



Queen of All Saints

# The Knightly News



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Principal Sánchez

## QAS News

### Classroom Highlights!

Lenten Friday Stations of the Cross (below & right)



Mrs. Sánchez and Discover students learning about molecules during a quicksand lesson in science lab! (below)



6th grade students testing their typing skills using the new "speed skins" (right)



4th grade students astounded guests at their Wax Museum Presidents project! (below)



7th grade field trip to SLU's Medical School! (left)

## Service

### QAS Grad Completes Eagle Scouts Project



Queen of All Saints graduate, Jacob Kurkowski, (2012) has given back to the community many times during his years as a Boy Scout. We would like to thank him and congratulate him for recently completing his Eagle Scouts Project.

With the help of the Queen of All Saints school and parish, Mr. Kurkowski collected 1,710 pairs of shoes for the Shoeman Water Project. He would like to thank the QAS community and volunteers for their help in making the project a huge success!

## QAS FYI's

### Stay Informed!

#### Next Year's Calendar Online

The school calendar is located under the parents link of the [new website](#). Please see the calendar for important upcoming dates this year and for next school year. The calendar is ongoing and events will continue to be entered. QAS faculty and staff are committed to best practices and professional development. We have added more training days next year to support our efforts of giving students the best spiritual and academic experience possible.

#### Bye-bye Old School App!

Efforts are being made to enhance communication between the parish, school, and families via the [new parish / school website](#), Flocknotes, weekly school family folders, and the new myParish app. The old school app no longer exists, and the new parish app can be downloaded by going to: [myParish—Catholic Life Every Day](#) and choosing Queen of All Saints.

#### Family Life Program

Family Life will be taught to grades 4-7 beginning the week of March 14. Parent booklets with more information will be sent home next week.

#### Vacation Bible School (VBS)

This summer's Vacation Bible School camp will take place June 6-9 from 9:00 AM – noon. It is available for children ages 4 - 11. Registration forms will be sent out later. Adult and teen volunteers are needed. Help one day or all four! Contact Ann Bender, CRE at: [bendera@qasstl.org](mailto:bendera@qasstl.org).

#### Talent Show Coming Soon!

Want to see our students' hidden talents? The annual QAS Talent Show is right around the corner! The event takes place at the end of April (the official date will be communicated soon).

#### Health Tips from the Catholic Education Center

Are your children active enough? The CDC recommends children be active at least 1 hour a day. Include activities that raise breathing and heart rates and that strengthen their muscles and bones.

#### Physical activity:

- reduces feelings of stress.
- builds and keeps bones, muscles, and joints healthy.
- increases the ability to focus.
- promotes psychological well-being.
- helps keep a healthy weight.
- helps the body sleep better.

#### QAS First Annual PK -8 Father Daughter Dance!

The first annual QAS Father Daughter dance will be held Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, at Royal Orleans Banquet Center from 6:00 – 10:00 PM. Fathers can look forward to a fun evening of dinner, desserts and dancing with their daughter(s)! Tickets are \$15 a person and must be purchased in advance by March 23. [Click here](#) to purchase tickets. Contact Jen Eilers at [jeneilers@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jeneilers@sbcglobal.net) or Sara Rushing at [dots002@gmail.com](mailto:dots002@gmail.com).

## CELEBRATING STUDENT SUCCESS

Congratulations to our speech team members who participated in February's Speech Meet! All our members earned ribbons and did a great job representing QAS by showcasing their public speaking skills!

#### Duet

Nikki Arconati—red ribbon  
Kathryn Pohl—red ribbon  
Claire McManus—gold ribbon  
Anna Pagano—gold ribbon

#### Humorous

Grayson Matrisotto—white ribbon  
Lucy Keeven—red ribbon

#### Serious

Ellie Ludwig—red ribbon  
Lily Moore—blue ribbon

On Saturday February 27<sup>th</sup>, 38 students in grades K-8 participated in the first ever **QAS Chess Tournament**, hosted by the QAS Chess Coach, Jason Clark.

Eight QAS students competed in the tournament:

Evan Kapsak (1<sup>st</sup> gr)  
Andrew Marr (2<sup>nd</sup> gr)  
Megan Stanley (2<sup>nd</sup> gr)  
Noah Schlaefer (3<sup>rd</sup> gr)  
Mason Seigel (3<sup>rd</sup> gr)  
Owen Stanley (3<sup>rd</sup> gr)  
Aiden Erard (3<sup>rd</sup> gr)  
Cole Adair (3<sup>rd</sup> gr)



The [QAS Chess Club](#) meets on Fridays immediately after school through the end of April. If your student is interested in joining chess club for the remainder of the semester, call or text Jason Clark (314) 287-1138.

## *From the Principal's Desk...*

We are so proud of our eighth grade students for their service and accomplishments. I recently met with them to give them advice regarding graduation and preparation for the years to come in high school. I spoke to them of the importance of Sunday Mass and why staying close to God, Jesus, and our Blessed Mother is so important. Please join me in praying for them as they prepare to receive all the gifts and fruits God will give them in confirmation!

**Gifts of the Holy Spirit:** Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Knowledge, Fortitude, Piety, and Fear of the Lord.

**Fruits of the Holy Spirit:** Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Generosity, Gentleness, Faithfulness, Modesty, Self-control, Chastity.

As graduation draws near, I would like to highlight the schools our students will be attending and say once again how proud we are of them!

### [Christian Brothers College](#)



### [Cor Jesu Academy](#)



### [Chaminade](#)



### [DeSmet Jesuit](#)



### [Nerinx Hall](#)



### [Notre Dame](#)



### [Oakville](#)



### [St. John Vianney](#)



Spring is right around the corner! The flu bug has hit my family this week. I hope your family is well. Thank you for choosing Queen of All Saints!

God bless you,

Shannon Sánchez

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## Save the Dates!

**March 4:** Friday Lenten Stations of the Cross 2:25—Please join us! / Fish Fry 4:00 – 7:00

**March 5:** First Communion Retreat (2<sup>nd</sup> grade) 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM café

**March 8:** \$1.00 Out of Uniform Day—8<sup>th</sup> grade fundraiser—See [handbook](#) for dress code policies

**March 11:** Friday Lenten Stations of the Cross 2:15 / Fish Fry 4:00 – 7:00 / Pretzel orders due

**March 14:** Papa John's Pizza Night—Help our school by mentioning QAS when ordering!

**March 16:** Little Saints Academy Grandparents Day

**March 16 - 22:** Grocery SCRIP drive

**March 18:** Friday Lenten Stations of the Cross 2:15—Please join us! / Fish Fry 4:00 – 7:00

**March 19:** Speech Meet hosted by QAS

**March 20:** Orange Leaf Day for QAS

**March 24:** Holy Thursday / 11:30 dismissal / See [bulletin](#) for Mass times

**March 25:** Good Friday / No school / No Fish Fry / See [bulletin](#) for Good Friday service times

**March 26:** Easter Vigil / See [bulletin](#) for Mass times

**March 27:** Easter Sunday / See [bulletin](#) for Mass times

**March 28 – April 1:** Spring Break

**April 4:** Classes resume

**April 4 - 8:** Schoola Clothing Drive

**April 7:** 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip—JA Biztown

**April 8:** 4<sup>th</sup> grade field trip—St. Charles / Home & School Father / Daughter(s) Dance

**April 11 – 14:** K-8 optional parent / teacher conferences

**April 15 – 17:** 8<sup>th</sup> grade Luke 18 retreat

