

School of the Incarnation Newsletter

Thursday, November 21, 2024

Friday, November 22nd:	Spirit Wear Day Trimester 1 Report Card sent home via email
Monday, November 25th:	School Mass 10:00 AM
Tuesday, November 26th:	Grandparent & Special Friends Day
November 27 - 29:	School Closed - Thanksgiving Break
Sunday, December 1st:	Advent Begins
Tuesday, December 3rd:	Christmas Band Concert 6:30 - 8:00 PM
Wednesday, Dec. 4th:	HSPT for 8th Grade students
Friday, December 6th:	Spirit Wear Day PAC Christmas Express 4:00 PM
Monday, December 9th:	Feast Day celebration of St. Juan Diego: out-of-uniform day for Orange House members
Thursday, December 12th:	School Mass 10:00 AM
Friday, December 13th:	Spirit Wear Day Theater Club - One Act Plays 7:00 PM
Thursday, December 19th:	7th Grade Science Fair 2nd Grade Christmas Pageant 7:00 PM
Friday, December 20th:	½ Day (Noon) Dismissal - NO Afternoon ESP Spirit Wear Day
December 23 - January 1:	School Closed - Christmas Break
Thursday, January 2nd:	Classes Resume



PLEASE READ!!! - Lunch on Tuesday, November 26th

Please note - there will be a change in cafeteria service on Tuesday, November 26th due to Grandparents and Special Friends Day. **The students will be eating in the classroom and all lunch purchases MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE.** Orders will close at 9:00 AM on Friday, November 22nd. Please use this link to purchase your child's lunch: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/bXnJONsP>

Black Friday Re-Enrollment 2025-2026 School Year Sale

Re-enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year for all **current** SOTI students begins on Friday, November 29th. This year we are excited to offer our very own Black Friday Sale, which also includes a chance to win a tuition credit prize! The link to the active 2025-2026 re-enrollment portal will be sent the morning of Black Friday.

Complete the intent to re-enroll form and payment between 8:00 AM on Black Friday, November 29, 2024 and midnight on Cyber Monday, December 3, 2024 and pay the discounted fee of \$100 per student. Student accounts with the intent to re-enroll form and payment completed during the sale period will be entered into a drawing, and the winner will be awarded a \$2,500 tuition credit for the 2025-2026 school year*.

The regular re-enrollment fee schedule for the 2025-2026 school year is

- \$115/student if paid between December 3rd and January 10th.
- \$175/student if paid between January 11th and January 31st
- \$250/student if paid between February 1st and February 14th
- If not paid by February 14th, your child's spot will be released.

*The tuition credit is non-transferable and is a credit for the 2025-2026 tuition only. This is not a cash voucher.

Applications for the 2025-2026 School Year

Applications for new students (**not current students**) are now available on our school website. Below is a chart explaining three paths for admissions. Each admissions path has its own deadline and each path will follow our admissions priorities. Students applying for grades 1-8, can get an admissions decision prior to Christmas following the early action timeline below.

SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION		ADMISSIONS TIMELINE	
EARLY ACTION	FIRST ROUND	ROLLING	
Grades 1-8 Apply and complete application by December 1st	Grades 2-8 Apply and complete application by January 10th Screening Day February 3rd	Grades 2-8 Applications after January 10th	Grades PreK - 1 Applications after February 3rd
Screening appointments at a mutually convenient time between completed application submittal and December 15th	Grades PreK-1 Apply and complete application by February 3rd Screening Day February 14th	Screening appointments at a mutually convenient time after completed application submitted	
Decisions by December 20th	First Round decisions on or before March 1st	Decisions within 2 weeks of screening	

Volunteer Judges Needed: 7th Grade Science Fair

The 7th Grade Science Fair is on Thursday, December 19, 2024, and we need parent volunteers to serve as judges! No specific background is required—parents from all fields are welcome, except those with a 7th grade student.

- Time: Arrive at 7:30 AM and stay until 12:30–1:00 PM
- Provided: Instructions and light refreshments

Your support is vital to the event's success! To volunteer or ask questions, please contact Kristin Jacobs: kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org

Thank you for helping us celebrate our students' hard work and creativity!

