



SCHOOL TALK

✠ NOLAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

2023-2024

September 1, 2023

Edition no. 3

Dear Families,

At Nolan Catholic, service shines as a cornerstone of our ethos. As Nolan's new Director of Campus Ministry, I wholeheartedly believe in nurturing not only academic excellence but also the development of compassionate, devoted, and well-rounded individuals. For this reason, throughout the school year, I will actively share with you a range of service opportunities and encourage every student to embark on the transformative journey of serving others.



To make service opportunities accessible to all of our students, I'll be publishing a list of options every month in the "Campus Ministry" section of School Talk. Students can also use X2VOL (our service logging program) to find opportunities to earn hours in order to reach their required minimum of 75 hours during their time at NCHS.

Service isn't just an extracurricular activity; it's a powerful means of personal growth, community enrichment, and fostering a stronger understanding of one's faith. Whether it's volunteering at local shelters, or aiding community events, each opportunity contributes to a deeper understanding of the world around us and our role in it as stewards of God's creation.

In embracing service, I have seen Nolan Catholic students enrich their lives, contribute to the world, and strengthen their spiritual journey. I can't wait for the coming year to embark on this journey of faith, compassion, and community together.

Mrs. Bunt
Director of Campus Ministry

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Stay Connected with the NCHS App



On your phone or tablet, navigate to the App Store or Google Play Store and search for "Nolan Catholic High School." After installing the app, you will be prompted to create an optional "User Profile." The Nolan app has an up-to-date official calendar, recent issues of *School Talk*, and portals. The app also provides a convenient link to our social media accounts, guidance office updates, frequently used forms, and much more.



CAMPUS MINISTRY

Student Service Opportunities

All Service hours can be logged through x2Vol (Freshmen will be trained during their theology class in September, & will have an updated summer hours due date).

Viking Club Volunteering

- Service hours can be logged via x2Vol
- Use [this link](#) to sign up

Viking Pantry (Ongoing)

- Help stock snacks and water for your fellow Vikings! Donations can be delivered to Mrs. Bunt / Campus Ministry in room C20.
- Click [this link](#) for more information on what you can bring.

NOLAN CATHOLIC FAITH LIFE

DAILY MASS -- Chapel

Mondays & Thursdays - 2:50pm
Fridays - 7:00am

ALL SCHOOL MASS -- Hartnett Arena

Wednesdays
& Holy Days of Obligation - 10:20am

CONFESSION -- Fr. Metzler's Office

Mondays, Wednesdays,
& Thursdays - 11:30am-1:00 pm

ADORATION -- Chapel

Every Friday
Exposition - 7:30am Reposition - 2:20pm

Student Point Opportunities

September 6th @ 6:30-8:00 pm - College Fair

- Takes place in the arena
- Students can earn 5 points towards their house for attending the event

Tower Hill Lecture Series - date TBD

- Students can earn 5 points towards their house for attending the event
- +2 points for each parent/family member
- Sign-in at the House Points check in booth

Parent Point Opportunities

Viking Club Volunteering

- 5 Points towards your student's house for each event where you volunteer
- [Sign up here](#)

Friday Adoration - 9/1, 9/8, 9/22, 9/29

- 5 Points towards your student's house for each day you volunteer
- [Sign up here](#)

Viking Club Meeting

- Wednesday, September 13 @ 6:00 pm at Mama's Pizza on Camp Bowie in Fort Worth
- 5 points towards your students house for attending

Know of a service opportunity? Want student volunteers at your non-profit?

Fill out this form. Thank you!



NOLAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

2023-2024 ADMISSIONS EVENTS

COFFEE TALK - 9:15 AM

SEPTEMBER 22 DECEMBER 15
OCTOBER 20 JANUARY 26
NOVEMBER 17

CAMPUS TOURS - 6:00 PM

OCTOBER 5 DECEMBER 7
NOVEMBER 2 JANUARY 11

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHTS

SEPTEMBER 27 NOVEMBER 8
OCTOBER 25

OPEN HOUSE

DECEMBER 3

SIGN UP FOR AN EVENT OR TOUR AT [NOLANCATHOLIC.ORG/EVENTS-AND-TOURS](https://www.nolancatholic.org/events-and-tours)



www.nolancatholic.org

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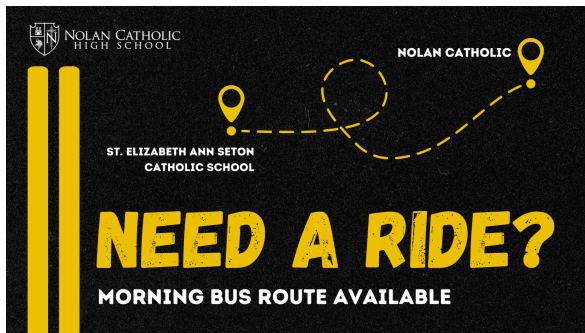


Mark Your Calendars!

