

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWS

Newsletter: Nov. 6, 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On All Saints Day last Friday, we honored the Saints during Mass. Father Ken asked, "Why do we celebrate All Saints Day?", and 4th grader Kaleb said, "To thank them for protecting us on our journey up to Christ."

What a great answer!





In the afternoon, we had a Parade of Saints around the school and down the Stations of the Cross path. Students dressed as their favorite saint, or made posters about them. It was a beautiful day to celebrate together!



NEWS & REMINDERS:

Friday: This Friday, Nov. 8 is a 12:30pm dismissal for Parent/Teacher conferences.

<u>Veteran's Day</u>: There is no school next Mon, Nov. 11 for Veterans Day.

<u>Lego Robotics</u>: Our Robotics Club leader, Jim Moore, will hold a meeting on **Thu**, **Nov. 14 at 6pm** for parents of students in Grades 3-7 who would be interested in forming a Lego Robotics team/club.

<u>SchoolStore. Com</u>: OLSS has joined SchoolStore.com, a program by which we will receive cash from over 400 of America's best online merchants, such as Target, Kohl's, Macy's, Walmart, and Office Depot, when families and friends shop online. You can also purchase a Caring for Classrooms gift card that will directly help your child's classroom with supplies. Students will bring home information on how to participate.

<u>Yard Signs</u>: We are asking for school families' help to increase enrollment by placing yard signs at your home to promote our school. We will be sending these signs home with students in the next week.

<u>Thanksgiving Feast</u>: Forms for our annual Family Thanksgiving Feast must be turned in by **Nov. 14**. The cost is \$10/Adults and \$5/Children; payment may be by cash, check, or through the online school store at: http://olssschool.corecommerce.com/thanksgiving-feast/

<u>Thanksgiving Food Drive</u>: Our Student Council is hosting a Thanksgiving Food Drive to help local families in need through SMILE Food Pantry. Please place donations on the table in the school lobby **by Nov. 15.**

<u>Christmas Bazaar</u>: Volunteers are needed to help with the **Nov. 23** Christmas Bazaar, including set up, clean up, and with concessions, bake sale, & yard sale. We would also appreciate donations of bake sale and yard sale items. Please sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f4ca4ac2ba4f94-olss

<u>Turkey Trot</u>: Our 10th Annual Turkey Trot is **Tue**, **Nov. 26**. Students will walk and jog on the Solomons Boardwalk to raise money for our school. This year, students will submit a "Sponsor Ticket" for each sponsor received. For every \$10 from a sponsor, one Thankful Turkey feather will be added to the OLSS Thankful Turkey in their name. We will continuously add feathers to our Thankful Turkey up through Nov. 26. Please see the forms with today's news.



<u>November Raffle</u>: The 8th Grade's November Raffle is for a basket of fall items, including a VIP table for up to 8 guests at the Thanksgiving Feast. Tickets are 50¢/each or 3 for \$1. The drawing will be held **Nov. 20.**

<u>Stationary Fundraiser:</u> We are selling Christmas Cards, Holy Cards, and stationery. Each set is \$15, or 2 for \$25. Items may be purchased from the School Office or by order form included with last week's news

THANKSGIVING FEAST

We are in need of volunteers for the Feast:

- 5 people to set up day of event, starting 7:30am
- · 6 people to clean up after event
- 3 people to take home & wash tablecloths after Feast Please sign up here:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0948A9AD2EA 0FF2-olss3

We are also in need of fall decorations. If you have any we can borrow, please send them in by Nov. 20. They will be returned immediately after the Feast.

You may also purchase fall decor for volunteer service hours (every \$25 spent = 1 volunteer hour). Please contact Heather Hankins to discuss potential purchases. We are looking for the following; must be artificial and reusable:

- · Scarecrows (indoor) · Colorful turkeys
- Pumpkins
- Fall themed centerpieces
- Gourds
- Table scatters
- · Fall leaves

Please contact Heather Hankins with questions 240-538-8998 or letitgoyano@hotmail.com



UPCOMING EVENTS:

NOVEMBER

Nov. 7: 3:30-9:00pm Parent/Teacher Conferences

Nov. 8: 12:30 Dismissal

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Nov. 11: No School - Veteran's Day Nov. 15, 2pm: Basketball Pep Rally

Nov. 20: 8th Grade High School Placement Test

Nov. 23, 9am-2pm: Christmas Bazaar

Nov. 26: Turkey Trot Fundraiser

Nov. 26: 12:30pm Dismissal

Nov. 27-29: No School - Thanksgiving Break

DECEMBER

Dec. 4-5: Santa Shop

Dec. 7, 4-7pm: Open House Dec. 7, 5-8pm: Chili Cook Off Dec. 11, 7pm: Band Concerts

Dec. 12, 6:30pm: Christmas Program

Dec. 20: 12:30pm Dismissal

Dec. 23-Jan. 3: No School - Christmas Break



BASKETBALL NEWS



Congratulations to OLSS Varsity Girls, who won both their games last weekend, securing their spot in the final Kick Off Tournament Championship game Fri, Nov. 8th at 6:15pm vs. St. Michael's at Kings Christian Academy. We encourage everyone to come out to cheer, wearing their OLSS attire to show. \$2 entrance fee per adult; \$1 per student/child.

- Spirit Scarves: Seahawk players are selling homemade fleece scarves in many color combinations including OLSS school colors & sports teams colors. These make great gifts while supporting our basketball teams. Scarves are \$10 and will be for sale at the Christmas Bazaar, basketball games, and at the School Office. There is also an order form with today's news.
- Pep Rally: Our Pep Rally is Fri, Nov. 15 at 2pm in the Providence Room. Parents are welcome!
- Bake Sale: The Basketball Program will hold Bake Sales after Masses on Nov. 16-17.
- **Game Schedule:** The 2019-20 Seahawks game schedule is included with today's news.

2020-21 ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The ADW Tuition Assistance Program for the 2020-21 school year is accepting applications through **Dec. 7**, **2019**. Families must apply each year to receive assistance. We encourage all families to apply.

Please use the following link to apply:

https://adwcatholicschools.org/tuitionassistance/archdiocesan-tuition-assistance-program/

Grace and Peace,

*Jennifer Thompson*Mrs. Jennifer Thompson
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"Let all that you do be done in love."
1 Corinthians 16:14