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A Weekly Newsletter for Seton Parents & Students

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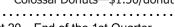
UPCOMING EVENTS

Live Calendar



Every Monday and Thursday Pizza -\$1.50/slice

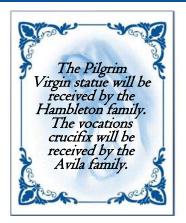
Every Tuesday Morning Colossal Donuts—\$1.50/donut



- Oct 20 End of the 1st Quarter
- Oct 25 Band Lunch Fundraiser
- Oct 28 High School Halloween Dance 7-9:30
- Oct 30 Report Cards Posted
- Oct 31 JH All Hallows Eve Party 2PM
- Nov 1 All Saints Day-NO SCHOOL
- Nov 2 12:20 School Dismissal for Parent/Teacher Conf 1-5 PM
- Nov 5 Open House 2-4
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- Nov 6 Cemetery Visit after 8:30 Mass
- Nov 9 Picture Re-take
- Nov 11 PRO Trivia Night 6:30-10:30 PM
- Nov 13-17 Spirit Week
- Nov 17 Christ the King Mass and Procession 10:45
 Dismissal at 3:30
- Nov 18 Christ the King Dance 7-10 PM Admissions Testing
- Nov 22 12:20 Dismissal
- Nov23-24 Thanksgiving Break
- Nov 28 ASVAB for Juniors 8:20-11:30
- Nov 29 Hamlet Night



I have a question about...Who do I call? Click here.



FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, Mrs. CARROLL

GRATITUDE: We are grateful to our families who clean our school. Thank you for your conscientious efforts. We don't usually see you because you mostly work on evenings and weekends. So we are taking this opportunity to say thank you and God bless you.



FAMILY SPIRITUAL PREPARATION FOR THE GOLD-EN ANNIVERSARY: In October, we are focusing on Our Lady's Rosary. Here is a website with great

resources to encourage and assist families in growing in devotion to Our Lady's Rosary. https://www.familyrosary.org/

WORK OF MERCY: The following message was sent to seniors and their parents. Parents, I hope you will encourage your children to take advantage of this opportunity. Perhaps some younger students might be free during 8th period and could also gain graces for this work of mercy.

Hello Seniors,

Mrs. Wilson(mother of Max, 11th grade), is part of a rosary group which goes twice a month to Caton Merchant House(which is a block away) to visit with the elderly. She had a wonderful suggestion that maybe some of you who have study hall 8th period would want to go and spend time with the elderly, next Thursday, October 26th from 2:30-3:30. Many of the residents are very lonely and would love to have you visit and spend time with them. If you are interested, please reach out to Mrs. Wilson at cltwilson1@outlook.com. Please know that this is not a Seton field trip but rather would be something you would do once you signed out.

Please prayerfully consider this great work of Mercy.



INTELLECTUAL FORMATION: Here is the next take-away from The Battle for the American Mind. Chapter 7, "Finding the Founding Classrooms"

In this chapter, the author speaks about the achievements of Christianity. But most if not all of what he says is the achievement of the Catholic Church. There were no other Christians in the Roman Empire or during the Dark Ages. After 1054 there were Orthodox Christians, but they had little to

no influence on western culture. Protestants didn't appear on the scene until the 1500's. With that historical clarification, we will move to Chapter 7.

From the ancient Greeks we have three key concepts, which the Progressives removed from education, but which are baptized and made foundational to Classical Christian Education.

Arete: "A man's individual greatness is defined not by education, power, or glory, but by his virtue." Logos: Perfection exists beyond this world, not in it. Through reason, "we could access divine reality in all realms of knowledge." In other words, education should seek God's Truth, Beauty, and Goodness in all subject matter areas. Telos: Everything has a purpose. Man's ultimate purpose is to glorify God.

Combining these principles with Christianity "produced a civilization that lasted longer and was more influential than any other culture in history." The blending of faith and reason through the Western Christian Paideia (WCP) spread with the missionaries as they converted the Roman Empire and then, during the Dark Ages, converted the barbarian tribes, as well as preserving classical knowledge and rebuilding civilization. Small schools were followed by colleges which were followed by the great universities of the High Middle Ages.

