



Our Lady of Grace Catholic School

Expanding Minds • Growing Faith • Inspiring Service

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Weekly Bulletin

August 29, 2019

FINAL FORMS

Instead of making parents fill out huge packets on the first day of school, OLG uses an online form system called Final Forms. These forms include emergency contact information, health history, and other pertinent information for your student. If you have not filled out these forms or updated them for this year, this needs to be done immediately. Thank you for helping us keep your student safe!

<https://olgcs-oh.finalforms.com/>

SAFE SCHOOL NOTICE

**ALL VISITORS
MUST REPORT TO
SCHOOL OFFICE**

Notes from the School Office

*If your student is going to be absent, please call the office at 513-931-3070 BEFORE 8:00am to report the absence.

*Students are marked tardy promptly at 8:00am if they are not in their classroom. Please make sure they arrive in enough time to get to their class.

*Afternoon transportation changes need to be communicated with the student before they come to school. If there is an emergency, please call the office, but changes should not be made every day.

*If your student forgets their lunch, they should buy lunch in the cafeteria. If it is an emergency, you can drop the lunch off in the office, but this should not happen every day.

Please follow these guidelines to help keep our students safe!

Religious Education

A Faithful Messenger

I'm sure that there have been many times when we were asked by a friend or a family member to do something or to deliver a message for them. Today, as we celebrate the *Memorial of the Passion of John the Baptist*, we are remembering someone who was called by God to deliver a message and a man who took this mission very seriously.

John is often called the last of the Old Testament Prophets. What does this mean? The prophets were God's messengers. They spoke to the People of Israel in a very specific way. They reminded them of the covenant or agreement that God made with them. God freed them from slavery in Egypt and assured them that they would see the Promised Land. God said to them, *'I will be your God and you will be my people.'* This promise guided and nourished the people for generations. Over time, however, they forgot all that God had done for them. The prophets came to help them to remember their past and to look to the future with hope. God was always with them and God will always be with them.

John appeared in the desert with a new and radical message; the long awaited and promised Messiah was coming, get ready and prepare for him. John was only the messenger; he himself was not the Messiah. His role was to point to Jesus, to lead people to Jesus and to prepare people for Jesus. John was the messenger in time; Jesus is the Word for eternity.

As one gospel tells us, John gave his life 'to testify to the light.' He himself said that he "was not worthy to touch the sandals of Jesus." John also gave his life as he prepared a way for the Lord. As John reminded the people of the promise God made to them, he also challenged the way they were living and treating each other. They had broken the covenant God made with them. The role of the prophet is to preach the word of God without fear and without compromise. In our own time we think of Father Maximilian Kolbe who gave his life for another prisoner in Auschwitz concentration camp. We think of Martin Luther King who gave his life for racial equality and justice. We remember St. Teresa of Calcutta who spent her whole life serving and loving the poorest people on earth. We recall St. Oscar Romero of El Salvador who was murdered while he said mass because of his concern for the poor and securing justice for them. These and countless other nameless men and women are modern John the Baptist's. They challenge us and they too point and lead us to Jesus.

More than likely, none of us will be asked to give our lives for the gospel. But we are all asked to be messengers by God. Each of us is asked to live, share and proclaim the good news with courage and conviction in big and small ways – by our actions, words, and deeds. We are called to live a prophetic life. We are to be inspired, encouraged and challenged by the example of St. John the Baptist; prophet and messenger of God. *Can WE prepare the way of the Lord for others?*

Blessings! - Mark Friedman, CRE



John baptizes Jesus in the Jordan River

OLG PTO

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Thursday August 29, 2019



EAGLE WALK 2019

There is a lot happening with EAGLE WALK right now! Don't miss your chance to be a part of something big!

- Student packets will be coming home this week – if you need more sponsorship forms please let us know via email PTO@olgcs.org
- Next EAGLE WALK Committee meeting is Thursday September 12th 7pm at Los Panchos on Colerain Ave
- Sign up to volunteer via <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B4EA5AE2BAAF94-eagle>
- Be on the lookout for weekly announcements and updates on the family FaceBook page!

DINE & DONATE

Our first Dine & Donate is on Wednesday September 4th at Quaker Steak & Lube on Colerain Ave. Bring in the flyer or show it on your smartphone or tell your server you're supporting OLG to make sure that 20% of the proceeds are donated to OLG! The flyer is attached to this newsletter as well.

BOX TOPS

We are collecting box tops!! The first turn in date for clipped tops is Friday September 6th. Box Tops is transitioning to an app – if you don't have the app yet, please consider setting it up and start scanning your receipts! Our Lady of Grace gets .10 cents for every box top! Start clipping and scanning now! Our goal for the 2019-2020 school year is \$1000. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Wells via the PTO email – pto@olgcs.org

PTO MEETING REMINDER

Monday September 9th at 630p in the teacher's lounge!
Hope to see you there!

SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Our Lady of Grace Catholic School. Come in to the Quaker Steak & Lube at 3737 Stonecreek Blvd. in Cincinnati on Wednesday, September 4th between 11am-10pm. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the server/cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 20% of the proceeds will be donated to Our Lady of Grace Catholic School.

