

Pack the Pews - This Sunday!

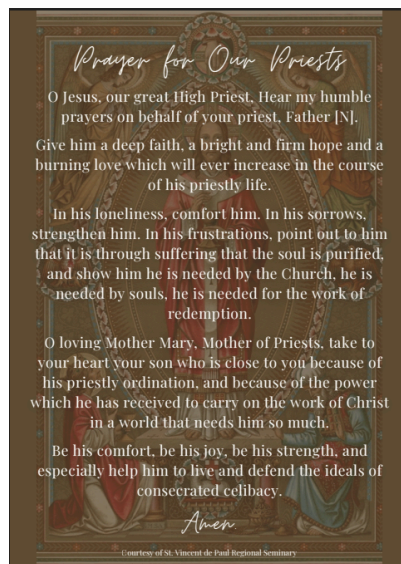
Pack the Pews are back! On one weekend Mass per month, for four months of the year, all ASA families are invited to pack the pews at our four parishes while wearing their ASA uniforms or spirit wear. This is a great way to worship together as one school family and for each parish to connect with the parish school. Students who attend Pack the Pews and wear ASA spirit wear or school clothes should be sure to see either Mrs. Schneider or Mr. Debrí at Mass. Students who attend this weekend's Pack the Pews will receive a special coupon that can be used for Color Days next week, Monday through Wednesday! Save the dates for our four Pack the Pews weekends:

- **Sunday, September 20, 2026, at St. Jude 10:30 a.m. Mass**
- Sunday, October 18, 2026, at Blessed Sacrament 10:45 a.m. Mass
- Sunday, January 31, 2027, at St. Alphonsus 9:00 a.m. Mass
- Sunday, March 7, 2027, at St. Isidore 10:30 a.m. Mass

No School Masses - This Week

Due to the annual diocesan priest convocation, there will be no school Masses at Blessed Sacrament or St. Jude during the week of September 21, 2026. Please pray for our priests: Fr. Christopher Epplett, Msgr. Edward Hankiewicz, and Fr. Ayub Nasar. **September 22, 2026** is the annual Day of Prayer for Priests. See more information on the Diocese of Grand Rapids' website.

Annual Day of Prayer for Our Priests



Head Lice Information for Parents

The topic of head lice typically comes up at some point during the school year. To provide you with the information you'll need when this happens, please read the letter linked to the right.

Head Lice Letter

Stories of the Saints Blog

Did you know that All Saints Academy has a blog? "**Stories of the Saints**" highlights daily school life, student activities, and community milestones across early childhood, elementary, and middle school. Twice-monthly posts feature stories on classroom routines, hands-on learning experiences, field trips to local landmarks like JA BizTown and the Frederik Meijer Gardens, as well as athletic recaps celebrating the school's Eagles sports teams—all framed within the school's Christ-centered education and core values of faith, learning, loving, and serving.

Bus Drivers Needed!

Grand Rapids Catholic Secondary Schools Transportation Department is looking to hire Bus Drivers for 20+ hours/week during the school year (mostly morning/afternoon school hours, but some hours may be available for events during evenings and weekends). Bus drivers are responsible for safely transporting high school and elementary students to and from school or school-related activities following a set route and schedule. Substitute and fill-in Bus Drivers are also needed.

- Qualifications: Maintain a valid State of Michigan CDL
- Pay starts at \$21/hr.
- Part-time employee health benefits are available.
- Position is eligible for part-time employee tuition discount of 33% after one year of service for children/students attending West Catholic High School or Catholic Central High School.

Interested candidates may complete an application for employment, or call Don St. Andre, HR Director, at 616-264-6272 for additional information.

Apply Now

ASA Directory Opt-Out - Due Next Friday!

We are starting to put together the ASA school directory for the 2026-2027 school year. The directory will be available electronically this year. If you would NOT like your family to be listed in the school directory, please complete this directory opt-out form **by Friday, September 25, 2026**. Please note that your child(ren) will still be listed on the class rosters. If you have any questions or concerns about this year's directory, reach out to Amanda Cusack at acusack@asagr.org.

Directory Opt-Out Form

ASA Carnival - September 26

The Back to School Carnival is just around the corner! The carnival is **September 26, 2026, 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.**, and is open to all ASA families. Please sign up below to volunteer to run games, serve food, set up, break down, or donate theater boxes of candy and full-size candy bars for the candy walk, as well as individual servings of beverages (Prime, Gatorade, soda, juice, water, etc.). Students in 6th-12th grades can also sign up to help and receive service hours. Donations can be dropped off at either campus or sent to school with your child and brought to the office **by Thursday, September 24, 2026**.

