



# Newsletter

October 8th, 2025

## A Message from Mrs. Thompson

Grandparents Day is this Friday! Our students will meet their grandparents and special guests in the Parish Church for 9:00am Mass. Following Mass, we will have a brunch and presentation for our guests before grandparents and special guests visit classrooms. Our 8th grade class will also be selling raffle tickets for the Halloween basket throughout the day. Any Grandparent or special guest who is taking their student(s) home must sign them out with the student's homeroom teacher. We are looking forward to hosting your loved ones for this very special day!

Grace and Peace,

Mrs. Jennifer Thompson, [principaleolsss.org](mailto:principaleolsss.org)

## Upcoming Events

### October

- Fri. Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> - Grandparents Day & 12:30 Dismissal
- Mon. Oct 13<sup>th</sup> - No School (Columbus Day; Indigenous Peoples' Day)
- Tues. Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> - Fall/Winter Uniforms Begin
- Fri. Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> - Flu Clinic, Fire Department Visit, And 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Basket Raffle winner pulled
- Sun. Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> - Children's Mass 11:00am
- Tues. Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> - Legacy Studio Portrait Retake
- Thurs. Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> - End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter
- Fri. Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> - No School (Collaboration Day) and Trunk or Treat 5:00pm-7:00pm
- Wed. Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> - Students may wear Saint costumes to school and change after Mass
- Fri. Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> - Free Halloween Tag Day

## Seahawk Spotlight

Our Parish/School Picnic was a great success! Thank you to our National Junior Honor Society and Student Council for running the games and craft table.



# News & Reminders

**Lunch-** Orders for lunch must be placed and prepaid through the FACTS parent portal. Orders are available the week prior. To order click on "STUDENT," then "LUNCH." In the top left corner, next to your student's name, you will see "+CREATE WEB ORDER."

**Volunteers Needed-** Volunteers are needed on October 10th at 12:30pm to help break down tables from Grandparent's Day. VIRTUS training is NOT REQUIRED for this volunteer opportunity. Please sign up on [Track it Forward](#) to volunteer.

**Children's Mass-** OLSS students will have the opportunity to participate in Children's Mass every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 11:00am. Please complete the [Interest Form](#) if your student is able to participate. Our next Mass is October 19th.

**Fire Department Visit-** Our Student Council is collecting red themed snacks to donate to the Fire Department when they visit our school. Please send in a donation by October 15<sup>th</sup>. Red themed snacks would include red Gatorade, Doritos, Cheese-Its, and anything else red or in red packaging.

**Basketball News-** Teams are being finalized, and all families should have received an email from Gladys Nehf. If you have not received the email, please reach out to Mrs. Nehf at [4nehf@comcast.net](mailto:4nehf@comcast.net) to be added to her distribution list. Basketball hoodie orders due by Oct. 17th. Our teams are also still looking for coaches! If you are interested in coaching please contact Gladys Nehf.

**Flu Clinic-** Please see the attached flyer for registration and details. If you do not have access to a computer to register, please contact [schoolnurse@olsss.org](mailto:schoolnurse@olsss.org).

**Saint Costume Exchange-** We are coordinating a saint costume exchange. If you have any saint costumes you would like to donate please send them in to school. More information is to follow.

**Trunk-or-Treat Help Needed!-** Our annual Trunk or Treat is coming up, and we need your help to make it a fun night for everyone! We're looking for donations of candy to keep our trick-or-treaters stocked with sweets. Please send in bags of candy to the school office by Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025. For every \$35 spent, you earn 1 volunteer hour. We're also hoping to add 5-10 more families to host trunks this year! Please sign up via Track It forward and complete the Google Form.

**Giving Market Fundraiser-** The golden ticket drawing will be drawn on Thursday Oct 9th. This drawing is for any student who sent out the 7 emails for the fundraiser, please complete the golden ticket and return to school tomorrow.

