

Dear Friends,

Thank you to all supporters of Catholic education! Our schools are enriched by the dedication of all involved in the mission of Catholic education. Without the efforts of so many people Catholic schools would not be the beacons of hope for the Church and for society. The Catholic school truly is an integral part of the saving mission of the Church!

Historically Catholic schools in the United States were founded to support the faith life of the young people in a particular parish. Catholic schools today continue that proud tradition of nourishing the faith life of their students as well as the faith life of the parish. Presently not all parishes in the diocese have a Catholic school nor in some instances is a school supported by a single parish. Despite the changes in the structure and staffing of Catholic schools the mission continues to be that of preparing young people to be faithful members of the church and to make a positive contribution to society.

Each Catholic school in the Tidewater area offers a unique gift to the Church of the diocese of Richmond. We celebrate who we are as individual Catholic schools and recognize that each school is a part of a wonderful mosaic of the Catholic Church.

May our God continue to bless you and all those you love,

Sister Linda Taber, IHM
Principal, St. Pius X Catholic School



The courtyard cross at Bishop Sullivan CHS, which stood on the roof of Norfolk Catholic High School from 1950 to 1993.

St. Gregory the Great

Expanding Our Faith In the World We Live In



“... most importantly,
I am qualified religiously.
My faith is an important part
of who I am.
I **always** make Jesus my
priority.
I do my best to make sure all
my actions
reflect
Jesus’ teachings.”
-Marian Gemenster
Six Grader,
St. Gregory the Great

*(Taken from a Student Council speech
delivered to the middle school students)*

St. Gregory the Great School
5343 Virginia Beach Boulevard
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

St. Matthews

St. Matthew’s School will hold it’s annual auction on November 18th at 5:00 p.m. St. Matthew’s holds its auction to raise money for capital improvements and teacher re-certification. This year’s theme is “Home for the Holidays.” Dinner will be served from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm followed by dessert and coffee in the gym. The evening includes a silent, art, Chinese, and bakery auction as well as the “live auction.” We offer items in all price ranges so that everyone can join in the fun. Get a head start on Christmas shopping. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Our auction committee has been working very hard and guarantees an exciting evening. If you have any questions, please call the Development Office at 424-5194 or e-mail development@smsvb.net. Our school is located at 3316 Sandra Lane in Virginia Beach. **Mark your calendars now for a wonderful evening.**



CHS student Thomas Cussen volunteering with St. Matthews students on Catholic High’s Freshman Community Service Day.

St. Pius X



St. Pius X School

Annual Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, November 18th 9:00 - 3:00

**Sunday, November 19th 9:00 - 1:00
in the Parish Hall**

Join us for a weekend of good food and fun! Crafters from within the local community will have displays of various handmade items just in time for Christmas gifts. The Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will make their homemade candies and the snack bar serves a wonderful lunch. There will be a Thrift Store and activities for the children. We also have many raffles including turkey raffles and a drawing for four 2007 Busch Gardens/Water Country passes, a \$300 MacArthur Center Gift Card, and an Apple 8GB ipod Nano. The event is free and open to the public!

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Star of the Sea

The Boardwalk serves as a track for Star of the Sea Students.

October 4th marked the 19th Annual Mile Run day for Star of the Sea Regional Catholic School. Students in grades one through eight ran a one-mile straight path beginning on the boardwalk at 15th street. This year marks Physical Education teacher Louise O'Konek's 16th year conducting the event. Mrs. O'Konek led a prayer just before each class



embarked on its run. With teachers, parents, and classmates cheering each student, everyone was a winner on this warm October day.

The dolphins were swimming and the sea gulls were singing at the oceanfront while Star of the Sea 4th graders got a fast start to the 19th Annual Mile Run day held on the boardwalk.

Bishop Sullivan Catholic High School

**Catholic High Day
November 7, 2006**

Catholic High Day gathers the 8th grade students from all South Hampton Roads Catholic elementary schools for an exciting day at Bishop Sullivan CHS! There will be informational sessions, fun games, sample classes, and pizza and cookies for lunch!



