

Newsletter: October 4, 2017

Dear Parents & Guardians,

October is a special month to celebrate our Catholic faith. Today, we celebrated the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi during Mass. October is also the month of honoring Mary and the Rosary. We will say a Hail Mary at the end of our prayer service. On Friday, October. 13, during our school Mass, we will celebrate the 100-year anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima's Miracle of the Sun; the final of a series of apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary in 1917 by three shepherd children in Fátima, Portugal. The message at Fatima included themes of prayer, repentance, penance, sacrifice, and reparation. Students will learn more about Fatima this month.





NEWS

PRAD Parade: We would like as many students as possible to participate in the PRAD Parade this Sun, Oct. 8, at 2pm to represent our school. Please see the flyer in last week's newsletter for more info.



Blessing of the Animals: On Sun, Oct. 8 at 1pm, Fr. Mike will hold a "Blessing of the Animals" in front of the Historic Church, in honor of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. All pets are welcome to receive a blessing!

Support Our School: There are many free ways that you can help contribute to our school, such as participating in the Giant A+ School Rewards Program, sending in Box Tops for Education, etc. Please see the flyer with today's news.

Halloween Celebrations: Our PK and K students may bring their Halloween costumes to school, and will have classroom parties on Tue, Oct. 31.

All Saints Day: We will celebrate All Saints Day on Wed, Nov. 1. Students may bring Saint costumes to change into, or a poster of a Saint. The schedule will be announced later this month.

Christmas Bazaar: OLSS's 8th Annual Christmas Bazaar is Sat, Nov. 18 from 9am-2pm, featuring local crafters & vendors, a Silent Auction, Bake Sale, Yard Sale, Raffle, and concessions.



GRANDPARENTS/ **GRANDFRIENDS DAY** is Friday, Oct. 13

- 9:00am: Mass
- 10:00am: Brunch & Entertainment
- 11:00am: Classroom Visits
- Info was sent with last week's news
- Please RSVP by Oct. 8
- Please see the flyer requesting photos with today's news
- Transportation Permission forms must be turned in if your child will leave with grandparents
- Volunteers are needed to help with set up, serving, & clean up
- Food items are needed for the brunch please sign up through the "Volunteer Opps" page







- Oct. 20: Deadline for orders
- Nov. 8: Orders delivered to OLSS (or may shipped directly to another address)

INCENTIVES:

- Top seller gets a \$100 tuition credit (must sell at least 30 items)
- For every 10 items you sell, your name will be put in for a drawing prize of a \$200 tuition credit
- Families who sell 15 items, or students who sell 10 items, earn a dress-down day

REMINDERS:

Arts & Crafts Workshop: We are offering Afterschool Arts & Crafts Workshop on Oct. 10 for PK-3rd, and Oct. 18 for 4th-8th. Please see the flyer/form with last week's news. Space is limited to 20 students.

PRAD: We need volunteers to help at the OLSS Sand Art Table at PRAD on Oct. 7-8, in two-hour shifts. Virtus training is not required. Please sign up through the "Volunteer Opps" website.

Flu Clinic: Calvert County Health Dept. free flu shots at OLSS for PK-5th grade students are **Mon**, **Oct. 23, from 1-3pm**. Forms & info are included in today's yellow folders.



OCTOBER PRACTICE SCHEDULE

MONDAYS: JVB/VB 4-6pm St. Paul's

TUESDAYS: (No practice 10/31) JVG 4-5:30pm St. Paul's

WEDNESDAYS: JVB/VB/VG 5-7pm St. John Vianney THURSDAYS: JVG 4-5:30pm St. Paul's

FRIDAYS: No Practices

HALLOWEEN RAFFLE

Student Council is hosting a Halloween raffle. The winner will receive a haul of Halloween goodies, including candy, toys, a decorations, and more. Please see the display by the School Office.

Tickets are 25¢/each or five for \$1.



God bless,

Mary Bartsch Mrs. Mary Bartsch Principal



UPCOMING EVENTS:

OCTOBER

- Oct. 10, 3-4pm: Afterschool Workshop PK-3rd
- Oct. 11: PK-2nd Field Trip to Pumpkin Farm
- Oct. 13: Grandparents Day
- Oct. 13: 12:30pm Dismissal Grandparents Day
- Oct. 13, 6:30pm: HSA Family Movie Night
- Oct. 15, 5-8pm: Bull & Oyster Roast Fundraiser
- Oct. 17: Lifetouch Portraits Make-Ups
- Oct. 18, 3-4pm: Afterschool Workshop 4th-8th
- Oct. 20, 9am: Solomons Rescue Squad Visit
- Oct. 20: 12:30pm Dismissal
- Oct. 27: No School Collaboration Day

NOVEMBER

- Nov. 1: All Saints Day Mass & Celebrations
- Nov. 9: 12:30pm Dismissal / No Aftercare
- Nov. 10: No School Conference Day
- Nov. 18, 9am-2pm: Christmas Bazaar
- Nov. 21: Turkey Trot
- Nov. 21: 12:30 Dismissal / No Aftercare
- Nov. 22-24: No School Thanksgiving Break