



# Our Lady Star of the Sea School

An Island of Learning... A Sea of Faith

Newsletter: March 21, 2018

Dear OLSS Families,

We are so proud of our students! Our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders made their First Reconciliations last Saturday, and are preparing for their First Holy Communions on April 22.



Last Sunday, our Advanced Band performed at the Archdiocesan Music Festival in a combined band, and received the highest "Superior" rating. Congratulations to our musicians and Band Instructor, Neena Roderick.



Also last Sunday, two of our Seahawk Basketball players, Hayden P. and Maggie M., received All-Team Honorable Mention awards from SOMDYL at the Showcase Basketball event. Congratulations Hayden and Maggie for this honor!

## NEWS :

**Spirit Night:** Thank you to everyone who came out to support our Spirit Night at Moe's last Wednesday!

**Volunteers Needed:** We need volunteers to help with the Paint & Wine event on **Apr. 20, 7-9pm**; to donate food (cheese & crackers, veggies & dip, fruit, & desserts) and to work at the food/drink tables. Please sign up online to help.

**Military Child Day:** On **Fri, Apr. 13**, we will recognize Military Child Day by wearing purple to show our support for military children. We will also have donuts and coffee for our military parents and their children.

**World Book Day:** On **Mon, Apr. 23**, we will celebrate World Book Day; an annual event organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific & Cultural Organization to promote reading. Students may dress up as their favorite character from a book for the day. Please see the flyer with today's news.

**Spring Book Fair:** We are excited to announce that we will host a Spring Scholastic Book Fair in the Providence Room from **Sun, Apr. 29-Sun, May 6**.

## **PALM SUNDAY FUNDRAISERS:**

Our Palm Sunday Basket Auction & Bake Sale will be held after Masses this weekend, March 24-25.

**We are in need of donations of themed baskets & baked goods for this event.**

*Please see the flyer with the Feb. 21 news for more details.*

## SAINT PATRICK'S DAY



We celebrated St. Patrick's Day last week, and learned about Saint Patrick; a model of forgiveness, suffering, bravery, prayer, compassion, and deep love of God.



## LENTEN SERVICE PROJECT

Our school Lenten Service Project is making "Blessing Bags" for those in need at Project Echo Homeless Shelter in Prince Frederick. If you are able to participate, please send in donation items **by Mar. 23**.

- **PK:** Coloring Books
- **Kindergarten:** Pencils
- **1<sup>st</sup> Gr:** 8-pack of crayons
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Gr:** Granola or protein bars
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Gr:** Pens
- **4<sup>th</sup> Gr:** Playing Cards
- **5<sup>th</sup> Gr:** Crossword/WordSeek Books
- **6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Gr:** Razors (Men's & Women's)

## **CASCARONES**

Señora Dawn is looking for volunteers to make cascarones (egg shells filled with confetti or bird seed) for Spanish classes. Every dozen made will earn 3 Volunteer Service Hours! Please see the letter with the Feb. 21 for more info. Cascarones are due **by Mar. 26**.

Students will crack open the cascarones on April 11 during Spanish class. This is a Mexican tradition that involves people cracking eggs on the head of a friend or family member to wish them person good luck.



## **UPCOMING EVENTS :**

### MARCH

- **Mar. 23, 8:30-10:30am:** Open House
- **Mar. 23:** Maryland Day
- **Mar. 23, 7pm:** Stations of the Cross Silhouette Skit
- **Mar. 24-25:** Palm Sunday Fundraisers
- **Mar. 26:** Last Supper Reenactment
- **Mar. 28:** 12:30pm Dismissal | No Aftercare
- **Mar. 29-Apr. 6:** No School - Easter Break

### APRIL

- **Apr. 9:** School Resumes
- **Apr. 11:** Cascarones in Spanish classes
- **Apr. 13:** Military Child Celebration Day
- **Apr. 13:** Free Tag Day – Purple Clothing
- **Apr. 20, 7-9pm:** Paint & Wine Fundraiser
- **Apr. 23:** World Book Day Celebration
- **Apr. 25:** Volunteer Appreciation
- **Apr. 27:** 12:30pm Dismissal
- **Apr. 28, 9am-2pm:** Spring Bazaar
- **Apr. 29-May 6:** Scholastic Book Fair

## **REMINDE RS :**

**Open House:** We will host an Open House this **Fri, Mar. 23, 8:30-10:30am**.

**Stations Silhouette Skit:** Youth Group will perform Stations of the Cross in Silhouette this **Fri, Mar 23 at 7pm** in the Historic Church.

**Last Supper:** On **Mon, Mar. 26 at 8:45am**, our middle schools grades will perform "The Last Supper" reenactment. Family members are welcome.

**D.A.R.E.:** 5<sup>th</sup> grade will participate in the Drug Awareness & Resistance Education Program with Calvert County Sheriff's Office from **April 9-23**.

**Paint & Wine:** We will have a Paint & Wine fundraiser on **Fri, Apr. 20 from 7-9pm**; please see the flyer with today's news.

**Lent Specials:** Boomerangs has Spirit Days on Fridays during Lent. Mention OLSS when ordering, and 15% of your purchase will benefit our school.

**Spring Bazaar:** Our Spring Bazaar is **Sat, Apr. 28 from 9am-2pm** with crafters, vendors, concessions, a bake sale, and a yard sale.

## **OLSS HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

### HOLY THURSDAY, March 29

- 7pm Mass, followed by Adoration

### GOOD FRIDAY, March 30

- 12pm: Stations of the Cross
- 1-3pm: Confessions
- 7pm: Communion Service

### HOLY SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL, March 30

- 8pm: Easter Vigil Mass (*no 4pm Mass*)

### EASTER SUNDAY:

- 8am & 10:45am Masses



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



### FROG IT CHALLENGE

Jesus Christ came to teach us to change the world not through force, but through love. How will you change the world this Lent?

God Bless,

*Mary Bartsch*

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