



## St. Vincent de Paul School

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*"Let your light shine...Brighter Together"*  
Matthew 5:16

September 23, 2021

*25th Week in Ordinary Time*  
*Jesus asked his disciples,*  
*"What were you arguing about?"*

### What's happening?

#### September 23

**Back to School Night for 7/8, 7 pm –**  
Teachers will send you a Zoom link for the meeting. *Please note date change.*

#### September 24

Grades 5-8 will attend 9 am Mass.  
Please return Summer Reading Calendars for students in prek-grade 4 and Reading Logs for students in grades 5-8 to Mrs. Schuler.

#### September 27

Feast of St. Vincent de Paul Mass, 9 am

#### October 7

***Last day to earn fundraising credit through the Charleston Wrap Fundraiser.***  
School Commission, 7 pm

#### October 8

Sweatshirt & T-shirt orders are due!

#### October 15

No School - Archdiocesan In-service Day

#### October 21

Safe Environment Lessons for Students

Dear Families,

Before I left home on Tuesday morning, I took a few extra minutes to enjoy the beauty of the Harvest Moon shining on the calm water in Commencement Bay. I wanted to stay on the deck and keep the vision in my mind as long as possible. I especially love everything about the Sound, the salt water scent, the ever-changing movement of the tides, the flow of the currents, the changing surface colors, the trees creating a beautiful border for the waterway and the playful water birds. Here in the Pacific Northwest we are blessed to have so many breathtaking views of the earth and the heavens God created!

The joys of Tuesday continued with a visit from Archbishop Etienne. The Archbishop had lunch with Fr. Frank and then they stopped by to visit the school. We peaked in on the kindergarten classroom. The little ones wanted to know what God looks like. Fr. Frank asked them if they had looked in a mirror. That's what God looks like. He asked them to look at the student on their right and on their left. That's what God looks like. We are all made in the image and likeness of God. A teachable moment! I am so proud of our school and it was a pleasure to give the Archbishop a tour of St. Vincent's. I think Fr. Frank is already proud of our school, too.

#### Family Income Form

About one third of our families have returned the form. It would be helpful to have 100% of families send this information to us as soon as possible. Thank you.

#### PowerSchool Portal

Viewing information through the portal is a quick way to check on assignment and test scores. Please call us if you are having any trouble logging in to the portal.

#### Sweatshirts & T-shirts

We will place another order on October 8. The order form is on the website, click on parents, then forms, then sweatshirt order form. Our first jeans and St. Vincent T-shirt day will be in early November. *Students and teachers/staff who have our St. Vincent t-shirts may wear them on this new spirit day!*

#### Charleston Wrap

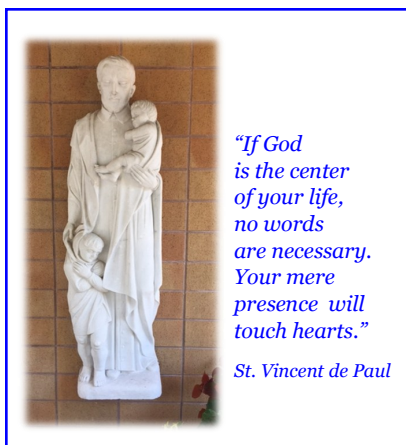
Don't forget to tell your family and friends about the Charleston Wrap Fundraiser. The last day to order to receive fundraising credit is October 7th. Go to registercw.com. Our school ID is 11619 or just look for St. Vincent de Paul School, Federal Way, WA. You receive 40% fundraising credit of the price of the item.

#### Morning Carpool Concern

We are concerned about children being let out of their cars on the slope going up to the front driveway while cars are moving. Please wait until your car is past the yellow pole at the corner of the gym door covering before allowing child to exit the car. Thank you.

#### MAP Testing

Students in grades two—eight will be taking the MAP (Measure of Academic Achievement) test during the next couple of weeks. To help your child do his/her best, please be sure he/she has a nutritious breakfast and snack as well as a restful night. The testing schedule is on page 2.



*Fall MAP Testing Schedule 2021*

	Monday, Sept. 27th	Tuesday, Sept. 28th	Wednesday, Sept. 29th	Thursday, Sept. 30th	Friday, Oct. 1st
8:45-10:00	Teachers Prep Their Students for the MAP Test. Discussion + Video.	2nd Grade Reading	4th Grade Reading		3rd Grade Reading
11:15-12:15		6th Grade Math	5th Grade Math	7th Grade Math	8th Grade Math
1:00-2:00		3rd Grade Math	2nd Grade Math	4th Grade Math	
	Monday, Oct. 4th	Tuesday, Oct. 5th	Wednesday, Oct. 6th	Thursday, Oct. 7th	Friday, Oct. 8th
8:45-10:00	H.R. Reading	6th Grade Reading	5th Grade Reading	C.M. Reading	
11:15-12:15					
1:00-2:00					
	Monday, Oct. 11th	Tuesday, Oct. 12th	Wednesday, Oct. 13th	Thursday, Oct. 14th	Friday, Oct. 15th
8:45 -10:00					

**Outdoor Recess**

Recesses will be outdoors as much as possible. As the rainy, cooler weather begins, please send your child to school with an appropriate rain coat or jacket. Students may bring umbrellas and rain boots on rainy days. Regular school shoes need to be worn during class.

Thank you for continuing to do all that you can to keep us all safe. Wear masks, social distance, and get the vaccine.

St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us.

With my love and prayers,

*Wanda*