



## OFFICE OF MEDIA RELATIONS

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### **Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Dallas to honor Veterans Students participate in Veterans Day observances**

**Bishop Lynch High School at 9750 Ferguson Road in Dallas** will get a jump on Veterans Day when it hosts a Leyden Lecture Series event at **4 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 9**. It features Retired U.S. Air Force Col. Ken Cordier who was a prisoner of war for more than six years in the infamous “Hanoi Hilton.” Col. Cordier had a decorated 24-year military career, and he will recount his experiences during the Vietnam War when he speaks in the McGonigle Theatre on the Bishop Lynch campus. Students have also created more than 100 photo placards of alums and other BL community members who are veterans. They will be displayed along with American flags in the yard surrounding the school.

**Saint Paul the Apostle Catholic School at 720 S. Floyd Road in Richardson** will honor those who have served our country on **Thursday, November 11, 2021** with a Veterans’ Day event.

The day will start with a parade at **9:00 a.m.** on the field behind the school. After the parade, there will be an assembly with speakers, a display of various military items that veterans have donated over the years as well as themed artwork by St. Paul students. An ROTC band will also perform.

The event is held to honor local veterans and teach students attending the school to appreciate the sacrifices of the men and women in the armed forces who defend our country. The day will feature many moving moments with area veterans.

**Saint Thomas Aquinas, 6306 Kenwood Avenue in Dallas** will host its annual Veterans Day celebration on **Thursday November 11 at 8:10 a.m.** in the school gym. Veteran grandparents and active duty family members are among the hundreds who attend along with local Veterans from the parish. The patriotic event will feature a color guard, a special choir performance, a blessing by the pastor, Fr. John Libone, and Col. Walter Powers, United States Marine Corps, as the guest speaker. The event not only honors local veterans but also helps students understand and be grateful for the sacrifices of those who serve in the military.

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