



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWS

Newsletter: November 8, 2017

Dear OLSS Families,

There is no school this Friday, Nov. 10 in observance of Veteran's Day. We will have an Open House from 8:30-10:30am, and will be holding Parent-Teacher Conferences. Please schedule your conference through the website at: www.olsss.org/conferences.html. 1st quarter report cards will be given at the conferences.

Re-registration for current students, and Admissions for new students for the 2018-19 school year opened on Nov. 7. All families should have received an email from OLSS/TADS with instructions on registering. **FAMILIES WHO REGISTER FOR THE 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR BY DEC. 1, 2017 WILL PAY A REGISTRATION FEE OF ONLY \$50.** Families who register AFTER DEC. 1 will pay the normal \$150 registration fee. Please take advantage of this offer and register before Dec. 1!



On All Saints Day, we honored all the Saints of the church at Mass, and had a Parade of Saints around the school. Students dressed as their favorite saint, or carried Saint posters they made.



NEWS :

Thursday: Tomorrow, **Thu, Nov. 9**, is a **12:30pm** dismissal. Aftercare will not be open. Please pick up your children promptly.

Hot Lunch Coordinator: Please join us in welcoming our new Lunch Coordinator, Mrs. Ashley Reed. Ashley has many years experience as a child care provider and as a cook. We are excited to have her joining our staff!

Basketball Bake Sale: The Seahawks' Bake Sale over the weekend raised over \$1,300 for the basketball program! They also sold \$150 in scarves. Thanks to all who supported them with donations and purchases.

Box Tops: The school received \$1,315.40 from your Box Tops for Education submissions from the first few months of this school year. Thank you to all families who contributed their Box Tops! Please keep sending them in to the School Office.

Volunteers Needed: We are in need of volunteers all day on **Tue, Nov. 14** to help decorate and set up the Providence Room for the Family Thanksgiving Feast the following day. Please sign up online to help.

Bake Sale Items Needed: We are in need of donations of baked goods for the Bake Sale Table at the Christmas Bazaar on **Sat, Nov. 18**. This is an easy way to earn volunteer hours! Please see the flyer with today's news for more details.

Live Nativity: We need families to participate in the Live Nativity Scene in front of the Historic Church during the Solomons Christmas Walk on **Fri, Dec. 1 & Sat, Dec. 2**. You may participate regardless of how many people are in your family. Please see the sign-up sheet with today's news.

Chili Cook Off: The HSA is hosting a Chili Cook Off at OLSS on **Sat, Dec. 2**, during the Solomons Christmas Walk. Please see the flyers and registration form with today's news for more info.

Santa Shop: The Santa Shop will be held on **Wed, Dec. 6**. Students will have the opportunity to shop for gifts for their families and visit with Santa! Information will be sent home with next week's news.

Spaghetti Dinner: OLSS staff are hosting a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on **Fri, Dec. 8**, from **5:30-7:30pm**. The dinner includes spaghetti with or without meatballs, salad, bread, & drinks. Cost is by donation. There will be Christmas caroling, and other fun activities. Visitors may also purchase items that are left over from the Santa Shop. Please see the flyer with today's news.

REMINDERS :

Thanksgiving Feast: The deadline to RSVP for the Family Thanksgiving Feast is this **Thu, Nov. 9.**

Food Drive: Student Council is hosting a food drive to help SMILE put together Thanksgiving meals for families in need. Please send in donations **by Nov. 17.**

Turkey Trot: Our 8th Annual Turkey Trot will be held on **Tue, Nov. 21.** Students will walk & jog on the Solomons boardwalk to raise money for our school. Forms were with the Nov. 1 news.

Middle School Feast: 6th, 7th, & 8th grade will have a "Fruits of the Spirit" feast on **Tue, Nov. 21.** Please see the flyer with today's news for dish assignments.

SPIRIT SCARVES

OLSS Seahawks basketball players have been making fleece Spirit Scarves in school colors, Christmas colors, and other color combinations. They can also make scarves to order!



Scarves are \$10 and will be for sale at the OLSS Christmas Bazaar, Seahawks basketball games, and can also be ordered through the school using this form sent out with today's news.

FROG Full Rely on God

This week's FROG IT Challenge is:

Joseph recognized his brothers and was happy to see them after all those years. Do you truly appreciate your brothers and sisters and other family members? Say a prayer of Thanksgiving for the gift of family.



2018-19 ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Archdiocesan of Washington Tuition Assistance Program is available for students applying to or enrolled in Catholic Schools within the Archdiocese of Washington. Tuition assistance is based on financial need. Families must apply each year to receive assistance. We encourage all families to apply.

Please use the link on the school website to apply.

The deadline is Dec. 1.

God bless,

Mary Bartsch

Mrs. Mary Bartsch
Principal

OLSS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Sat, Nov. 18, 9am-2pm

The Christmas Bazaar will feature over 50 local crafters & vendors, a Silent Auction, Bake Sale, Yard Sale, & Concessions.

MANY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED, & Virtus certification is not required. Please visit the "Volunteer Opps" page of the school website.

We are grateful for any gently used item donations for the Yard Sale at the Bazaar, which may be dropped off from Nov. 13-17.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

NOVEMBER

- Nov. 6-17: Thanksgiving Food Drive
- Nov. 9: 12:30pm Dismissal / No Aftercare
- Nov. 10: No School – Conference Day
- Nov. 10, 9-11am: Open House
- Nov. 15, 11:30am: Family Thanksgiving Feast
- Nov. 16, 2pm: Basketball Pep Rally
- Nov. 18, 9am-2pm: Christmas Bazaar
- Nov. 21: Turkey Trot
- Nov. 21: 12:30 Dismissal / No Aftercare
- Nov. 22-24: No School – Thanksgiving Break

DECEMBER

- Dec. 1, 8:30-10:30am & 6:30-8pm: Open House
- Dec. 2, 6:30-8pm: Open House
- Dec. 2: Chili Cook Off
- Dec. 4, 5-8pm: Roy Rogers Spirit Night
- Dec. 6-7: Santa Shop
- Dec. 8: Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
- Dec. 11, 7pm: Band Concert
- Dec. 14, 7pm: Christmas Concert
- Dec. 19: 12:30pm Dismissal | No Aftercare
- Dec. 20-Jan. 2: No School – Xmas Break