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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



- Nov 9 Picture Re-take
- Nov 11 PRO Trivia Night 6:30-10:30 PM Mural Painting 10-2
- 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 9-12
- Nov 19 Interims
- Nov 20 Military Day during both lunches
- Nov 22 12:20 Dismissal
 - 3 on 3 Tournament
- Nov23-24 Thanksgiving Break
- Nov 28 ASVAB for Juniors 8:20-11:30
- Nov 29 Hamlet Night
- Dec 2 Fall Play
- Dec 3 Fall Play; St Nick's Carnival
- Dismissal at 12:20; Faculty Ad-Dec 7
 - vent Retreat
- Dec 8 Immaculate Conception—NO SCHOOL



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



FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, Mrs. CARROLL

GRATITUDE: To Mrs. Mantooth and the students, parents, and teachers who made the Open House a great success.

ADVENT READING GROUP: Please see the article elsewhere in the Sentinel on an Advent

Reading Group to deepen our love for the Eucharist. INTELLECTUAL FORMATION: The next take-away from The Battle for the American Mind



Chapter 8: "Wonder and Beauty: Learning to Love the Right Things" Wonder: "Literate children who imagine and wonder with divine truth, goodness, and AMERICAN beauty as a goal are the most dangerous people to progressive vision." Schools should inspire wonder, the kind of wonder that was behind "Western ingenuity, art and culture." Inventions and scientific discoveries are born of a wondering "curiosity about how God built things." Children experience wonder when they encounter the great works of Western literature, from Homer and Virgil

to J. R. R.Tolkien and C. S. Lewis. "Every child's heart is turned to pursue the ideal, and the infinite."

Beauty: "[For] ancient Greeks and early Christians...beauty was integrated into their world." They did not believe that "beauty is in the eye of the beholder" but that God was the ultimate standard of beauty. Yes, we can have personal tastes, but there is also an objective

standard. Compare the average church built in the 1970's with Chartres Cathedral. Or, closer to home (not mentioned in the book) to the Christendom Christ the King Chapel. Compare the average music on Spotify to Handel's Messiah. Compare the paintings hanging in your hotel room to Leonardo's Last Supper. How much more would it cost the hotel to hang a Rembrandt on the wall?



Glory be

is now, nd ever shall be,

Comment by Mrs. Carroll: Consider introducing your children to wonder and beauty—perhaps at

the same time. Go out on a clear night and wonder at the beauty of the stars. Read a classic poem, short story, or even novel together and wonder at the characters, the plot, the descriptive passages. Wonder and beauty cannot be force fed, but can be discovered and experienced without even being told to do so. Just ask God to show you the opportunities and be open to them.

FAMILY SPIRITUAL PREPARATION FOR THE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY



https://www.radiantmagazine.com/2021/10/29/remembering-thesouls-in-purgatory-during-november-and-year-round/

RECOMMENDED READING:

- https://aleteia.org/2023/10/29/give-boys-impossible-challenges-andwatch-them-thrive/
- https://www.firstthings.com/web-exclusives/2023/10/the-upside-of-risk?





Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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 soul of Mr. Nick Murphy father and grandfather of the Erin and Steve Vander Woude and the Monica and John Curran families and Mary Jane Fawcett, mother of Kathleen Rowzie and the grandmother of James and several alumni.

Thank You!

Mrs. Mosimann for providing the priest's lunch and dinner for Mrs. Carroll and Mr. Westhoff and Fr. Fioramonti for saying Friday's School Mass.

SETON'S GUIDANCE CORNER



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CEREBRATING 50 YEARS • A TOUR THROUGH SETON'S HISTORY

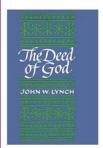
Gratitude intentions from the 1990-91 school year through the 1994-95 school year. During these five years, we are grateful to God for:

- State pro-life speech contest winners:
 Pat Haggerty ('91), Nora Quintana
 ('92), and Justin Torres ('93), and for
 Justin's finishing second in the nation.
- Jill Vugteveen and Bob Pennefather join the staff. How much their presence has blessed Seton in the 30+ years since then.
- Beginning construction of the St.
 Joseph's wing, with three classrooms,

- lobby area, and a classroom-sized chapel.
- Bishop Keating dedicates the St. Joseph's wing during Lent 1992.
- Father John Riley comes to All Saints and becomes unofficial Seton chaplain.
- Accreditation by the Virginia Independent Schools Association.
- Affiliation with the Diocese of Arlington as an independent Catholic school.
- Construction of the John Paul II Center: gym, theater, assembly hall, Mass and Holy Hour venue, dance and social activities location.

- First Musical: a spectacular "Fiddler on the Roof", followed the next year by "Sound of Music." Next year, "Hello, Dolly" is first musical in the John Paul II Center.
- First hardcover yearbook (1993), with the new Seton motto, Sumus Milites in Christo (Let us be soldiers of Christ).
- Yearbook Dedications: 1991, 1992
 (combined), all those who contributed in any way to the building of the St.
 Joseph's Wing. 1993, Mrs. Carroll.
 1995, Father John Riley.

