



# Saint Bridget School PTO Snippets

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## **Dates to Remember**



### **Wed 2/7**

No School  
Parent/Teacher  
Conferences

### **Sat 2/10**

Saint Bridget School  
Gala  
6pm  
The Virginia Historical  
Society

### **Wed 2/14**

Ash Wednesday Mass  
9:00 am

### **Fri 2/16**

Early Dismissal  
1:30pm

### **Mon 2/19**

No School  
President's Day

### **Wed 2/21**

Spirit Day

2-5-18

### **Saint Bridget School Gala**

We are so excited for the Saint Bridget School Gala: Bridging Faith and Community that will take place this Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the Virginia Historical Society. Make sure you click on the Gala link to take a look at the many amazing auction items that will be up for bid on Saturday night! [www.bidpal.net/saintbridgetgala](http://www.bidpal.net/saintbridgetgala)

There are still a few **volunteer opportunities** available on the day of the event. Please visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20fob4fab928abfe3-2018> to sign up to help out!

**Your contributions to the Gala are important and have a great impact on your children and our school. Please watch this video to see what YOU made possible by donating last year! We've got FAITH!**

<https://youtu.be/UrYEMQryfrk>

We hope to see you all there!

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Saint Bridget Day of Service**

On Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> we invite the school and church community of Saint Bridget to participate in the Annual Day of Service. It is on this day that we volunteer our time and talents to support several local charities, beautify the needs of the church and school, and provide visits to home-bound parishioners who look forward to seeing a friendly face.

Volunteers can choose to remain on-campus and help with the various projects that await them or they can choose to go out to any number of assignments in the community. ALL AGES are welcome and there will be things to involve even the youngest of our community! Please also spread the word to those parish families you know who do not have children at Saint Bridget School. Please click on the attached Sign Up Genius link for volunteer opportunities!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e4aafa629a3fb6-family>

### **Wait Until 8<sup>th</sup> Pledge**

On Thursday, January 25th a group of room parents met with Mrs. Ellis, counselor, Mrs. Silkman, technology specialist, and Jennie Shaw, parent and advocate of Wait Until 8th.

At this meeting, new information regarding the Wait Until 8<sup>th</sup> pledge was discussed. The group was also updated on the latest undisputed news regarding addictive features in the iPhone, iPod touch, and iPad - especially in regard to children's use.

To address this and other concerns, Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. Silkman have created a step-by-step "how to" folder for your benefit - whether you are interested in joining Wait Until 8th or in modifying your child's device to reduce the addictive features and to create restrictions. You may go to the site below to read and download the information:

<https://goo.gl/SvDhoS>

Please take the time to look through these documents. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Ellis [kellis@saintbridget.org](mailto:kellis@saintbridget.org)

### **Library Help Needed**

Mrs. Kerr would love your help during your child's library time. Help is needed in grades K-5, especially grades K-3!

Check out the attached sign up genius to look for openings. Class times are listed and multiple volunteers on the same day are encouraged.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0544acaf29aof49-library>

If you would like another opportunity/time to come in to read to the class or bring a small seasonal craft to do with the class, Mrs. Kerr is happy to share some library time to make that happen! The joy of reading is contagious and it's wonderful to have lots of parents showing support and role-modeling it for our students. Please email Mrs. Kerr [ekerr@saintbridget.org](mailto:ekerr@saintbridget.org) directly to plan something fun!

### **Spirit Wear**

Design your favorite Saint Bridget gear on-line! On this site you can order from a variety of items from hats, jackets, book bags and many other items. You are given a discount code for all orders. Mylocker will also give Saint Bridget athletics a portion of the sales to help us continue to grow the sports program at our school. <http://www.shop.mylocker.net/> Access code ak336. Thank you for your support!

### **Lunch Volunteers**

Your child would love a lunch date! Come on in and join us in the cafeteria! You can begin by helping serve food, and when finished, enjoy eating with your child! Please use the following link to learn more and sign up! <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0449a5ae2dabfa7-cafeteria>

### **Saint Bridget School Volunteer Information**

Thank you for volunteering at Saint Bridget School. We appreciate your time and effort in making our school a safe and wonderful place for our students. For the safety of all the students who attend Saint Bridget School, the Diocese of Richmond requires all volunteers to attend a VIRTUS Class. This includes all parents, grandparents, parishioners, friends or anyone who volunteers for the school and has contact with the children. According to the background screening policies in the Diocese of Richmond, "All school volunteers . . . all parish and non-school volunteers, who work with or have regular access to children/youth, must have completed the VIRTUS training program, "Protecting God's Children for Adults", [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) and read the monthly training bulletins." To learn about upcoming VIRTUS sessions offered, please visit [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) to register for a class. After you have completed this 3 hour session, please send a copy of your VIRTUS certificate to the office. The VIRTUS class only has to be completed once. Your VIRTUS certification never expires.