

Our Lady Star of the Sea School

An Island of Learning... A Sea of Faith

Newsletter: May 2, 2018

Dear Parents & Guardians,

There have been many events going on at OLSS over the past few weeks, and the final six weeks of school we have left will continue to be busy with field trips, concerts, Field Day, etc. To help things run smoothly, please ensure that your child's Field Day forms, field trip permission forms, and payments are turned into the School Office by their deadlines.

RECENT EVENTS



2nd graders wore their First Communion outfits to May Crowning.

MAY CROWNING

Yesterday was our May Crowning devotional service to Mary. Our May Queen was Mia P., & Attendant was Haley H.



FIELD TRIPS



3rd, 4th, & 5th grades went to the One-Room Schoolhouse in Port Republic. They have been studying Maryland History this year.



PK-2nd grades went to Calvert Marine Museum as part of their Bay Studies Program.

COLONIAL FAIR

Middle School students studying American History concluded their research of the 13 Colonies with a Colonial Fair, showcasing their group's Colony. K-6th grade students visited each Colony, and learned about the birth of the "New World."



D.A.R.E PROGRAM



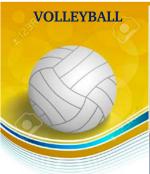
Our 5th grade class participated in the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse & Resistance Education) Program through the Calvert County Sheriff's Office.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

April 25 was Volunteer Appreciation, with Mass & brunch to celebrate our volunteers.



Thank you to Mrs.
Smedley for organizing the entertainment; our 2nd - 4th graders performed music & skits for our volunteers.





Our Seahawks Volleyball team played their first matches at St. Mary's Ryken on Saturday and did very well. Thanks Coach Grater for working with our team!

NEWS:

<u>Field Trips:</u> Please note that if you are chaperoning a field trip, **SIBLINGS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO ATTEND** under any circumstances.

Spirit Night Tonight: Tonight is Spirit Night at Moe's from **5-8pm!** Please bring the flyer with you (in today's yellow folders).

<u>Summer Uniforms</u>: Effective May 1, students may wear uniform shorts to school.

<u>Cinco de Mayo</u>: Students will break open piñatas next week to celebrate Cinco de Mayo.

<u>Home & School Association Meeting:</u> Our HSA will hold a quarterly meeting for all school parents in the Providence Room on **Wed, May 16 at 7pm**.

<u>Middle School Dance</u>: OLSS will host a dance for Catholic Middle Schoolers on **Fri**, **Jun. 1**, **7-9pm**. More info to come.

<u>Gala:</u> The 5th Annual Fr. Alexander Gala will be held on **Sat, Jun.9**, starting at 6pm. Please see the info with today's news for tickets, sponsorships, and advertising.

REMINDERS:

<u>Flower Fundraiser</u>: Please see flyer with last week's news to order potted flowers and hanging baskets for our fundraiser.

Spring Book Fair: is open through Sun, May 6.

Spring Program: Our Spring Program will be held on **Thu**, **May 3 at 6:30pm**, featuring all students.

- Students report to rooms between 6:10-6:20pm.
- <u>Dress Code</u>: Boys: dress pants, dress shirt, optional tie Girls: Modest dress or skirt, or dress pants. (Uniform also fine for boys & girls).
- 2^{nd} grade may wear their 1^{st} Communion clothes.
- If your child is not able to attend, please notify their teacher.

<u>Bowling</u>: HSA is hosting a Star Wars-themed fundraiser at Lord Calvert Bowling **Sat, May 5**. Cost is \$20/person. Costumes not required.

Field Day: is Fri, May 25. Please see the pack in today's yellow folders. TRANSPORTATION & LUNCH ORDER FORMS MUST BE TURNED IN BY MAY 16.

<u>Vacation Bible School</u>: OLSS will host Vacation Bible School for children ages 3 – upcoming 5th graders from **July 9-13, 9am-12pm**.



Congratulations to our 2nd grader Kendall F., who had her First Holy Communion on April 28th.





A huge **THANK YOU** to the organizers of our Spring Bazaar; Katie Franklin, Jessica Klasko, Patti DiBonaventuro, & Anne Cannedy, for all their hard work. Thank you also to who all who donated baked goods. The Bazaar made approximately \$6,000 for our school!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MAY

- May 2, 5-8pm: Spirit Night at Moe's
- May 3, 6:30pm: Spring Program
- May 5: Star Wars Bowling Fundraiser
- May 7: Advanced Band Travel & Night Concert
- May 11: Staff Appreciation
- May 11: 12:30pm Dismissal | No Aftercare
- May 16, 7pm: Home & School Assoc. Meeting
- May 21, 5-8pm: Spirit Night at Roy Rogers
- May 22: No School Principals Meeting
- May 25: Field Day | 1pm Dismissal
- May 28: No School Memorial Day

JUNE

- Jun. 1, 7-10pm: Middle School Dance
- Jun. 4, 10:30am: Pre-K Graduation
- Jun. 7: 10:30am Dismissal | Last Day of School
- Jun. 9: 5th Annual Father Alexander Gala

F.R.O.G. Fully Rely On God

FROG IT CHALLENGE

May is the month we honor Our Blessed Mother Mary and our own mothers. As a family say a Hail Mary every night for the special women in your life.

God Bless,

Mary Bartsch

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