



ST. LAURENCE

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

SPOTLIGHT OF THE WEEK

SAINTS NEWSLETTER 3.19.25

JOIN US FOR PTO'S MOTHER-SON "POP IN" EVENT, A KNIGHT TO REMEMBER!



Mothers and sons are invited to start their evening at this event with a keepsake picture and treats. Time slots are available Saturday, April 5, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the SLCS parking lot.

Please RSVP [HERE!](#)

Sign up for volunteers and donations [HERE!](#)

To make this a memorable mother-son evening, grab dinner at a Spirit Night restaurant:

[Corelli's](#)

[Double Dave's](#)

[Los Gallitos](#)

Don't forget to mention SLCS when ordering. Proceeds benefit SLCS PTO.

IMPORTANT DATES

3/19	Jeans/Spirit Day - Spirit shirt with jeans or uniform bottoms - purple accessories for Lent Feast of St. Joseph Booster Club Pop-up Store School-Wide Oratoricals
3/20	Spanish Honor Society Induction - 7:00 a.m. - Gym SLCS Prayer Group - 8:00 a.m. - Dining Hall
3/21	Mass led by students Heritage Mass and Celebration - WEAR CULTURAL OUTFITS Report Cards available on FACTS Parish Fish Fry by the Knights of Columbus - 5:00-8:00 p.m.- Dine-in or take-out - Parish Hall Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m. - Church
3/24	Baseball Spirit Game - First Colony Little League Field -
3/25	Spring Sports Picture Day - Order your pictures! See below! Tuesday Tours for Prospective Families
3/26	Jeans/Spirit Day - Spirit shirt with jeans or uniform bottoms - purple accessories for Lent 3rd Quarter Samaritan Breakfast

	Author Presentation - 1st-4th Grade EARLY DISMISSAL 12:00/12:15 PM Spring Conference Day - PM
3/27	STUCO Mtg. Trinity Talks - ECC/ Elementary - Via ZOOM PK/K 8:15 am 1st/2nd 9:00 a.m. 3rd/4th 9:30 a.m.(link will be provided) 7th Grade Field Trip - Fort Bend Museum
3/28	Mass led by NJHS Parish Fish Fry by the Knights of Columbus - 5:00-8:00 p.m.- Dine-in or take-out - Parish Hall Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m. - Church Eucharistic Parent Mtg. (Parish) - 9:30 a.m.
3/31	Trinity Talks - Middle School - via ZOOM 7th/8th 8:15 a.m. and 5th/6th at 9:00 a.m. (link will be provided) Softball Spirit Game - 4:30 p.m. - Sugar Land Imperial Park Softball Fields, field #3
4/1	Tuesday Tours for Prospective Families
4/2	Jeans/Spirit Day - Spirit shirt with jeans or uniform bottoms - purple accessories for Lent
4/3	Spirit Day at Brandani's
4/4	Parent Survey Deadline. Complete the survey HERE! Last day to order yearbooks before the price increases. Order HERE!
4/6	ASC Informational Meeting - 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

[FIND COMPLETE CALENDAR ON FACTS](#)



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Saints Families,

We are looking forward to a beautiful Heritage Day Mass and Celebration this Friday. Thank you SO much to our wonderful parent volunteers in advance, especially Ghislaine Fotso, Barbara Eshaghy, Monica Lazarus and Quynh-Anh McMahan, as well as Adriana Gutierrez for heading things up.

This is the time of year when our hard-working Advisory School Council conducts the **Annual Parent Survey**. We ask that everyone please participate so that we can use your feedback to guide the school's Long-Term Strategic Plan. Your input is vital to us as part of our mission as the trinity of parent, child and educator. You will notice that the survey is much shorter and simpler this year as we listened to your feedback from past years. It shouldn't take you more than 10 minutes and you can even use your phone while you wait in the carpool line (as long as it is not moving, of course). The deadline for completion is April 4th and if we reach 90% participation, all the students will be treated to a pajama day on April 9th! Questions this year are slightly different to reflect national standards for Catholic schools, which is tied into our accreditation and strategic plan. From these more general, high-level questions, we can determine where more detailed information is needed. Please access the survey **[HERE!](#)**

Speaking of the Advisory School Council (ASC), if you are interested in serving as part of this great group, we are seeking new members interested in discerning for the 2025-2026 school year. Come and learn more about the many ways the Advisory School Council works with the pastor, principal to serve the school. There are two informational meeting options, Sunday, April 6th, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. or Tuesday, April 8th, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP **[HERE](#)** if you can make one of these dates/times. ASC Discernment Day is Saturday, April 12th, from 8:30 a.m. until positions are filled (possibly as late as 2:00 p.m.) Those interested are required to attend the entire day. Thank you in advance for considering this important role in the success of our school.

Have a very blessed rest of the week ahead!

