January 7, 2021

Dear OLSS Families,

Happy New Year to all OLSS families!

I hope that you had a wonderful Christmas and that you will have many blessings in this New Year! I want to thank you for your partnership as your students learn virtually these first two weeks in January. Please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher or to me if you need any assistance. Our 2nd quarter will end on January 20 and Report Cards will be sent electronically on January 27. Please make sure that your tuition account is in good standing.

It is hard to believe we are halfway through the year! As a reminder, make sure that you have done an inventory of your child's school supplies and replenish them as necessary. Also check to see that your child has not outgrown his or her uniform. Many have had a growth spurt by this time in the year. Remember that we have many gently used uniforms here at school so do not purchase anything until you have checked with the school office. My wish for you in this new year is that you remain happy, healthy, and holy!

Mrs. Thompson

## **NEWS & REMINDERS:**

**THANK YOU:** Thank you to all our families who supported our SchoolStore.com fundraiser. Over \$2,000 in Caring for Classrooms gift cards were purchased and will directly benefit students in PK-6<sup>th</sup> grade. We appreciate your generosity and that of your family and friends who contributed to this fundraiser.

**TOUCH IT NEW TECHNOLOGY:** 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is excited to be using a new TouchIT Rapide interactive flat panel in their classroom! This super-charged Android 8 Operating System is the fastest available on the market. The picture and sound qualities are amazing, and the board acts as its own computer, with hundreds

of educational apps. This opens up a new world of collaborative instructional opportunities that will enhance students' learning! We hope to install these in every classroom in the future.



**ADW FINANCIAL AID:** If you have applied for ADW Financial Aid for the 2021-22 school year, please check to see that your application is complete, with no missing data or signatures in TADS. The deadline for completion is tomorrow.

**REGISTRATION FOR 2021-22:** Re-Registration for current families to enroll their children for the 2021-22 school year will be opening later this month. Two weeks later, registration for new families will open. Spaces are given on a first-come, first-serve spaces so we encourage you to complete your registration ASAP. The fee is \$150 per family.

**SPECIAL MASS:** We are honored that Cardinal Wilton Gregory from the Archdiocese of Washington will be at the OLSS school mass at 9am on Wed, Jan. 27. School parents may attend this mass, but may not sit with their child's class.

**QUILT RAFFLE:** Tickets for the <u>Quilt Raffle</u> are \$5/each or five for \$20 and may be purchased from the <u>online school store</u>. The drawing will take place on Wed, Feb. 3 during the School Mass.

A New Year Prayer

Lord, You make all things new. You bring hope alive in our hearts and Cause our Spirits to be born again! Thank You for this New Year and For all the potential it holds. Come and kindle in us a mighty flame, so that in our time we will see the wonder of God And live forever to paise your Glorious Name. Amen

## BRICK WALKWAY CAMPAIGN

We are selling bricks, laser etched with your personal message, which will be placed in the sidewalk to the main entrance of the school. There are different sizes available, with prices ranging from \$100-\$165.



Please go to https://polarengraving.com/olss to order. Payment may be by check or through the online school store.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

## JANUARY

- Jan. 4-15: VIRTUAL LEARNING WEEKS
- Jan. 15: 12:30pm Dismissal
- Jan. 18: No School MLK Day
- Jan. 20: End of 2nd Quarter
- Jan. 27: Report Card Distribution
- Jan. 27, 9am: Mass with Cardinal Gregory
- Jan. 31-Feb. 6: Catholic Schools Week