



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

April 30, 2025

Dear OLSS Families,

With the passing of our Holy Father on April 21, we are in the Novendiales, or nine days of mourning and praying for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis. This period began with the funeral on April 26 and marks the transition period before the election of a new Pope. The Catholic Church has begun a special and sacred process, the papal conclave, which is set to begin on May 7.

Pope Francis was a kind and humble leader who cared deeply for all people, especially the poor and those in need. He showed us how to live with kindness, forgiveness, and love. Let us all pray for Pope Francis, to thank God for his life, and also for the Church as we prepare for a new shepherd to lead us.

Grace and Peace,

Mrs. Jennifer Thompson

NEWS & REMINDERS:

RESURRECTION EGGS: 8th grade is selling Resurrection Eggs; plastic eggs with toys, candy, or a gift card to Brrrr in Solomons. Students may bring cash to purchase them; \$1 for two eggs.

MAY CROWNING: Our May Crowning Ceremony will be held on **Sunday, May 4** when the 8am Mass has finished. We will proceed from the Parish Church to the Historic Church, where the ceremony will be held. Everyone is welcome to attend. Our May Queen is Harper H., and attendants are Sophia H. and Elizabeth D.

- All First Holy Communicants and Confirmation candidates are expected to attend. Students receiving their First Holy Communion may wear their dresses/suits. Confirmation candidates should wear their Sunday best.
- Students are asked to bring in flowers; store-bought, from your garden, or wildflowers, to decorate the Mary statue. Please bring flowers in this **Friday, May 2**.

ART SHOW: OLSS student artwork is on display during the month of May at the Art Council of Calvert County's Gallery at 110 Solomons Island Rd in Prince Frederick; open Tue-Fri from 11am – 4pm.

REQUIRED FORMS: [Verification of Catholic Eligibility](#) and [OLSS Tuition Assistance Form](#) are due to the School Office by **Monday, May 5**. Catholic Eligibility forms must be signed by your pastor.

DANCE: We need volunteers and donations of snacks and drinks for our Middle School Dance **on Friday, May 9**. Please sign up through [Track It Forward](#).

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION: Please see the flyer with today's news for our [Volunteer Appreciation](#) celebration on May 12; please RSVP [here](#).

EARTH DAY: We will celebrate Earth Day on **Thu, May 15** with students planting flowers around the school grounds.

FIELD DAY: Field Day will take place on our campus on **Fri, May 16**. Students should wear their PE uniforms to school that day.

FUN RUN: We will host our annual Fun Run fundraiser on **Friday, May 23**; more info will be out shortly.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: Congratulations to Aibhilin Fockler, OLSS Class of '24, who is a member of the Calvert County Special Olympics Unified Poms Team that won the gold medal at the ICU World Championship!



SEAHAWK SCRAMBLE

A big thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Seahawk Scramble another fun and successful event! We are especially grateful to Sean Bannon for his help coordinating the tournament, and to all the amazing volunteers who donated food and their time to ensure the day ran smoothly.

We would also like to recognize and sincerely thank our Seahawk Pride Sponsors for their generous support: [Fejes Construction](#), [Grass Tech Landscape Management](#), [HoneyCove Landscaping & Tree Services](#), and [J. Calvin Wood](#). Your support makes a lasting impact on our school community! ❤️

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MAY

- 🌸 May 4: May Crowning, After 8am Mass
- 🌸 May 9: 12:30pm Dismissal
- 🌸 May 9: Staff Appreciation
- 🌸 May 9, 7-9pm: [Middle School Social](#)
- 🌸 May 12, 6:30pm: Volunteer Appreciation
- 🌸 May 15: Earth Day Flower Planting
- 🌸 May 16: Field Day
- 🌸 May 20: No School - Principals Meeting
- 🌸 May 21, 4-8pm: [Chipotle Spirit Night](#)
- 🌸 May 23: Fun Run | 12:30pm Dismissal
- 🌸 May 26: No School - Memorial Day
- 🌸 May 28: 8th Grade Last Day & Clap Out
- 🌸 May 29: PK Last Day
- 🌸 May 30: 8th Grade Graduation

JUNE

- 🌞 Jun. 3: 12:30pm Dismissal
- 🌞 Jun. 4: Last Day | 10:30am Dismissal
- 🌞 Jun. 16-20: Vacation Bible School