Please purchase wristbands and food below by Thursday, September 24. Pre-ordering allows us to order enough food! Wristbands (\$15) allow unlimited gameplay for the entire carnival. New this year, families can pre-order entire pizzas! Wristbands (\$20 day of) and food will be available at the door in limited quantities.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Liz Beckwith at lbeckwith@asagr.org.

Volunteer and Donations Sign-Up

Purchase Wrist Bands and Food

Winter 1 Sports Registration

Registrations for Winter I sports are now open! GRACEAC is offering Boys' Basketball for grades 3-8 and Competitive Cheer for grades 5-8. For more information and registration, please visit the GRACEAC website. **Registration closes on September 30, 2026.**

[Register Here](#)

Pastries With Pals

Please join us for donuts and refreshments on **Wednesday, October 7, 2026**, in the gym at either campus! Never been to Pastries with Pals? Students are joined by a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, or any adult pal for a donut and refreshment (juice or coffee). Stop in anytime between **7:15-8:15 a.m. at the Lower Campus**, or **7:30-8:00 a.m. at the Upper Campus**. Please note the different times at each campus. Don't worry, if there isn't anyone available to attend with your child, they will still get a donut, and there will be plenty of pals to sit with.

We need helpers! If you would like to help set up or serve at either campus, please contact Angela Mitchell at amitchell@asagr.org. A reminder: to volunteer at this or any ASA event, you must have completed the ASA Volunteer Requirements.

[ASA Volunteer Requirements](#)

Renewing the Catholic Family Speaker Series Continues

Our hope is to bring our parents together to learn from trusted experts, encourage one another, and strengthen families as we navigate the joys and challenges of parenting in today's world. The next session is **October 8, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.**, at Cathedral Square. The speaker is a clinical psychologist, author, and radio/television host, Dr. Ray Guare. The event is free, but please RSVP if you are planning to attend.

[RSVP to Attend](#)

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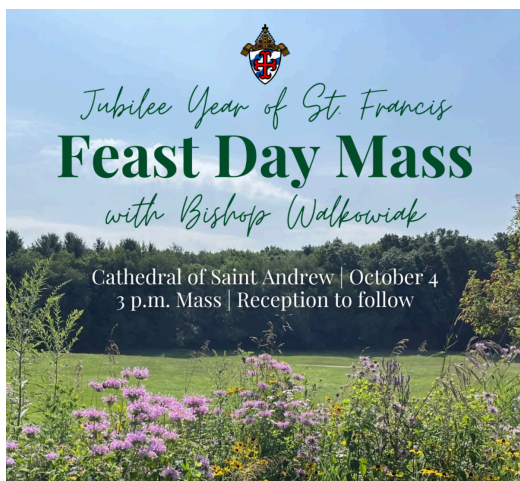
For the latest admissions information and event news (including camps), check these pages from Catholic Central and West Catholic each week:



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jubilee Year of St. Francis Feast Day Mass

Join Bishop Walkowiak at the Cathedral of St. Andrew for mass on **October 4, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.** A reception will follow. [Learn more about the Jubilee Year here.](#)



Daisy Scouts

All girls in kindergarten and first grade, along with their parents, are invited to an informational meeting on **Tuesday, October 6**, at 5:30 p.m. in the ASA Lower Campus Art Room to learn about Daisy Scouts. Please RSVP to Andrea Martindale at (810) 434-8813 by **October 5, 2026**. [See the full flyer.](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, September 20

10:30 a.m. Pack the Pews at St. Jude

Monday, September 21

MAP Testing in Grade 2

Tuesday, September 22

No Upper Campus Mass

9:00 a.m. PreK Neighborhood Bus Ride

6:00 p.m. Mission Effectiveness Meeting, Lower Campus Library

Wednesday, September 23

No Lower Campus Mass

MAP Testing in Grades 4 & 5

Thursday, September 24

No Upper Campus Mass

Friday, September 25

Color Day

8:20 a.m. K-2 Rosary, LC Gym

Saturday, September 26

12:00-2:00 p.m. ASA Carnival, Upper Campus

Monday, September 28

Fall MAP Testing - Retakes/Make-up Tests This Week

Tuesday, September 29

8:30 a.m. Upper Campus Mass at St. Jude

Wednesday, September 30

10:30 a.m. Lower Campus Mass at Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, October 1

8:30 a.m. Upper Campus Mass at St. Jude

Friday, October 2

Spirit Day

Home & School Popcorn Day

ASA Community Calendar

The Vision of All Saints Academy is to provide a transformative education that is grounded in the Catholic faith. Guided by the Holy Spirit, this education meets the needs of individual learners, preparing them to make a positive impact on others.

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