

Mission

Queen of All Saints is a culturally diverse Catholic community dedicated to developing the whole child with compassion and integrity. Catholic schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic faith and nurture their minds, bodies, and souls, inspiring them to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ and achieve their highest academic and creative potential, and actively serve and enrich the community.

SAINTS' Scoop Newsletter March 15th, 2023

Dear Queen of All Saints Families,

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops tells us that during Lent, "we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting."

During this week of Lent, we continue to focus on helping those who are hungry by filling the shelves of the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry with lots of Pinto Beans. Thank you for your contributions, as every donation is used to feed the hungry of our community. We also continue to fill the Rice Bowls at home to remember those around the world who go to bed hungry. Additionally, the students are busy decorating their classroom doors to represent one of the Stations of the Cross, and they are gathering weekly to pray the Stations to remember the sacrifices that Jesus made for them. Finally, we are eagerly watching our Alleluia pots to see if our Lenten promises will turn into beautiful flowers.



Fridays are traditionally days of fasting and abstaining from meat, especially during the penitential season of Lent. This Friday is also the feast of St. Patrick, which is often marked with celebration. Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ, has granted all Catholics in the Diocese of Oakland a dispensation from the requirement to abstain from all meat on this day, and to consider a separate sacrificial or charitable act.

May good luck be with you

Wherever you go, and your blessings outnumber the shamrocks that grow.

May your days be many and your troubles be few,

May all God's blessings descend upon you,

May peace be within you,

May your heart be strong,

May you find what you're seeking wherever you roam.

With blessings and gratitude,

Lucia Prince

From the desk of Mrs. Kessler

Don't forget, TOMORROW, March 16th, we will have Ms. Carmen Martinez from BASIC fund from 5:30 to 6:15 pm in the Parish Hall. She will be able to answer any questions you may have. Hope to see you there!

Just a reminder that the <u>Basic Fund</u> application is due March 31st for renewing and existing families. Please make sure to get all your documents scanned in and submitted on time.

<u>FACE</u> application deadline has been extended to March 31st. There are some applications that are still missing tax documents. Please make sure to log into your FACTS account and verify that your application is complete. If you need any help uploading or assistance with the applications, please <u>email</u> me for an appointment.

Bookkeeper's Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday: 8:00 am to 1:00 pm, 4:00 to 4:30 pm

Wednesday: 8:00 am to 12:00 pm, 4:00 to 4:30 pm

Office

QAS Super Staff

Name: Mr. Damien Couch Title: TK-5th Music Teacher Birthday: February 27th



What is your favorite Bible story? Prodigal Son What was your favorite thing to do growing up? Playing music

What college did you attend? San Francisco State University

What is your favorite movie? Moneyball
Who is your favorite superhero? Daredevil
If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?
South Korea

What language do you wish you spoke? Korean

Are you interested in a staff position at Queen of All Saints School for the 2023-2024 school year? Fill out our <u>QAS Staff Positions Inquiry Form</u> to share your skills and interests with us.

***If you or someone you know has experience with GRANT WRITING, please, add that information to the inquiry form, or email Mrs. Pacheco directly: spacheco@csdo.org.**



If your child is interested in participating in the outdoor family mass on Easter Sunday, April 9th, at 10:30 am, on our school lawn, please fill out this <u>form.</u>

We are looking for the following:

- Readers (grades 5-8)
- Choir (grades 2-8)
- Greeters (grades 3-8)
- A family to bring up the gifts
- All children are invited to bring a flower to the altar at the beginning of mass.

The choir will rehearse during school hours and must arrive by 10:00 am on Sunday, April 9th. If you have any questions please reach out to <u>Sarah Martinez</u>.

Lenten Project

Thank you for donating bags of rice last week. This week we are collecting bags of pinto beans. See the flyer on page 8 for the weekly schedule.

Volunteer Requirements

Family service hours must be completed by April 30th, or \$25 per hour will be charged to your FACTS account for the incomplete service hours. Click on this <u>link</u>, to log in the hours you completed, and click on this <u>link</u>, to view the spreadsheet to check the hours you have logged in. All these can also be found on the school <u>website</u>.



