



ST. VINCENT  
DE PAUL  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

# Viking Newsletter

April 23, 2026

## SCHOOL NEWS

### IMPORTANT FIRST COMMUNION DATES FOR SECOND GRADERS

#### Friday, April 24th

First Communion Retreat Day

#### Saturday, April 25th

First Holy Communion Mass at 10:00 AM

#### Friday, May 1st

School May Crowning at 9:15 AM School Mass (wear First Communion clothes)

#### Sunday, May 3rd

May Crowning at 9:00 AM Parish Mass, followed by Blessing of Gifts & Enrollment in the Brown Scapular (wear First Communion clothes)



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### MONSIGNOR ROBERT C. LIVINGSTON SCHOLARSHIP

Offered to 8th Graders

Due Friday, April 24th

The Monsignor Robert C. Livingston Scholarship, provided by the SVdP Women's Guild, is awarded to the winner of an essay contest that is based on the topic "How I Believe My Catholic Education Will Benefit Me in Life". This scholarship is not based on financial need but is awarded to the

student who best articulates how the Catholic education that they have received while attending St. Vincent de Paul School will assist them at Peoria Notre Dame and throughout their life.

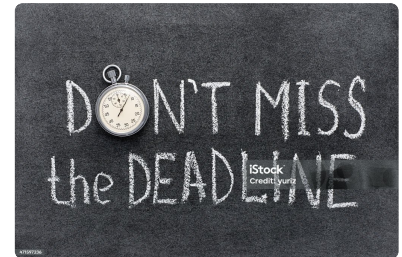
The following [letter](#) and [rubric](#) will further explain the requirements necessary for participating in this contest and how the essay will be scored. We sincerely hope that you will encourage your eighth grader's involvement in this endeavor.

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## JOHN LANCASTER SPALDING SCHOLARSHIP DUE

**Applications due Friday, April 24th**

Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained [here](#).



Consult the detailed [protocols and procedures](#) and [checklist](#) for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award. Anyone seeking to renew a grant for the 2026-2027 school year must reapply. Deadline date for the completed application is tomorrow, April 24, 2026. Notification of grant awards will be made in June of 2026.

Apply here: <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>

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## CAROL J. WAKE MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

**Offered to 5th - 8th Graders**

**Due Tuesday, April 28th**

The family of Mrs. Wake is inviting all students who are currently in grades 5-8 to apply for a \$1,000 scholarship payable to St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School and/or Peoria Notre Dame High School. More information about the scholarship and requirements can be found below:



[Information for Carol J. Wake Memorial Fund Scholarship Music Scholarship Application](#)

All applications and recommendation letters are due to the school office by **Tuesday, April 28th**.

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## MUSICAL PROGRAM SHOUT OUTS

**Due Tuesday, April 28th**

The Annie Jr. cast and crew are hard at work preparing for the upcoming shows on May 7, 8, and 9. Share your support by placing a congratulatory "shout out" ad in the play program or making a



donation to the theatre program at SVDP. Shout Out price is based on text length; proceeds cover program printing costs and other school musical expenses. Kudos from all family and friends are welcome!

If you have a business you would like to advertise in the program, please contact Erin Callahan for sponsorship details.

Submissions are via this Google Form:

<https://forms.gle/pLDeP1GJzA3giLz17>

Payment can be made via Venmo (details on the form) or cash/check to the school office.

See samples below:

15 words or less for \$5.00

Example:

*Barney Fife: Good luck in the play, and remember no elbows on the table!! Aunt Bee16*

16-30 words for \$10.00

Example:

*Gilligan : We are so happy that you conquered your fear of performing in public. We know you'll do a great job. Break a Leg Little Buddy! The Skipper*

Contact Erin Callahan (via email: [ekcallahan@gmail.com](mailto:ekcallahan@gmail.com) or cell: 708-421-0316) with any questions.

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## MAY QUEEN FOR 2026

Friday, May 1st

In May as we honor our Blessed Mother, we also honor a young lady who most exemplifies the qualities that Mary possesses. This young lady was selected by her teachers as this year's May Queen and will crown Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth at the all-school Mass on Friday, May 1st at 9:15am and the parish Mass on Sunday, May 3rd at 9:00am.



We would like to congratulate this year's May Queen, Daisy!

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## TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK AT SVdP

Monday, May 4th - Friday, May 8th

We are very blessed to have such fantastic teachers and staff at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School! Thank you to all of our staff

for their witness of faith, their love and care for our students and school families, and their dedication to providing meaningful learning experiences for our students. Be sure to send your child's teachers a note of appreciation.

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## MUSICAL TICKETS

Thursday, May 7th, 7:00pm

Friday, May 8th, 7:00pm

Saturday, May 9th, 7:00pm

\$10/adult, \$5/student, under 4 free.

Purchase tickets below or tickets can be purchased at the door with cash or check made out to St. Vincent de Paul.



St. Vincent de Paul School presents

**Annie JR.**

May 7, 8, 9 @ 7:00pm  
in the St. Vincent Gymnasium

Tickets



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## FIRST LEGO LEAGUE REGISTRATION

4th - 8th Grade

Wednesday, May 14th - 2026-2027 Interest Form due

First Lego League is not just about building with Legos! What will your child gain? Students will:

- work as a team to design, build and program an autonomous LEGO Spike Prime robot
- plan and present an innovative solution to a project during competitions
- practice teamwork by following the FLL Core Values.