Individual Student Pictures

Hamilton Images is excited to share that all photos of students are loaded into your private galleries. This includes all retakes and make ups. (If your child did a retake, you will see the originals and the retakes in there as well.) If you did not receive a link please email Hamilton Images at info@hamilton-images.com

Questions? Please contact:

Hamilton Images

Email: info@hamilton-images.com

www.hamilton-images.com

410-267-6090

It's almost here... Grandparents & Special Friends Day is just 6 days away!

Please see our "Grandparents & Special Friends Day Checklist" below to make sure you are ready for the big day!

- Have you submitted your RSVP? For planning purposes, we ask that ALL families (whether you plan to have a guest attend or not) RSVP for this event using the Registration Form found [here](#).
- Is your special snack packed? As an act of service and gratitude, we ask that each student pack a snack to share with their grandparent or special friend. We encourage the students to complete this with as little parental assistance as possible so that the snack is truly a gift from them to their special guest.
- Do you have students or cousins in the same session? If so, have you made a plan with your students and your guests? Older siblings or cousins may join the activities in the younger child's classroom or grandparents/special friends may split their time, completing the activity portion of the session with one child and then joining the other child for the snack portion of the session. If you have more than one guest attending, they may also split up and each attend the session with a different child. If your child will be joining a younger sibling or cousin in their classroom, please notify both homeroom teachers by Monday, 11/25. We also ask that you make sure your children and their guests are aware of your plan in advance.
- Is your child leaving early with his/her special guest? Students are welcome to leave with their guest, but a parent must give permission in advance on the registration form. If your plans have changed, you are able to update your registration or submit a new form. Guests with permission to sign a student out must present a valid photo ID.
- Can you help us make this day special for our students and their guests? **We are still in need of volunteers!** Please see the link below for more information and to sign up:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CA8A62EA7F8C70-53014625-grandparents#/>

Date: November 26, 2024

Time: The event will be divided into 3 sessions based on grade level:

- Session 1: 8:30-9:45 A.M. Grades 1, 4, 7
- Session 2: 10:00-11:15 A.M. Grades Pre-K, K, 3, 6
- Session 3: 11:30-12:45 P.M. Grades 2, 5, 8

Place: Marian Hall, followed by a visit to your student's classroom

RSVP: Register [here](#)



Do you have questions? We have answers! Please see our attached FAQ for answers to the most common questions you may have about Grandparents and Special Friends Day.

Contact Meghan Brown at mbrown@schooloftheincarnation.org for any further questions.

House Feast Day Celebrations

Monday, December 9th-

Monday, December 9th is the Feast Day of **St. Juan Diego** and students who are members of his house (Orange House) may dress out-of-uniform. Students must wear the color **ORANGE**. Students who have PE must wear sneakers. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for out-of-uniform guidelines.

Monday, February 10th-

Saturday, February 8th is the Feast Day of **St. Josephine Bakhita**. Her Feast Day will be observed on Monday, February 10th and students who are members of her house (Green House) may dress out-of-uniform. Students must wear the color **GREEN**. Students who have PE must wear sneakers. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for out-of-uniform guidelines.

The Spirit Wear store is always open!!

The new Spirit Wear store will stay open year round. Items may change based on the season or special events. These items will be shipped directly to your home.

<https://chesapeakedistribution.com/collections/school-of-the-incarnation>

2024-2025 School Year

Thanksgiving Break: November 27 - 29, 2024

Christmas Break: December 23, 2024 – January 1, 2025

Remote Day for Students - Friday, February 28, 2025

School Closed (Professional Day) - Friday, March 21, 2025

School Closed - Monday, March 24, 2025

Easter Break: April 18 - 25, 2025

Last day of classes for 8th grade students: Friday, May 23, 2025

Last day of classes for Pre-K students: Friday, May 30, 2025

8th Grade Graduation: Saturday, May 31, 2025

Last day of classes for students (Grade K-7): Thursday, June 5, 2025



*link to school calendar: <https://www.schooloftheincarnation.org/events/calendar>

Volunteer Certification

If you are new to School of the Incarnation and would like to volunteer or chaperone for an upcoming event or field trip, you must complete Virtus training. Please follow the steps outlined on our website. The link can be found here: <https://www.schooloftheincarnation.org/resources/parent-volunteering>

If you need assistance or have questions, please contact Lisa Hanson, Volunteer Screening Coordinator, at lhanson@schooloftheincarnation.org

Returning parents who have already completed Virtus training can contact Lisa Hanson to check your Virtus status.

