



Our Lady of Grace Catholic School

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Weekly Bulletin

November 5, 2020



Due to the current COVID 19 pandemic, this year we will be utilizing phone conferences. We will call the number listed in Option C at the time of your conference. Please make sure you have updated your information. Our call will come through as "No Caller ID".

Please see the specific sign up options for your child's grade level below:
Primary (K-3): Sign up with your child's homeroom teacher in Option C.
Intermediate (4-5): Sign up using Mrs. Prough's link in Option C.
Junior High (6-8): Due to limited spaces, Junior High conferences will be scheduled by the teachers. They will send a notice to parents letting them know a conference is needed.

Parents in grades K-5 can schedule conferences through Option C from Nov. 9-16. If you would like to meet with a Specials/Intervention teacher or it is after Nov. 16, please email the teacher directly to schedule a conference.

Intermediate and Junior High use a group conference model when they meet with a student's parent/guardian. At this time, we will not be scheduling any OLG~HOME conferences. Thank you



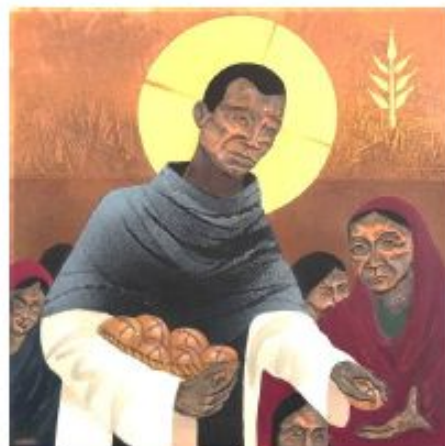
Canned Food Drive

Please bring in your canned food items, so we can reach our school goal and help our local community! Check out the flyer later in the Bulletin for more information.

Religious Education

A Saint who Worked Miracles

This past Tuesday, the Church celebrated the memory of a very great saint – Martin de Porres. Martin was born in 1579 in colonial Lima, Peru, to a well-connected white Spanish father and a black mother from Panama who had been a slave. It would be difficult to overemphasize just how much Martin de Porres' Spanish and black origins impacted his life. Even though his father was perfectly well known, Martin's baptism registration reads "Son of an unknown father," making Martin illegal in the eyes of the state and became for him a severe disadvantage. To be half black in colonial Latin America was to start life's race ten miles behind. Catching up to the Spanish-born or to the locally born pure blood Spanish would be impossible. On the ladder of social acceptability in the Spanish colonies, Martin was ranked just above an African slave. After the birth of his sister in 1581, his father abandoned the family. Ana Velázquez supported her children by taking in laundry.



Martin grew up in poverty and, when his mother could not support him, he was sent to a primary school for two years, and then placed with a barber/surgeon to learn the medical arts. Martin learned how to set fractures, dress wounds, and treat infections according to the best practices of his era. And from his mother he learned some unconventional herbal remedies that rounded out his more traditional medical education. He treated the sick and injured regularly and, over time, earned a reputation as an extraordinary healer. He aided in founding a hospital and orphanage in Lima, distributed food to the poor, and cared for recently arrived African slaves.

Many of Martin's nights were spent in prayer and penitential practices; his days were filled with nursing the sick and caring for the poor. It was particularly impressive that he treated all people regardless of their color, race, or status. He was instrumental in founding an orphanage, took care of slaves brought from Africa, and managed the daily alms of the priory with practicality, as well as generosity. His extraordinary charity was his greatest attribute. You need candles? Of course. Blankets? One moment, please. Shoes and a comb? I'll be back. Miracles and cures? Yes, God bless you. Martin de Porres became famous for doing many things—very many things—and doing them all well and with a smile.

In addition to his life of interrupted service, Martin was also a spiritual warrior. He became a Dominican lay brother but never a priest – he didn't feel worthy – but he lived in community and proudly wore the religious habit. He abstained from meat, spent long hours in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, and was witnessed displaying supernatural gifts. He lifted himself off the ground. He bilocated. His room filled with light. He possessed knowledge he could in no way have possessed naturally. His wide array of natural and supernatural gifts made him famous in Lima. When his life came to an end at the age of sixty, his body was publicly shown, and pieces of his habit were discreetly clipped off as relics.



