



# Star of the Sea Catholic School



May 18, 2022

Dear Star Families,

Thank you to all of our friends and families who participated in this year's online auction! If you need to pick up your winnings, please call the front office. A big shout out to Jackie Ankley, Development Director, for organizing another wonderful event for our STAR school.

With the school year winding down, students are completing projects, unit tests and final exams for high school credit. It's important to finish strong by getting enough sleep, eating healthy, and arriving on time to school. Thank you for your continued support!

We hope to see you tonight at New Realm for our Spirit Night! Tomorrow we will host our Spring Rock and Roll Concert along with our Sports Banquet Ceremony from 6-8 PM. Our school is filled with talent and we are so proud of everyone. A special note of appreciation goes to all of our coaches who share their time and talent with so many! You are greatly appreciated.

Ad majorem Dei gloriam,

Dr. Carey Averill, Principal

## Upcoming Events!

- May 18** Spirit Night @ New Realm
  - May 19** Rock and Roll Spring Concert  
10 AM & 1:30 PM
  - May 19** Sport Award Ceremony
  - May 20** 8th Grade EXAM
  - May 23** 8th Grade EXAM
  - May 24** 7th & 8th Grade Retreat 9-1
  - May 25** 8th Grade EXAM
  - May 27** Early Release 1:30 PM NO AC
  - May 30** Holiday NO SCHOOL
  - May 31** 1:30 PM Early Release NO AC  
8th Grade Graduation
  - June 1** 8:30- 10:30 SAND CASTLE DAY
  - June 1** 11:30 Release NO After Care
  - June 2** 11:30 Release NO After Care
  - June 3** 11:30 Release NO After Care  
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!
  - June 13-17** LEGO CAMP
  - June 20-24** VBS
  - June 27-1** Basketball Camp
- \*\*Please follow all policies for student pick up protocol. We are NOT allowed to send your child home with any person(s) unless they are on the authorized list in the classroom. A Hand written note may be sent in, dated and signed by their legal guardian on the appropriate day**



# Spirit Night

JOIN US WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 4 PM TO 9 PM

AT NEW REALM BREWERY IN VIRGINIA BEACH!

EAT IN OR TAKE OUT

ENJOY THE 2 ACRE BEER GARDEN AND EAT UNDER THE STARS  
WITH YOUR FELLOW STAR OF THE SEA FAMILIES.

KID FRIENDLY MENU, MANY OUTDOOR GAMES! IT IS SURE TO BE A  
GREAT EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP AND FUNDRAISING!



MENTION STAR OF THE SEA TO YOUR SERVER AND A PORTION OF  
YOUR BILL (INCLUDING BEVERAGE PURCHASES) WILL GO BACK TO  
THE SCHOOL AS A DONATION.