ESP Teachers/Aids Needed for 24-25 School Year

Do you know a college student or older high school student who loves to work with children and is looking for some part-time work? Our ESP program is hiring staff for the afternoons (3:15-5:30 PM). In order to be considered for ESP Teacher positions, the candidate must be 18 years old. Teens 16-18 are eligible to be considered for assistant positions. Please contact Lisa Bucci, lbucci@schooloftheincarnation.org for more information.

BEYOND

SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION

BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION

The goal of the Beyond Program is to provide students with a variety of opportunities to explore, be creative, and have fun with their peers while engaging in areas of interest "beyond" the regular school day.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Our school and parish communities are blessed with many gifted individuals. Please consider volunteering your time and talents with the Beyond Program! Within each interest form below is an area to let us know what days you are available.

INTEREST FORMS (please complete by 4:00 PM tomorrow, Fri., Nov. 22nd)

Interest forms gauge the number of potential participants as well as adult volunteers available. More than one club form may be completed per child. Families who fill out these forms will be emailed updates first, along with the registration process link for whoever can be accommodated to join that club/team. Once a club has their first session of the trimester, additional registrations cannot be accepted and refunds cannot be issued once it has been processed.

- Creation and Imagination Club (PreK-2nd): <https://forms.gle/EZte2Xpt23wzAvx4A>
- Arts and Crafts Club (PreK-2nd grade): <https://forms.gle/SXX2wMvtYPR6Ahfw5>
- Coding and Technology Club (4th-5th grade): <https://forms.gle/NDzV9B2DscJxCVojZ>
- Dance and Cheer Squad (2nd-8th grade): <https://forms.gle/e9ouunvVjaDNTVG58>
- The SOTI Scientists Club (3rd-4th grade): <https://forms.gle/fsD5Pdkr5JAYjieK9>
- Knights' Chess Club: (2nd-8th grade): <https://forms.gle/MqjeyvUiKWpVLGG9>

GENERAL INFORMATION REMINDERS

- At the end of the club meeting, students are brought to the front doors to check if a parent has arrived for pick up. If needed, ESP students are sent to their ESP class for regular pick up.
- Snacks are optional and are meant to be a quick, healthy food item (fresh or dried fruit or vegetable, applesauce pouch, tree nuts, and a small protein bar are great options). Please...NO candy, chips, cookies, etc. Labeling the item with "club" is helpful to avoid it being eaten at lunch.

If you have any questions or ideas for a club, please contact our school's Auxiliary Services Coordinator, Amy Santini at asantini@schooloftheincarnation.org



The God Spot

Adoration Volunteers are Needed for Friday, December 6th

On Friday, December 6th we will have Adoration in our school chapel. We are looking for volunteer adorers to provide coverage for 30-60 minute blocks between the hours of 8:30-2:30. This will allow the teachers to bring their classes in for adoration according to their schedule throughout the day.

To volunteer, please click on this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0849AFA92AA5F5C25-52458768-volunteers>

For general information on Adoration, you may want to visit the following website for Catholic articles and resources: <https://catholic-link.org/how-to-go-to-adoration-eucharist/>

Weekly Rosary

Parents, faculty, and staff are invited to participate in saying the rosary on Wednesday mornings at 7:15 a.m. in the chapel (enter through front doors – chapel through door to immediate right). We hope that you can join us for all or part of the rosary! Questions - please contact Ms. Hinton at chinton@schooloftheincarnation.org



Parent Advisory Council News

Join us for the Christmas Express!

We need to inform you of an important update regarding our annual SOTI Christmas Express event at the School of the Incarnation. Due to scheduling conflicts, we have rescheduled the event to accommodate as many families as possible. **The new date is Friday, December 6, 2024 starting at 4:00 PM.** We apologize for any inconvenience this change may cause and appreciate your understanding.

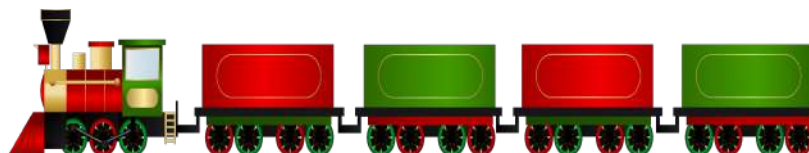
Please sign up below to volunteer: [2024 Christmas Express Volunteer Form](#)

Highlights of the Event:

- Visit from Santa Claus: Santa will be making a special stop to meet all the children and hear their Christmas wishes.
- Activities for Kids: Fun and engaging activities to keep the little ones entertained.
- Christmas Train Ride: Hop on our magical train and enjoy a delightful ride around the school grounds, soaking in the Christmas spirit.
- Delicious Treats: Warm up with hot cocoa, milk, and cookies.