Suzanne Barto M.Ed.
Principal



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Parents, please check out the letter for our sixth Friendly lesson of the year! In March, we are focusing on the importance of recognizing how unique and special we are, as masterpieces of God's creation. In this lesson, students are learning how each of us was made beautifully and wonderfully in His image, each with our own unique set of skills, strengths, personality traits, and a purpose only we can fulfill as individuals. Once we recognize who we are in Christ, we will have no need or desire to compare ourselves with others or look down on who God made us to be.

[Uniquely You \(English\)](#)

[Únicamente tú \(Español\)](#)

God bless and remember we are all God's masterpieces,
created "anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago" (Ephesians 2:10).

[Scott Osborn \(Pre-K thru 4th Grade\)](#)

[Nicole Chelly \(5th-8th Grades\)](#)



SAINTS NEWS

JOIN US FOR HERITAGE DAY AND MASS THIS FRIDAY, MARCH 21st!



Let's come together and celebrate the many different cultures represented at our school!

Our Heritage Mass will be at 8:15 a.m.!

Join us for a parade and cultural tables in the gym afterwards!

We invite you to proudly showcase your heritage by wearing traditional outfits or accessories representing your cultural background.

AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT CLASSES STARTS SOON!

Our next After School Enrichment session runs from March 31 – May 12. See your course flier [HERE](#) for details & course descriptions. All payments should be made payable to SLCS and returned to the front office. Classes fill quickly...first come, first served!

CLARIFICATION ON EARLY RELEASE DAY

Please note that **Holy Thursday is not an early release day** this year. In the past, it coincided with Spring Conference Day, but since it falls later in the year this time, our early dismissal day will be on Wednesday, **March 26th** for Conference Day.

AUTHOR JEFF EISENBAUM AND HIS "ZANYTOWN" BOOKS

Author Jeff Eisenbaum will present his "Zanytown" books to SLCS students in 1st-4th grade on Wednesday, March 26. Books are available for purchase online [HERE](#) through March 24. Use promo code **SLCS25** for a 25% discount. Books will be distributed at school on the day of the presentation. Please include your child's homeroom teacher and personalization details in the "notes" section when ordering. See flyer [HERE!](#)



CAFETERIA REMINDER!

Please make sure your Sami's lunch account is paid up before report cards go out on Friday! Otherwise your FACTS account will be put on hold with no access to grades. Thank you!



**St. Laurence
Catholic School**

**Limited Availability!
APPLY ONLINE TODAY!**

- 1st and 2nd grade applications are open for the 2025-26 school year.
- 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th & 7th grade are working from a waitlist for the 2025-26 school year.



**Apply
Now!**

 www.stlaurenceschool.org

 (281) 980-0500

ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT SLCS AVAILABLE IN 1ST AND 2ND GRADE

St. Laurence Catholic School is currently accepting students 1st and 2nd grade applications for the 2025-2026 school year. Secure an outstanding academic foundation for your child from our 3-time National Blue Ribbon School with certified and catechist-trained faculty in a Catholic Christian environment. Call us at (281) 980-0500 or email admissions@stlaurence.org to learn more about this opportunity!

STEPS FOR STUDENTS

St. Patrick's Day wouldn't have been as GREEN without some SLIME! Mrs. Hernandez and Mr. Maklary ended their day by having yummy, green slime poured over them, as a "thank you" to the top ECC and Elementary fundraisers for this year's Steps for Students.

- Gaby V. and Elaine A. took turns pouring slime on Mrs. Hernandez.
- Ezra J. and Micah J. slimed Mr. Maklary – and the 4th graders all enjoyed very messy, sticky hugs afterward!



ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK NOW!

We are excited to work with a different company for the yearbook. It is going to be awesome! Secure your copy TODAY of this limited-edition collection filled with memories and stories from the year. Prices increase after April 4th—order today at [Jostens](https://www.jostens.com). Remember to save your confirmation email receipt.



SHARE YOUR SLCS MOMENTS

Please join the fun! Add all your SLCS photos for March [HERE](#). Your pictures could be in our yearbook and publications. They will be part of SLCS memories.

***The album will be removed on April 1st!**



A NOTE FROM THE CLINIC



SPRING ALLERGIES ARE UPON US!

Tree pollen and grass pollen have high levels this week. Please keep this in mind if your child suffers from outdoor allergies. If allergy medication is needed at school, please have a physician complete the [Medication Permission Form](#) and bring this form and medication to the clinic.

TIPS TO HELP MANAGE YOUR ALLERGIES AT HOME:

- Shower after being outdoors- To remove pollen you pick up outside, take a shower and change your clothes.
- Minimize indoor pollen- Keep your windows shut and use your AC or a HEPA purifier to filter allergens.

- Check the Weather- Learn when conditions such as the wind increase pollen levels, so you can prepare.
- Know your allergy relief options- From medications to nasal sprays, talk to your doctor about your options.