Birthday Greetings

Reserve a special birthday shout-out for your child on the school marquee (Bacon Street side) for \$25 (2 lines). Complete this <u>reservation form</u> now because it's first come, first served! *Your FACTS account will be charged once you submit your reservation form*.

Alumni

Are you QAS Alumni and would like to have your photo taken and be part of our "Forever Saints" collage? Email Mrs. Sarah Sullivan your name, and the year you graduated, to coordinate a time to schedule.

Preschool

Space is almost full in the Preschool Program! If you are interested in a child joining our Toddler or Preschool Classes, <u>apply online</u> today! Review our <u>Tuition Rate & Class Options</u> handout for complete updates.

Shrek Jr. Musical

WE ARE A WEEK AWAY FROM OUR SHREK JR PERFORMANCE.



Please make sure to <u>buy your tickets</u> now! The last day to purchase tickets is on Thursday, March 23rd at 3:00 pm. If you have a chorus member signed up, don't forget all parents and children need a ticket including your child who is performing in the chorus.

The last day to sign up for extra volunteer hours will be Thursday, March 23rd, as well. There are still some spaces open. Please check out our sign up genius. The flyer is on page 11.

Parent Association for Catholic Education (PACE)



Rocky Mountain Apple Fundraiser March 8th - March 20th

Orders are due on Monday, March 20th by 3:00 pm. NO late orders will be accepted! For every apple sold, \$4 will be credited to your family's annual fundraising commitment. This is your <u>final opportunity</u> to raise funds for the 2022-2023 school year! You may print the order form on pages 9 & 10.

Run for Fun 2023 Summary

Total Raised \$15,784.00 Eventbrite Fees (\$1,187.62) Event Expenses (\$2,420.84) Total Proceeds \$12,175.54

*All proceeds are credited to offset family fundraising commitments as part of the school's operating budget.



Thank you to all of the QAS friends and families for your support!

We are so proud of our Saints for their amazing endurance during this event!

- Each student ran 36 laps, many students ran past their goal!
- Thank you to all of the parents who helped mark laps, donated, and helped make this run fun!
- A special thanks to Coach Schonder for leading the students in this fun fitness event.

Congratulations to our Prize Winners!

■ Top Sponsored Family - winner of a Pickleball Set, 2 Rock Climbing Passes at Diablo Rock Gym, & Bonus Wine Basket for the Adults!

Martinez Family (Troy 7th, Molly 4th, Moses 2nd, Sonny TK, and Emelia PreK)

■ Top Sponsored Class - winner of a Popsicle Party

1st Grade

■ Top Sponsored Students per Class - winner of an LED Bluetooth Speaker & Clock

Forest Mires, Preschool

Annabelle Richardson, TK

Leonardo Gonzalez, Kindergarten

Holden Hoffman, 1st Grade

Julian Renteria, 2nd Grade

Gabriella Fazio, 3rd Grade

Kachi Nwamuo, 4th Grade

Peyton Naca & Thomas Bushnell, 5th Grade

Mateo & Noah Hidalgo, 6th Grade

Lani Santos, 7th Grade

Anthony Academia, 8th Grade

■ Run for Fun Logo Design Contest - winner of a \$50 Amazon Gift Card

Anton Massis, 7th Grade

Prizes are scheduled to be distributed on Friday, March 17th (pending weather delays)

Save the Date

The annual family dance will be held on Friday, April 28, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm! We can't wait to share more details with you soon!

<u>Important dates</u> (with more information to come soon!):

- ★ 5/9-5/12 Teacher Appreciation week
- ★ 5/26 PACE sponsored End of Year BBQ

The next general PACE meeting will be held on Monday, April 3rd, at 6:30 PM via Zoom. All are welcome to join!