- **Christian Ministry Summer Service Hours:** Due Friday, September 1
- **No School (Labor Day):** Monday, September 4th
- **Football Moms' Film Night:** Dorskocil Athletic Complex, September 5, 5:30 p.m.
- **College Fair:** Hartnett Arena, September 6th, 6:30 p.m.
- **Q1 Progress Reports:** Friday, September 8th
- **No School (Diocesan Inservice):** Friday, September 15th
- **School Picture Retakes:** Wednesday, September 20th

See our full calendar [here!](#)

SCHOOL RESOURCES



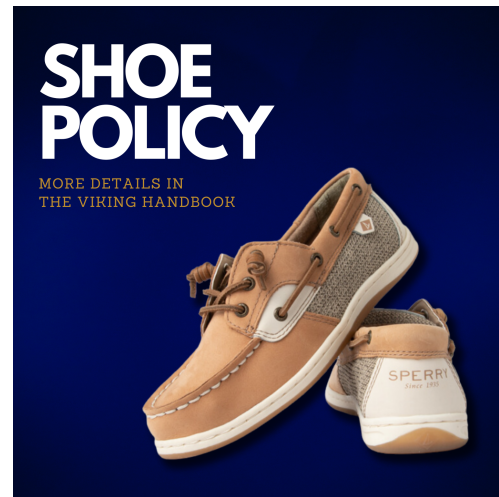
Morning Bus Service

Nolan Catholic is operating a morning bus route from **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School, Keller**, to help transport students to our school. The bus route is for mornings only. If you want to sign up for the SEAS morning bus service, please [click here](#) to fill out the google form. For more information email Kimberlee Glover at kglover@nchstx.org.

Medical Accommodation

If there is a medical reason that your student cannot wear the uniform shoes, please fill out the Medical Exemption Request Form [here](#).

If a medical accommodation request is accepted, the shoe must be a solid black athletic shoe with black soles, black laces, and black brand logo, or, a solid white athletic shoe with white soles, white laces, and white brand logo.



Guidance

Nolan Catholic is hosting a college fair on Tuesday, 9/6, in the Hartnett Arena from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Seniors: please be sure you are keeping up with your responsibilities regarding the college checklist as you embark on your last year of high school!

[Class of 2024 August College Newsletter](#)



Lunches by ECI

If you are interested in adding funds to your student's account for cafeteria purchases, you can do so by [clicking here](#). For new families, you can locate your student's ID number listed on the Student RenWeb dashboard. Click on the "Add Student/Patron" button on the upper left menu and follow the prompts.



[Click here for next week menu](#)

SPRING BREAK MARCH 12-15

Metropolitan Museum of Art
Broadway
Philharmonic Orchestra
Time Square
9-11 Memorial
Central Park
St. Patrick's Cathedral
The Edge

SEE MS. COLLARD
OR MS. HAMENDE



NEW YORK

NY Fine Arts Trip

The fine arts department is taking students to New York this spring, March 12-15. Each department has special outings planned. Art enthusiasts will spend time at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Theater students will get a backstage tour and workshop on Broadway. Music lovers will get a chance to sing at St. Patrick's Cathedral. As a whole group, we will also enjoy multiple Broadway performances, the Philharmonic Orchestra, Time Square, the 9-11 Memorial, Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Central Park, and much more. If you are a student or parent who would like to go and/or need more information for a payment plan setup, please reach out to Ms. Collard (mcollard@nchstx.org) or Ms. Hamende (vhamende@nchstx.org). All adults must be Virtus trained through the Fort Worth Diocese.

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School Resource Officers

Through the **School Resource Officer Program (SRO)**, Bishop Olson and the Diocese of Ft. Worth continue their commitment to safety and security at each of our schools. A uniformed law enforcement presence is a valuable resource for our staff and students, as well as, peace of mind for our parents. The goal is always to have 100% coverage at all of our campuses during the school year. However, there may be times when an officer is scheduled for training, or increased demands on their regular jobs take them away from our off-duty assignments. We want to assure you that our faculty and staff have appropriate processes and plans in place to provide for the safety of our students at all times. We look forward to another great school year in partnering with our law enforcement community!





