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Religious Education

Saint John Paul II's Story "Open wide the doors to Christ"

Today is the feast day of Pope Saint John Paul II – one of the greatest saints in the Church calendar. "Open wide the doors to Christ," urged John Paul II during the homily at the Mass where he was installed as Pope in 1978. Born in Wadowice, Poland, Karol Jozef Wojtyla had lost his mother, father, and older brother before his 21st birthday. An avid skier and aspiring actor, Karol's promising academic career at the University in Kraków was cut short by the outbreak of World War II. While working in a quarry and a chemical factory, he enrolled in an "underground" seminary in Poland. Ordained in 1946, he was immediately sent to Rome where he earned a doctorate in theology. Back in Poland, a short assignment as assistant pastor in a rural parish preceded his very fruitful chaplaincy for university students. Soon Fr. Wojtyla earned a doctorate in philosophy and began teaching that subject at Poland's University of Lublin. Communist officials allowed Wojtyla to be appointed auxiliary bishop of Kraków in 1958, considering him a relatively harmless intellectual. They could not have been more wrong!



Bishop Wojtyla attended all four sessions of the Second Vatican Council and contributed especially to its *Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World*. Appointed as archbishop of Kraków in 1964, he was named a cardinal three years later. Elected Pope in October 1978, he took the name of his short-lived, immediate predecessor. Pope John Paul II was the first non-Italian pope in 455 years. In time, he made pastoral visits to 124 countries, including several with small very Christian populations.

John Paul II promoted ecumenical and interfaith initiatives, especially the 1986 Day of Prayer for World Peace in Assisi. He visited Rome's main synagogue and the Western Wall in Jerusalem; he also established diplomatic relations between the Catholic Church and Israel. He improved Catholic-Muslim relations, and in 2001 visited a mosque in Damascus, Syria. The Great Jubilee of the Year 2000, a key event in John Paul's ministry, was marked by special celebrations in Rome and elsewhere for Catholics and other Christians. Relations with the Orthodox Catholic Churches improved considerably during his papacy. "Christ is the center of the universe and of human history" was the opening line of John Paul II's 1979 encyclical, *Redeemer of the Human Race*. In 1995, he described himself to the United Nations General Assembly as "a witness to hope."

His 1979 visit to Poland encouraged the growth of the Solidarity movement there and aided the collapse of communism in central and eastern Europe 10 years later. John Paul II began World Youth Day and traveled to several countries for those celebrations and was a big hit with teens and youth. He very much wanted to visit China and the Soviet Union, but the governments in those countries prevented that. One of the most wellremembered photos of John Paul II's pontificate was his one-on-one conversation in 1983, with Mehmet Ali Agca, who had attempted to assassinate him two years earlier.

In his 27 years as Pope, John Paul II wrote 14 encyclicals (letters) and five books, canonized 482 saints and beatified 1,338 people. In the last years of his life, he suffered from Parkinson's disease and was forced to cut back on some of his activities. He died on April 2, 2005. Before John Paul II's funeral Mass in St. Peter's Square, hundreds of thousands of people had waited patiently for a brief moment to pray before his body, which lay in state inside St. Peter's for several days. The media coverage of his funeral was unprecedented.

Presiding at the funeral Mass, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger—then dean of the College of Cardinals and later Pope Benedict XVI—concluded his homily by saying: "None of us can ever forget how, in that last Easter Sunday of his life, the Holy Father, marked by suffering, came once more to the window of the Apostolic Palace and one last time gave his blessing. Pope Benedict XVI beatified John Paul II in 2011, and Pope Francis canonized him in 2014.

Pope Francis remarked: "We can be sure that our beloved pope is standing today at the window of the Father's house, that sees us and blesses us. Yes, bless us, Holy Father. We entrust your dear soul to the Mother of God, your Mother, who guided you each day and who will guide you now to the glory of her Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."

Have a Blessed Day! Mark Friedman, CRE



Free Meals for All OLG Students Now Extended Through the 2020-21 School Year!