Weekly Calendar/Upcoming Events

Thursday, March 16th Regular School Day 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Extended Care is open until 5:30 pm

Friday, March 17th St. Patrick's Day - 12:00 noon Dismissal

Extended Care is open until 5:30 pm

Monday, March 20th Regular School Day 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Extended Care is open until 5:30 pm

Tuesday, March 21st Regular School Day 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Extended Care is open until 5:30 pm

Wednesday, March 22nd 1:30 noon Dismissal

Extended Care is open until 5:30 pm

Thursday, March 23rd Regular School Day 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Extended Care is open until 5:30 pm

Friday, March 24th Regular School Day 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Extended Care is open until 5:30 pm

Shrek the Musical Jr.



Follow, Like & Share Queen of All Saints School on social media

#blessedatQAS #QASproud #lovingunity #SaintsANDScholars

Instagram: queenofallsaints_concord

Facebook: Check out and Like our Facebook page



<u>Sermons4kids</u>

Jesus Heals a Blind Man - John 9:1-13

One day Jesus was walking with his disciples when they passed by a blind man. When they saw him, the disciples asked Jesus who was to blame for the man's blindness. Was it because of his sin or was it because of his parent's sins? Jesus answered them and told them that no one was to blame, he was blind so that God's works could be shown in him. Then Jesus healed the man and the people praised and glorified God for his goodness.

What about Fanny Crosby? God didn't heal her blindness. Perhaps if God had healed her, she might

never have written all of those beautiful hymns -- and the world would never have heard of Fanny Crosby. She used the tragedy of her blindness to glorify God. I pray that tragedy will never come into your life, but if it does, remember that everything that happens can be used to praise and glorify God!

Dear Lord, the difficulties in our life seem small when compared to what others may be facing. Help us not to grumble and complain, but to praise and glorify you in every situation. Amen.

Diocesan School Prayer Calendar

We ask that we pray together for these intentions:

March 15th - Those who are bullied and treated unfairly

March 16th - The Homeless

March 17th - Countries in Conflict

March 18th - Those who have died

March 19th - Public Servants

March 20th - Armed Services

March 21st - The Gift of Wisdom

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Food pantry. Please follow the schedule below to Find the specific food we are requesting each week. Thank you For helping us in this year's Lenten Project!

*Week of February 20-24: Spagnetti sauce

* Week of February 27-March 3: Spagnetti noodles

* Week of March 6-10: Bagged White rice

*Week of March 13-17: Bagged Pinto beans

* Week of March 20-24: Canned tung

* Week of March 27-31: Jelly

Caramel Apples \$11



Apple Pie Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple dipped in sweet white confection and covered in a layer of brown sugar and cinnamon.



Almond Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple rolled in a layer of fresh roasted chopped almonds.



Cheesecake Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple dipped in sweet white confection and covered in a layer of crushed graham cracker and cinnamon.



Cookies n' Cream Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple dipped in sweet white confection and covered in a layer of crushed Oreo® cookies.



Peanut Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple rolled in a layer of fresh roasted chopped peanuts.



Rocky Road Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple rolled in marshmallows and chopped walnuts then drizzled with layers of milk chocolate, dark chocolate, and sweet white confection.



Avalanche Bark Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple rolled in crispy rice and chocolate chips then drizzled in layers of peanut butter, sweet white confection, and milk chocolate.



Butterfinger Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple dipped in sweet white confection and covered in a layer of crushed Butterfinger® candy.



White Chocolate Chip Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple rolled in a layer of white chocolate chips.



M&M's Candies Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple rolled in a layer of colorful M&M[®] candies.



Peanut Bear Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple rolled in fresh roasted chopped peanuts then drizzled in layers of sweet white confection and milk chocolate.



Sprinkles Apple

Caramel-covered Granny Smith apple dipped in sweet white confection and rolled in a layer of fun, colorful sprinkle candies.



\$4 per each apple sold will be credited toward your annual fundraising obligation.

All orders are due by Monday, March 20th. We are unable to accept any late orders.

Orders will be available for pick up the week of April 3rd.

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Checks must be payable to QAS. Retain this order form for customer deliveries. All apples must be delivered to customers within 24 hours. Products are perishable and should be kept in a cool, dry place.