FRC TEAM 4206

**ARE YOU
INTERESTED IN
BECOMING A
ROBO VIKE?**

Email Us

Moderator, Brad Billeaudeau
bbilleaudeau@nchstx.org



NATURE NOTES



Passion Flower

By Mrs. Breclaw, Outdoor Learning

St. Patrick is famous for connecting nature to theology with his comparison of clover to the Trinity. Did you know that early Spanish missionaries also used a plant to explain Christianity? You may have seen the passion flower before, or tasted its fruit in smoothies. The [passion flower](#) got its name from the Passion of Christ. In Spanish, it was called “la flor de las cinco llagas” or “the flower of five wounds.”



- ❖ The ten large, light purple petals represent the faithful disciples (those who neither betrayed nor denied Jesus)
- ❖ The wispy, hair-like filaments represent the crown of thorns.
- ❖ The central circle of the flower represents the pillar of the scourging.
- ❖ The five yellow anthers (they look like a stalk with a yellow oval at the end) represent the five wounds of Christ.
- ❖ The three stigma at the very center of the flower represent the nails holding Jesus to the cross.

You can find this gorgeous flower in the flower bed nearest the chalk boards in the Activity Courtyard. Despite our summer's heat, the vine has thrived. Two years ago, I thought we would lose the vine altogether, as several variegated fritillary caterpillars stripped the leaves completely bare. Now the vine has taken over the courtyard. As the weather gets cooler, check the leaves for the caterpillars. They're a little scary looking with horns and spines, but they turn into gorgeous butterflies. I wonder what analogy St. Patrick would have drawn from fritillary caterpillars?



SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS



Pep Rally, Art, & School Assembly

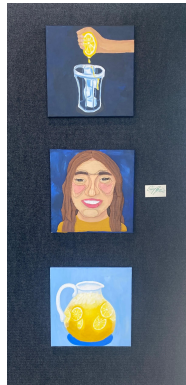
It is difficult to start this week's highlights without last week's pep rally. Every activity on campus is intentional, meaning every activity is purposefully tied with each other to make sure that we are creating a unified school culture. Our pep rallies are not only a crescendo of all of our talents, it is also a starting point for the year. This single event brings us together as a school, where we get to shout and celebrate who we are as Vikings. Although classes, houses, and teams compete against each other, we end every pep rally with our alma mater hymn. So the emphasis is a UNITED Nolan Catholic. We hope you enjoy this week's pictures. They show our unity and identity—and also the joy we experience daily on our campus.



Nolan Catholic Art Gallery



Jenna Poquiz



Emma Papini



Alex Boehmler

Ceramics:
Lilly Paschall

The Nolan Catholic Art Department is already in the creative mode. Ms. Hamende's art classes are full of eager students expressing themselves through art. On display in the art gallery are seventy two self-portraits made of paper and tape by Art I classes. Each student applied their own traits and something special about themselves. The eclectic wall of personalities is exciting to view.



Art I Self-Portraits

Ms. Hamende has a very large and talented group of AP Art & Design students this year. Currently on display are their final project submissions last spring. The objective was to complete a three piece series project that utilized lessons learned over the elements of art and principles of design, plus self expression to visualize the topic "I Am." Each series had to include a relief self-portrait. Soon to be on display, are the amazing summer projects these students created. The artwork that is created this year is for the AP College Board portfolio exam that will be submitted in May. Ms. Hamende is anticipating amazing and thought provoking works from this group. The ceramic class is getting messy. The students have already made their first pinch pot which will be used in conjunction with the Nolan horticulture class. The cute little pots are awaiting succulent plants. The students are now applying techniques learned to create their first big project. Check back later for the final results.

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School Wide Assemblies

This week's assembly introduced our students to "Dice," a local detection specialist (pictured right...on four legs!). Dice works for a company called Interquest, and she and her other canine coworkers visit us regularly to ensure that everyone is safe on campus. The students loved Dice and were impressed by her ability to find even the slightest trace of scents. On Tuesday's demonstration, Dice found a small firecracker, but she is trained to find vapes, alcohol, and other illegal drugs.



