

Seasons of the Saints

Spring 2026



From the Principals

Dear All Saints Academy Community,

The conclusion of one school year often comes with opportunities for reflection. With the end of yet another school year, we quickly realize that our 2nd graders' time at the Lower Campus has also come to an end, and they now prepare to enter the Upper Campus. Reflecting on our 8th grade graduates, who are preparing for their next year in high school, evokes a range of emotions. Excitement. Sadness. Joy. Whether we think about our students who will experience some kind of momentous transition next year or are simply moving to the classroom next door, we have a profound sense of pride in all they have accomplished and how they have grown this school year. Of course, this can only happen with the incredible staff guiding them throughout the school year, along with the parent community who helps to reinforce our core values at home.

When we reflect upon the past at this time of year, we must also look ahead—to adventures that are yet to come, new friends we are sure to make, and what challenges we will face. Although we have yet to complete the 2025-2026 school year, we are already planning for next year. From the ASA website that is getting a new look in 2026 to the revamping of our school-age child care program this summer, the possibilities ahead are limitless. This school year saw renewal and momentum in connecting the home with our school. We held our first March Parent Series presentation with Protect Young Eyes, providing parents with tools to be tech-ready in the digital age. ASA's Mission Effectiveness Committee reconvened and began working on its first family and faith ASA event scheduled for later this calendar year. As we begin to share more information about the 2026-2027 school year, we hope it brings as much excitement to you as it has all of us here at All Saints Academy.

Thank you for being a part of our community this school year and sharing in our mission. We hope that wherever the road leads you this summer, you will hold ASA in your prayers. Know that we will do the same.

May God bless you and yours!

Mrs. Megan Schneider
Mr. Michael Debri



Right: May crowning at the Upper Campus on May 14, 2026

Thank You, St. Alphonsus Education Endowment!

In the 2025-2026 school year, ASA students and families benefited from a number of grants funded by the St. Alphonsus Education Endowment. The Saints and Eagles Club child care programs, which provide before and after school care as well as summer and non-school day care, received new board and card games as well as storage units to keep the games and all their pieces together. Our middle school science and math programs received new microscopes and calculators to use with their students as they support the academic learning of our oldest learners.

A grant for the Mobile Planetarium allowed students to journey through space without leaving the Lower Campus gym during March is Reading Month. All ASA students, toddlers through 8th graders, were able to experience the planetarium.

The first March Parent Series, supported by a grant, brought ASA parents and guardians to the Brophy Center for a presentation that emphasized steps parents and guardians can take to help create a tech-ready home in an AI age.



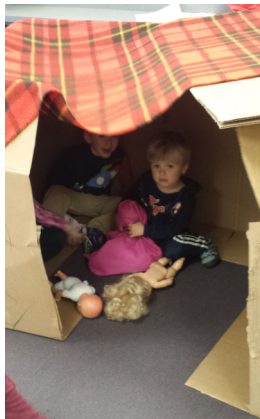
All Saints Academy is thankful for the support of the St. Alphonsus Education Endowment as we work to refine and strengthen our programming to best align with our shared purpose of *forming saints to serve all*.

Congratulations, Class of 2026!

All Saints Academy would like to congratulate the graduating class. Graduation will occur on Thursday, May 28, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Jude.



The Class of 2026. Back row: Christopher Meyerholtz, Taras Gage, Elijah Kam, Kyle LaPonsie. Front row: Andrew Mitchell, Jesus Guerrero, Jacob Penning, Evelyn Wuorinen, Lydia Pereira, Amelia Barajas-Oteto, Parker Bohan-VanEpps, Elly Hulett, Ana Patterson



Congratulations to the remarkable Class of 2026—the very first group to journey through every grade at All Saints Academy, from curious toddlers to confident 8th graders. You’ve grown up side by side, learning not just lessons from books, but from each other, building friendships and memories that span your entire childhood. That kind of shared experience is rare, and it shows in your resilience, your unity, and your spirit. As pioneers of this full journey, you’ve helped shape the traditions and heart of this school. Wherever you go next, carry that pride with you—you’re not just moving on, you’re leaving a legacy.

Above left & right: playing in the toddler classroom

Right: dress up days in fifth grade

FOR I KNOW THE
PLANS
I have for *You*
declares
THE LORD.
Jeremiah 29 : 11



Two are better than one, if one falls, the other can pick him up.

Ecclesiastes 4 : 9 - 10



Left top: cheering on the eighth graders as fifth graders



Left second: at Junior Achievement's Biztown



Left third: enjoying a break on the steps at the Capitol as fourth graders

Left bottom: Thanksgiving as kindergartners



Right top: at Art Prize as seventh graders



Right middle: classwork as second graders

Right bottom: visiting with Andrew's puppies as seventh graders



Discovering Servant Leadership

Nick Schaab is a 2022 Graduate of All Saints Academy

Throughout my four years at Catholic Central, I racked up 153 service hours. I had no idea how much of an impact those hours would have on my life. I've come to realize that it was serving others that allowed me to grow as a man, give back to the community, and enhance my leadership skills. Ultimately, it led me to servant leadership.