Martin de Porres was canonized a saint in 1962. He was among the first generation of saints from the New World, along with his contemporary and friend Saint Rose of Lima. Martin was also the first mixed-race saint. He did not enjoy a European education and did not have pure European blood, but Saint Martin proved the Catholic Faith could migrate across the Atlantic Ocean intact. Saint Martin de Porres was a forerunner of many good things to come. One could hardly imagine a more fitting patron of Christian forgiveness and Christian justice on the part of those who are discriminated against - than Martin de Porres, He is the Patron Saint of African Americans, Barbers, Race Relations, and Social Justice.

Prayer: Saint Martin de Porres, we present our humble petitions to you, so that your faith and humility may bring them to our Father in Heaven. You were close to both God and all people on earth. Continue to be close to us as you live with the Lord in heaven and seek favors from Jesus on our behalf. Amen.

Have a blessed day!
Mark Friedman, CRE

OLG'S ANNUAL CANNED FOOD DRIVE



When?

November 2-November 17

Why?

To help people in need!
All items donated to our
four covenant parishes:
St. Ann's, Assumption,
Little Flower & St. Margaret Mary

Goals & Incentives?

School Goal: 2,500 Items
If Achieved = School Wide
Out-of-Uniform-Day
on Monday, November 23rd!!

LIBRARY CLOSURE

The Groesbeck Library will be closed for renovations from November 14-December 19. We know there are some students who get picked up in the library lot. If you are still planning on picking them up over there, you will need to fill out the following Google Form:

[Library Permission](#)

Without the permission form, the students will need to be picked up in the lower lot, upper lot, or ride the bus home.

Family Engagement Challenge November Parenting Tips



Week of November 2	Week of November 9	Week of November 16	Week of November 23	Week of November 30
<p> Strength of the Week: Mindfulness I am present and fully engaged in the moment.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> "Mindfulness means to pay attention in a particular way – on purpose, in the present moment, and non-judgmentally." (Jon Kabot-Zinn)</p> <p>Take some time for you and your child(ren) to turn off the electronics and practice mindfulness. Notice the different shapes and colors in the sky.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Put on your coat or sweater using your other arm. It may sound strange; however, we usually choose the same arm to put into the sleeve first. Notice what you usually do and reverse it. How did that feel?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Take a deep breath! We often say it, but do we do it? Research shows that deep breathing has a positive impact on your brain. Take a moment to start the day by closing your eyes and taking three deep breaths. Encourage your child to use this when they are stressed.</p>	<p> Strength of the Week: Love I value my close relationship with others.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> You love your child. Let them know every day this week! Each day write them a message or text..</p> <p>- "I Love You and BELIEVE in you!"</p> <p>- "You are LOVED! Today will be a GREAT day!"</p> <p>- "Having a bad day? Don't forget I LOVE you!"</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Spread love around like peanut butter. It's a healthy food with substance and it sticks to you!</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Any day can be Valentine's Day. Encourage younger kids to make a card for someone. Suggest to older kids to send a quick text (from your phone or theirs) to a loved one.</p>	<p> Strength of the Week: Kindness I am helpful and nice to others.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We could all use a little more kindness in our lives. And while it's nice when kind acts enter our lives at seemingly random moments, what if everyone approached being kind intentionally? Check out <i>Signed to be Kind</i>, our Kindness pledge for your entire family.</p> <p>https://beechacres.org/signed-to-be-kind/</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Help your child(ren) exercise their kindness muscle. Think of someone you want to be kind to, and imagine speaking directly to him/her in a kind voice and say, "May you be happy, may you be safe, I wish you well today!"</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> It doesn't take much to be kind. If someone you care about is sad, try saying, "It's okay to be sad."</p> <p>"I'll stay close so you can find me when you're ready. I'm here for you."</p>	<p> Strength of the Week: Mindfulness I am present and fully engaged in the moment.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mindfulness doesn't mean you have to be happy all the time. Take a moment to be true to your present emotion. Talk with your child(ren) about their present emotions and yours. Each person share why he/she may be feeling a certain way.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> When you are in the present moment, you are more aware of the feelings of others. Continue the practice of mindfulness. It helps to build compassion and empathy for others.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> As you're washing your hands take a moment to reflect on your day. Focus on the temperature of the water and how the suds feel. What went well today? What went poorly? Let go of the negativity as you rinse all the suds away. By the time you're finished mindfully washing your hands you have done a thorough job!</p>	<p> Strength of the Week: Curiosity I explore the world around me with an open mind and ask questions often.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Embrace all the who, what, when, how and where questions with patience. Parents you don't have to have all the answers.... Google does.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> There is a difference in being curious and being nosy. Parents discuss the difference with the family.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> It's important for families to get to know each other too. What question can you ask a family member to get an answer that is informative to you?</p>

Thursday October 15, 2020

UPCOMING EVENTS

Trunk or Treat is Friday October 30th!

