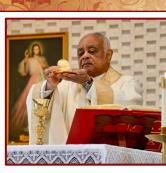


January 27, 2021

Dear OLSS Families,

We were honored to have Cardinal Wilton Gregory from the Archdiocese of Washington visit our church and school today! Cardinal Gregory celebrated mass with our students and blessed the plaque honoring the Sisters of Divine Providence.

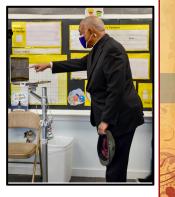






He then visited the school and talked with our 3rd grade class about the new TouchIT Rapide interactive flat panel technology in their classroom. He also answered questions from students participating in the class virtually!





Stay happy, healthy, and holy! Mrs. Thompson

We are very grateful that he took time to visit Our Lady Star of the Sea!

NEWS & REMINDERS:

REPORT CARDS: 2nd Quarter Report Cards were emailed to parents/guardians today.

BASKETBALL PROGRAM: We are sad to announce the official decision to cancel the 2021 SMYBL Season. The overall risk at this time is too high. We do hope to recognize our 8th grade Senior Student Athletes when it is safe. We will continue fundraising efforts for the purchase of new uniforms. We have items for sale on the school website or contact Gladys Nehf 410-562-2625. We will have our final chocolate bar sale after each mass the weekend of Feb. 13-14. Thank you for your support!

QUILT RAFFLE: Tickets for the <u>Quilt Raffle</u> are \$5/each or five for \$20 and may be purchased from the <u>online</u> <u>school store</u>. The drawing is **Wed, Feb. 3** during the School Mass.

LIFETOUCH RETAKES: Lifetouch Portraits retakes are **Thu, Feb. 4**. Students may wear dress clothes to school if they are having their photo re-taken.

2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR: Parents were sent an email from OLSS on Jan. 22 with a link to complete registration for the 2021-22 school year. Registration for new families will open Feb. 5. Starting Feb. 5, spaces are given on a first-come, first-serve basis. We encourage you to complete your registration ASAP.

CAREER DAY PRESENTATIONS: We are looking for parents to make Career Day videos to share with our students virtually during Catholic Schools Week. Parents will earn one volunteer service hour. If you would like to do this, please:

- Go to: https://flipgrid.com/c2028e05
- Click Join with Google and use your child's @olsss google account to log in. (No creating an account required)
- Click Record a Response and flip grid will walk you through the steps.

Note: The time limit on the video is 10 minutes, but you do not need to fill the whole time.

Any questions, email grade3@olsss.org

OLSS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK SCHEDULE

SUN, JAN. 31	MON, FEB. 1	TUE, FEB. 2	WED, FEB. 3	THU, FEB. 4	FRI, FEB. 5
10:45am: Opening Mass for CSW	7:30-8:00am: Pastries for Parents To Go Make Prayer Cards for First Responders St. Mary's Ryken students Zoom read books	Bingo	9:00am Mass Quilt Raffle Drawing School Movie Ice Cream	8th Grade Teachers Career Day	Contest Winners Announced
WHAT TO WEAR:					
Students: please wear school uniform to Mass	School Uniform Crazy Sock Day	\$1 Tag Day Mismatched Clothes	School Uniform	School Uniform Hat Day	Sports Jerseys - Bring canned food item

ONGOING EVENTS DURING THE WEEK:

· Souper Bowl, Mrs. Weber's Guessing Game, Scavenger Hunt, All About OLSS Quiz

HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

HSA is coordinating several events for the second half of the school year. In order for these events to be successful, safe, and healthy, we need additional help with planning. We will hold a Zoom meeting to kick off the planning for each individual even; please keep a lookout as these are announced. We held our first event information meeting on Monday for the Annual OLSS Polar Plunge. It was a huge success - many thanks to those who were able to join us! Please reach out anytime to olsss.hsa@gmail.com if you have any questions on our fundraising events.

OLSS POLAR PLUNGE COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Mark and Lindsey Frisco, parents of a PK student, will chair this event. They are new to the OLSS School community and have asked for volunteers to join the committee to make this a successful fundraising event for our school. You can contact Mrs. Frisco via email lcushm1@gmail.com if you are interested in gaining volunteer hours and joining the committee. The first Polar Plunge committee Zoom meeting will be held next Wed, Feb. 3 at 6pm to discuss the specifics of the Polar Plunge. We have targeted the date of Sat, Mar. 6 for the event. This is a fun, exciting fundraising event and a great way to gain your volunteer hours for the year. We hope to see you next week at the first Zoom committee meeting. If you would like to help with the event but are unable to make the meeting, please email Mrs. Frisco and let her know you are interested.

BRICK WALKWAY CAMPAIGN

We are selling bricks, laser etched with your personal message, which will be placed in the sidewalk to the main entrance of the school.

Please go to

<u>https://polarengraving.com/olss</u> to order. Payment may be by check or through the online school store.

We will also be announcing a way to sponsor bricks for the nuns of the the Sisters of the Divine Providence; more info will be out shortly.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- Jan. 31-Feb. 6: Catholic Schools Week
- Feb. 1-5, 3:15-4:30pm: Open House (by appt.)
- Feb. 3: Quilt Raffle Drawing
- Feb. 4: Lifetouch Portraits Retakes
- Feb. 12: \$1 Valentines Tag Day
- Feb. 12: 12:30pm Dismissal
- Feb. 15: No School Presidents Day
- Feb. 16: Shrove Tuesday | Mardi Gras
- Feb. 17: Ash Wednesday | Start of Lent