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Alvarez, RN, or Erin Serice, RN, in the clinic [HERE](#).



STUDENT SHOUT-OUT

STUDENT PRESS CLUB PUBLICATION

The Student Press Club has published its latest issue, and they want to share it with you! Please read it [HERE](#). Happy reading, and great job!

ORATORICAL WINNERS

Congratulations to all our Oratorical winners and participants for their compelling speeches! All of the students did an amazing job! Thank you to the participants, their families, our judges, and staff who came out to support our students! We are proud of you!



1st/2nd Grade

1st- Camila Jodlowski

2nd- Emma Goff

3rd- Zachary Li

3rd/4th Grade

1st- Byron Grisham

2nd- Tommy Szafarz

3rd- Joshua Potros

5th/6th Grade

1st- Amalia Herrera Lopez

2nd- John Weihe

3rd- Aaron Madhu

7th/8th Grade

1st- Jahra Khan

2nd- Jonas Mendoza

3rd- Madeleine Chang



NOMINATE A DESERVING STUDENT!

Do you have or know a student who deserves a shout-out? Every week, we will highlight a student to recognize their spirit of service, accomplishments, hard work, and dedication! Nominate a student for consideration [HERE](#)!



A NOTE FROM YOUR PTO

WEEKLY REMINDERS



BOX TOPS

Support our school with Box Tops!
Read how [HERE](#)!



PRAYER GROUP

3rd Thursday of the month
8:15 a.m. - Dining Hall

Park and Pray

Each Thursday after morning carpool
around the St. Laurence statue



HELP WITH LUNCH DUTY

-ECC [HERE](#)
-Elementary [HERE](#)

Do you have a special prayer request? Need prayers? Send your request [HERE](#).



AUCTION NEWS

ANNUAL GALA AND AUCTION– Prom Night!

The 2025 Auction & Gala will be held at St. Laurence Catholic School on April 26, 2025 – Prom Night! The evening promises to be filled with twinkling lights, celestial cocktails, and astronomical excitement! Immerse yourself in the magic of a starlit night while supporting the mission of SLCS.

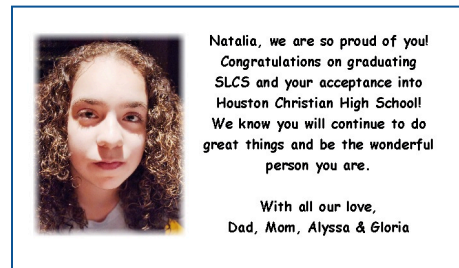
The annual Auction & Gala is our school's largest annual fundraiser, directly supporting the operational expenses of SLCS. These funds allow us to provide outstanding academic programs, vital school and teacher resources, opportunities for professional development, important facility improvements, school security, and more. We hope you will join us!

Tickets and Tables to our 2025 Auction + Gala are [available for purchase!](#)

AUCTION CATALOG ADVERTISING

Reminder – if your family, company, or organization would like to be spotlighted in this year's Auction Catalog, the deadline for inclusion is April 4! What a special (and affordable!) way to support SLCS!

8th Grade Special Would you like to give a shout-out to your favorite 8th grader? We are offering 50% off ad spaces for 8th grade parents who would like to show some love to their graduating student in the 2025 Auction Catalog. Reach out to Jessica Bardin to receive a special discount code! See the examples below!



CIRCLE OF SAINTS



CIRCLE OF SAINTS SPOTLIGHT

The LeGrand Family

What a BLESSING it is to be a member of this SLCS community. This has been our 3rd year at St. Laurence: Mason (4th) and Austen (1st) are thriving due to the Saint Laurence spirit and its community. We want to continue to support and help St. Laurence to continue to be the AMAZING school it is. We want to show our gratitude for the teachers and staff who give so much of themselves each and everyday to the students and parents. We feel so incredibly honored to be here.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



COMMUNITY PARTNERS

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Partner with St. Laurence Catholic School by becoming a [Community Partner!](#) The [SLCS Community Partnership Program](#) raises additional funds for the school's operating budget that are not otherwise covered by tuition, events,

and the Saints & Angels Annual Fund. SLCS is excited to offer you and your business the distinct opportunity to directly impact and support the people and programs that make SLCS so special.

Community Partners for the 2025-2026 school year will receive year-round advertising opportunities, including but not limited to signage, advertising, visibility on the SLCS website/social media accounts, event participation, and more! Community Partners Sponsorships are a great way to get your company's name in front of 450+ SLCS families and the Fort Bend County community at large.

Thank you to the 2024-2025 Community Partners who have invested in SLCS this school year!



BASEBALL

The baseball team is back from spring break and ready to play. They are aiming for a top 4 seed in the GHCAA tournament and have several big games coming up. The Saints play at home on Thursday, and the Spirit Game will be on Monday, March 24th, at the FCLL fields..

