

## **Our Lady of Grace**

**Catholic School** 

Expanding Minds • Growing Faith • Inspiring Service

#### Calendar Links



**CLICK HERE for the** SCHOOL CALENDAR



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**April 13** Carnival 6:00-9:00@ OLG

April 16 State Testing for Scholarship Students Begins

April 18 Special Person's Day (Grades 1-3) 1:15@ St. Ann



#### Weekly Bulletin

April 12, 2018





CLICK HERE to complete the 2017-2018 Parent Survey. We are excited to partner with you to offer our students an opportunity to become the best version of themselves. Constructive answers and comments on this survey allow the positive relationship between home and school to drive a culture of growth and improvement at OLG.

The survey will be open from today, April 12 thru Friday, April 27. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Kirk at mkirk@olgcs.org.





I love the Easter season and the insights into the early Christian Community we are given in the Acts of the Apostles in the daily and Sunday readings.

And all those who had believed were together and had all things in common; and they began selling their property and possessions and were sharing them with all, as anyone might have need. Acts 2:44-45

Do you believe that the act of Jesus rising from the dead is what makes the Christian faith unique? Or is it that and much more? In the ancient times there were *many* stories floating around about kings and emperors who had risen from the dead. So for the Apostles and first Christians, their faith had to be more that than – otherwise the leaders of the time would say "So he rose – *what else do you have?*" We know from Acts and from the letters of Paul that the resurrection was at the core of their faith, but it was the way they cared about one another, the way they lived their lives that showed everyone in the world that they were followers of Jesus. Have you ever thought about what makes your own personal faith so special? What is at the core of your faith?

After his death, Jesus presented himself alive to the community in many different settings over a period of forty days. In face-to-face meetings, he talked to them about things concerning the kingdom of God. As they met and ate meals together, he told them that they were on no account to leave Jerusalem but "must wait for what the Father promised: the promise of the Holy Spirit. These first Christians believed that Jesus' resurrection had implications for the entire universe. Their tradition had taught them that the world was broken and desperately in need of repair and that at some point in the future, God was going to put it all back together. The early Christians saw in Jesus' resurrection the beginning of this universe-wide movement to put it all back together.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption as children of God, for in this hope we were saved. Romans 8:20-25

These first Christians believed very passionately that the world was not made better through wealth, military power, or political intimidation. This gospel they were living had nothing to do with using political force to *force* people to live according to their laws. For them, this gospel was about *serving* the world, especially those on the margins of the Empire. For them, it was about serving, not ruling.

All of us have sinned and fallen short of God's glory. Romans 3:23

This has a deeply personal dimension to this. Jesus is saving us - he's saving me from my sins, from my mistakes, from my pride, from my indifference to the suffering of the world around me. He's saving me from my cynicism and despair, The brokenness I see in the world around me is true of my own soul, because we all fall short and that's the beautiful part. Broken, flawed, and vulnerable people like you and me, are invited to be the hands and feet of a Jesus who loves us exactly as we are and yet, loves us way too much to let us stay that way." When Jesus ascended into heaven the angels asked, "People of Galilee – why are you standing around looking up at the sky?" They were basically saying that it was time for action, a time to be Jesus' hands and feet – a time to embrace the gift of the Holy Spirit and run with it.

If people only had *your* life as the only example to look at – and people were asked the question, 'Has Jesus risen from the dead?' how would they answer based on your life? If others could only watch how you spend your time, how you spend your money, what you love, who you love, do you think they would see that Jesus has risen from the dead?

May you be a 'YES' to the question, "Has Jesus risen from the dead?" And may you come to see – may you come to understand that YOU are the good news. YOU are the gospel! Amen!

Easter Blessings, Mark Friedman, CRE



# Our Lady of Grace Athletic Association



On Friday night our 7th/8th team placed 7th out of 16 teams with Xavier Isaacs taking 1st in long jump, Will Cole taking 5th in discus with a PR of 81'05". That crushes the previous OLG 6th grade record of 59'11.5". Gregory Lovins also placed 5th in the 400m dash.

Our 7/8 girls team placed 6th out of 18 teams with Lucy Wang taking 3rd in discus ad 5th in shot put. Alissa Taite placed 6th in both discus and shot. Keelin Elmer came in 1st in the 1600m and 3rd in the 800m.

Way to go Eagles!!!



K-8 football sign ups are now open!

**CLICK HERE** for the football flyer.

**CLICK HERE** to sign up for football.



### LINKS

St. Paul Preschool

Mercy McAuley Summer Camps

Mt. Notre Dame Summer Camps

YMCA Fundraiser

LaSalle Volleyball Grade School Night
Wednesday, April 25
JV – 6:00pm VARSITY – 7:00pm
Free Admission for ALL grade school students!
Wear your grade school spirit wear!
Prize giveaways!