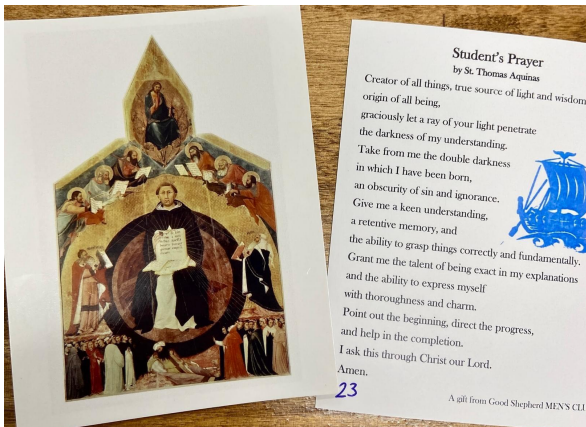
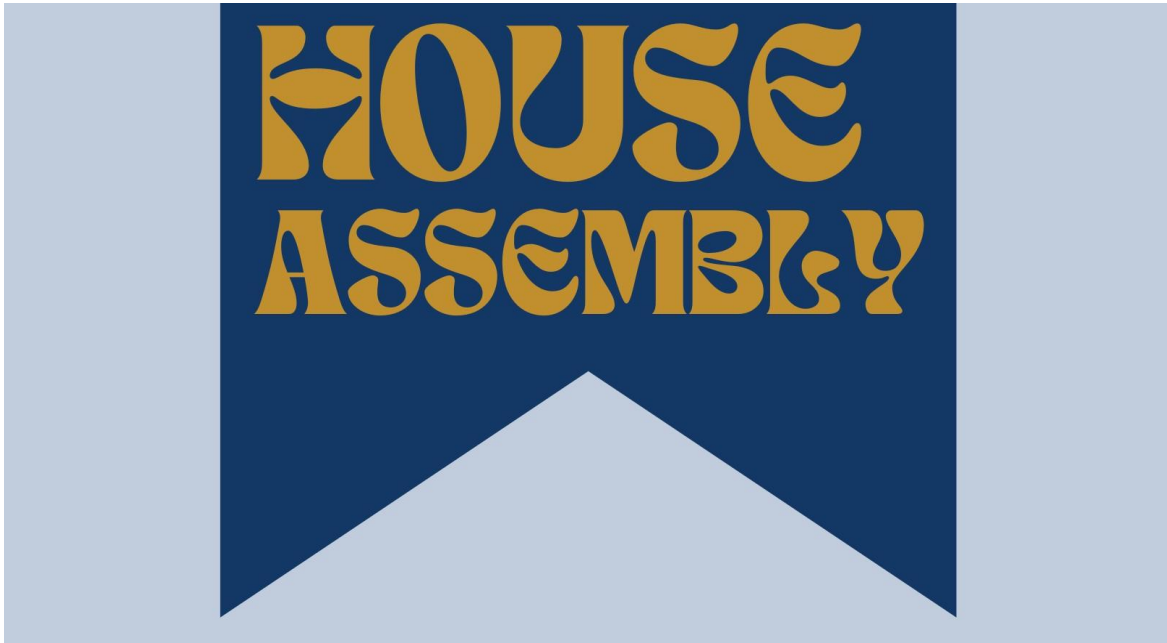
You could hear our students' cheers and laughter at Dice's enthusiasm for her job. After the demonstration was over, our students returned to their respective classes happy that they had spent some time together as a school learning about campus safety. As you can imagine, a few students couldn't resist staying behind to give Dice a nice ear-scratch. We are all looking forward to seeing Dice on campus again!

BE A PART OF THE AWARD- WINNING MARCHING BAND

Email Us

Band Director, Philip Carpenter
pcarpenter@nchstx.org





House Of the Month

For Student Points...
The House of Chaminade!

For House Competition Points...
The House of Namur!

And the House of the Month winner is...
HOUSE OF NAMUR!!!!

A message for the House of Namur students, teachers & staff: Your first reward for being the “House of the Month” is a dress down day on Friday, September 8th! You may wear jeans, out of uniform shoes, and a shirt or sweatshirt that is your house color.

Congratulations! This month, the totals will start fresh, so anyone can be the house of the month next month! Keep winning those points, and be on the lookout for more opportunities to win points for your house!

AD OVERTIME**Coach Dover -
Baseball Head Coach**

Jeff comes to Nolan Catholic with over 20 years of coaching experience. He was a two sport athlete at TCU, where he started at quarterback and center field for the Horned Frogs. Jeff spent the last 19 years at Trinity Valley School in Fort Worth as the Head baseball coach and offensive coordinator. Jeff is married to Nolan Catholic alumna Crystal (Fenoglio) Dover. Coach Dover also fulfills the additional roles of Sports Program Coordinator and Football Offensive Coordinator. Welcome, coach!

