



Saint Bridget School PTO Snippets

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Dates to Remember



Fri 1/12

Early Dismissal
1:30pm

Mon 1/15

No School
Martin Luther King, Jr
Day

Tues 1/16

Unity Prayer Service
9:15am

Fri 1/19

PTO Bingo Night

Sun 1/28 to Fri 2/2

Catholic Schools Week

Thurs 2/1

Catholic Schools Week
Mass
9am

Fri 2/2

Early Dismissal
1:30pm

Wed 2/7

No School
Parent/Teacher
Conferences

Sat 2/10

Saint Bridget School Gala
6pm
The Virginia Historical
Society

1-8-17

Happy New Year from the Saint Bridget PTO!

On behalf of the Saint Bridget School PTO, we hope you shared a beautiful Christmas with family and friends. We are ready for the New Year with so many exciting things coming up in 2018!

As we said back in September, as Saint Bridget School parents you are automatically members of the PTO; we encourage you to be an active member and help our school with your volunteer time as well as monetary support for the remaining events of this school year. There are many opportunities and we could not do all we do at Saint Bridget School without your support. Thank you in advance for all you do!

Saint Bridget School Gala Update

Thank you to those who participated in our first ever pre-Gala auction. We hope the winners enjoyed their reserved Christmas mass pew and parking space! We raised \$1650 which will be given to the Church for use by the Human Concerns division to support Saint Bridget Parishioners in need. We are so pleased to support our church community through our Gala.

Invitations to the Gala, which will take place on Saturday, February 10th at the Virginia Historical Society, including information on how to purchase tickets and how to sponsor the event, will arrive to you by mail. We are excited to announce that this year's silent auction will offer mobile bidding. Through the PTO's partnership with BidPal, you may purchase tickets on our custom event website, you may preview auction items and packages before the night of the event (packages will continue to evolve right up until the event!), and you may place your bids on February 10 using your smartphone or by using a designated ipad available for your use throughout the evening. The live auction will be led by an auctioneer and conducted using traditional bid cards as in years past. The system is easy to use and we will have trained volunteers available to assist you if necessary. We are confident this online fundraising platform will simplify all aspects of our auction and will add a level of excitement to the event. Closer to the night of the Gala, we will do our best to educate you on what to expect at the auction so that you are sure to arrive well-prepared! We hope you find this new feature as helpful as we do!

PTO Bingo Night

On Friday, January 19th from 6:30-8pm join us in the Saint Bridget Cafeteria for a night of fun games, and community! Bingo night is open to the first 175 people who sign up!! Please RSVP by Monday, January 15th so we can make sure we have enough food and fun! The cost is \$15 per family which includes Bingo cards and pizza. There will be a lot of fun prizes up for grabs! Water and snacks provided by the Saint Bridget PTO.

Sign up below: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b44aead28aa8-3rdannual>

**** Please note**, if you are picking up from **After School** on January 19th, please plan to pick up from the school cafeteria by the normal 6PM time. If you would like to remain at the school after pick up, please be aware you will need to wait in school lobby until 6:30 so we can set up for the fun**

Catholic Schools Week Open House: Stem Quest Volunteers Needed!

Want to be part of creating an epic adventure in science, technology and PIRATES? We need your help on Sunday, January 28th for just an hour to lead a stem activity station where students will complete an activity, get a “gem” and then move on to the next station until they complete their quest.

All activities will have directions and supplies provided, and will be something that can be completed in 5-10 minutes per station. No special skills or knowledge is required, just your time! Please consider supporting this quest and sign up here <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b44aead28aa8-catholic2>

We also need pirate costumes, if you have any pirate costumes or gear to spare, please send it in to school to Mrs. Young.

Saint Bridget 3rd Annual Day of Service: Save the Date!

On Saturday, March 10th 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. Be on the lookout for more information as well as a volunteer and donation Sign-Up Genius!

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 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.myl locker.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 and read the monthly training bulletins.” To learn about upcoming VIRTUS sessions offered, please visit 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.