



December 12, 2018

Dear OLSS Families,

We are excited for our school Christmas Program **tomorrow night!** All students are expected to attend. Please review the following info:

Our Home & School Association will hold a meeting for all school families at 6:00pm

All students should arrive & report to classrooms **by 6:00pm**

PK-5th graders should wear dress clothes or their school uniform

6th-8th graders will wear costumes provided at school

NEWS :

Five Below Fundraiser: Shop at Five Below between **Dec. 14-20**, and they will donate 10% of your purchase price to the school! Please bring the flyer included with today's news with you.

Band Concert: Our Beginner & Advanced Band Christmas Concert is **Mon, Dec. 17 at 7pm** at St. John's School.

December Raffle: The drawing for the Christmas raffle of items in the school lobby including toys, games, & novelties, will be made on Dec. 18. Tickets are \$1 or six for \$5.

Middle School Brunch: Middle School will have Christmas Brunch together on **Thu, Dec. 20 at 9am**. Please see the flyer with today's news for dish assignments.

Tag Day: **Thu, Dec. 20** is a free Tag Day with Christmas-themed, or red and green clothing.

Dec. 20: The schedule for the last day of school before Christmas break on **Tue, Dec. 20** will be:

- 9:00am: Middle School Christmas Brunch
- 9:45-11:00am: PK - 5th Christmas parties
- 11:00am-12:00pm: Reindeer Games
- 12:00-12:20pm: Caroling
- Lunch will be NOT be served
- 12:30 Dismissal | No Aftercare

REMINDERS :

Wish Tree: Teachers' Christmas Wish lists are on the Christmas tree in the school lobby, and can be taken at any point. Thank you for your support!

CHILI COOKOFF

Thank you to Katie & Tim Wingenter and our HSA for organizing the Chili Cook Off & Bake Sale during the Solomons Christmas Walk on Sat night! It was a fun night and a great promotion for our school.

Congratulations to the winners of the Chili Cook Off Art Contest:

- 1st place: Cassie M. (8th gr.)
- 2nd place: Jim O. (7th gr.)
- 3rd place: Wil E. (8th gr.)

OLSS GARDENING CLUB

Last week, the after school Gardening Club made wild bird food decorations and natural holiday wreaths, which they hung around the school grounds.



A huge thank you to Mrs. Michele Ehrmantraut for running this fun club for our students!



ADVENT CHARITIES:

Each class is participating in an service project to support local charities for the Advent Season. More detailed info will be sent home from teachers.

Classes are supporting:

- PK: Ronald McDonald House
- K: Project Echo Homeless Shelter
- 1st: Humane Society
- 2nd: Calvert Hospital Pediatrics (New Stuffed Animals)
- 3rd: CAWL (Calvert Animal Welfare League)
- 4th: Birthright Pregnancy Support Center
- 5th: Second Hope Animal Rescue
- 6th-8th: SMILE Advent Family

Our Lady Star of the Sea Church CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASS

We are looking for children to participate in the **5pm Children's Mass on Christmas Eve;** for the Pageant, Choir, and Readers. If your child would like to participate, please meet after the 10:45am Mass on Sun, Dec. 23.

Please email Anne Cannedy with any questions: acannedy@aol.com



OLSS CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve:

- 5pm: Children's Mass (Parish Church)
- 7pm: Choir Mass (Parish Church)
- 12am: Midnight Mass (Historic Church)

Christmas Day:

- 10am: Mass (Parish Church)

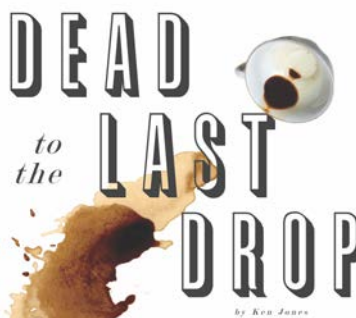


BASKETBALL NEWS

- The Xfinity UMD BB game is Jan. 5. All order forms for tickets along with payment must be received by Dec. 14th.
- Seahawks are selling fleece Spirit Scarves in school colors, Christmas colors, and customizable color combinations. Scarves are \$10 and will be for sale at Seahawks basketball games, and can be ordered through the school office.

ALUMNI PLAYERS PRESENT

Visit us on Facebook at OLSS Alumni Players and at www.OLSS.org



Jan 25th - 26th Feb 1st - 2nd

LOCATION: PROVIDENCE ROOM, OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH

TICKETS \$40.00 RESERVATIONS 240-517-9601 DOORS OPEN 6:00

CATERED BY THOMPSON'S SEAFOOD; INCLUDES WINE AND BEER

The Alumni Players' performance will be held Fri, Jan. 25 & Sat, Jan. 26, and Fri, Feb. 1 & Sat, Feb. 2 at OLSS.

Tickets are \$40/person and include dinner, drinks, and the performance. Tickets may be purchased through the online school store.

DECEMBER:

- Dec. 13, 6:30pm: Christmas Program
- Dec. 14-20: Five Below Spirit Days
- Dec. 17, 7pm: Band Concerts
- Dec. 20: 12:30pm Dismissal | No Aftercare
- Dec. 21-Jan. 2: No School - Christmas Break

JANUARY:

- Jan. 3: School Resumes
- Jan. 18: 12:30pm Dismissal
- Jan. 18: End of 2nd Quarter
- Jan. 21: No School - MLK Day
- Jan. 25 & 26: Alumni Players Dinner Theatre
- Jan. 27-Feb. 2: Catholic Schools Week



FROG IT CHALLENGE

We are approaching the Third Sunday of Advent which is called *Gaudete* (Rejoice) Sunday. How will you celebrate the coming of the Birth of Jesus?

God Bless,

Mary Bartsch

Mrs. Mary Bartsch, Principal