OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWS

September 27, 2023

Dear OLSS Families,

Today has been a very special day, as we celebrated Stella Maris ("Star of the Sea"), the Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the patroness of our school, and OLSS School's 90th Anniversary.



Lord God, redeemer and inspiration of souls, in the Blessed Virgin Mary, Star of the Sea, you have provided a light in the storm. By her favor and prayer, grant that we may set a course through these times to reach our safe haven in heaven with you.





Grace and Peace, Mrs. Jennifer Thompson Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS INFO:

THIS WEEK:

THURSDAY/FRIDAY: Tomorrow is a 12:30pm dismissal and there is no school on Friday for Calvert County Fair Day.

TAG DAY TOMORROW: Students may wear light and bright colors and bring in \$1 donation for tomorrow's Tag Day, which will benefit <u>Catholic Charities Angel's Watch Women's Shelter</u>.

NEXT WEEK: **OCT. 2:** Students should wear Kindness shirts to school on **Mon, Oct. 2.**

FUNDRAISER: Our Charleston Wrap fundraiser starts Mon, Oct. 2 and runs through Oct. 23.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: Wed, Oct. 4 is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals. Father Bob will give a Blessing of the Animals to pets who come in the car with their families during morning car line drop off! Pets must stay in cars. There will be another Blessing at 4pm on the lawn of the Historic Church.

FLU VACCINES: The optional flu clinic for students is **Thu, Oct. 5**. Required forms were sent home and should be sent to the School Office when completed.

GRANDPARENTS DAY HELP: We are in need of parents to donate brunch items for Grandparents Day next **Fri, Oct. 6**. Each food item donated equals one volunteer hour. We also need help with with setup, serving, and cleanup. Please sign up here.

OCTOBER EVENTS:

SPIRIT NIGHT: Roy Rogers is hosting a Spirit Night for OLSS on **Mon, Oct. 16 from 5-8pm.** Present the <u>flyer</u> with today's news or mention OLSS when checking out and Roy Rogers will donate 25% of the cost of your purchase to our school.

TRUNK OR TREAT: We will host a Trunk or Treat in the OLSS parking lot on **Fri, Oct. 27** from **5:30-7:00pm**, and are in need of volunteers to host trunks and donate candy. Please sign up <u>here</u>.

NEWS:

90th **ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS**: Please see the flyer with today's news to order OLSS 90th Anniversary shirts, available for children and adults. You may also purchase them online <u>here</u>.

SWEATSHIRTS: Please write your child's name on the label of their sweatshirts and jackets. We have several unlabeled sweatshirts that have been turned in.



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6 9:00 - 11:30am

We will celebrate grandparents/special friends with Mass, followed by brunch & classroom visits.



RSVPs are required for Grandparents Day <u>here</u>.



We understand that many children do not have grandparents who are able to come to Grandparents Day. Special friends or relatives are welcome to come in place of grandparents.

OLSS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL COUNSELOR

Job Status: Part-time, 1 - 2 mornings per week

Job Description: Archdiocese of Washington Schools are rooted in Gospel values and the teaching mission of the Roman Catholic Church. In the faithful pursuit of this mission, Our Lady Star of the Sea School is seeking a School Counselor to work with students to provide academic, personal, emotional, and spiritual guidance in accordance with the principles and moral philosophy of the Catholic Church.

The School Counselor will meet with students individually or in small group settings, provide support, guidance, and observation to teachers regarding student social and behavioral issues, and provide materials for referrals to outside professionals for students needing additional support.

Job Requirements: Minimum MSDE Certificate in School Counseling; Bachelor's or Master's Degree in School Counseling and Guidance preferred. Experience with adolescent counseling required; experience as a school counselor preferred. Catholic preferred but not required.

Please email resume and cover letter to Mrs. Jennifer Thompson at principal@olsss.org

8th GRADE RAFFLE

September's raffle is for a <u>Hover-1 Blast Hoverboard</u> & a 30-minute hoverboard session with Fr. Bob! Raffle tickets may be purchased with cash/check at the School Office, or through the <u>online store</u>.

- \$1 for one ticket
- \$5 for six tickets
- \$10 for thirteen tickets



UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

OCTOBER

- · Daily Lunch Help
- · Grandparents Day Friday, Oct. 6
- Trunk or Treat Friday, Oct. 27

NOVEMBER

- · Daily Lunch Help
- Christmas Bazaar Nov. 18

DECEMBER

- · Daily Lunch Help
- Santa Shop Dec. 3-6
- Chili Cook-Off & Christmas Celebration Dec. 9

Please visit the <u>Volunteer Opportunities Webpage</u> for more info and to sign up to volunteer.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SEPTEMBER

- Sep. 28: Tag Day / 12:30pm Dismissal
- Sep. 29: No School Calvert Fair Day

OCTOBER

- Oct. 2: Wear Kindness Shirt
- Oct. 4: Blessing of Animals in morning car line
- Oct. 4, 4pm: Blessing of the Animals on lawn
- Oct. 5: Flu Clinic (optional)
- Oct. 6: Grandparents Day / 12:30pm Dismissal
- Oct. 9: No School Columbus Day
- Oct. 12: PK-K-1-2 Field Trip
- Oct. 14: Deadline for Basketball Merch Orders
- Oct. 16: Fall/Winter Uniforms Begin
- Oct. 16, 5-8pm: Roy Rogers Spirit Night
- Oct. 20: Solomons Fire Dept. Visit
- Oct. 23: Legacy Studios Portrait Retakes
- Oct. 25: Deadline to Order Polos & Hoodies
- Oct. 26: 12:30pm Dismissal
- Oct. 27: No School Collaboration Day
- Oct. 31: Halloween Tag Day