*Return only this portion to QAS with payment

Apple Flavor	Qty.	Apple Flavor	Qty.	Apple Flavor	Qty.	Apple Flavor	Qty.
Apple Pie		Cookies n'		Avalanche		M & M's	
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Queen of All Saints School Presents:



Friday, March 24th at 7pm and Saturday, March 25th at 7pm In the Parish Hall

Come join us as we travel through the muggy swamp with Shrek and his friends to save the Princess from the Fiery Dragon

Tickets available online: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/shrek-jr-tickets-566976571187

Limited Edition Half-Zip Sweatshirt \$40



While Supplies Last Medium, Large, XL and 2XL

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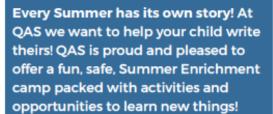


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QAS SUMMER CAMP



JOIN US!



Our 5 week program is geared toward the whole child. We offer activities such as STEM, maker space, arts and crafts, ancient history, creative story writing and telling, outdoor games, board games, creative dramatics, cooking and more!

We also take weekly walking field trips to downtown including our local farmer's market, and ice cream shop. We have themes throughout the five weeks, such as Christmas in July, Red, White, and Blue day, and our end of the summer Hawaiian Luau!



Our program includes a light breakfast (for our early Birds), as well as morning snack. If your child is enrolled for our extended day they bring their own lunch, and an afternoon snack will be provided for them.

You may enroll your child the entire 5 weeks or pick and choose which weeks and hours you would like your child to attend based on your needs.

Tuition is based on Attendance



HAVE QUESTIONS?

Please feel free to contact our Summer Camp director Mrs. Cathy Clark!

Email: caiello@csdo.org Phone: 925-685-8700



HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday - Friday 8am-4pm

8am Early birds 9am-12pm Summer Camp 12pm-4pm Extended Day

SAMPLE DAILY ATTENDING TIMES

8am-12pm: Early bird and Summer Camp Enrichment

> 9am-12pm: Summer Camp Enrichment Only

8am-4pm: Full day including early bird drop off and extended day (bring lunch)

9am-4pm: Full day Summer Camp Enrichment and extended day (bring lunch)

QUESTIONS?

Contact Mrs. Cathy Clark Email: caiello@csdo.org Phone: 925-685-8700



Spend your Spring with us!

AI CAMP



Saturday, April 22 -Sunday, April 23 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

5th-8th Grade Girls

JEAN HOFMANN CENTER FOR INNOVATION (Main Campus) 1133 Winton Drive, Concord

SOFTBALL CLINIC LACROSSE CLINIC



Tuesday, April 11 -Thursday, April 13 4:30-7:30 PM

6th-9th Grade Girls

CARONDELET ATHLETICS COMPLEX 3737 Valley Vista Rd, Walnut Creek



Monday, May 8 -Wednesday, May 10 4:00-6:00 PM

6th-9th Grade Girls

CARONDELET ATHLETICS COMPLEX 3737 Valley Vista Rd, Walnut Creek



Register today!

CarondeletHS.org/spring-2023



For more information, contact Kimber Powers at kpowers@carondeleths.org or (925) 686-5353 x381.

Girls Learn Code & Innovate AI Camp

This exciting two-day, weekend camp will be hosted this April in partnership with AI Code Academy and is perfect for **incoming 6th-9th Grade Girls** who are interested in learning about coding or looking for ways to improve their skills. Normally, these camps are very expensive, but we are pleased to offer this opportunity to our community at an affordable price, compared to nearby options. **Note:** All registrants must bring their own devices for both days of the camp. To learn more and register, click here. Spaces are limited!

Spring Girls' Softball Clinic

Our Varsity Coach Mike Creecy is excited to host a Spring Softball clinic for **incoming 6th-9th Grade Girls** in April. This is going to be a fun and action-packed clinic that will give your daughter the chance to explore the sport or help fine-tune her skills for future seasons. Some of our current student-athletes are also hoping to drop in and offer tips along the way. To learn more and <u>register for the Softball Clinic</u>, <u>click this link</u>.

Spring Girls' Lacrosse Clinic

Coach Phil Mannoni is looking forward to welcoming all **incoming 6th-9th Grade Girls** who have a passion for Lacrosse (or want to get started by exploring the sport this spring) to our sports clinics this May. If your daughter wants to develop new techniques within Lacrosse while making friends and getting great tips from Coach Phil, <u>register today by visiting this link</u>.