The SVdP FLL teams are diverse teams made up of a maximum of ten St. Vincent de Paul students. Team members must be between the ages of 9 and 14 and in 4th-8th grade during the 2026-2027

school year. To give you and your child an idea of the robot portion of FLL, the following video shows the robot game missions from last year's season: [https://youtu.be/ErDj8myl\\_Tg&t=268s](https://youtu.be/ErDj8myl_Tg&t=268s)

[Student Interest Form](#) is to be emailed or returned to the school office by Wednesday, May 14th for students to be considered for next year's team (including past team members).

**We need your help!**

Parents, please consider volunteering to help coach FLL if your child is interested. Some years we have enough students for two teams, but only have enough coaches for one team. Coaches do not have to have engineering or robotics experience!

If you have questions about FLL, please feel free to contact us at [svdpfll@gmail.com](mailto:svdpfll@gmail.com)



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Sheridan Nursery is teaming up with St. Vincent de Paul School this May!

Get ready to beautify your yard this Spring at Sheridan Nursery & help support the

**SVdP 8<sup>th</sup> grade class graduation activities**

Come to Sheridan Nursery (Sheridan Road & Alta Location) and make a purchase. SVdP 8th grade class will receive 10% of your purchase on flowers, pots, shrubs, trees, gift certificates, and more.

(excludes landscape services as well as labor and delivery costs)  
\*This coupon cannot be combined with any other sales/promotions offer.

**VOUCHER MUST BE PRESENTED AT THE TIME OF PURCHASE**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount of sale: \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for your support**

**This offer is good from April 24th –May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026.**



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## Lunch Menus

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# ATHLETIC NEWS

## ALL SPORTS BANQUET

Sunday, April 26th

Following 9:00 AM Mass

All athletes, coaches, parents, and families are invited to SVdP parish hall for our all sports banquet. It will be a potluck celebrating all our teams from 2025-26 school year: baseball, softball, golf, cross country, girl's basketball, boys' basketball, cheerleading, wrestling, chess, volleyball, Scholastic Bowl, and track.

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## 2026 FALL SPORTS REGISTRATION

5th - 8th Grades

Due Friday, May 22nd



Please register for fall sports (boys/girls golf, softball, baseball, cross country, girls basketball) and any other sports your child will participate in next school year online now.

- Visit [Athletics Registration](#)
  - Complete and submit the required online forms (waiver, handbook, concussion)
    - These three forms only have to be completed & signed **once** for **all** activities.
  - Turn updated IESA sports physical into school office
    - Make sure both parent and athlete sign their physical.
  - Participation fees will be invoiced once the sport season begins.
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# PARISH NEWS

# TOTUS TUUS

summer catechetical experience



- ✓ FUN AND GAMES
- ✓ FANTASTIC STAFF
- ✓ DAILY MASS
- ✓ CATECHESIS



The Totus Tuus summer catechetical program is a week long parish mission for Catholic youth in grades 1st-12th. It is dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship.

**SAVE THE DATE**



**JULY 5<sup>TH</sup> - 10<sup>TH</sup>**  
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

**DAY PROGRAM (1ST-6TH)**  
MONDAY-FRIDAY, 9 AM - 2:30 PM  
**TEEN PROGRAM (7TH-12TH) SUN-**  
THURSDAY 6:30 - 8:15 PM

**REGISTER TODAY AT THE PARISH OFFICE**



**Totus Tuus Registration.pdf**

**Download**  
466.9 KB

## YOUTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Open to 7th & 8th Students  
Monday, July 6th - Friday, July 10th

All seventh and eighth grade students are invited to volunteer and help during the day at our Totus Tuus week. If you are available please complete the [Youth Volunteer Form](#) and return to Mrs. Nauman, coordinator.



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### JIM CARLSON SUMMER ST. JUDE BASKETBALL CAMP

Monday, June 29th - Thursday, July 2nd  
1st - 6th graders

Jim Carlson, former head basketball coach of Peoria Notre Dame High School will be directing his annual summer basketball camp for St. Jude Midwest Affiliate at SVdP's school gym.

Girls (1st - 3rd) and Boys (1st - 6th) [Registration Form](#)

Girls (4th - 8th) [Registration Form](#)

Please return all registration forms and money to:

Country Financial  
c/o Jim Carlson  
4726 N. Sterling Ave.  
Peoria, IL 61615

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## PEORIA CITY - DISCOUNTED TICKETS FOR PPSA

Peoria City is preparing for its fifth season of competition in USL League Two, North America's premier pre-professional soccer league.

The Peoria Parochial Soccer Association (PPSA) shares many of our club's values, including a mission of teaching, fostering and promoting the sport of soccer in the Peoria area.

With that in mind, we are proud to offer all the PPSA participants and their families the opportunity to attend Peoria City games at discounted ticket prices. Please find below a promo code created specifically for the families of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School, which will provide a **12.5 percent discount** on all Peoria City season and single-game tickets purchased online through [PeoriaCitySoccer.com](http://PeoriaCitySoccer.com). You may apply the below code during the checkout process throughout the spring and summer.



**Promo Code:** SVDP26

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## Upcoming Events

*in  
April &  
May*

APR 24	All School Mass @ 9:15 AM
APR 25	First Holy Communion @ 10 AM
APR 28	Adoration, all day
MAY 1	All School Mass & May Crowning @ 9:15 AM
MAY 3	Parish May Crowning @ 9:00 AM Mass
MAY 4	All School Rosary @ 2:35 PM
MAY 5	Adoration, all day
MAY 7, 8, 9	Annie Jr. @ 7:00 PM
MAY 8	All School Mass @ 9:15 AM



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