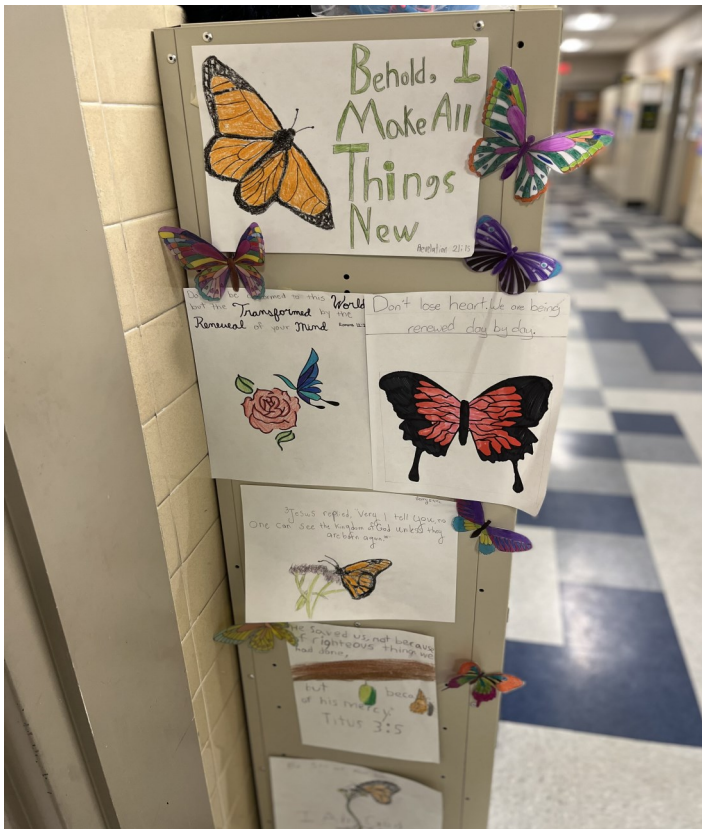
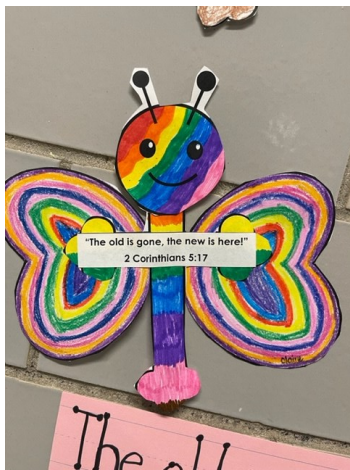





# STREAMING—

## Beyond the Life Cycle!

(Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art & Mathematics)





**Thank You to Our Auction Sponsors**

**High Roller**

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# **Sandcastle Day at Star of the Sea Catholic School**

**WHO: ALL STAR OF THE SEA STUDENTS,  
TEACHERS & PARENTS**

**WHEN: JUNE 1ST, 2022 @ 8:30–10:30 AM**

**WHERE: OCEAN FRONT**

**WHY: TO CELEBRATE THE END TO OUR SCHOOL  
YEAR!**





# RETURN OF THE JEDI MASTERS USING LEGO

**JUN 13, 2022 - JUN 17, 2022**

(MONDAY-FRIDAY)

**1:00-4:00 PM @ SOS**



**Grades 3-5**

[https://play-well-  
registration.com/registration/new/94471](https://play-well-registration.com/registration/new/94471)

**\*\*Only a few spots left!!**

# Star Athletics



The 2022 SOS Golf Team put on a performance this season not seen in well over a decade. The team was a perfect mix of experienced and new golfers with a passion to learn and improve in the game.

The team won 4 of 6 tournaments this season and set a low team scoring record of 141 (132 is Par).

**Logan Fender and Natalie Ritz** led the team as our two Seniors and had fantastic seasons to close out their SOS golf careers.

**Colin Whitfield, Niko Cochran, Chris Field, and Adrian Rivera** had great seasons and will be returning as seniors next season.

Our 6<sup>th</sup> Graders **Tanner Augsburger, Mark Saulnier, and Preston Alves** contributed greatly to the team's performance and team dynamic.

5<sup>th</sup> Graders **Brendan Cochran, Jude McNally, and Colton Klein** have what it takes to be future SOS golf leaders and play very well. **London Foglia**, our 4<sup>th</sup> Grader with a passion for the game and one of our hardest working golfers, improved her best score by 10 strokes, shooting an incredible 3 under par round of 30.

Last but not least, tiny but powerful **Charlee Cochran** can crush the ball and will be a force on the golf course.

Thanks for an exciting season on the course, but the way the team bonded and came together in support of each other was most impressive and the coach is exceptionally proud of them all.



# Spirit Night

Tuesday, May 31st 4:00-7:00pm



Join us for food and fun.  
Come support Star of the Sea Catholic School and a portion  
of tonight's sales will be donated back to our school.



