

SGGS

Saints Weekly

Week of September 23, 2019

Week At-A-Glance

Tue Sep 24

- All School Mass, 8:30am; **Students wear full dress uniform.**
- Used Uniform Closet; 8:00am-9:00am and 3:00pm-4:00pm

Wed Sep 25 Yearbook Pictures, Gr. JK-8; **Students wear full dress uniform.**

Fri Sep 27 Wear your raffle t-shirt today!

Volunteer Opportunities

- **September Recess Volunteering** [Click here to sign up!](#)
- **October Recess Volunteering** [Click here to sign up!](#)
- **Men's Club Friday Night Bingo** [Click here to sign up!](#)
- **Bingo Set Up and Clean Up: September ~** [Click here to sign up!](#) **Bingo Set Up and Clean Up: October ~** [Click here to sign up!](#)
- **Yearbook Photo Helpers** [Click here to sign up!](#)
- **BoxTop Volunteers** [Click here to sign up!](#)
- **Easy Volunteer Hours/No VIRTUS training needed** : Join the **Saints Ball** Auction Team and earn easy volunteer hours. We need help with acquisitions this year around Coastal Virginia! One "big" acquisition can earn all your hours! Interested? Intrigued? Please email volunteers@sggsvb.org for more information.
- **Saints** Volunteer to help the raffle the week of September 23 by signing up [HERE!](#)
- **Professional Development for Faculty and Staff:** Do not need to be VIRTUS trained. [Click here to sign up!](#)

Library Volunteer Team Are you looking to fill those volunteer hours? Come join our Library Volunteer Team!! We are looking for reliable individuals to dedicate a day or two at the library from 8:30am - 11:30am for a permanent all year volunteer. Please join us for an informational meeting on **Wednesday, September 25th from 11:00am - 11:30am in the Library.** If you have any questions please email them to volunteers@sggs.com.

Need some volunteer hours? Help stuff flyers into the church bulletin. Join our church volunteers in the Tobias room this **Friday, September 27 at 9:15am.** See you there!

SGGS News and Events

Morning Drop Off Attention Parents : Please note that as of 7:40am every morning, both the 3rd grade and the 5th grade doors will be locked and all staff will re-enter the building. Students at that time MUST enter through the main office doors. Parents are responsible for ensuring that students enter the building as there will no longer be supervision outside the building. Once prayers have begun, Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten students MUST be dropped off at the Guardian Angel Hall office. Students are considered late at 7:41am. Thank you for your help and patience as we strive for student safety and classroom continuity.

Catholic High School Homecoming Join us for the Catholic High School Homecoming Friday, October 4. Kickoff is at 7:00 p.m. Admission to the game is free for all Catholic school families! All local Catholic school students and their families are invited to participate in the halftime parade with their school. Once inside the athletic facilities, located near the back of the school, look for the Catholic Schools tent, complete with snacks, drinks, games, and activities. Wear your school colors and bring your school spirit!

Catholic High Crusader Run Join us for our annual Crusader 5K and Mini Crusader Mile Run on November 2, 2019! There will be a free post-race breakfast for all participants, music, and vendors supplying some delicious and healthy treats. It's going to be a great time! Register [here](#) .

SGGS Moms Group Come join us for fellowship and a deepening of our faith as individuals and as a community! We will be viewing and discussing a video series called "The Wild Goose: Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit". We will meet on Mondays at 8 am starting this **Monday, September 23rd** in the St. Cecilia room (the small church meeting room across from the women's bathroom). Small breakfast treats provided. BYOCoffee. Call, text, or email Katrina Rudolph at ketra316@gmail.com or (757) 814-1312 for more information.

Do you have 20/20 Vision? Saints, your 2020 yearbooks are on sale NOW! Click [here](#) to pre-order yours today! Only \$30 if you order by October 11th, including a free icon personalization! Don't miss out on your chance you have perfect 20/20 Vision, today!

Family Dinner Night Mark your calendars for our second Family Dinner Night on Tuesday, October 1st at Reginella's on Virginia Beach Blvd, from 4-8pm. We had such a great time at our last dinner we hope you will join us again or come out for your first experience of Family Dinner Night!

Saints Did you know...Your student's classes are competing for really fun prizes, like a Kona Ice Truck and Ryan the Balloon Guy! Each class is working toward a class goal and when they reach their goal both the class and the teacher are entered to win FABULOUS prizes!! Also, do you know about the Spirit Stick?? The class in each building that has the biggest sales for the week gets the Spirit Stick (and great bragging rights!!) Last week it was Mrs. Fesneda's kindergarten class, Mrs. Garton's 2nd grade and Mr. Gallagher's 8th grade! Questions or comments - supersaintsraffle@gmail.com

Picture Day is Coming! Saints will have their yearbook photos taken on Wednesday, September 25, 2019. **Please wear Dress Uniform.** If you would like to be one of Yearbook Photo Helpers please sign up on the link under the Volunteer section!!!

Houses for Haiti Car Wash Calling all 5th-8th grade saints and their families! The SGGs Houses are hosting their first annual Houses for Haiti Car Wash. The event will take place at SGGs on October 5th from 8:30am to 11:30am. Click [here](#) for more information!

Athletics

SGGS Cheerleading It's time for cheerleading! Are you interested in cheerleading for the Saints basketball team? Complete the [SGGS Registration Form](#), [TCBL Registration Form](#), [Athletic Release Form](#) and [SGGS Conduct Form](#).... (also posted on RenWeb.) Once completed, please send these forms with payment (checks for \$75 made payable to SGGs) to the SGGs Main Office, Attention: Brad Duesberry. Make sure to check the box for Cheerleading on the SGGs Registration form. The deadline for registration is **Friday September 27th!**

Basketball Training with Coach Cochrane We are sorry but we had to cancel the Basketball Skills/101 with Coach David Cochrane. We are hoping to have this offered in the Spring.