**Open House/
Informational Evening
November 7, 2006
7:00 PM**

On the night of November 7th there will be an Open House/Informational Evening at Bishop Sullivan CHS to give prospective parents and their 6th, 7th, and 8th grade children the chance to see the school and learn more about the excellent opportunities available at Bishop Sullivan Catholic High School.



Ryan Edlich has really excelled in sports in the three years he has attended Bishop Sullivan CHS. Now that he is a Senior we want to cheer him on in his capacity as the Captain of the boys' soccer team in the Fall, and as our top point winner in track & field in the Spring. A two-time All-Conference performer in soccer, Ryan also won four events at the conference track meet. At the State Catholic Meet he won six events while setting the state record in the 100 meters. To top all of this off, Ryan tied the state record in the high jump

at the State Independent Schools championships to complete a remarkable year! Check the website for the schedule and come see Ryan and the boys' soccer team play this season. Go Crusaders!!!

Newsletter created by Bishop Sullivan Catholic High School.
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Portsmouth Catholic

Students, teachers and staff from Portsmouth Catholic Elementary School are participating in a nationwide campaign called "Live It!"-a program encouraging youth to lead healthy, active lifestyles and reach the President's goal of "a healthier United States." The "Live It!" campaign takes a fun, student-level approach to 1] being physically active on a daily basis and 2] making healthy eating choices at school, and at home. Since its inception "Live It!" has been implemented in over 6, 500 schools in the U.S. reaching over 2 million students and adults. We are working as a school towards a healthier and more active lifestyle.



Saint Patrick



The athletics are "kicking" at Saint Patrick Catholic School this fall. 155 boys and girls make up 19 soccer teams in U-5 through U-14 age brackets. We have 23 wonderful parent coaches that have been working with the players through practices and games. Saint Patrick Catholic School also hosted a Soccer Clinic featuring players from the 13th ranked ODU Soccer Team. This fall we also celebrate our Lacrosse team of 34 students and our Cross Country team with 19 students. In addition to team sports, 48 students in 3rd through 7th grade participate in the after school "Open Gym" program. We are proud of all our Wolfhounds!



Christ the King

Cougar Cruises
Invites you to
join us for the 2006
Christ the King Annual Auction
Destination: Port Paradise
November 4, 2006

Silent Auction ♦ 6:00 pm
Live Auction ♦ 9:15 pm

Advance tickets: \$25.00 per person until Oct. 30th

Cuisine provided by: Orapax
Complimentary beer & wine/spirits
21 years and older
Cruise Attire

visit www.etkparish.org for all auction information
All proceeds benefit the "Focus on the Future" Building Campaign

Holy Trinity



Many of the HTS students participate in the Norfolk Youth Soccer League program. Penny Newbold, PE teacher at Trinity, coaches a U12 team. A number of HTS parents coach the younger children. Games are on Saturday morning at Lake Taylor Middle School. Our teams compete with a number of the local Catholic schools.

Basketball signups have begun. Teams are organizing. Official practices begin after October 15th. HTS also fields a girls' field hockey team and competes with the area Catholic schools in the spring golf program.

HTS is eagerly awaiting the formation of the girls' softball league.

CHS Bishop Sullivan Catholic High School

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St. John the Apostle



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St. John the Apostle Catholic School offers numerous

opportunities for students to get fit, stay fit, and showcase their athletic talents, such as: cross country, tennis, cheerleading, wrestling, lacrosse, track and field, and golf. Our new athletic facilities allow us to showcase our midget, junior and senior basketball teams which compete in the Tidewater basketball league.

Concentration on both athletic and academic extra-curricular activities, coupled with a strong Catholic integration of traditional curriculum makes St. John the Apostle Catholic School an extraordinary place to educate the leaders of tomorrow.



Don't miss Bishop Sullivan Catholic High School's Homecoming Game on Saturday, October 21st at 12:30 pm.