Please see the attached flyer for more information.

OUT OF UNIFORM PASS SALE

PTO is selling Out of Uniform passes!! Get yours today! There is a few different options. Use the link below to order!

<https://out-of-uniform-pass.cheddarup.com>

Proceeds go to support PTO activities for students and teachers.

**Once a Month
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PASSES
On Sale**

Single day passes also available
More details online

out-of-uniform-pass.cheddarup.com

BOX TOP / COKE REWARDS

We are still collecting any clipped box tops and coke rewards, so please send them in with your child.

Remember to scan your receipts on the Box Tops App!

Any questions regarding either of these programs, please contact Susan Wells smwells1122@gmail.com



PTO MEETING REMINDER

The next PTO meeting is

Monday, November 9th at 6:30 pm via Zoom.

The zoom link will be posted on the Family Facebook page.



Active Link: <https://my.cheddarup.com/c/out-of-uniform-pass>



Our Lady of Grace Athletic Association



Missing Uniforms

We are missing several basketball uniforms from last season. If you didn't drop off your uniform at the athletic drop off last spring, please return your child's uniform to the school office in a bag with their name on it. Thanks so much!



3rd-8th grade Girls Basketball sign ups will be opening shortly, so be on the lookout for registration information. Girls basketball is offered in grades 3-8 for those enrolled at Our Lady of Grace or who are members of one of the covenant parishes (Assumption, St. Margaret Mary, Little Flower, St. Ann). OLG plays in the Girls Western Athletic Conference. 3rd and 4th grade teams play in an instructional league where emphasis is placed on skill development and learning the game of basketball. 5th-8th grade teams play in the standard GWAC competitive league where all final scores are recorded. Look for

registration information to be posted on OLG school and family Facebook pages in addition to the weekly bulletins.



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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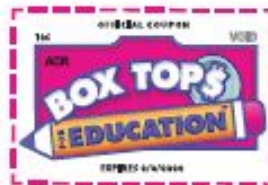


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High School Information Section
(High schools are listed in the order the information is received.)



ST. XAVIER

High School

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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 staff and have the opportunity to tour 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?



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

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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 www.mercymcauley.org/OpenHouse.

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 www.mercymcauley.org/Shadow.

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 www.mercymcauley.org/CoffeeSessions.

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 www.mercymcauley.org/InfoNights.



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 by 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

We are excited that so many prospective families are interested in learning more about MND! As a result, we have limited availability remaining in our shadowing programs. Learn more about each program and register at: <https://www.mndhs.org/admissions/shadowing-at-mnd/>

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, November 1 - 11AM to 4PM - Registration CLOSED

We have reached capacity for our Open House and registration has closed. If you would like to be added to our waitlist in the event a reservation becomes available, please email MND's Admissions Coordinator, Terri Miller (tmiller@mndhs.org).



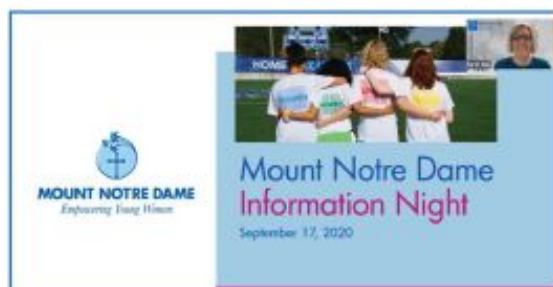
FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION NIGHT

Thursday, October 29 - 6:30PM

Prospective parents are invited to learn more about scholarship opportunities and how to complete the FACTS financial aid application. Scholarship applications and Financial Aid applications for the Class of 2025 are due by Monday, November 23, 2020. Register to attend at <https://www.mndhs.org/admissions/financial-aid-scholarship-info-night/>

INFORMATION NIGHT RECORDING

If you were unable to attend one of our three previous Information Night sessions, we invite you to view the live recording of our September 17, 2020 virtual WEBINAR: <http://www.mndhs.org/admissionswebinar/>



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.

Ramformation Night QR
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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.

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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.



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Learning Community



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.



URSULINE

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Ursuline Virtual Information Night

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 virtual 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

