILIATION &  
EUCHARIST  
PARENT/YOUTH  
MEETINGS**

**(dates are subject to change)**

October 16<sup>th</sup> – 1st Reconciliation Parent/Child Preparation:  
In Fellowship Hall 1:30-3:00pm

November 6<sup>th</sup>, – 1st Reconciliation Parent/Child  
Preparation: FH 1:30-3:00pm

November 7<sup>th</sup> – Deadline to hand in Sacrament Forms and  
Baptismal Certificates

December 6<sup>th</sup> - 1st Reconciliation: 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary

January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012 – Symbol Fair, Parents & Child in the  
Sanctuary, 6:30pm

February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012 - Church Tour, Parents & Child in the  
Sanctuary 6:30pm

March 4<sup>th</sup> - Teaching Mass Parents & Child I  
n the Sanctuary 12:30pm

April 22<sup>nd</sup>– First Eucharist Parent/Child Preparation: FH  
1:30-3:00 pm

May 11<sup>th</sup> - First Eucharist Practice in the Sanctuary: 6:30PM

May 12<sup>th</sup> - First Eucharist 10:30am & 2:00pm  
Reception to Follow