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is extending flexibilities to allow free meals to continue to be available to all children throughout the entire 2020-2021 school year. This unprecedented move is part of USDA's unwavering commitment to ensuring all children across America have access to nutritious food as the nation recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Lunch Price: \$0.00 (universal free through 2020-21 academic year)

Breakfast Price: \$0.00 (universal free through 2020-21 academic year)

- Money currently on meal accounts will remain on student accounts and will carry over to future school years. Please contact the cafeteria if you would like money refunded.
- Money on account can be used to purchase a la carte beverage, snacks or extra entrees. Please contact the cafeteria if you would like your student's meal account prohibited from these purchases.
- Meals will be processed at the register differently during this time. Students will not be rung up on their individual accounts so K12 account history will only show a la carte purchases if applicable; not meals.
- Payments will still be owed for meals purchased prior to Oct 1st, 2020.
- Applications for meal benefits will still be accepted. Households that qualify for free or reduced meal benefits may be eligible for government benefits if they become available. Therefore, it is still beneficial to apply if your household may qualify.

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Join us for the 2nd Annual OLG PTO TRUNK or TREAT

October 30th from 6:00pm to 9:00pm

COVID Guidelines will be followed and masks are required

Family Friendly | DJ music | Food Trucks | Hot Chocolate Ghoulish Scavenger Hunt | Prizes for 'Favorite Trunk' & 'Spookiest Trunk'

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Our Lady of Grace Athletic Association



Boys Basketball 3rd-8th Grade Boys Basketball registration closes this Friday, October 23rd - make sure to sign up today! Click the link below. https://boys-basketball-2020-copy.cheddarup.com



Open Gym dates/times for Boys Basketball are listed below and will be held at Assumption Gym. Any boy who attends OLG, or one of the covenant parishes, and is interested in playing basketball this season is welcome to attend. NOTE: Due to COVID-19 restrictions, no parents or siblings are allowed during open gyms and practices. Also, everyone must enter through the main door and exit through the side door.

Thursday, October 22nd & Monday, October 26th: -3rd, 4th & 5th grade from 5:00pm-6:00pm -6th, 7th & 8th grade from 6:15pm-7:15pm



Reminder: Parents are able to get out of the cars at dismissal in the upper lot when the weather is not cooperating. We want the students to be able to wait in their cars instead of the rain. Please make sure you are social distancing and wearing a mask while you are waiting for your child. This will help us all stay safe and keep our learning continuing at school!



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High School Information Section (High schools are listed in the order the information is received.)



X-Perience Days: Because of our desire to maintain a safe environment for our community and our guests, shadowing will take a different look this year. X-Perience Days will begin at 8:15 a.m. and conclude by 10:30 a.m. Our prospective students will be given a presentation by our Admissions team and then tour the school with a member of our Ambassadors of Xcellence. Parents are welcome to stay that morning as well. They, too, will be given a presentation by our the school. Please limit one parent per student.

X-Perience Nights: Designed especially for those families who have difficulty attending an X-perience Day, X-Perience Nights are similar to the day sessions and will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. Families can attend any of the following evenings: October 6, 22, and 27; November 5, 10, and 19; and December 1 and 10. Seventh and eighth grade families are welcome!

Individual Tours: On select Saturdays in October, November, and December, families can register for a personal tour of St. Xavier. Led by one of our current students or a recent St. Xavier graduate, grade school students and their parents can see and hear what makes a St. Xavier education a special one. Seventh and eighth grade families are encouraged to register on our website!

Wednesday Information Nights: From 7 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday, starting September 23 through December 9, families can join a virtual session to learn more about St. Xavier and its programs. Our first session will focus on a general overview of St. Xavier's mission, including the charisms that make a St. Xavier education unique. Families will need to look for a link in our weekly email to join our sessions. Our schedule is as follows:

September 23 Mission September 30 Academics October 7 Athletics October 14 Tuition Assistance October 21 Parent and Student Panel October 28 Fine Arts November 4 Co-curriculars November 11 Diversity and Inclusion November 18 Student Services December 2 Alumni Panel December 9 Spanish language presentation

Zoom Meetings: For those students or parents who have a quick question or who need a way to get more information, please join a Zoom session from 7 to 8 p.m. every Monday evening, starting October 5 through November 30. Staffed by our outstanding student admissions team, our meeting is designed for families to learn more about the St. Xavier X-Perience from a student perspective. Parents and students can enter and exit as they please. Families can find the Zoom link in our weekly email.



