



# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWS

Newsletter: September 27, 2017

Dear Parents,

October is going to be a busy month at our school! We'll celebrate Grandparents' Day on October 13, and HSA will have a Family Movie Night that evening. Our lower grades will be going on a field trip to a pumpkin farm, and will have a visit from the Solomons Volunteer Rescue Squad. We also have our fall fundraiser with Claire's Gourmet, as well as the Bull & Oyster Roast at Vera's. We hope that all of our school families will enjoy participating in these events!

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

- 9:00am: Mass
- 10:00am: Brunch & Entertainment
- 11:00am: Classroom Visits



- Info & invitations are included with today's news
- Please RSVP by Oct. 8
- 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

## THANK YOU :

Thank you to our HSA Committee for organizing the first Story Time evening last Friday! The kids had a great time listening to stories in different languages.



Many thanks to Beth Oster for organizing and running the Afterschool Arts & Crafts Workshops for our students.

I would also like to thank Susan Quinn, Beth Oster, and all the volunteers who have been helping run the Hot Lunch Program this month while we are recruiting for a new Coordinator for the Program.

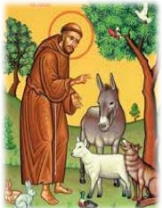
## NEWS :

**Arts & Crafts Workshop:** We are offering another Afterschool Arts & Crafts Workshop. Please see the flyer/form with today's news.

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

**PRAD Parade:** On Sun, Oct. 8, at 2pm, there will be a PRAD parade. We would like to have students participate in the Parade to represent our school. Please see the flyer on page 3 of this 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!



## Claire's GOURMET®

Our Claire's Gourmet fundraiser kicks off today! Claire's Gourmet sells frozen pizzas, snacks, desserts, cookie dough, and more.



Info packs & order forms are coming home with students today.

### DATES:

- Sep. 27: Sales start
- Oct. 20: Deadline for ordering
- Nov. 8: Orders delivered to OLSS (orders may also be shipped directly to another address)

### INCENTIVES:

- The top seller will get 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
- Every student who sells 10 items will earn a dress-down day

## OCTOBER BASKETBALL PRACTICE SCHEDULE

### MONDAYS:

- St. Paul's
- JVB/VB 4-6pm
  - VG 6-8pm

### TUESDAYS:

- St. Paul's
- JVG 4-5:30pm
  - No practice Oct. 31

### WEDNESDAYS:

- St. John Vianney
- JVB/VB/VG 5-7pm

### THURSDAYS:

- St. Paul's
- JVG 4-5:30pm

### FRIDAYS:

No practices

## REMINDERS :

**Winter Uniforms:** Mon, Oct. 2 is the start of the Winter School Uniforms. Students may not wear shorts after this date, but may wear their gym shorts on their PE day through the end of October.

**Pumpkin Farm Field Trip:** Students in PK-2<sup>nd</sup> grade will go to a pumpkin farm on Wed, Oct. 11.

**Family Movie Night:** HSA will host a Halloween-themed Family Movie Night on Fri, Oct. 13 at 6:30pm in the Providence Room.

**Bull & Oyster Roast:** The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Bull & Oyster Roast fundraiser will be held at Vera's Restaurant on Sun, Oct. 15 from 12-8pm. Tickets are available from the school office, or after Masses.

**Rescue Squad Visit:** Solomons Volunteer Rescue Squad will be visiting PK-2<sup>nd</sup> grades on Fri, Oct. 20.

**Flu Clinic:** Calvert County Health Dept. is offering free flu shots at OLSS for PK-5th grade students on Mon, Oct. 23, from 1-3pm. Forms will be sent home in October.

**RCIC:** Rite of Christian Initiation for Children is open to children 7-14 to help prepare to receive the Sacraments. RCIC is open to anyone who would like to enter, or return to, the Catholic Church. For more info, contact Joanne Pensenstadler at youthministry@olss.org.

## FROG Full Rely on God



This week's FROG IT Challenge is to think of ways you as a family "Thank God" for life and for all the other good things you have.

God bless,

*Mary Bartsch*

Mrs. Mary Bartsch  
Principal

## BULL and Oyster ROAST

to benefit Our Lady Star of the Sea School

**Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**\*12:00-8:00pm**

Vera's Restaurant, 1200 White Sands Drive, Lusby

### MENU:

- Roast beef • Raw, fried, & steamed oysters  
• BBQ Bacon & Cheddar Oysters • Oyster stew  
• Oysters Rockefeller • Oysters Provencal • And many sides

### TICKETS:

**\$25 in advance/\$30 at door**  
**\$10 for children 12 & under**

\*Tickets are sold for the following seating times; please select a time when purchasing tickets:  
12:00-2:00pm / 3:00-5:00pm / 6:00-8:00pm

## UPCOMING EVENTS :

### SEPTEMBER

- Sep. 29: 12:30pm Dismissal for Calvert Fair Day

### OCTOBER

- Oct. 2: Winter School Uniforms Begin
- Oct. 10, 3-4pm: Afterschool Workshop PK-3<sup>rd</sup>
- Oct. 11: Field Trip to Pumpkin Farm for PK-2<sup>nd</sup>
- 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 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>
- Oct. 20, 9am: Solomons Rescue Squad Visit
- Oct. 20: 12:30pm Dismissal
- Oct. 27: No School – Collaboration Day



Come show off your school spirit at the

# PRAD PARADE

Join us in your uniform or school spirit wear to represent your love for  
Our Lady Star of the Sea School

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2017

1PM- MEET ON THE FRONT LAWN OF THE HISTORIC CHURCH

2PM - PARADE STEPS OFF

Earn 2 hours of volunteer time for your participation!  
Please fill out the bottom and return to school.

Yes, we want to show our Seahawk pride!

I understand that an adult must stay on the parade route and be reachable  
by phone during the event, while my child(ren) participate(s).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

# of students & family members participating: \_\_\_\_\_

Any VIRTUS trained adult(s) willing to help on parade route? Yes No

# you can be reached at during the parade: \_\_\_\_\_

Any questions can be directed to [hsa@olsss.org](mailto:hsa@olsss.org)



# HISTORIC ST. MARY'S CITY



*3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> grades outside the Brick Chapel of 1667*



*4<sup>th</sup> graders roll a hogshead tobacco barrel*



*Students learned how food was prepared and stored in a colonial kitchen*



*Middle schoolers board the Maryland Dove*

Last week, several grades visited Historic St. Mary's City for a field trip. Our student learned so much about life in 17th-century Maryland.

They visited the reconstructed Brick Chapel of 1667, and toured a recreated Woodland Yaocomo Indian Hamlet. They learned how they made canoes from tree trunks, what the inside of a witchott looked like, what tools the Yaocomo used, and how they traded with the colonists for goods they brought from England.



*A historian explained how canoes were made from burning tree trunks*



*Students explored a witchott*



*A 7<sup>th</sup> grader examines tiny tobacco seeds*

Next they toured the Godiah Spray Tobacco Plantation, a working colonial farm, and helped grind and sift corn in the kitchen. They learned about the tobacco trade during colonial times, rolled barrels used to transport tobacco, and observed drying tobacco leaves. In the historic town center, they got to view a working printing press, storehouse, and housing.

On the beautiful waterfront, they toured the *Maryland Dove*, a replica small trading ship, and participated in hands-on activities to learn about winches, anchors, and navigation techniques.



*Two 4<sup>th</sup> graders operated a windlass on the Dove*



*The Bosun of the Dove explained how colonial-era compasses worked*