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# *From the Business Office*

## *2022-2023 School Year*

### ***FACTS IS NOW ACCEPTING FINANCIAL AID APPLICATIONS FOR Kindergarten-8th Grade for the 2022/2023 SCHOOL YEAR.***

Your FACTS application and ALL supporting documents must be submitted by June 1st to be considered for round 2 grant awards. If you apply after June 1st, and qualify for aid, you will be considered for round 2 or round 3 awards, if funds are still available.

You may apply online at [online.factsmgt.com/aid](https://online.factsmgt.com/aid). FACTS service representatives are available to assist you if you have any questions regarding the online application process at 866-441-4637.

Please note that financial aid grants are NEVER carried over from year to year so you must apply each school year in order to be considered for a grant.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the financial aid process, please contact Donna Odanga at [donna.odanga@sosschool.org](mailto:donna.odanga@sosschool.org).



#### ***FUN FACT:***

**Mrs. Madsen has a goal of traveling to all 7 continents, so far she has traveled to 3. She has hiked a mountain in each of those continents as well**

# FAMILY AMBASSADORS

Is your family interested in partnering with a new Star family? If so, you would be their source of information to include:



**Pick up/drop off procedures**

**Share volunteer opportunities & upcoming events**

**Aftercare process**

**Share SOS traditions & community outreach opportunities**

**Initiate procedures for Virtus, Renweb/FACTS**

Please contact Admissions if interested at  
[sosadmissions@sosschool.org](mailto:sosadmissions@sosschool.org)





# FREE

## LEARN TO PLAY CLINIC



### WHO

Kids 18  
and under!

### WHEN

Saturday, May 14  
1:15pm - 2:45pm

### WHERE

Virginia Beach, VA.  
Southside of pier  
between 14th & 15th st.

### COST

FREE  
+ FREE disc!

### REGISTER

Register on-site with a parent or online at  
[tinyurl.com/BeachChamps2022](https://tinyurl.com/BeachChamps2022)

# Learn to Play



# **STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**FOR STUDENTS: PRE-K 3/EARLY LEARNERS &  
PRE-K 4/JR KINDERGARTEN**

**NOW ENROLLING**

**LEARNING THROUGH PLAY!**

- **Language & Literacy:** Learn alphabet, sounds, caring for books
- **Math:** Identifying & counting numbers, creating patterns & shapes
- **Block center:** Developing small/large muscle control, improving hand-eye coordination, plan & solving problems
- **Dramatic play:** Decision making, expressive language, understanding taking turns and sharing, imagination
- **Art:** Developing fine motor skills, proper pencil grip to introduce writing, learn to express & create
- **Science:** Developing senses, making observations, collecting data and forming predictions



# The Catholic Corner

**The entire month of May falls within the liturgical season of Easter, which is represented by the liturgical color white — the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity and innocence (absolute or restored).**

**We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.**

**The world is resplendent with Spring's increased light and new growth. It is Mary's month in the Easter season and all of nature rejoices with the Queen of heaven at the Resurrection of the Son she was worthy to bear. During the remainder of Easter time, let us endeavor through the prayers of the Holy Liturgy and the Holy Rosary to deepen our gratitude for the mystery of our Baptismal rebirth in Christ.**

**"The month of May, with its profusion of blooms was adopted by the Church in the eighteenth century as a celebration of the flowering of Mary's maidenly spirituality...With its origins in Isaiah's prophecy of the Virgin birth of the Messiah under the figure of the Blossoming Rod or Root of Jesse, the flower symbolism of Mary was extended by the Church Fathers, and in the liturgy, by applying to her the flower figures of the Sapiential Books—Canticles, Wisdom, Proverbs and Sirach.**