Bring your family and friends to share in the festive fun and create wonderful memories. We look forward to kicking off the holiday season together with joy, laughter, and festive cheer.

Thank you for your flexibility and continued support.



Parent Advisory Council

Do you have questions or ideas? Please email the PAC at pac@schooloftheincarnation.org

PAC Facebook Page

Did you know the PAC has an [official Facebook page](#)? Join today to stay up to date on important PAC news and events!

Community News

Holy Family Youth Ministry Friendsgiving Hangout!

Saturday, November 23, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

All Middle School & High School Youth are invited to our Friendsgiving Hangout after 5 pm Mass! Join us for: a bonfire, football, games, Friendsgiving food, s'mores, and more! Visit www.holyfamilychurch.com to RSVP!

St. Joseph Parish Christmas Craft Fair

Date: Saturday, December 7th

Time: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

See attached flyer for more information.




Our Lady of the Fields Catholic Church Festival of Trees

Dates: December 6 - 8

See attached flyer for more information.



December 2024 Lunch Menu
TOMMY'S FOOD SERVICE @ School of the Incarnation
"Great Food for Great Kids"

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Chicken Tenders Waffle Fries Mixed Vegetables	3 Rigatoni in marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	4 Walking Taco, Spanish Rice and Corn	5 Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Tater Tots, Cinnamon Apples	6 Pizza Day  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
9 Corn Dog / Chicken Nuggets Homemade Mac & Cheese Mixed Vegetables	10 Rotini in marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	11 Boneless Chicken Thighs, potato wedges and mixed vegetables	12 Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Tater Tots, Cinnamon Apples School Mass	13 Pizza Day  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
16 Chicken Sandwich French Fries Carrot Sticks	17 Cheese Ravioli in marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	18 Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Tater Tots, Cinnamon Apples	19 Pizza Day  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.	20 Early Dismissal No Lunch Service
23 School Closed	24 School Closed	25 School Closed	26 School Closed	27 School Closed
30 School Closed	31 School Closed			

Combo lunch is \$6.50. It includes the entrée, sides listed and a choice of milk, juice or water. **Hot dogs or grilled cheese** plus the sides and drink (milk, juice or water) is also a combo lunch. **See below for available daily items. The only exception is pizza day:** hot dogs and chicken nuggets are not available. Nachos are available on Wednesdays. Ice cream is available on Tuesdays and Pizza days. We do not deep fry any food. **Prices and menu are subject to change without notice.**

Tuesday: Ice Cream Wednesday: Nachos Thursday: Cinnamon Buns Friday: Ice Cream

Available Daily		Available Daily		Extras When Available	
Hot dog	\$2.75	Cookies	\$1.25	French Fries	\$2.75
Grilled Cheese	\$2.75	Chips	\$1.25	Rice or Potato	\$2.75
Chicken Nuggets	\$3.75	Soft Pretzels or	\$1.50	Waffle/Curly Fries/Tater tots	\$2.95
Homemade Soup	\$2.75	Pretzel Logs or Bites	\$1.95	Buttered Noodles	\$2.75
Chicken Noodle or		Fruit (Apple or Orange)	\$1.50	Chicken Patty Sandwich	\$3.95
Tomato or		Fresh Fruit in a Cup	\$2.50	Chicken Tenders (3 pcs)	\$3.75
Vegetable		Yogurt (Yoplait)	\$1.75	Cheeseburger/Hamburger	\$3.95
		GoGurt Yogurt Tube	\$1.00	Corn dog	\$2.75
Salad/Sandwiches		String cheese	\$0.60	Meatballs (4 pcs)	\$2.50
Chicken, Tuna, Egg, Lg. Garden	\$4.75	Veggie (tossed salad, carrots or sliced cucumber	\$2.00	Meatball Sub	\$4.00
Garden Salad	\$2.00	Putty/Jell-o	\$2.00	Pancakes (3)/French toast sticks (3-4)	\$3.50
Beverage		Tuesdays and Pizza Days ONLY		Philly Cheesesteak	\$4.50
Milk or Juice	\$0.90	Ice cream cup	\$1.00	Pizza (1 slice)	\$2.85
Bottled Water	\$1.00	Twister	\$1.75	Mac and Cheese	\$3.95
Gatorade/Propel	\$1.75	Scooter Bar	\$1.50	Cheese Ravioli (7 pcs)	\$3.95
		Wednesdays ONLY		Walking Taco	\$4.25
		Nachos, Chips and Cheese	\$2.75	Fish sandwich	\$4.00
				Baked Potato W/Fixings	\$6.50