**Coach Harvey -
Women's Basketball Coach**

Mr. Kevin Harvey, our newly appointed women's basketball coach, who brings a wealth of experience from the AAU circuit, coach of the TCU women's club basketball team, and past seasons at All Saints as an assistant coach. There is a lot of excitement as Coach Harvey steps onto campus, ready to lead our girls into practice this week! Welcome Coach Harvey to the Viking family!

**Coach Rich - Golf Coach**

Mr Bryan Rich will be joining Nolan Catholic as our new Golf Coach. Mr Rich, a previous golf pro at White Bluff and Bluebonnet, has most recently been at Saginaw HS as the assistant golf coach and also Head Golf Coach at Aledo HS. Please welcome Coach Rich to Nolan Catholic!



UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS



FAITH-FREEDOM-FOOTBALL:

Catholic Bowl

The mission of the Catholic Bowl is FAITH-FREEDOM-FOOTBALL and will feature a football double-header this year at The Star at Ford Center on **Saturday, September 9, 2023.**

Honorary Event Chair: Dan Novakov, Sr. Dan played football at Notre Dame and was the offensive MVP in 1971. He played for legendary coach Ara Parseghian. He also played in the NFL for the Cincinnati Bengals and after his playing days ended, he earned his law degree. He also serves as the Chairman of the Cotton Bowl committee.

ADVANCEMENT FOUNDATION FORT WORTH PRESENTS
3 P.M. NOLAN CATHOLIC VS ST. EDMUND
7 P.M. JOHN PAUL II VS SACRED HEART

SEPTEMBER 9, 2023 THE STAR IN FRISCO

\$10 STUDENT
 \$20 ADULT
 FOR MORE INFO
 GLOBALFOOTBALL.COM

2023 FALL SEMESTER

SEASON PASS

ON SALE NOW

AVAILABLE ONLINE AT NCHSVIKINGS.COM

Fall Semester Season Pass is on sale now! Season passes are valid for all Nolan Catholic home sporting events through December 24, 2023. (Excluding playoff games)

Purchase season passes online through nchsvikings.com/ticket-info

NCHS

THIS WEEK IN VIKING SPORTS

AUG 29 TUESDAY
VB AT LD BELL

SEPT 1 FRIDAY
VB POPCS TOURNAMENT
FB VS ATLAS RATTTLERS

SEPT 2 SATURDAY
VB NIMITZ TOURNAMENT
MARCUS XC INVITATIONAL

NOLAN_ATHLETICS



Viking Volleyball Victory

Congratulations! The Varsity Volleyball Team won first place at the Irving Nimitz Tournament, going undefeated the entire tournament.

Come and support them on Sept 5 at 4:00 pm at Nolan Catholic.



NOLAN CATHOLIC VS ATLAS RATTLERS

HOME OPENER

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
7:30 PM | DOSKOCIL STADIUM



PURCHASE TICKETS

\$7 STUDENTS || \$10 ADULTS

CLICK HERE

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STUDENT THEME

CONSTRUCTION

GAME DAY INFORMATION

STADIUM ENTRANCE

All visitors must use the Main Entrance to the athletic complex to enter the football stadium. Please reference the parking map. **NO RE-ENTRY INTO STADIUM.**

Gates will open one hour prior to kickoff (6:30 PM).

CONCESSIONS

Concessions will be available upstairs from the press box. Cash and credit cards are accepted.

Absolutely no coolers or outside food are allowed in the stadium. Additionally, Nolan Catholic is an alcohol and smoke-free environment.

SEATING

Seating in the stands is done on a first-come, first-serve basis. So bring a blanket or a chair for the Nolan Catholic hill.

PARKING INFORMATION

Nolan Catholic campus parking lots are available until filled to the general public.

- Parking attendants will be on site
- Security will also be available
- NO PARKING available at White Lake Plaza

Overflow Parking with Shuttle:

Potter's House
1270 Woodhaven Blvd.
Fort Worth, TX 76112

Handicapped parking will be available on the east side of campus, equipped with a golf cart shuttle.

LIVESTREAM

Watch the game online through VikingTV. Broadcast will begin at 7:30 PM.