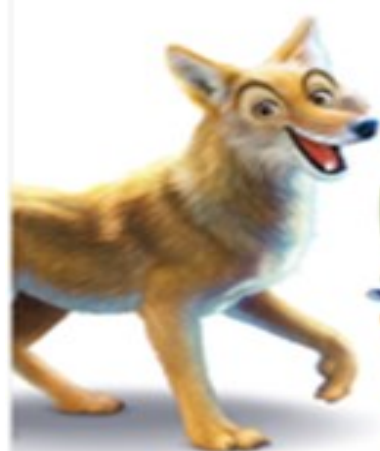
**Pentecost, the birth of the Church, is also among the celebrations of May. Though sprung from the side of Christ on the Cross, the Church marks as her birthday the descent of the Holy Spirit on Mary and the Apostles. At the 'birth' of the world, the Holy Spirit — the Breath of God — was the "mighty wind [that] swept over the waters" (Gen 1:2); at the birth of the Church He is present again "like the rush of a mighty wind" to recreate the world in the image of Christ through His Church (Acts 2:2).**

**We, the members of Christ's Mystical Body, are the present-day disciples sent by the Holy Spirit to bring Christ to the world. May we go forth as did Mary, who set out in haste to assist St. Elizabeth (feast of the Visitation, May 31). Come upon us, O Holy Spirit, so that, with Mary, we may proclaim the greatness of the Lord who has done great things for us — for his mercy endures forever!**





Get Ready...



For a Howlin' Good Time!

Vacation Bible School

June 20-24

9am – 12noon

Registration on parish website

Volunteers needed: registration  
on parish website

*It's time for fun  
in the sun!*

Vacation Bible School Donations:  
Home Depot/Lowes/Walmart cards  
Small & med boxes  
Carpet tubes, rolls of brown paper,  
or use our Amazon wish list



What does it take for her to thrive?

# Your help.

**VIRGINIA'S EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP TAX CREDITS MAKE HELPING DESERVING CHILDREN EVEN MORE REWARDING.**



Thanks to Virginia's Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credits (EISTC) program, donations to approved foundations will provide scholarships for students from low-income families at non-public schools. Individual or business donors then receive a 65% tax credit.

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond's McMahon Parater Scholarship Foundation is approved by the Virginia Department of Education to receive donations under this program. The Foundation distributes scholarships to qualifying students who attend one of the 30 Catholic schools in the Diocese.

<p>Receive a Virginia tax credit equal to</p> <h1 style="font-size: 2em;">65%</h1> <p>of your eligible contribution</p>	<p>MINIMUM DONATION FOR INDIVIDUALS</p> <hr/> <h2 style="font-size: 1.5em;">\$500</h2>	<p>MAX. ANNUAL DONATION FOR INDIVIDUALS &amp; MARRIED COUPLES</p> <hr/> <h2 style="font-size: 1.5em;">\$125k</h2>	<p>MAXIMUM DONATION FOR BUSINESSES</p> <hr/> <h2 style="font-size: 1.5em;">None</h2>
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*IMPORTANT: Consult your tax advisor to determine your specific tax savings.*

### SAVE ON STATE AND FEDERAL TAXES

In addition to a 65% state tax credit, individuals and businesses may also receive a deduction for a charitable contribution, and therefore achieve tax savings in two ways:



1. Deductions against taxable income as a charitable donation on both federal and state income taxes.
  - ◆ The tax reduction equals 35% of the contribution amount times the tax rate of the applicable tax (federal or state)
  - ◆ Subject to rules governing deductibility of charitable contributions
2. Credit against Virginia taxes.
  - ◆ Tax reduction equals 65% of the amount of the donation
  - ◆ Credit is non-transferable

### BUSINESSES CAN CLAIM THE EISTC AGAINST:

✓	Virginia Corporate Income Taxes
✓	Virginia Bank Franchise Tax
✓	Virginia Insurance Premiums License Tax
✓	Virginia Public Service Corporations Tax
✓	Personal Income Taxes via pass-through entities such as S-Corporations, LLCs and Partnerships.
✓	The amount of the Tax Credits may not exceed the donor's tax liability for the year in which the credit is claimed, but Tax Credits may be carried over for up to five succeeding years.

**CONTACT DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR  
JACKIE ANKLEY AT 757-428-8400 OR  
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