**Symphonic Orchestra-** If your student is part of Orchestra, please assist them in taking care of their instruments at home so that they are ready for class. Students should also be practicing and watching the assigned videos. The schedule can be found here: [Symphonic Orchestra Schedule](#)

**Parent/Teacher Conferences-** Conferences for 5th-8<sup>th</sup> grade families will be held from 4-7pm on Thurs. Nov 6<sup>th</sup>. Conferences for K-4<sup>th</sup> grade families will be Mon. Nov 10<sup>th</sup>. Sign up information will be out soon.

**Family Thanksgiving Feast November 20<sup>th</sup>-** Sign up information for our Thanksgiving Feast will be sent out soon.

# KCA Cross Country Meet

Some of our OLSS students ran in the King's Christian Academy Cross Country meet held on Friday October 3rd. We are so proud of their hard work and accomplishments! Great job to Declan M., Griffin F., Nate M., Isabelle M., Liana M., Marie J., and Gabriela F. for their dedication and hard work! A special shout out to Nate who earned 2nd place in the 2-mile middle school boys run with a time of 13:12 and Gabriela who earned 4th place overall for the 1-mile elementary school girls run with a time of 8:42.

If your student is interested in running at the next Cross Country meet held at KCA on Friday October 17th, please register at [athletic.net](https://athletic.net). If you have questions, you can email [schoolnurse@olss.org](mailto:schoolnurse@olss.org) for more information!



**2026-2027 ARCHDIOCESE  
OF WASHINGTON TUITION  
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
NOW OPEN**

**Apply Now**

The tuition assistance awarding timeline for the 2026-2027 school year ended on February 27, 2026. Families MUST apply for ADW assistance prior to requesting OLSS Tuition Assistance.

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Beginning October 1, families can apply for ADW Tuition Assistance through their FACT Family Portal or by visiting [factsmgt.com](https://factsmgt.com).

- **\*\*IRS Integration:\*\*** FACT is implementing IRS Integration to enhance your experience.
- **\*\*Faster Award Notifications:\*\*** Expect a quicker turnaround for award notifications.

**\*\*Upcoming Meeting:\*\*** Additional information will be provided during the Home and School Meeting on October 6.

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Contact Colleen Muldoon if you have any questions: [muldoonc@olss.org](mailto:muldoonc@olss.org)

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL  
INVITES YOU TO

# GRANDPARENTS DAY



**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2025**

9:00a.m. - MASS  
10:00-10:45a.m. - BRUNCH  
10:45-11:15a.m. - CLASSROOM VISITS

PLEASE RSVP THROUGH OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE [WWW.OLSSS.ORG](http://WWW.OLSSS.ORG)



WE UNDERSTAND THAT MANY CHILDREN DO NOT HAVE GRANDPARENTS WHO ARE ABLE TO COME TO GRANDPARENTS DAY. SPECIAL FRIENDS OR RELATIVES ARE WELCOME TO COME IN PLACE OF GRANDPARENTS.

NO COST Flu shots available at your child's school

## In School Free Flu clinics!



### Beat the Flu This Season

- Book an appointment for your child online today

Use the link, or scan the QR code below. It is specific to your school only.

**October 17, 2025**  
**Our Lady Star of the Sea**

<https://calvertcounty.as.me/SLVFluClinic2025OLSS>





Contact your school if you have questions, or need assistance.

<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/index.html>



# COME AND SEE WORLD MISSION SUNDAY OCTOBER 19TH

Evangelization is our mission, as Jesus says:  
"Go out and proclaim the Gospel" (Matthew 28)

We especially invite those who are not Catholic,  
those who may have left the Church, and those  
who feel separated from the Church.  
Come and experience our special event.

### Schedule of Events

10:00 AM	Welcome (The Family Room)
10:45 AM	Procession to the Church
11:00 AM	Mass
12-2:00 PM	Lunch, personal witness, and panel discussion ( Providence Room)
2:00 PM	Closing Prayer

Please invite your family & friends to join us.

Kindly RSVP by Oct 11, 2025  
Email: [communications@olss.org](mailto:communications@olss.org)