Please call us at the school cafeteria 410-519-2285 Ext. 2504 or E-mail us at lunch@schooloftheincarnation.org for any inquiries.

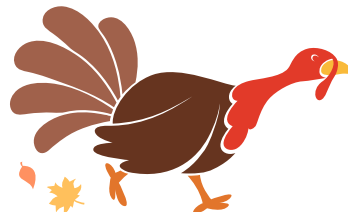
[Nutritional Info](#)

Thank you, Tommy and Arianna

HOLY FAMILY
YOUTH MINISTRY

FRIENDSGIVING HANGOUT

MASS AT | **NOV** | FOOD AT
5:00 PM | **23** | 6:00 PM



**BONFIRE | FOOTBALL
GAMES | FRIENDSGIVING FOOD | SMORES**

RSVP:



MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH INVITED!

Save the Dates



FUN FOR ALL AGES!

Festival of Trees



Our Lady of the Fields Church- 1070 Cecil Ave. South, Millersville, MD



Dec. 6 - 4-8pm
 Dec. 7-10am-7pm
 Dec. 8-9am-2pm

- A WONDERLAND OF DECORATED TREES- VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE!
- FOOD TRUCKS (SAT)
- COOKIES & COCOA
- KIDS CRAFTS
- MUSIC
- MODEL TRAINS
- SANTA (SAT)



WANT TO ENTER A TREE?



EVENT CONCLUDES WITH A CHRISTMAS CANTATA SUN. AT 2PM




Join us for the
St. Joseph Parish
Christmas Craft Fair

Saturday, December 7, 2024

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

1283 Odenton Rd. Odenton, MD

Corrigan Hall

35+ Vendors

Featuring

Décor • Wreaths • Jewelry • Clothes
Ornaments • Kitchenware • Jams
Baked Goods and Much More!

If you have any questions please contact
Briana Kaczmarek at
secretary@stjosephodenton.org



New Family Referral Program

Our current Incarnation families are by far the best ambassadors for spreading the word about our school! Our New Family Referral Program rewards current families with a one-time \$250 tuition credit for referring a new family who applies and enrolls. Here's how it works:

- If you know of a family that you believe may be interested in School of the Incarnation, complete the "New Family Referral Form" below and submit to the school office.
- Reach out to the family and share your experiences at School of the Incarnation. Share with them the reasons you have chosen Catholic education and why you think they should do the same. Let them know that you have or will refer their information to the school and that an admissions representative will call or email them to provide more information.
- For each new family that applies and enrolls at least one full-time student, a \$250 tuition credit will be awarded to the current referring family after the new student has been in attendance for 30 days.
- Siblings of current students and previously enrolled students do not qualify as new families. Staff members are not eligible for the referral credit.
- Note that this form must be on file in the front office before the new family has contacted the school on their own for information or to visit so it is best to submit the form as soon as possible after speaking with the new family. In other words, the referral form is not retroactive and you are not eligible for the referral if the family contacts school before the referral.
- This referral program is open to all families with students currently enrolled in PreK4-Grade 8.
- Referral fees are limited to one per family per academic year.

Current Family

Parent name(s) _____

Student name(s) /Grade(s) _____

Address _____

City, State, MD _____

Phone _____

Email _____

New Family

Parent name(s) _____

Student name(s)/Grade(s) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

How do you know this family? Work Friend Relative Neighbor

Church Community Other _____

Any information we should know? _____

By signing below, I confirm that I personally know this family and have shared the good news about School of the Incarnation with them. I understand that an Admissions representative from the school will be contacting this new family to provide more information and invite the family for a tour. I have read and understand the guidelines of the New Family Referral Program. Contact Casey Boswell at 410.519.2285 with any questions.

Signature _____

<p>-Office use only- Form submission date _____ Contact date _____ Enrollment date _____ \$250 tuition credit date _____</p>
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