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#### This Lenten Season

Each year, the church sets aside 40 days as a special time we call LENT. This year's Lenten season begins tomorrow: Ash Wednesday, March 5th. Students will receive ashes as we will participate in Mass.

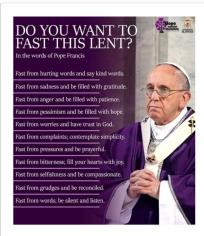
As a school, we will be doing the Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent either following Mass at church or in the afternoons at school.

There will be a Family Stations of the Cross on Friday,

April 11th at 5:30pm at Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales church followed by soup and bread.

It is important for us to journey together and remember all the sacrifices Jesus made for all of us. The 'rice bowls' will be collected during Holy Week. You can return them to the parish or school office.





# Applications for Tuition Assistance for 25-26 School Year OPEN NOW

The full tuition rate for the 2025-2026 School Year is \$6,450 per student. There is a slight discount for siblings. Your commitment to our school is so important and greatly appreciated. Please remember that our tuition rate is still significantly lower than the cost to educate. Tuition assistance applications **must** be done online

again through FACTS. Families who are currently enrolled and seeking tuition assistance must have this application done by March 31st, 2025.



If you are seeking assistance, please keep in mind:

- You must file these forms by the stated due date and include all necessary documentation
- If parents are in separate households, both parents must fill out a separate app.
- Amounts will be announced in the beginning of May with the amount of assistance our school is able to offer.

# Spring Picture Day

Wednesday, April 2nd.

Uniforms Not Required

More information will be sent home from Lifetouch soon!

• FACTS has a toll free number if you need help filling out your application.

FACTS Grant Aid applications assure fairness to all our families. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Mrs. McKenna or Fr. Kevin.

APPLY NOW

### End of Trimester & Student-led Conferences

The last day for the second trimester is Friday, March 14th. We will dismiss at noon on the 14th for a Teacher Inservice. We have two half days scheduled for March 27th and 28th for conferences. Students will be dismissed at noon on those days. If you have not already, you should be hearing from your child's teacher soon to schedule conferences. Again, they are student-led and children will follow up on the goals they set for themselves, how they are improving and what they need to continue to work on.

Report cards will be emailed home to families on Friday, March 21st. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the report card, questions can be asked at the end of the conference. Thank you all for taking an active role in your child's growth and education!



Click on St. Patrick to learn more about him through the Saints Alive podcast!





The Wintertastic Celebration and Auction is the largest fundraiser of the year. It is such an important event for our school as it's a significant supplement for our operating funds and the ability to provide any tuition assistance to families. We have an event created on Facebook with all of the information for our online, silent auction. Please share with all of your friends and family near and far! There's something for everyone.

Tickets are still available to attend the dinner and live auction on Saturday, March 15th at The Mount Anthony Country Club. Tickets **must** be purchased by Monday, March 10th. It's a fun, adult night out with delicious food and good company! Cash bar available. Tickets are \$65 per person or \$500 for a table of 8.

I want to thank our Auction Committee for all of their tireless work, constant solicitations and donations, brilliant ideas, and generous support to make sure this event is successful.

Ticket sales AND auction items can all be found on the event site at: shsfvt.schoolauction.net/wintertastic2025. Don't hesitate to call the office should you have any questions. We hope to see you there!