THE VIKING CLUB



The *4th Annual Viking Club Golf Classic* is on October 6 at The Golf Club at Fossil Creek. We still have foursomes available, as well as some sponsorship opportunities. Please pass the word along to your family and friends, and let's make this our most successful event to date! For more information on sponsorships and how to register, click [HERE](#).

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Attached are the upcoming volunteer opportunities, including our first varsity HOME football game of the season! We never want our parents to miss out on watching their child. So serving during an event/sport that your child does not participate in, or even serving during a JV game when they normally play Varsity (and vice versa) is a great way to avoid that. We also have opportunities to work this weekend's TCU football home opener in support of our RoboVikes!!! Click [HERE](#) to sign up.

Upcoming

**VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES**

SEPT 1

VARSITY FOOTBALL

SEPT 5

VOLLEYBALL

Benefits to serving.....

- Students (HS & MS) can earn service hours
- You & your student can earn points towards their house
- Free admission to the event
- Meet other parents / families
- Help raise funds for the Viking Club
- It's fun!

PROMOTING OUR COMMUNITY



St. Rita Catholic Community will hold our 45th Annual International Fair on **Sunday, October 15, 2023 from 10 am to 4 pm**. This day-long event honors our multi-cultural identity with a festival of ethnic foods, live entertainment, a silent auction, raffle, games, prizes and activities for all ages! Proceeds from the festival will go toward improvements to our gym. The fair will be held on our campus at 5550 East Lancaster Avenue.



All Saints Catholic School is a proud member of the Boston College TWIN-CS (Two-Way Immersion Network for Catholic Schools). TWIN-CS is a national initiative to share dual language research, ideas, and resources with the goal of supporting students in becoming bilingual, bicultural, and biliterate. All Saints' Dual Language began in 2015 and goes through the 5th grade with students learning classically in both English and Spanish.



**SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 30,
2023**

12:00PM REGISTRATION/SIGN IN
1:00PM TOURNAMENT BEGINS
7:00PM TOURNAMENT WINNERS ANNOUNCED

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT
- REGISTRATION FEE \$50/TEAM
- WINNING TEAM WILL WIN CORNHOLE
BOARDS AND TROPHY

REGISTER WITH QR CODE:



**Sign Up
TODAY!
Come and
Throw
with us
and give
to a good
Cause!**



FOOD BOOTHS

Loaded Nachos
BBQ Ribs
Jerk Chicken Kabobs
Beignets
Texas Tornadoes
Turkey Legs
Authentic German Food
Egg Rolls
Fajitas
Hamburgers
Drinks and More!!!

BREAKFAST SUNDAY

MORNING
7:30am-10:30am
Breakfast Tacos

VENDOR SHOW

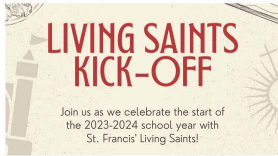
20+ Vendors

BINGO!
WITH CASH PRIZES
SATURDAY 12-5
SUNDAY 11-3



St. Maria Goretti Catholic School * 1200 S Davis Dr. Arlington, TX 76013
Call-817-275-5081 Website-smgschool.org

Coming up at St. Francis GRAPEVINE, TX



Don't forget to register your 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th graders for our thriving high school ministry and join us for our high school kick-off on Sunday, September 10th featuring a dunk tank, inflatables, and adoration! Register at <https://www.sflivingsaints.com/>



Looking to build community with other high schoolers within the Parish? Join us on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 4:30-6:30pm starting Sept. 19th for Savio Nights. Come for the snacks, activities, study tables, or just to hang out with friends. The goal of these nights is to allow students to come and go with their availability to come to know St. Francis as their second home. *St. Dominic Savio, pray for us!*



Jose Salazar
Director of High School Ministry
jsalazar@sfcatholic.org | 469-789-1769

St. Michael Feast Day 2023 Diverse in Culture, United in Faith Saturday, September 30 10:30 AM to 3:30 PM

Our [St. Michael Feast Day Festival](#) is an event for the whole family and will bring our community together for a day of celebration, fellowship, entertainment, food, and games! For the children there are bounce houses, clowns, a train, a petting zoo, and many more age-appropriate games. You will not want to miss the Marshmallow Longest Drive, Cake Walk, Silent Auction or Bingo! And don't forget about our online raffle!



Nolan Catholic High School is a ministry of the Diocese of Fort Worth providing a college preparatory education and evangelizing students to be tomorrow's servant leaders through

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