To confirm, incoming 6th-9th means going into 6th, 7th, 8th, or 9th starting in August/September 2023.







Phonics
Fluency
Comprehension
Love of Reading
Vocabulary
Textbook Skills
Writing Skills
Reading Speed



Source Code: 300-73-68409

Learning to Read Program for 4-Year-Olds and Entering Kindergartners

In this fun summer program, your child will learn to read. Children learn letter recognition, beginning phonics, and easy sight words. Your child will learn to read simple words and short sentences and get excited about books and reading.

Reading Skills Program for Entering 1st Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will learn to read independently. Children learn phonics and sight words and build comprehension skills. Your child will develop a love of books and reading and get off to a great start in first grade.

Reading Skills Program for Entering 2nd Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will become a confident fluent reader. Children build solid phonics and word-attack skills, develop reading fluency, and improve comprehension. Your child will develop a love of books and reading and get off to a great start in second grade.

Reading Skills Program for Entering 3rd Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will become a strong, enthusiastic reader. Children improve reading fluency and develop excellent comprehension. They build long-word decoding skills and expand their vocabulary. Your child will gain confidence, develop a lifelong love of books and reading, and get off to a great start in third grade.

Reading and Writing Skills Programs for Entering 4th and 5th Graders

In these fun single-grade programs, your child will become a skilled, confident reader with strong comprehension skills in fiction, nonfiction, and textbooks. Students expand their vocabulary and learn to read more fluently and rapidly. They become better writers who can effectively communicate their ideas. As a result, your child will complete homework more quickly and easily, get better grades, and enjoy reading more.

Reading and Writing Skills Programs for Entering 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th Graders

In these single-grade programs, your son or daughter will make substantial gains in comprehension in fiction and nonfiction and learn to read twice as fast. Students expand their vocabulary and learn the best way to take notes. They become stronger writers who can effectively communicate their ideas. As a result, your child will complete homework more quickly and easily, get better grades, and build confidence as a reader.

College Prep Program for Entering 11th, 12th, and College Freshmen

In this program, students learn the skills they need to succeed in high school and college. Your son or daughter will double reading speed and improve comprehension, recall, and focus. Students become stronger writers and learn effective time management and study strategies that help them complete work efficiently, get better grades, and score higher on exams.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER

Call 1-800-715-2808

Mon.-Fri. 5am-6pm, Sat. 5am-4pm and Sun. 7am-3pm

Get A Head Start
Ask About One
Spring Programs



The great books, inspiring teachers, and effective live online instruction your child needs to become a strong reader!

These programs are offered through California State University, East Bay, University Extension. Programs are taught by instructors from the Institute of Reading Development. All programs meet once each week. Tuition varies by program level. Please ask about our family discount.





"My daughter is sounding out words on her own, and she is so excited about reading to us! She loved this program, and I was very impressed with the books and materials."

- Parent of kindergartner

"Thanks to this program, my son is now reading independently and his confidence is through the roof. I cannot express enough how grateful I am for this program."

- Parent of 1st grader

"Online teaching is a special set of skills, and your teachers are spot on!"

- Parent of 2nd grader

"Allison loved doing the long-word decoding lessons. Her reading skills have improved tremendously, and she is reading more challenging chapter books."

- Parent of 3rd grader

"The teacher was phenomenal! She kept students engaged and participating, and my child was more excited about reading as the weeks went on."

- Parent of 4th grader

"Patrick's comprehension has really improved, and he loved the books. I've recommended this to other parents."

Parent of 5th grader

"The lessons were fun and easy to follow. It is much easier for me to study and take notes now. I don't put off studying until the last day because I know I can get through it fast."

7th-grade student

"I liked tracking my reading speed and seeing it go up from week to week. I used to not like to read because it was too time-consuming, but now it's easier to finish."

- 9th-grade student

Weekend and weekday schedules available!



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Spring Programs

INQUIRE EARLY! CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED.