

Our Lady of Grace

Catholic School

Expanding Minds • Growing Faith • Inspiring Service

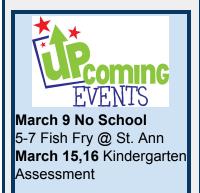
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Weekly Bulletin

March 8, 2018



Last week OLGAA's Fish Fry sold 90 lbs. of fish! It was packed, and everyone had a great time! We are still in need of volunteers to help tomorrow! Please sign up using the following link:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0f44afa823a0fa7-newfish



CLICK HERE for the outline for parents to familiarize themselves with the techniques Mr. B taught the students in his visit last week.

We encourage you to talk to your child(ren) about how they can protect their "cool" in social situations.

Re-enroll for Next Year

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to start the re-enrollment process for the 2018-19 school year. If you have questions, please call the school office at 513-931-3070.

JUST ONE ACT OF KINDNESS...

A junior high school teacher, Mrs. Parker, was having problems with students in her class behaving badly toward one another. Some were ignored and excluded, others were made fun of. Some were bullied. So one day the teacher stopped her regular routine and announced that she had had enough and asked each student to take out a sheet of paper and list the names of all the other students in the room, leaving a space between each name. Then she told them to think of the nicest thing they could say about each of their classmates and write it down. It took the rest of the class to finish the assignment, and the students, one by one, handed in the papers.

That Saturday, the teacher wrote down the names of each student on a separate sheet of paper, and listed what everyone else had said about that individual. On Monday she gave each student his or her list. Before long, the entire class was smiling. "Really?" "Wow" she heard whispered. "I never knew that I meant anything to anyone!" and, "I didn't know others liked me so much," were most of the comments – all positive.

No one ever mentioned those papers in class again. She never knew if they discussed them after class or with their parents, but the exercise had accomplished its purpose. Things changed from that day on. The students were happy with themselves and one another and things were better. The students were working together – happy in each other's company.

Several years later, one of those very students was killed in the Vietnam War, and the teacher attended his funeral. The church was packed with the soldier's friends. One by one, they all took a last walk by his coffin. The teacher was at the end of the line. She had never seen a service man in a military coffin before. He looked so grown up and mature.

As she stood there, one of the soldiers who acted as pall bearer came up to her. "Would you be Mrs. Parker - Joe's teacher?" he asked. She nodded: "yes." Then he said: "I knew you would come. Joe talked about you a lot."

After the funeral, there was a luncheon, and Joe's mother and father walked over to Mrs. Parker. "We are so glad you came. We want to show you something," his father said, taking a wallet out of his pocket. "They found this on Joe when he was killed in battle." Opening the wallet, he carefully removed two worn pieces of notebook paper that had obviously been taped, folded, and refolded many times. The teacher knew without looking that the papers were the ones on which she had listed all the good things each of Joe's classmates had said about him. "Thank you so much for doing that," Joe's mother said. "It made a big difference in his life. And as you can see, Joe treasured it."

All of Joe's former junior high classmates started to gather around Mrs. Parker. Charlie smiled and said, "I still have my list. It's in the top drawer of my desk at home." Chuck's wife said, "Chuck asked me to put his in our wedding album." "I have mine too, Mrs. Parker" Marilyn said. "It's in my diary." Then Vicki, another classmate, reached into her pocketbook, took her worn and tattered list. "I carry this with me at all times," Vicki said. That's when the teacher finally sat down and cried.

Can we learn to practice random kindness and senseless acts of beauty? Not just during Lent, but always?

Lenten Blessings, Mark Friedman, CRE



Calling 7th grade families! We need volunteers that can assist with planning the 8th grade graduation. If you are interested, please email PTO@olgcs.org. Please know that we have guidelines for you to follow and a road map to plan. The more helpers the less work for everyone!

THANK YOU OLG FAMILY!

The Events Committee is in full swing planning the Spring Carnival. Make sure to attend the Carnival on Friday, April 13th. This is a community event, so please be sure to invite family, friends and neighbors. If you would like to pre-purchase game tickets you can CLICK HERE.

If you have high schoolers that would like to volunteer for service hours - CLICK HERE.

We are also going to have the Pringles drive again, so look for a flyer to be distributed shortly.

You may have also noticed added more Dine and Donates to the calendar. We are trying to increase opportunities for families to come together and get to know one another.

With that said, we'd like to share some exciting news! We've been granted permission to start charging for tickets to attend events. Next school year we will begin taking the ideas from the survey sent out in the first trimester and scheduling additional family events. Please know that these are not fundraisers and will be opportunities for families to meet outside of OLG.

- Our Larosa's Dine and Donate was another huge success! We raised \$227.23! Way to go OLG Families!
- We tried a new spot this trimester at the North College Hill Skyline. That was a lot of fun too and we raised \$250. Who doesn't love Skyline!
- Our second Skating Party was alway a blast. The new "Place" is awesome and always a school favorite. Thank you to those that attended!

Save the date for our second annual FC Cincinnati Night on Saturday, June 30th! We will be together in the family section cheering on our hometown soccer team. Tickets will be \$12.50 per person and we'll send a link to order tickets in the coming months. We will have a special contest for 10 lucky 5-10 year olds to walk the teams out on the field the night of the game. Look for more details.

If you're interested in joining the Events Committee and/or the PTO, please email PTO@OLGCS.org

Thanks for your support!

The PTO Events Committee

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Our Lady of Grace Athletic Association

FRIDAYS IN MARCH

JOIN US FOR A FISH FRY

at St. Ann Parish 5pm-7pm

March 2, 9, 16, 23



Fried or Baked Fish
Fried Shrimp
Salted Rye from NCH
Draft & Bottled Beer

Dine in or Carry Out

Pizza, Mac-n-Cheese, Potato Wedges, Hush Puppies, Green Beans



LINKS

YMCA Fundraiser