



Nov. 6, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We were delighted to see how many of our students dressed as Saints for All Saints Day on Friday! Let's follow their example and walk together on our path of faith.



Grace and Peace,  
*Mrs. Jennifer Thompson*  
Principal

1st grade has been learning about Rights and Responsibilities in Social Studies. Mrs. Mautino set up an election for her students that allowed them to vote for their next class incentive; popsicles or popcorn. They had a great time and popsicles won by a landslide!



## November

### NEWS & REMINDERS

**CONFERENCES:** Parent/Teacher Conferences for K-8<sup>th</sup> grades are [Thu, Nov. 7 from 4-7pm](#), and [Fri, Nov. 8 from 8am-1pm](#). Please check the signups to confirm your time(s). Please arrive and finish at your designated time.

**NOV. 8 & 11:** There is no school on **Fri, Nov. 8** for Conferences and **Mon, Nov. 11** for Veteran's Day.

**COMMITTEE MEETING:** HSA is holding a Christmas Delight Committee Meeting at school on **Fri, Nov. 8 at 1pm** for anyone who would like to help plan the event.

**TEACHERS LOUNGE:** If you would like to donate food/drinks for the Teachers Lounge, please sign up [here](#) and record your donations in Track It Forward for volunteer service hours (every \$30 = 1 hour).

**HANDBOOK UPDATE:** Grades for Specials classes have been updated on pg. 10 in the [2024-25 Parent/Student Handbook](#).

**FOOD DRIVE:** Student Council is hosting a Thanksgiving Food Drive through **Nov. 15** to help local families in need through SMILE Food Pantry. Please see the flyer with today's news for more info.

**YARD SALE:** We are having a yard sale at the Christmas Bazaar on Nov. 23 and would appreciate donations of gently used items. Please see the flyer with today's news for more details and drop off info.

**FUNDRAISER:** HSA is hosting a Pampered Chef Fundraiser from Oct. 15-Nov. 6. Join [here](#).

**BAKE SALE:** The Seahawks Basketball Program is hosting Bake Sales after Masses on **Sat, Nov. 9** and **Sun, Nov. 10**. Anyone can donate baked goods. Please sign up on [Track It Forward](#).

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL:** We are having an Ice Cream Social for our students on **Fri, Nov. 15** and are in need of donations of ice cream, supplies, and volunteers to help. Please sign up on [Track It Forward](#).

**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR:** Our Christmas Bazaar will be held on **Sat, Nov. 23 from 9am-2pm**. Many volunteers are needed to help with setting up for, running, and cleaning up after this event. We also appreciate donations of baked goods for the Bake Sale. Please sign up on [Track It Forward](#).

**THANKSGIVING BREAK:** **Tue, Nov. 26** is a 12:30pm dismissal, and there is no school **Nov. 27-29**.

**ADW TUITION ASSISTANCE:** The application window for ADW Tuition Assistance for the 2025-2026 school year is now open. **You must apply for ADW assistance first to be considered for OLSS tuition assistance.** The deadline for applications is Feb. 21, 2025. Please click [here](#) for more info and the link to apply.



**SANTA SHOP:** The Santa Shop will be held on **Dec. 2-4** for students to shop for Christmas gifts. Please see the info with today's news. Shopping lists should be brought to school on Dec. 2, and payment for gifts must be made through the online store.

**CHRISTMAS DELIGHT:** HSA is hosting the Christmas Delight event on **Sat, Dec. 7** from 5-8pm that will feature the Chili Cook-Off, live music, wine and beer tasting, food concessions, a bake sale, and activities for children. More info will be out soon.

**CHEFS NEEDED:** We need chefs to make their specialty chilis to share at the Christmas Delight Chili Cook-Off on **Fri, Dec. 7**. Please visit the [Chili Cook-Off page](#) for more info and to register.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:** Our Christmas Program will be **Fri, Dec. 13 at 6:30pm**.

**SOLOMONS CHRISTMAS WALK:** Students in grades 4-8 are invited to sing in the Historic Church at the Solomons Christmas Walk on Sat, Dec. 14. Please see the letter sent home in folders today. All students are invited to participate in the Christmas Walk Parade from 6:00-6:30pm that evening.