La salle High School

Class of 2025 Important Information

Shadow Visits

8th graders can sign up now to experience our academics, meet our staff, tour our facilities and interact with our students in a safe, meaningful way!

Sign up to shadow at lasallehs.net/admissions/shadowing

Application Deadline

Class of 2025 Admissions Applications are due by Friday, December 18 and consist of:

- Application for Admission
- Math Teacher Recommendation
- English Teacher Recommendation
- Request of School Records Form

FACTS Financial Aid Applications are also due by Friday, December 18.

Information Nights

Want to learn more about La Salle? Prospective families are invited to attend one of four information nights. Select the date that works for you!

- October 7 (In Person)
- October 14 (Virtual)
- October 20 (In Person)
- November 11 (In Person)

Registration is required. RSVP at lasallehs.net/admissions/ information-night

Questions?



Jake Pucci Director of Admissions 513-741-2365 jpucci@lasallehs.net

For more class of 2025 information visit lasallehs.net/admissions/classof2025

www.olgcs.org

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News FOR GRADE SCHOOL FAMILIES

October 5, 2020

8th Grade Girls Invited to Mercy McAuley's Wolves Experience Night Oct. 23

Eighth grade girls are invited to Mercy McAuley's Wolves Experience Night on October 23 from 6-9 p.m. This is a great option for any 8th graders who are unable to visit on a Shadow Day, or for those who would like to experience Mercy McAuley outside of the normal school day. Through hands-on activities, guests will experience Mercy McAuley's innovative academics, arts, extracurriculars, and the Wolves' Pack Pride! Pizza will be provided, along with treats and giveaways. Capacity is limited. Register at www.mercymcauley.org/ExperienceNight.

Mercy McAuley High School Open House is November 8

All prospective students and parents are invited to Mercy McAuley's Open House on Sunday, November 8, from 1-5 p.m. Registration is required at <u>www.mercymcauley.org/OpenHouse</u>. When you register, you will be asked to select a specific arrival time.

Mercy McAuley High School Offers 8th Grade Shadow Days

It's not too late to register to shadow at Mercy McAuley! On Shadow Days, 8th grade guests will be placed into a small group of three or four 8th graders, and they will remain with this small "Pack" throughout the day. Unlike in years past, they will not follow one Mercy McAuley student the entire day. Instead, they will travel with their small 8th grade Pack, visiting several classes together throughout the day. They'll eat lunch with our Student Ambassadors, participate in a service project, learn cheers, and hear about clubs and extracurriculars from students. Full-day and half-day options are available. Registration is required at <u>www.mercymcauley.org/Shadow</u>.

Mercy McAuley High School Holds Parent Coffee Sessions

Eighth grade parents are invited to learn more about Mercy McAuley from school leaders in a small conversational setting at its Parent Coffee Sessions. Join Mercy McAuley's school leaders for coffee and discussion about Mercy McAuley's values, academic and extracurricular offerings, and get answers to all your questions. Optional tours are available following the conversation. Parent coffee sessions will take place at 8 a.m. on every full-day Shadow Day, which makes it convenient for parents who are dropping their 8th grader off to shadow. Register at <u>www.mercymcauley.org/CoffeeSessions</u>.

Mercy McAuley High School Holds Parent Information Nights

Mercy McAuley High School will hold two more Parent Information Nights for 7th & 8th grade families. These evening sessions are designed for parents who would like to learn more about Mercy McAuley from school leaders, teachers and students. The sessions will cover topics including: Faith, Service and Campus Ministry; Academics, Schedule and Technology; Counseling and Student Services; Athletics and Extracurriculars; Tuition, Financial Aid and Scholarships. Optional tours will be available at the in-person session.

- Tuesday, October 13 (Virtual Session) 6:30 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 21 (In-Person Session) 6:30 8 p.m.

Registration is required at <u>www.mercymcauley.org/InfoNights</u>.



