

# VIKING NEWSLETTER

January 23, 2025

## **SCHOOL NEWS**

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL 2nd QUARTER HONOR ROLL

Congratulations to our students on their academic success!

#### JANUARY VIRTUE OF THE MONTH - FIDELITY

Help extend what our students are learning at home! Discuss the virtue at your dinner table. Invoke the saint that is a model of that virtue, and check out page 30 of the parents' guide for more ways to live out the virtue at home.

Patrons of Fidelity:

PK-2: St. Cecilia

3rd-5th: Bls. Lugi & Maria Beltrame Qualtrocchi

6th-8th: St. Gianna Molla

## **FIDELITY**



## Being faithful to promises and commitments

- We are encouraged to be faithful to our promises and resolutions and to our relationship with Christ.
- To remain faithful, we must be willing to spend time with Jesus, to pray and to talk with Him, to listen when He calls, to see Him around us, to find Him in every person we meet.
- We promise to accept the graces He gives us to live as His witness in the world.

"So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law of the Prophets. Matthew 7:12



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### New Mental Health Screener for 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade

We are excited to announce a new partnership with Maro, an innovative platform dedicated to improving youth mental health. This initiative will support our commitment to fostering the well-being of our students in body, mind, and spirit. As part of this partnership, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School will implement a universal screener for 6th, 7th and 8th graders. These screenings aim to proactively identify students who may need additional support before concerns become severe, particularly for those who internalize struggles.

## Universal Mental Health Screening



St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School will be giving 6th, 7th & 8th grade students the opportunity to take an optional mental health survey starting on February 10th.

#### Why mental health screening?

Mental health is a very important part of our overall wellbeing, but it can be hard to recognize when we could benefit from extra support.

Universal screenings can help catch students who may be struggling but flying under the radar. Connecting these students to available support can empower them to thrive both in and out of school.

#### What can you expect?

- On the day of screening, the school counselor will provide students with a link to log in to an online portal and access their digital survey.
- Students will be able to opt out of taking the survey if they do not wish to participate.
- As students complete their digital surveys, counselors will immediately be able to monitor their results and follow up with students asneeded.



#### CRISIS TEXT LINE

For free, confidential mental health support at any time, text Maro to 741741 to connect with a crisis counselor.

#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK DETAILS**

Click the link below for all of our Catholic Schools Week events and details.



#### **Catholic Schools Week - corrected**

Catholic Schools Week - corrected - January 25 - January 31 by Miss Hogan | This newsletter was created with Smore, an online tool for creating beautiful newsletters for individual educators, schools and districts

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#### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK HOUSE ASSIGNMENTS

Monday, January 27th

Our Monday spirit wear is House Colors! Your child was given their house assignment at school.

The House color assignments are:

- Blessed Carlo Acutis Red
- St. Therese of Lisiuex Orange
- St. Pope John Paul II Yellow
- Blessed Pier Girorgio Frassati Blue
- St. Bernadette Soubirous Purple
- Blessed Stanley Rother Black
- St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Green
- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Pink

#### Friday, January 31st

The Grandparent Luncheon will be in the Parish Hall. All guests are invited to join us for Mass at 10:00 AM prior to the luncheon.

Your lunchtime is scheduled alphabetically by the <u>family last name</u>. Lunch times are listed below. Please inform your child/children's grandparents/special guests. *If you requested to eat with a relative or specific family, a separate email will be sent to those specific families with their lunchtime.* 

#### **LUNCH TIMES FOR 2025**

11:00-11:45 AM last names J-Z 12:00-12:45 PM last names A-I

Grandparents and special guests will have the opportunity to have their picture taken by TSS photographers at the luncheon. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

#### **EARLY DISMISSAL DAY**

Friday, January 31st: 1:00 PM Dismissal

School will dismiss on *Friday, January 31st* at 1:00pm. After care will be available.





#### ONLINE REENROLLMENT FOR PRESCHOOL THROUGH 8TH GRADE

**Now Reenrolling through February 21st** 

<u>Enrolling for Pre-K?</u> - Be sure to reserve your spot in your preferred class by completing your child's online reenrollment packet. Deadline for preschool pre-enrollment is **Friday**, **January 31st.** 

Reenrollment for preschool through 8th grade will run through Friday, February 21st.

