

HOME & SCHOOL

March Newsletter

Important Dates

March

- 1st- Family Sundays at SVdP
- 4th- AR Point Exchange
- 2nd Trimester Report Cards post
First Reconciliation- optional
practice
- 5th- 5th Grade Liturgy at the Cathedral
All School Mass
- 6th- K-5th Adoration
Lenten Fish Fry - 6:30pm
- 7th- Academic Decathlon
First Reconciliation
- 8th- THRIVE Youth Group
Daylight Savings Time
- 9th- Junior Great Books
- 11th- Confirmation/First Communion
- 12th- All School Mass
- 13th- No School
- 19th- All School Mass
- 20th- Lenten Fish Fry - 6:30pm
- 22nd - THRIVE Youth Group
- 24th - Teacher Appreciation Luncheon-
2nd Grade
- 25th - Spirit Wear Day
Noon Dismissal
- 26th- All School Mass

April

- 1st- Confirmation/First Communion
- 2nd- All School Mass
Passion Play- 8th grade
- 3rd- K-5th Adoration
Lenten Fish Fry - 6:30pm
- 5th- Family Sundays at SVdP
THRIVE Youth Group
- 7th- Mid Trimester 3
- 8th- All School Mass
All School Service Day
- 9th- Noon dismissal
- 10th- 17th- **Spring Break**
- 12th- Easter Sunday
- 19th- THRIVE Youth Group
- 22nd - Spirit Wear Day
Confirmation/First Communion
- 24th - Catholic Schools Art Fair
6th Grade Spaghetti Dinner
- 29th - Teacher Appreciation Luncheon-
4th Grade
- 30th- All School Mass

Check out the Volunteer Calendar on the Parent Portal for more information on events and to find links to sign up.

Meet the Parish Staff

Wow! There are a lot of wonderful things happening across the street. If you have kids going through sacramental prep or youth group, you likely know Kelly and Laurel. But, we want to make sure you know all the staff and some of the different roles they play. This crew is working hard (just keep reading), but there is such a joyful spirit and focus on Christ. Stop by the office anytime - whether you need something or just want to say hi.



L - R: Linda, Sherri, Laurel, Kelly, Fr. Hilton, Tony, Meg, John, Corinne, Lindell, Manh, Fr. Doug.

Father John Hilton - Pastor As the pastor, Fr. Hilton is the administrative head of the church and school, he celebrates Masses and performs sacraments. He also evangelizes to those that don't know Jesus Christ. And, he has the wonderful role of helping our families get to Heaven.

Father Doug Grandon - Parish Vicar Fr. Doug has been with us for over four years. He also celebrates Masses and sacraments. Although he will continue to be present at SVdP, he works outside of SVdP for FOCUS and will spend time this spring in the small towns and mountains of Europe doing missionary work.

Deacon Tim Kelly - Deacon Deacon Tim works full time as a lawyer. His primary role at church is to assist with Masses, lead baptismal preparation classes and perform baptisms.

Corinne Albright - Business Manager Corinne has an expertise in parish management and works on Archdiocesan reports and budget planning.

Linda Melgares and John Cook - Bookkeeper/HR Linda has worked in the Archdiocese for the past 22 years and is our parish bookkeeper along with John.

Meg Robinson - Secretary/Receptionist Meg is the heart of the church office. She spends her days fielding calls, scheduling priests for Masses and confessions, making Mass cards, maintaining parish records and managing general office work. If you need anything, she is probably the one to have the answer.

Kelly Archer - Director of Marriage and Family Just a few of the many things Kelly oversees are marriage, first reconciliation, confirmation and first communion preparation. She also works on Walking with Purpose, service projects (like the Jesse Tree), volunteer training and Family Sunday. She has an amazing way to connect to children and bring them closer to Jesus.

Laurel Eyer - Community Outreach and Pastoral Care Laurel brings her deep understanding and wisdom of the gospel to life in the most exciting ways! She oversees RCIA (becoming Catholic), THRIVE (youth ministry), SENT evangelization team, and website and communications. She and Kelly work together on many of their ministries like Family Sunday and sacramental preparation.

Danielle Lombardi - Director of Music Some of Danielle's responsibilities include planning music for the weekend Masses, directing/overseeing the adult choir (Laudate Choir), children's choir and Bel Canto Bell Choir. In addition, she assists with funeral planning and wedding planning.

