

2026-03-04 APA Meeting

1. Principal's report
 - a. Chapel has re-opened with a new floor and pews
 - b. AI is here
 - i. We're using it where needed/appropriate and staff members have attended AI conferences
 - ii. Students are still using pen and paper and books.
 - iii. Cumulative screen time is having an adverse effect on students.
 1. A recent study has shown that an increase in screen time over the years has led to a decline in academic performance
 - c. Admissions cycle for the Class of 2030 is wrapping up
 - i. 280 applicants, 190ish should start in Fall
 - d. New Family Night is coming to welcome the Class of 2030 – Wednesday, March 18
 - e. Parent Social is an event that has come back to life relatively quickly since COVID
 - f. Grandparents Day is Friday, March 13
 - i. We're starting early with coffee and cake at 9:30am
 - ii. Students will be released early from class to escort their grandparents around campus and take pictures
 - iii. This will be a half day for all students, school will be done at noon
 - g. Junior mass and brunch is coming, Friday, March 20
 - h. Easter Break – Thursday, April 2 – Friday, April 10
 - i. No mass the week before break, Station of the Cross instead
 - i. Intersession 2027
 - i. Italy will be available
 1. Trip to be hosted by EF Tours – an 11 day multi region journey through Italy
 2. 15 students are selected, seniors are given priority
 - ii. Guatemala is also on the schedule
 - iii. France and UK may be available in the future as they have been destinations in the past. Student interest will be queried to determine demand.
2. New Chairs for 2026-2027 Events
 - a. Family Mass and BBQ
 - i. Alycin and Jason Taylor
 - b. Grandparents Day
 - i. Myrna Ramirez

3. Recaps
 - a. Parent Social
 - i. Good turnout with lots of food and drink
 - ii. Hess Family beverage donation enjoyed by all
4. Spring Events
 - a. Grandparents Day – Friday 2026-03-13
 - i. Chaired by Karen Gross and Myrna Ramirez
 - ii. Volunteers
 1. Needed for Flowers on Thursday afternoon from 2-6pm the day before
 2. Setup starting Friday morning at 7am
 - b. New Family Night – Wednesday 2026-03-18
 - i. Chaired by Leona Stearns
 - ii. 10 volunteers
 - iii. Set-up starting at 4pm
 - iv. Need assistance manning food, coffee, and dessert stations and misc catering help
5. Junior Mass and Brunch – Friday 2026-03-20
6. Senior Mother/Son Brunch – Sunday 2026-04-19
 - a. Many have referred to this as the most special event at Saints
7. Class Events and Updates
 - a. 12th – Myrna Ramirez
 - i. Grad Tickets – 8 per student
 1. Friday, May 22nd
 - ii. Senior Mother Brunch
 1. Sunday, April 19
 - b. 11th - Sarah Briere
 - i. Junior Mass and Brunch
 1. Friday, March 20
 - c. 10th - Alycin Taylor
 - i. Summer School registration has opened
 - d. 9th – Therese Villafana
8. St Monica's Prayer Group
 - a. Senior Rosary requests need to be submitted by Monday, March 23rd
 - b. Masses are held at the Chapel on Thursdays at 8am, with Rosary following mass.
9. Next Meeting and events
 - a. APA Dinner – Wednesday, May 6
 - b. A possible new event: Kiss your mother goodbye at drop-off for a donut.