By the time of the Founding Fathers of our nation, Christianity was no longer unified, but the education which formed the Founding Fathers was still based on the WCP. They knew that the free government they were founding would survive only if the people they governed remained virtuous, and that education would be crucial to forming virtuous citizens.

Masses and

ROSARIES

Monday Mass
All Saints 8:30 AM
Rosary
Tues-Fri 8:00 AM
in the Chapel



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Betty Doudnikoff, Mrs. Baldwin's Aunt and Martha Garan, mother of Mrs. Griffith, former Seton teacher



SETON'S GUIDANCE CORNER



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Oktoberfest 2023

SCHOOL PICTURES ARE READY! You'll need your



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STUDENT ID to logon and see your photos. In order to find your STU-DENT ID, login to your Jupiter Ed Account and go to the **Settings Tab**. Your ID is located under your Student Name. If you are having trouble finding it, please call the front office and they will give it to you. Click HERE for more information but please follow these

directions (Please note you will need your child's STU-DENT ID which can be found on Jupiter Ed in the Settings Tab, see #6 below):

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- 1. Click on: First Time? Create Account
- Enter your first and last name, your email address, and password and click on REGISTER.
- Enter our School name by typing: SETON JR SR HIGH SCHOOL (the school will show up after you enter the name) and Event Code: FE6023
- Enter the First and Last Name of your student and click on SEARCH.
- 5. Click on **Add Student** next to your student's name.
- Enter the Student's ID Number (get your STUDENT ID on your Jupiter Ed account by going to the Settings Tab. Your ID is found under your name)

Tuivia Night A Night to Remember



Trivia Night is the first Seton School **fundraising** event in support of our upcoming **50th Anniversary Gala.**



Please join us for an evening of laughter, competition, entertainment, delicious food and beverage and, most of all, an opportunity to launch our year of jubilee!

Come ready to play and WIN!
(Bring cash/CC for cash bar & raffle tickets)



For more details, visit: setontrivia.givesmart.com

On Friday morning, Oct 13, we sent out an emergency phone message addressing the cancelation of school to all our families. If you did not receive the phone call and/or would like additional numbers to be added or taken off, please contact the front office or email tmcintyre@setonschool.net. Our emergency system will be used only when necessary to issue school closings with regard to weather and/or other important timely information. Please note that we DO NOT follow Prince William County Schools for closures so please ensure we have a way to contact you in case of an emergency or school closing or delay. This information will be sent as a phone message, Jupiter Ed email and will also be displayed on our website. Please call the front office if you have any questions.

FIRST QUARTER ENDS ON FRIDAY, OCT 20!



REPORT CARDS 1st Quarter Report Cards will be posted on Jupiter Ed on Mon, Oct 30. Current grades, attendance, and behavior are always available on JE by clicking on the appropriate tab in your child's Jupi-

ter Ed account. If you are having trouble with Jupiter Ed, please contact Mrs. McIntyre at tmcintyre@setonschool.net.

NO SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, ALL SAINTS DAY!



PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES will be held on Thurs, Nov 2nd from 1-5 PM. Please call the main office to schedule meeting's from 1-5 in 15 minute increments. While parents can schedule a conference

with any teacher, we ask that all parents schedule a meeting with a teacher if their student has a grade of 70 or below in any class. If you cannot come to school during the available hours, please make other arrangements with the teacher.

GRATITUDE AND PRO POINT OPPORTUNITY!

Show your gratitude for the hard work and faithful service of our faculty and staff by providing lunch. Many dates for this year are still open. Click the link to see suggestions and to sign up.



"When a trial is sent to us, it is more difficult than at other times to know how to be thankful to God. We need to acquire a sufficient supernatural strength in order to believe that God remains a Father when He makes us feel the weight of the Cross. Behind the suffering that occupies the foreground, we must learn to discover the heart of the One who, by this trial, wishes either to make us grow more spiritually, to permit us to expiate our sins, or to identify us more with His divine Son and to make us participate more fully in the Redemption."

~ Raoul Plus, G.J. (p.11, <u>Uncommon Virtue</u>)

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Registration is open! Join Seton Swimming & Diving, a great way to make friends and have fun! You can join the team as soon as 7th grade and it doesn't matter if you already are an experienced swimmer/diver or want to learn! You will learn and improve from caring coaches, get to exercise BEFORE school, and feel great because of the aerobics and strength training. Beat the winter blues, and challenge yourself!