### **Lunch Menus**

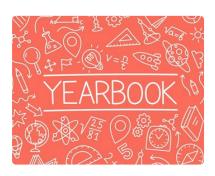
#### FEAST OF ST. BLAISE THROAT BLESSING

Monday, February 3rd

The most popular story attributed to St. Blaise occurred while he was in prison, when he cured a young a boy who was in danger of choking to death because of a fishbone in his throat. That story,

and the fact that St. Blaise was a doctor, made the saint very popular for intercessory prayer for throat ailments. Every year, it is tradition to bless the throats of the faithful to protect them for the upcoming year. Our priests will bless the throats of our students and staff at our morning announcements.





#### YEARBOOK PICTURES

Pictures due Friday, February 21st

If you have taken pictures at any SVdP student events, please share them with Mrs. Roten for use in the yearbook. Email them to <a href="mailto:croten@svdpvikings.com">croten@svdpvikings.com</a>.

#### **NEW FINANCIAL AID REQUIREMENTS FOR 2025-2026**

John Lancaster Spalding Application Required Due Friday, April 25th

All families seeking tuition assistance through the parish for the 2025-2026 school year MUST first apply for the John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship (JLS). That application will be used to determine financial assistance both for JLS and parish scholarships provided through our school endowment.



Applications due Friday, April 25th

Tuition assistance scholarship grants from the diocesan endowment fund will be available for the 2025-2026 school year for students enrolled or intending to enroll in grades kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed.



**IMPORTANT** 

Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained here.

Consult the detailed <u>protocols and procedures</u> and <u>checklist</u> for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award. Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for the 2025-2026 school year must reapply. Deadline date for the completed application is <u>April 25, 2025</u>. Notification of grant awards will be made in June of 2025.

Apply here: <a href="https://online.factsmgt.com/aid">https://online.factsmgt.com/aid</a>.

#### **2024 TAX DOCUMENTS**

2024 Tax Documents for Tuition and Before and After Care are ready to be printed off in your FACTS Account. Hard copies of these documents are not sent home with your students. In order to print your tax documents please follow the instructions below. If you are looking for 2024 church contributions, you will need to contact the parish office to receive that information at <a href="mailto:svdppeoria@hotmail.com">svdppeoria@hotmail.com</a> or call 691-3602 x251.



Log into Family Portal (District Code: SVDP-IL)

- 🗎 Click on the View Payment Summary tab (please make sure that "2024" is the year selected)

## ATHLETIC & EXTRACURRICULAR NEWS

#### CHESS CLUB COACH NEEDED

SVdP is looking for a chess coach. We have a handful of students who would like to participate in the state chess tournament on Friday, February 28th (all day) and Saturday, March 1st. Candidates must be out of high school; however, any high school student could attend practices for service hours. Practices would be determined by the coach. The coach would be allowed on the floor during matches. Each student will play a total of 8 matches.



If interested or have any questions, please contact Michelle Carew <a href="mailto:mcarew@svdpvikings.com">mcarew@svdpvikings.com</a>.

#### **VALENTINE GRAM FUNDRAISER**

Send a classmate a friendly gram for Valentine's Day!



## PEORIA NOTRE DAME NEWS

#### YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL

Join the Peoria Notre Dame Youth Baseball and Softball League

The Peoria Notre Dame Youth Baseball and Softball League (PNDYBSL) invites you to join our league! We offer options for boys & girls ages 4-15, including t-ball, baseball, and softball. Go to <a href="https://www.pndybsl.com/signup">https://www.pndybsl.com/signup</a>. Reach out to Tom Caldera at <a href="mailto:caldera.thomas@gmail.com">caldera.thomas@gmail.com</a> with any questions.



## Upcoming Events

in January É February

JAN 24	All School Mass @ 9:15 AM
JAN 25	Blue Ribbon Book Fair Begins
JAN 26	Open House, following 9 & 11 AM Mass
JAN 28	Adoration, all day
JAN 31	All School Mass @ 10 AM Grandparent Luncheon Early Dismissal at 1:00 PM
FEB 03	Feast of St. Blaise, Blessing of Throats All School Rosary @ 2:35 PM
FEB 04	Adoration, All Day
FEB 07	All School Mass @ 9:15 AM
FEB 08	First Reconciliation for 2nd Grade @ 10 AM



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