Good for all purchases, including "to go" orders

Does not include gift certificate purchases





Our Lady of Grace Athletic Association

OLG ATHLETICS
PRESENTS

FALL 2019



www.olgcs.org/CurrentFamilies/Athletics.aspx

DON'T WAIT TIL THE LAST MINUTE
REGISTER NOW FOR FALL 2019

PosterMyWall.com

Girls Volleyball registration deadline is next Friday, 8/30. Volleyball is open to girls in 3rd - 8th grade.

Click the link below to sign up

<https://leagues.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=958718>



FC CINCINNATI



2019 Our Lady Of Grace Night

Our Lady of Grace and FC Cincinnati are proud to partner together to present Our Lady of Grace Night. For more information on how to purchase tickets, please visit www.fc-cincinnati-olg-family-night.cheddarup.com.

FC CINCINNATI VS. CHICAGO FIRE SC
 SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 | 7:30 PM

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2019 TICKETS

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Important Notice about Spiritwear -

You may not know this, but we do not actually carry Spiritwear inventory besides a few sweatshirts in some sizes, some of the time. All of our items are custom made when ordered. Our entire Spiritwear process is run by volunteers. When you place an order, it's not like placing an amazon order with 2 day shipping. It takes a little while to get the items ordered, finished and distributed.

NEW THIS YEAR - We will be placing Spiritwear orders once a month on the first Fridays of the month, same as Spiritwear days at school. You can place your order online, any time, but they will be gathered and placed together in one big order with our supplier on First Fridays. You will have your items before the following Spiritwear Day, probably sooner, but guaranteed by the next Spiritwear Day.

We are working on some new designs, but it takes time to get approval and to evaluate sustainability of designs along with keeping the costs down as much as possible. We certainly don't make much money on Spiritwear, especially uniforms which we sell at cost. Everything we do is a service to our community and we hope that you can wear your OLG Spiritwear proudly!

You can place paper orders and I'm getting the new order form up on the school website today that you can print and send in with your payment. Please always label your envelopes as "Spiritwear" and do not send loose cash with your student.

Thank you!



Junior Tennis Clinic [CLICK HERE for information](#)



Free and Reduced Applications

Please send in Free and Reduced Applications for the 2019-20 School year (yellow form) if you would like your household to be reviewed for meal benefits. Applications must be submitted **ANNUALLY**. If you received benefits last year or if you are new to OLG, you will need to submit an application to be considered for benefits for this school year. Please allow 3 to 5 days for processing. If you have not received results within that time frame, please contact the cafeteria to make sure the application has been received. If you need an extra application, they are available in the school office.

Questions can be directed to Cathy Lawson at 931-3070 x7 or clawson@olgcs.org.



Art Studio Time for grades 1-3

Weekly class on Tuesdays

Each trimester will have a theme and the classes will revolve around that theme.

1st Trimester: Animal Art Adventure-making 3D and 2D projects about animals

2nd Trimester: Making Art Like Great Artists—learning about artists and making masterpieces similar to theirs

3rd Trimester: Making Art Using Fabrics and Recyclables

I _____ (student's signature)
wish to participate in the activities in this class. ***Note: If a child signs up, it is their obligation to do the project that day and come to class each week so they do not fall behind. In case of absence, please e-mail me at brenick@olgcs.org.***

Class time: 3-4 Tuesdays: 1st class will be September 3rd

Each class is \$10 payable to OLG for materials.

Class limit: 25 students

You can sign up for the first session now, and later enroll in the second/third, or all three now—I can only take 25 students, so first come, first serve.

Permission slip for studio time—PLEASE CHECK: SESSION 1(\$10) ___ SESSION 2(\$10) ___ SESSION 3(\$10)___

Student's name _____ Grade _____

Guardian's signature _____

Guardian's email _____

Guardian's phone # _____

How the student will be getting home: _____

Volunteers I am looking for committed 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th graders to help with the younger children on Tuesday Studio Time. Please see me if you are interested.



Art Studio Time for grades 4-8

Weekly class on Wednesdays

Session One September-end of December: Making Mosaics with Glass: we will be creating our own mosaics, cutting glass using glass nippers, and grouting the finished mosaic. Students will wear safety goggles and gloves while grouting

Session Two January-end of May: Topics are undecided

I _____ (student's signature)
wish to participate in the activities in this class. ***Note: If a child signs up, it is their obligation to do the project that day and come to class each week so they do not fall behind. In case of absence, please e-mail me at brenick@olgcs.org.***

Class time: 3-4 Wednesdays—first class will begin September 4th

Each class is \$20 payable to OLG for materials.

Class limit: 15 students

You can sign up for the first session now, and later enroll in the second—I can only take 15 students, so first come, first serve.

Permission slip for studio time—PLEASE CHECK: SESSION 1(\$20) ___ SESSION 2(\$20) ___

Student's name _____ Grade _____

Guardian's signature _____

Guardian email _____

Guardian phone # _____

How the student will be getting home: _____

[CLICK HERE for the Registration Form](#)