- 3/20 Thursday Varsity Home vs. St. Anne at 4:00 PM. JV team will play at 7:45 PM
- 3/24 Monday Varsity SPIRIT GAME vs. St. Ambrose 4:30 PM

SOFTBALL

The Saints softball team travels today to play St. Mary Magdalene and will take on St. Vincent DePaul at home on Monday. The Saints are working toward a top seed in the GHCAA tournament. The softball Spirit Game will be on Monday, March 31st at home at 4:30 p.m. Home games are played at Sugar Land Imperial Park Softball Fields, field #3. 7720 Highway 90a, Sugar Land, Texas, 77478

- 3/19 Wednesday Varsity away at St. Mary Magdalene 4:30 PM
- 3/24 Monday Varsity Home vs St. Vincent De Paul at 4:30 PM. Support the Saints!

TRACK

The Saints track team is ready to go and has their first GHCAA meet this Saturday. March 22nd at HISD Barnett Stadium. Field events start at 8:00 AM and running events start at 10:00 AM. Good luck to all the Saints this weekend!

GHCAA Track Meets

- 3/22 - Saturday - Barnett Stadium - 8:00 AM
- 3/29 - Saturday - Barnett Stadium - 8:00 AM
- 4/5 - Saturday - Barnett Stadium - 8:00 AM
- 4/12- Saturday - TBA
- 4/26 Saturday - TBA

[BASEBALL CALENDAR](#)

[SOFTBALL CALENDAR](#)



NEW ITEM ALERT!!!

Show your Saints pride this spring with our new "SAINTS" Hat Band for just \$25. Wrap it around your favorite hat and enjoy the outdoors this spring. Get yours today in our online store.



USEFUL LINKS



[MEMBERSHIP/SIGNAGE](#)

[PARENT STORE HERE!](#)

[BOOSTER STORE](#)

YEARBOOK AND PUBLICATIONS NEED YOUR ATHLETICS PICTURES!

Please upload your pictures using the links below!

Basketball - Boys	Baseball	Cross Country	Soccer	Track	Tennis
Basketball - Girls	Cheerleading	Football	Softball	Volleyball	



8TH GRADE NEWS

KC'S ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CONTEST

The Knights of Columbus are excited to announce the return of our annual scholarship essay contest for 8th grade students! They will be awarding two \$1,000 scholarships to 8th graders who will be attending any of the Houston area Catholic high schools in the fall of 2025. Scholarship applications will be available [on their website](#) starting Sunday, March 2nd. Deadline to submit entries is Sunday, March 30th. Winners will be announced by the end of May.

- [8th GRADE IMPORTANT DATES](#)



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PARISH NEWS

WORK FOR ST. LAURENCE

St. Laurence is seeking to hire a **Middle School Youth Minister** who will also serve in Campus Ministry. Please send a letter of application and resume to [Christine Hernandez](#), Director of Faith Formation. Click [HERE](#) for more information!

FOR YOUR LENT

There's so much great content available to make Lent truly transformative. Check out these resources, perfect for your family or a small study group. And [download the Lenten Calendar](#) from the US Bishops.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Return this Friday to pray the [Stations of the Cross](#). Stations of the Cross in the church at 7pm. Or arrive a little earlier at 6:30pm to pray the Liturgy of the Hours. Booklets are provided, open to all ages.

VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE [HERE!](#)



COMMUNITY NEWS

ENGLISH UPPER LEVEL ISEE PREP COURSE

Offered by Suzanne Garcia, former SLCS middle school English teacher. Learn more [HERE](#) and sign up [HERE!](#)

MATH+: ADVANCED MATHEMATICS LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

Unlock your child's potential with Math+, an advanced mathematics course by Reynold D'Souza at Strake Jesuit. This six-week program, starting March 25, delves into the captivating concept of Infinity, providing 6th-8th graders with world-class math content designed to inspire and challenge! Sign up [HERE!](#)



STRAKE JESUIT SEVENTH GRADE CAMPUS TOURS - SIGN UP NOW!

Explore Strake Jesuit's 52-acre campus and discover if it's the right fit for you—sign up for a spring tour [HERE!!](#)

MISSION STATEMENT

*As a pastoral instrument of the Church,
St. Laurence Catholic School educates and develops the whole
Christian person in body, mind, and spirit through the trinity of
parent, child, and educator.*

VISION STATEMENT

*Making a Difference:
Faith, Academics, Service*

Saints Newsletter is published weekly by St. Laurence Catholic School.

Do you have a special article you wish to submit to this newsletter?

You are welcome to submit information about the birth of new children or any other ideas you might like to see in this newsletter.

Contact Adriana Gutierrez at agutierrez@stlaurence.org.

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