After School Enrichment

TRDance- Shapes in Motion This Introduction to Dance program is designed to expose young students to the craft of dance. Students will gain practical understanding of dance, be able to name and demonstrate basic ballet concepts, experience rhythms as the catalyst to locomotion, and much more - all in an environment of fun and creativity! This 8-week program is being offered 3:00-4:00p on Tuesdays for 1st & 2nd graders and 3:00-4:00p on Thursdays for 3rd & 4th graders; classes begin October 1 and October 3 respectively. Course fee is \$105 per student; checks should be made out to "SGGS" and turned into the SGGS Main Office. Space is limited. Please see the flyer [here](#) for more details and contact Mrs. Ann-Marie Boffardi at annmarie.e.boffardi@gmail.com to register .

Character and Etiquette Club This unique 5-week course being offered to 1st-5th Grade students covers skills designed to make the student confident in any social situation! For more details and information on how to register, click [here](#) or email Mrs. Smith at TheSchoolOfProtocol@yahoo.com

Mad Science Registration Mad Science is back at SGGS to spark imaginative learning when school is out! This 8-week session covering the science of radical robots, mad machines, fantastic fliers and much more is open to students in Grades 3-5. For more details on the program and how to register, please click [here](#) . Don't wait; space is limited!

Calling All Chess Players! This after-school club is open to all chess players, beginner through advanced, in Grades 5-8. The chess team will meet Tuesdays, 3:00-4:00p, and will have an additional instructor coming from the Hampton Roads Chess Association. Please click [here](#) for more details. Space is limited; to register, email Mr. Alexas at dalexas@sggsvb.org .

Hispanic Club Students in 5th-8th grades are invited to join the Spanish/Hispanic Club! This fun 6-week program will provide exposure to Hispanic culture, including art, music, cuisine, religious beliefs and celebrations. For more information, click [here](#) ; to register, contact Mrs. Caraveo at tcaraveo@sggsvb.org .

SGGS Nature Club Make a difference with the SGGS Nature Club! Students in 6th-8th grades are invited to join the Nature Club, a service club working towards maintaining SGGS's Pearl School Award status. Students will have the opportunity to

tackle environmental challenges both on campus and in the community and, in keeping their commitment to the club, may earn service hours as well as take on leadership roles. The Nature Club will meet Thursdays, 3:00-4:00pm, in the middle school science lab for 8 weeks starting October 3rd. The cost is \$100. For more information and to register, please contact Mrs. Martha Bradley at mbradley@sggsvb.org or fill out the registration form [HERE](#).

SGGS Choir For students in Grades 4-8 who love to sing, consider joining the SGGS Choir! Choir rehearsals begin October 3rd and will be held after-school on Thursdays, 2:45-3:45p, in the Music Room. The choir will meet throughout the school year in accordance to the school calendar and sing for all school choral functions, including Masses. Cost for the year is \$110/student. Please contact Mr. Liam Lees at llees@sggsvb.org for more information and to register .

Saints "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you" - Jeremiah 1:5 During this after school program, 7th and 8th Grade students will learn and discuss the dignity of each human being. Ranging from Pro-Life activities to apologetics to praying for an increase in the respect of human life in our world, students will actively try and foster a world that respects the weakest in our society. Program will meet Mondays from 3:00-4:00pm; there is no cost. Please contact Mr. Mehr at dmehr@sggsvb.org for more information and to sign up.

Music Performance Class The SGGS music program is offering a performance class to any student in Grades 4-8 who plays an instrument or sings and would like the opportunity to perform solo in front of people as well as gain greater confidence with that skill. This program will meet throughout the school year on Mondays, 2:45-3:45pm, in the Music Room. The cost is \$110/student. Please contact Mr. Liam Lees at llees@sggsvb.org for more information and to register. This program will begin the first week of October!

Girls on the Run Online Registration begins on September 16th! Only 20 spots are available. This confidence building program is for girls in grades 3-5. The program will begin October 1st. Please click [here](#) for registration information or email Radlyn Mendoza at radlyn@gmlaw.net . We are also seeking coaches for this fantastic program. More information on coaching can be found [here](#) or by emailing Radlyn Mendoza. A recent independent study showed that the program is highly effective at

driving transformative and lasting change in the lives of third to fifth grade girls. Check out a video about the study [here](#)!

Upcoming Parish Events and News

Sacrament Preparation Information St. Gregory the Great Parish has many programs that help prepare children and adults for receiving the Sacraments!

- For older children in grades 3 through 8 who have not been baptized and would like to join the Catholic Church or they have not received their First Penance or First Eucharist, we have a program to help your child prepare for and make these Sacraments.
- There is also a program for adults, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), who are interested in joining the Catholic Church or for those who need to prepare for and receive the Sacraments of Penance, First Eucharist and Confirmation.

Classes begin this month so please contact for more information:

Thomas Gallagher, Director of Religious Education – thomas@stgregorysva.org

Sister Brenda Query, Adult Religious Education – srbrenda@stgregorysva.org

Saints Weekly Please submit items for the Saints Weekly by Thursday at noon to Kristie Kimener at kkimener@sggsvb.org.

Our Catholic Vision is to lead like a Saint.

Our Mission at Saint Gregory the Great Catholic School is to evangelize the Good News of Jesus Christ in order to transform lives, hearts, and minds through exemplary teaching and learning, worship, faith formation, and discipleship through service. As members of God's diverse family, we treasure the rich traditions of our Roman Catholic faith and welcome all to a spiritual home and to an enlightened, joyful, and vibrant life in Christ.