Sherri Doyle - Event Coordinator Sherri does it all and all with such joy. She works on the weekly bulletin and is the go-to person for events and event planning. She is also doing scheduling for ministry programs, does some of Father Hilton's meals, grocery shopping and cleaning his house.

Lindell Blaich - Liturgical Decorations Anytime you are in awe of the beautiful Christmas trees or Easter decorations - you have Lindell to thank. She is a volunteer staff member that does the liturgical decorations and environment, and is the liaison of school and church liturgies.

Manh Pham and Tony Zarlengo-Reyther - Maintenance Manh and Tony work together to set up (and move those heavy tables) for events and do maintenance on the multiple buildings at church and Father's house. **1**

Willy Wonka, Jr.

A musical with a golden ticket and a golden lesson!

The 7th Grade class presented “Willy Wonka, Jr.”, a musical based on the book Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl. The director, our Music teacher, Mrs. Smeltz chose this musical “because it is a fun show with a great storyline, and it has lots of opportunities for our students to shine!” And shine they did! From colorful candy-coated sets (designed by our Art teacher, Mrs. Thomason) and creative costumes to well-rehearsed song and dance routines and funny lines, golden tickets should be given to all involved for their stellar efforts



and performances. Henry Doyle showed his strong vocals as Charlie while Damian Desiderio showed his ability to portray Wonka’s manic personality combined with his cheeky humor. More humor was added by Lawson Roesch as Mike Teevee, Morgan Doyle as Veruca, Trey Tomassi as Augustus, and Audrey Kupper as Violet.

Regardless of the role, on stage or stagehand, the entire crew of 7th graders made the musical a success. Mrs. Smeltz should also get a golden ticket for highlighting the faithful lesson to be gained from this story: when falling victim to temptation, honesty and confession will lead to forgiveness and greatness. Just like Charlie, if we fess up, we too could inherit “the chocolate factory”.



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CSAL February Wrap Up

February marked an end to a busy month for CSAL sports! Between Basketball and Futsal, we had an exciting month of sports at SVdP.

Basketball

It was a busy month for all of our Varsity, JV and Widgets teams with the final tournament running throughout February. Our **Boys JV Division 1 team** and our **Girls JV Division 2 teams** made it to the finals in their brackets, both coming in second place to Good Shepherd. Our Widgets teams had a very strong showing with four teams making it to championships on 2/29, including our **3rd grade boys teams** who finished 2nd and our **4th grade girls team who took home the championship!** Our **4th grade boys team** and **3rd grade girls team** also finished 3rd in their bracket!

Congratulations to all of our teams who competed and thank you to our parent coaches for your time and dedication this season!



Futsal

Futsal’s season may be short, but it is definitely mighty. SVdP fielded 5 co-ed teams across the three divisions (3rd/4th, 5th/6th, and 7th/8th). With just a few weeks of playing time, all teams had a blast and our **8th and 4th grade teams won their finals on 2/28!** Way to go Crusaders!



Jamba Juice

Don’t forget to place your order for Jamba Juice for the 3rd Trimester! Not only is this a fun treat for your children, but it also is a great fundraiser for the whole school. **For each drink ordered, SVdP receives \$1.70!** We hope to raise \$5,000 this year from Jamba Juice alone!

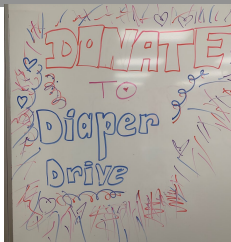
Ordering is easy and orders can be placed just a few weeks in advance! For instructions and the link to order, visit the Parent Portal (<http://svdpk8.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Jamba-Juice-.pdf>).



Don’t Miss the Diaper Drive!

Our 7th graders are holding the **annual Diaper Drive now until April 9th!** We are collecting boxes of diapers for the Gabriel House Project (sizes 4, 5 and 6 are the sizes most needed). This year, our goal is to collect 10,000

diapers. Please help us provide diapers for families in our community who are in need! You can drop off diapers at the school office.



2020 Gala News

It’s **Spring raffle time** and a **stunning Chanel purse** is our **hot ticket item!** 100 raffle tickets at \$100 a piece will be sold. *Look for spring raffle chair Sharon Alton and her team to purchase or visit Ameer Cave in the front office.*



Keep an eye out for our stunning invitations, created by the very talented and generous Jenna McKinlay! RSVP by April 1 for a discounted ticket!