**THANK YOU**

We would like to thank the Maurice I. Long Foundation for their very generous grant. They provided tuition assistance, which has helped make Catholic education affordable to many families. They also provided fund for technology support, which we used for upgrades in our Computer Lab.



**The Great Kindness Challenge**

Weekly Schedule of Activities

**NOVEMBER 12-15, 2024**

Our school is proudly participating in The Great Kindness Challenge, a week-long program dedicated to creating a culture of kindness and compassion in communities worldwide. We will encourage all students to complete as many acts of kindness as possible at school and hope they feel inspired to continue them at home! Together, we will lift each other up, cheer each other on, and show the world that **KINDNESS MATTERS!**

**OLSS KINDNESS WEEK SPIRIT DAYS**

*All Spirit Day clothing must follow Tag Day Dress Code regulations.*

TUESDAY, NOV. 12	WEDNESDAY, NOV. 13	THURSDAY, NOV. 14	FRIDAY, NOV. 15
<b>KICK OFF KINDNESS</b>	<b>TIED TOGETHER BY KINDNESS</b>	<b>SHINE BRIGHT FOR KINDNESS</b>	<b>DREAM OF KINDNESS</b>
Western Theme: Flannels, cowboy boots, hats, country-themed clothing	Wear a tie with your school uniform.	Wear bright colors and sunglasses.	Wear pajamas. Leggings/pants must be worn with nightgowns. No slippers.

**KINDNESS WEEK SERVICE PROJECT**

Our Charity event for the week of November 12-15th will be collecting items for Solomons Mission Center. Current needed items include:

**Food and Pantry:**  
Coffee, Sports Drinks, Juice, Shelf stable Milk Products, Peanut Butter, Canned Chicken, Kraft Mac & Cheese Microwave Cups, SPAM, Vienna Sausages, Ramen Noodles, Cup of Noodles, Chef Boyardee Microwave Cups, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper

**Hygiene Products:** Shampoo, Dry Shampoo, Conditioner, Soap, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Tampons, Sanitary Napkins, Adult Incontinence Pads



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL

# CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

**9AM - 2PM**

**CRAFTERS - VENDORS -  
YARD SALE - BAKE SALE  
PHOTOS WITH SANTA -  
CONCESSIONS - RAFFLES  
& MORE**

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For info on vendor opportunities, please email  
olssbazaarvendors@gmail.com

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR BAKE SALE DONATIONS NEEDED

### SUGGESTIONS:

- \*Cookies
- \*Cakes
- \*Cupcakes
- \*Breads
- \*Brownies
- \*Fudge
- \*Candies

### EARN VOLUNTEER HOURS!

- 1 cake = 1 hour
- 1 batch cupcakes = 1 hour
- 1 batch cookies (2-4 dozen) = 1 hour

Please ensure donations are homemade, wrapped or boxed neatly, clearly labeled, & brought to school on Friday, Nov. 22.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

#### NOVEMBER

- Nov. 7, 4-7pm: Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov. 8, 8am-1pm: Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov. 8: No School - Conferences
- Nov. 11: No School - Veterans Day
- Nov. 12-15: Kindness Week
- Nov. 23, 9am-2pm: Christmas Bazaar
- Nov. 26: Turkey Trot
- Nov. 26: 12:30 Dismissal
- Nov. 27-29: No School - Thanksgiving Break

#### DECEMBER

- Dec. 2-3-4: Santa Shop
- Dec. 7: Christmas Delight / Chili Cook-Off
- Dec. 13, 6:30pm: Christmas Program
- Dec. 14: Solomons Christmas Walk
- Dec. 20: 12:30pm Dismissal
- Dec. 20-Jan. 3: No School - Christmas Break

### OLSS SCHOOL ANNUAL TURKEY TROT

Our students are excited to participate in the 14th Annual OLSS Turkey Trot on **Tuesday, November 26!** This festive event is all about promoting fitness and building lifelong healthy habits.

This year's theme is "Trot for Trips!" We're on a mission to raise funds to support field trip costs, making unforgettable experiences possible for our students! They'll be collecting pledges from family and friends to help make this event a smashing success.

Your support means the world to us! We're so thankful for the generosity of our families, friends, and community. Let's get ready to cheer on our little turkeys as they trot toward success and make this event one for the books!

Register your student(s) here:

[https://myfunrun.com/olss24\\_25](https://myfunrun.com/olss24_25)