OPEN HOUSE



Please join us for our Open House on Sunday, Nov. 1 from 11am - 4pm. You will have an opportunity to:

- * tour the building with an MND Ambassador
- * get a first-hand look at our programs
- * individually meet our administrators, teachers and coaches

In order to socially distance during Open House, MND will be requiring registration with assigned tour times. There is a limit of three individuals per family tour, with an exception for parents who have more than one daughter in grades 6-8. Register at: https://www.mndhs.ora/admissions/open-house/



APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Prospective members of the Mount Notre Dame Class of 2025 may now submit their Application for Admission. MND will request school records from each applicant's current school to be received no later than December 1, 2020. Please complete the application via our website at: https://www.mndhs.org/admissions/admission-information-class-of-2025/

8TH GRADER VISITS/SHADOWING

Mindful of our priority to safely host visitors on our campus and support the health and wellness of our community, MND is offering alternative programs to traditional shadowing for 8th graders. Learn more about each program and register at: https://www.mndhs.org/admissions/shadowing-at-mnd/

Admissions Check List

what every 8th grader needs to know



Go to: www.BadinHS.org under Admissions Create an Admission Profile to complete the 9th grade application form and request a personal tour.

Request a Shadow Day!

Modified Shadow Days will be offered to 8th grade students on select dates. Register online or schedule a PERSONAL TOUR by contacting the Badin Admissions Office - info@BadinHS.org or 513.863.3993 x120.



Ramformation Nights for 7th & 8th grade students and parents In-Person dates, held at Badin High School: Sept 30, Nov 2 & 17, 7:00 PM

Oct 19 - Hispanic Night (Interpreters will be available)

Have your questions answered in a smaller setting with administration, faculty and students. Reservations required and space is limited. Reserve your spot online - BadinHS.org under admissions or scan this QR code.



Virtual Ramformation Nights

Oct 15 & Nov 11, 7:00 PM

Virtual Ramformation Nights are available for anyone who prefers not to come to Badin, but join a group on Zoom. Register for all Ramformation Nights online - BadinHS.org under Admissions or scan this QR code.

Open House- A Don't Miss Event!

Discover the many ways you can find your place at Badin High School!

Sunday, October 25, 2020, 1-7:00 PM

Reservations are required. Register online - BadinHS.org under Admissions or scan this QR Code.

- Visit classrooms and meet our faculty
- Talk to students and moderators about extracurricular offerings
- Talk to coaches about our athletic programs
- Learn more about our 1:1 Personal Computer Program, STEM Program, new art classes and more.

High School Placement Test Waived for the Class of 2025

Due to COVID19, Archdiocesan high schools will not require the High School Placement Test for enrollment, instead using grade school standardized test scores and grades from 7th grade. Please make sure that interested students have signed the Records Release form and turned it into your current school office. Apply to Badin by December 1 to be eligible for scholarships.

Q&A Session – Have last minute questions? We can help!

Monday, November 30, 2020, 7:00-8:00 PM at Badin High School

Reservations required - Register online: BadinHS.org under Admissions. Overwhelmed with choosing a high school for your son/daughter? Attend Badin's Q&A Night. This small, informal gathering at Badin is designed for 8th grade students and parents to get your questions answered.

Application & Financial Assistance Forms Due on December 1, 2020

Both forms are online at www.BadinHS.org under Admissions. To be eligible for academic scholarships, students must apply to Badin via the online application form.



Registration Night for Class of 2025

Thursday, January 28, 2021

Say YES! I want to be a RAM! #WannaBeARam Open Registration begins January 27.

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Ramformation Night QR





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RSULINE

October 19th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm Students in grades 5-8, along with their parents, are invited to join us for a <u>virtual</u> information event to learn about all that Ursuline has to offer.

You'll hear from school leadership, admissions staff, faculty and students on topics including:

- academics and curriculum
- the benefit of surrounding your daughter with girls who love to learn
- our counseling department
- clubs and student life
- athletics
- performing arts
- the admissions process

Details and Registration on this virtual event at ursulineacademy.org/admissions/admissions-events