



# The Knightly News



Queen of All Saints

November, 2015

Principal Sánchez

## QAS News

### Classroom Highlights

Mrs. Shrum's kindergarteners using their headphones in Mrs. Rocca's computer class (right)



Principal Sánchez, Mrs. Goeke, Mrs. Tonini, and seventh graders having a blast at Camp Lakewood (left)



## QAS FYI's

### Stay Informed!

#### Speech Team Winners!

Congratulations to our Speech Team! All participants earned ribbons in last week's meet and did a great job showcasing their public speaking skills! We are so proud of them!

#### Humorous:

Faith Kennedy—Red Ribbon  
Isabella Key—Blue Ribbon  
Joseph Schueler—Blue Ribbon

#### Serious:

Lily Moore—Blue Ribbon  
Serena Rizzi—Gold Ribbon

#### Duet:

Gracie Pozzo & Lauren Bair—Red Ribbon  
Anthony Simokaitis & Riley Viehland—Blue Ribbon

#### Art Project Winners!

Congratulations to our book fair Moster Art Project winners!

Preschool—Zach Pozzo  
Kindergarten—Zach Spirk  
1st Gr—Nicholas Dalton  
2nd Gr—Collin Gainé  
3rd Gr—Katie Tomiser  
4th Gr—Baylie Huether  
5th Gr—Dominic Busalachi  
6th Gr—Isabella Devine & Tyler Book  
7th Gr—Charlie Mathews  
8th Gr—Dani Parisi

#### Wednesday Family Folders

Just a Wednesday Family Folders friendly reminder...stay informed!



## Monster Book Fair Huge Success!



Dear Parents, Students and QAS staff,

Thank you for a monumental monster book fair! Your generous support of the Queen of All Saints library is quite humbling. I could not do this without the volunteers who generously give their time, the teacher's patience, and the students' enthusiasm!

This has been our most successful book fair in my eight years here. We made slightly over \$10,000, meaning we will be able to add about \$5,000 worth of books to the QAS library! A congratulatory note to Ms. Korfmacher's class who brought in \$216.09, earning a Rich's ice cream sundae party on the date of their choice. The Scholastic Spare Change Challenge was by far the largest amount collected over the last eight years, totaling \$877.33. The competition between Mrs. Heuer's and Ms. Korfmacher's third grade classes and Ms. Paulsen's second grade class kept us in suspense until the last minute as our volunteers rushed to finish counting change before the release bell rang. Thank you again for being such a wonderful parish community to be associated with and serve!

PS: Your kids are the BEST!

Ms. Pifer

## Advent Is Upon Us!

An Advent Buddy Bustle is scheduled for next Tuesday afternoon when students will create a craft countdown Christmas tree with their buddies. Thanks to Ann Bender, our PSR principal, for planning the event. What a fun way to begin Thanksgiving break and the Advent season!



## Reconciliation Times

Third—eighth grade students are receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation this week. An Advent Reconciliation Weekend has been schedule for December 18-19 at St. Francis Parish. See the QAS bulletin in the coming weeks for more details.

## Fun with Santa!

Please support our eighth grade by attending the annual *Fun with Santa* event Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 – 11:30 AM in the school cafeteria. See the [school website](#) for more information.



## Protecting God's Children

Please note anyone 18 years of age or older who will be volunteering to work with minors (including parents attending parties) must have completed the Protecting God's Children workshop through the diocese. Visit this link for information and registration: [Protecting God's Children](#)

## QAS Athletics

Please visit the [Activities Association](#) page of our website for up-to-date news on our awesome sporting opportunities!



## Technology Column

Dear Parents,

Beginning this week, child(ren) in grades K-8 will be learning about digital literacy, digital footprints, and how to be good digital citizens when online. The information used is available at these links:

[CommonSenseMedia](#)

[NetSmartz](#)

The lessons are broken down by grade level. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving,

*Donna Rocca*

Computer Teacher  
Technology Coordinator



## Capital Campaign Volunteers

We still have a need for volunteers who want to help our school but are not able to commit long-term. Principal Sánchez is asking for volunteers to help with our parish capital campaign. This is only an eight-week commitment! The school will greatly benefit from our capital campaign. Please consider volunteering. Contact Principal Sánchez if you are interested. (314) 846-0506 x 305 or [sanchezs@qasstl.org](mailto:sanchezs@qasstl.org)

## Mass in Español!

Parents and parishioners are welcome to join us for our first-ever Latino all-school Mass Wednesday, December 9 at 8:15 to celebrate the feasts of St. Juan Diego (Dec 9) and Our Lady of Guadalupe, Empress of the Americas (Dec 12). Songs and readings will be in Spanish, and kindergarten students will present roses to Our Lady of Guadalupe. Join us and witness students practice their Spanish skills!



## Pope Francis T-shirts

Just a reminder—students and staff members are allowed to wear our Pope Francis T-shirts with uniform bottoms the first Wednesday of every month. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, December 2!

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place during the 10:30 AM Mass most Sundays during the school year. It is available to children 5-8 years-old. Any adults interested in helping are encouraged to contact Ann Bender at [bendera@qasstl.org](mailto:bendera@qasstl.org).

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

The feast of Christ the King this weekend, celebrated the week before Advent, seems to come at a perfect and ironic time amidst the tragic events in Paris and growing need for God's love and mercy around the world. I look forward to the coming of Advent every year when I start asking myself, *How can it be the end of November already?* Thankfully, time seems to slow down—waiting and preparing for the coming of our Savior. What a special time of year, especially for our wonderful school—proudly named after the Queen of saints and mother of Jesus.

During this season of thanksgiving, I would like to recognize how blessed and thankful I am to be the new principal of Queen of All Saints. I am honored and humbled to serve such a great school and community. We are looking forward to the leadership of our new pastor, Monsignor Breier, who was assigned as Queen of All Saint's Associate Pastor in the mid 1990's. In that regard, we are not just welcoming him to our parish and school community...we are welcoming him *home*. Students presented 'welcome home' affirmation notes during this week's all-school Mass. Please join us in welcoming him *back*!

You will remain in my prayers this holiday season. Please pray for the students, teachers, and administration as we continue working together to prepare students for their futures and spread Christ's light in our community and around the world.

Happy Thanksgiving to you all and may God bless you,



Shannon Sánchez

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Queen of All Saints School

## Save the Dates!

**November 25 - 27:** No school, Thanksgiving break

**November 22:** 2015 Community Thanksgiving Prayer Service at 6:30 PM in church. Six regional parishes welcome.

**December 5:** *Fun with Santa* 8<sup>th</sup> grade fundraiser! 10:00 – 11:30 AM

**December 7:** No classes—faculty in-service

**December 8:** No school—Immaculate Conception—Holy day of obligation

**December 9:** All-school Mass in Spanish

**December 9:** Friends for Life field trip

**December 11:** *Annual Preschool music concert!* 5:30 – 6:00 PM in church. Refreshments to follow in school cafeteria

**December 14:** *Annual Christmas Music Program!* 2:10 and 7:00 PM in church

**December 14:** Papa John's Pizza Night! Don't forget to mention QAS when ordering!

**December 15 - 17:** Mini Grocery Drive

**December 18:** Christmas parties 10:15 – 11:15. 11:30 dismissal

**December 19 – January 3:** Christmas break

*Queen of All Saints*

*Pray for Us!*