At Catholic Central, we have our annual "Servathon", where everyone takes a day off from school in the fall to go serve at a certain spot around town. We do this with our Coram Deos, which are small groups of students, within one of our four houses. There are eight Coram Deos per house and thirty-two Coram Deos all together in the school. So, during Servathon, every one of the thirty-two Coram Deos go to different service sites. My freshman year, my Coram Deo went to Aquinas to help out with landscaping and various tasks around campus. My sophomore year, we went to the Dwelling Place of Grand Rapids, which gives housing to homeless people. There, we did some more custodial work and moved lots of furniture. My junior year, we went to Millennium Park where we weeded, planted trees, and cut trees. Finally, my senior year, we went to a horse barn where we picked up poop and helped with the horses. That was my favorite Servathon experience. I really like how CC does Servathon because it gives us a chance to take a break from school for a day in order to provide service to others and work with our hands in a way Christ would.



Another favorite service activity was volunteering to be a peer mentor in a very special program at CC called the Peer Connections program. This program gives students who have an educational disability or medical diagnosis an equal opportunity for growth by pairing them with another student in class to help them focus, help with assignments, and most importantly, be their friend. My sister Maya, who graduated last year, had a peer mentor for most of her time at CC, and it made all the difference for her in her academics and her friendships. I wanted to give back to the Peer Connections program for all it did for my sister. So, I got to be a peer mentor for two semesters, and I wish I had started sooner.

Additionally, with being a part of lots of sports at CC, I got the opportunity to be involved in the future cougar athletics. My freshman and sophomore year, when I played basketball, every Saturday there was this event called "Mighty Ball", where we (the freshman/JV team) would coach a group of 2nd/3rd grade kids in a basketball league. I had so much fun coaching those kids with my teammates and watching them play basketball. It was even better because my team made it to the championship both years. Also, I got to coach a 3rd/4th grade flag football team with one of my best friends, Andrew Kileen, last spring. This was the pinnacle of my coaching career. Being the Offensive coordinator, drawing up plays like Ben Johnson in the huddle

and yelling at the referees (who were also on the football team) was peak. The best part about it was becoming friends with these young kids and giving them the opportunity to be with CC varsity football players, hopefully giving them someone to look up to and to convince them to go to CC and play football, because playing football at CC was one of the best decisions I have ever made in my life. I would say serving through coaching, doing something I love, was yet another favorite serving experience.

Overall, I think the form of service that has made the biggest impact on me is servant leadership. This year, I was elected head boy of Teresa house, one of the four CC houses (Teresa, Romero, Kolbe, and Casey). In doing this, I really got to hone in on developing my leadership skills and work for the people around me. I strived to make not only the Teresa house community stronger but the whole Catholic Central community better as well. I really tried to focus on building stronger relationships with others just by being there for them and giving them someone to talk to if needed. This, I believe, is servant leadership where one puts others' needs before one's own for the betterment of the community, and I really tried my best at achieving that. As a result of our leadership team's hard work, and the great people of Teresa house, we won the house cup (the annual competition among houses) this year, completing the back2back championship run!! Mother Teresa, whom the house is named after, said "do small things with great love", and this couldn't be any more true.

Name Tag Sunday

As a way to connect parishioners and welcome visitors, St. Alphonsus and Blessed Sacrament parishes launched a new initiative this past fall called “Name Tag Sunday.”

On the first Sunday of each month, Mass goers are encouraged to wear a name tag — provided by the parish or one they bring — as a way to get to know those sitting around them at Mass as well as during a social gathering following each Mass. The social gathering celebrates birthdays and marriage anniversaries for the month. Before each Mass, Fr. Christopher offers a blessing for those who have a birthday or marriage anniversary during the month.

After this, everyone is encouraged to share his or her name with someone near their pew along with a personal intention for the Mass. The people can then offer the intention for their pew neighbor during that Mass. This has proven a meaningful way to develop a culture of prayer in the parishes as well as a deeper connection to the hearts of others.

Each month’s celebration is usually themed, such as St. Valentine or St. Patrick in February and March, respectively. It’s a fun way to socialize and build relationships.





Mission Statement

All Saints Academy is a Catholic School inspired by the Holy Spirit and dedicated to teaching and living as Jesus did. Our mission is to serve and partner with our families, parishes, and communities as we focus on the spiritual, intellectual, moral, social, and physical development of our children.



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Academic Calendar

May

May 25

No School
Child Care Closed
Memorial Day

May 28

8th Grade Graduation
6:30 p.m. St. Jude

June

June 4

Last Day of School
Half Day
Child Care Closes at 12:30 p.m.

June 5

Child Care Closed

June 8

Summer Child Care Begins

July

July 3

Summer Child Care Closed
Independence Day observed

August

August 14

Last Day of Summer Child Care

August 17

Ice Cream Social
5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
Both Campuses

August 17 & 18

No School
Child Care Closed

August 19

First Day of School

September

September 1

Picture Day
Both Campuses

September 4

No School
Child Care Open

September 7

No School
Child Care Closed
Labor Day

Save the Date

Ice Cream Social

Monday, August 17

5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Both Campuses