New Family Orientation meeting is at Seton on Thursday, October 26th at 7:00 p.m. in Faustina. You can also join our divers for Dryland dive practice on trampolines and a tumble track at Renaissance Montessori School. New divers are invited to practice Tuesdays and/or Sundays 4:30-6:00. If interested, please email Coach Ashley Keapproth at akeapproth@gmail.com or Coach Jim Koehr at coach@koehrfamily.com for additional de-

tails. First day of swim practice at the Freedom Center is Tuesday, November 7th. Contact Jim Koehr at coach@koehrfamily.com or go to the Seton Swimming website:www.setonswimming.org.



Message from Coach Koehr

Honduras Mission Update

Please CLICK HERE for a letter updating the Honduras

missions. Kolbe Heisler and these families still meet on Saturdays to continue making their rosaries. If you would like to help, their rosaries can be purchased for \$5 a piece from the Seton office. Any donations are greatly appreciated. May God bless you!





Boo Bags! Boo Bags will be for sale from Monday, October 23rd through Thursday, October 26th during lunch in the gym. The bags cost \$1.00. It includes a bag of candy and a note and will be delivered on Halloween

during Religion classes.

All High School students are invited to attend the annual Halloween Dance on Sat, Oct 28, 7-9:30. Walk through the Haunted Hallway! Awards will be given for best group costume and best indi-



vidual costume. NO gory costumes. Seton standards of casual dress apply.

JUNIOR HIGH ALL HALLOWS EVE PARTY

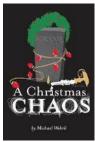


All junior high students are invited on Oct 31 from 2-3 to celebrate All Saints Day! Students will change into costumes during their lunch so please come to school in your school uniform. Dress up as your favorite **Saint, Biblical Figure, Historical Figure.** There will be games and lots of candy/food. Those not in costume will

attend a study hall.

ANNOUNCING OUR FALL PLAY, "A CHRISTMAS

CHAOS" The Royal Shakespeare Company hasn't arrived as promised to



perform their stirring rendition of "A Christmas Carol." So our intrepid band of hapless actors and technicians must put together their own production in only seven hours! What a pity that they are not quite up to the task, even though they give it their all. Have you ever experienced backstage mayhem? Well, you haven't seen anything yet! The play focuses on these poor but dedicated thespians doing their best while chaos is all around them: two kids fighting over who gets to play Tiny Tim, a confused actor who thinks she's in another show, a haughty lead actor, one actor playing both Bob and Mrs. Cratchit, an out-of-control director, thrown together props and costumes,

ridiculous scenery, and tons of flubs and confusion. Most of the actors in the show play multiple roles in this extremely fast-paced and physical comedy. Even the light and sound board operators are characters in the show! The play is a hilarious backstage comedy that pokes fun at the classic novel and everything that can go wrong with a theatrical production.

This year's Fall Play is in the.. winter? YES!@ Because this year it is being produced in conjunction with the popular St. Nicholas Festival. This is going to be a wonderful way to begin the advent season.

All grades welcome and encouraged. Auditions are EASY... show up! Monday, October 23rd at 6:00 PM in Faustina. We will do cold readings, play some theater games, and have a lot of FUN as we put together what is going to be an amazing cast. Auditions will finish at 9:00 PM. PLEASE bring water, comfortable clothes you can move in, paper and a pen. And... be prepared to list ALL of your conflicts between now and the weekend of December 1st.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE SETON COMMUNITY

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS! Announcing: A new HS Legion of Mary group at the House of Mercy. COME AND SEE! We meet every Wednesday at 3:45 P.M. Click on the flyer for more information.

ATTENDANT HELP NEEDED: Click <u>HERE</u> to view 2 attendant job descriptions for HS graduates and/or alumni for a Catholic family with children who have special needs.

PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH Rose LaGuardia (Kelly), Class of 2004, is board certified as a Family Nurse Practitioner, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner, and Marquette Method Instructor and has a telemed Psychiatric Mental Health practice through <u>mycatholicdoctor.com</u>. She started working for my Catholic doctors via remote connection from her residence in Germany. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to make an appointment.