AN ADVENT INVITATION TO GROW IN LOVE FOR THE MASS



You are invited to explore with us the "panorama of the Mass from Our Lord's time to our own." Mrs. Carroll and Mrs. McCaa announce the formation of a reading group which will meet on Wednesday evenings 7-8 PM in Joan of Arc classroom beginning on November 29 and continuing throughout the Advent season. We will be reading aloud and discussing The

Deed of God, a remarkable book by Father John Lynch. Why choose a book published over 60 years ago? Because its message about the Source and Summit of our faith is increasingly relevant. We concur with the sentiment expressed on the book's jacket, which reads: "Familiarity breeds contempt less often than it begets myopia, a casual taking for granted of that which was once deemed splendid and even awesome. Marriage winds down into domesticity, the teacher becomes a pedagogue, dust settles on the rose. Unfortunately, sacred realities too can become commonplace, and in approaching even these we can become like a blind man handling paper currency—aware that what he holds is of value, but never knowing precisely how much." What better way to follow Bishop Burbidge's 2023 directive to dedicate ourselves to a deeper appreciation of the Real Eucharistic Presence of Jesus than to join our weekly discussions during Advent? We encourage you to contact Mrs. McCaa by phone (703-368-6556) or by email (ruthmccaa@aol.com) about reserving a seat with our group or obtaining a copy of Father Lynch's book. You don't need to commit to coming every week. Feel free to invite friends and family.



Information Meeting:
****NEW DATE ****

Jesday, November 21st at 3:00 – 4:00 PM

Tuesday, November 21" at 3:00 – 4:00 PM Parents & Students welcome in Faustina

Auditions (1 hour slot) on either:

Wednesday, December 6th 3:30 – 7:30 PM Thursday, December 7th 3:00 – 7:00 PM Friday, December 8th 1:00 -3:00 PM

Callbacks:

Monday, December 11th 3:30 - 9:00 PM

Tech Week required attendance: Easter Vacation week: April 1 – 4, 2024

Performances required attendance: April 5, 6, 12, & 13, 2024 at 7:00 PM April 7 at 3:00 PM

2024 AP EXAM REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MONDAY, NOV 13! Information and registration materials can be found on the Guidance webpage under "College Planning". If you are planning on taking any AP exams in May, please complete both registration steps by the deadline. Contact Mrs. Reyes with any questions.



PSAT SCORE REPORTS Click <u>HERE</u> to access your scores and <u>HERE</u> to understand how to read them. For information on the National Merit , click <u>HERE</u>.



ADVENT REFLECTION presented by Christine Haapala, author and long time teacher and the foundress of the publishing company *Suffering Servant Scriptorium*. Our speaker will lead us in a meditation titled "Wood of the Manager Pre-

pares us for the Wood of the Cross." This event will surely help us to grow spiritually stronger as we await the birth of our Lord on Christmas. Appetizers and drinks will be served. Click <u>HERE</u> to sign up. Please join us!

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THE THIRD OUTER-**WEAR ORDER IS NOW OPEN,** closing on Nov 15th, for a delivery date of early -mid December. This will be the last order before the end of the year, so please consider if you'd like to purchase for this winter season. Click HERE for all the details.





Click HERE for all the info!



COME CHEER ON OUR BOYS VARSITY SOC-**CER TEAM!** 2023 VISAA Division II Semifinals

Thursday, Nov 9 at 7:30 PM at City Stadium, 3201 Maplewood Avenue, Richmond. Online Tickets Only. Click HERE.



- SPIRIT WEEK-

Monday: ATHLETE VS. Academic

(Clothing worn over uniform after All Saints Mass)

Tuesday: Tacky TveSdAy

(out of uniform day)

Wednesday: HERITAGE DAY

(items worn over uniform- removed for Holy Hour)

Thursday: Twin Day

(out of uniform day)

Friday: CLASS COLUR DAY

(clothing and items worn over uniform-removed for Seton Mass)

Class Volleyball Games:

Wednesday, 11/8

7th Grade VS. 8th Grade

Freshmen VS, Sophomores

Juniors VS. Seniors

Class Banner Paintings:

(Saturday, 11/11 10:00AM-2:00PM)

Celebrating Christ the King

Corpus Christi Mass and Procession Friday, Nov 17 10:45 Mass & Procession immediately following. All are welcome! Sing Off Assembly at 2:30. Dismissal at 3:30

CHRIST THE KING DANCE Saturday, November 18, 7-10PM

Arabian Nights! Dress Approval will be held during lunches until Nov 17th. See Mrs. Pogue or Mrs. Duran. Click here for the guidelines. Boys attire is suit jacket, dress pants and tie. Tickets can be bought at the main office. Last day to purchase is Friday, the 17th. Cost is \$20. No tickets will be sold at the door!



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE SETON COMMUNITY

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 mycatholicdoctor.com. She started working for my Catholic doctors via remote connection from her residence in Germany. Click here for more information.