



Our Lady of Grace Catholic School

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April 20 Christian Service
Day-Super Hero Day \$1
April 24 Special Person's
Day (K) 1:00



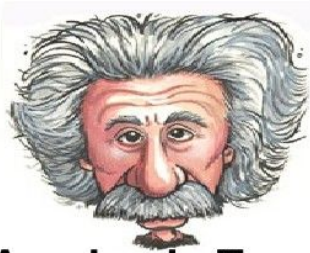
Weekly Bulletin

April 19, 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.



Academic Team

Good luck to our Junior High Academic Teams next week! They have been preparing to show their stuff since November.

Our 8th graders will compete after school on April 24. Our 7th grade team will compete on April 26. The competition will take place at Lasalle High School.

8th Grade Team Members

Justin Petrocelli, Charles Ricke, Connor Seng, Asya Williams

7th Grade Team Members

Zach Campbell, Keelin Elmer, Kristin Guethein, Paul Mattingly, Evan Miller, Grace Schreyer

Good Luck Eagles!



The PTO is currently seeking nominations for the positions of President and Treasurer. Please send your nominations to pto@olgcs.org by May 7th. Voting for these two positions will take place at the May 14th PTO meeting.

For information on the PTO, please visit our website at <http://olgcs.org/CurrentFamilies/PTO.aspx>.

It's that time of year again for our annual walkathon T-shirt contest. Make sure you submit your design by May 4!

[Walk-a-thon T-shirt contest](#)

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FC | C OUR LADY OF GRACE NIGHT

All **Our Lady of Grace** affiliates can now take advantage of special FC Cincinnati ticket pricing for the following match:

FC | CINCINNATI VS. OTTAWA
SATURDAY, JUNE 30 | 7:30 PM

SPECIAL PARTNER PRICING

2018 TICKETS		REGULAR	SPECIAL
	FAMILY SECTION		\$15 \$12.50

If you are interested in purchasing tickets to come support, please visit <https://squareup.com/store/olgpto>

Deadline to purchase is **May 21st**.



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Religious Education

Ohmmm...

Normally when we pray we like to speak a lot but we don't like to listen. Prayer in itself is as necessary for our spiritual life as breathing is necessary for our bodily life. Our spiritual life depends on God's Grace, and God has, so to speak, given us the power to breathe it in prayer. Not to pray will have the same results for the life of the soul as not to breathe would have for the life of the body, that is, sickness and death. By example and word, Christ taught the necessity of prayer. Prayer means to be with God and sometimes speak with him. The majority of people know only one kind of prayer called vocal prayer because we do it with our voices (i.e. standard prayers like Our Father, Hail Mary, or with words in the silences of our mind). These prayers are wonderful. We need to practice them.

The majority of people like to speak to God but very few speak *with* God. Why not try meditative or contemplative prayer? Meditation is simply reflecting on God's word with the help of the Holy Spirit. It is a very simple process that involves your mind, your heart, and your will. Meditation does not mean that we are looking for visions or extraordinary insights. It is no different than paying attention to someone you care for. Anyone can do it. While meditation is not the only way to pray we offer, thanks to teachings and experience of many saints, this is a simple method which seems to be particularly effective in helping people get started.

Preparation

1. Recollect. Take a minute or two to close your eyes and recall the presence of God within you. Let everything go from your day - your worries, tasks, and schedule - just let your spirit rest in God's. Empty your mind. That give God room to enter in.
2. Invite the Holy Spirit to come and guide your time of prayer.
3. Read a chapter, paragraph, or psalm containing a verse you would like to reflect on, then re-read the verse alone.
4. OR you can just simply sit in silence and let whatever comes in to your mind and heart enter in.

Body of the Prayer

1. **Reflection.** Close your eyes. If you started with a scripture verse, you may find taking a few words at a time and mulling over them in your mind to be helpful. God will give you insights, but you need to participate by thinking about the verse or image of Jesus' life. You could imagine that you are there and that Jesus is speaking to you. You could imagine that you are one of the disciples, or other characters in the Gospel that are being healed, rebuked, forgiven, or welcomed. You can think about how it applies to your life - some sin in your life, or how someone else's sin has hurt you, and how God can bring forgiveness and healing to that sin or injury.
2. **Affectional Prayer** (Involves your heart): While you are reflecting you may spend some time talking to God about what your heart is currently experiencing. If you were meditating on a verse on Jesus' suffering and death and you think of a time that you suffered unjustly, that is a signal that you should pray about it. You can talk it through with God and thank Jesus for suffering that same humiliation and rejection like you. You might ask Him to help you forgive those who did it to you by asking the Holy Spirit to help heal you, and to guide you in how to respond in a Christ-like manner to those who hurt you.
3. **Resolution** (Involves your will): After you have thought about Christ and His words or actions, and your heart is on board - with or without emotions - you should now engage your will. Your ability to change and grow in Christ-likeness comes from this part of the prayer. You will want to make a practical resolution in response to your meditating on the suffering and death of Christ, you might make this type of a resolution: "Lord, I resolve to spend more time thanking you when I pray and less time talking about what I think I need."

Conclusion

When you are finished meditating, you can simply thank God. Ask Mary, or a favorite patron saint for help. Ask them to pray for you to help you achieve it. Carry a word or thought from your meditation through your day. As St. Teresa of Avila points out, meditation consists not so much in thinking a great deal, but in loving a great deal. When the will bursts forth with acts of love, an intimate contact is established between the soul and God, and then it is that the soul can truly be said to be praying.

Blessings, Mark Friedman, CRE



Our Lady of Grace Athletic Association



K-8 football sign ups are now open!

[CLICK HERE](#) for the football flyer.

[CLICK HERE](#) to sign up for football.



McAuley freshman and Our Lady of Grace graduate, Eileen Jones earned a perfect score on the National Latin Exam. Each year, less than 1% of students who take the NLE earn a perfect score. This year, 143,000 students from all 50 states and 24 countries took the 2018 National Latin Exam. In the past decade, McAuley students have earned 20 perfect scores.

McAuley senior and OLG graduate Lindsay Cook was also named the Maureen O'Donnell Book Award Winner. Lindsay has earned four consecutive Gold Medals on the National Latin Exam for Latin I-IVAP. There are only a few hundred students each year out of the thousands who take the exam who earn this honor.

Many McAuley students also earned medals and certificates for their scores on this year's National Latin Exam. Congratulations to these additional honorees, as well as to McAuley Latin Teacher Mrs.

Rachel Kless:

5 Gold Medals (Summa Cum Laude – Top 10%, including the Perfect Score)

- Lindsay Cook – Latin IV (OLG graduate)
- Katelyn Freese – Latin III
- Ellie Kammerer – Latin III
- Eileen Jones – Latin I (OLG graduate)
- Clare Mattingly – Latin I (OLG graduate)



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ROGERBACON HIGH SCHOOL

2018 SUMMER CAMPS

BOYS BASKETBALL

GRADES 7-9 = JUNE 4-7

GRADES 2-6 = JUNE 11-14

GIRLS BASKETBALL

GRADES 3-9 = JUNE 18-20

FOOTBALL

GRADES 3-8 = JULY 16-18

SWIMMING

GRADES 6-9 = JULY 9-11

HSPT PREP COURSE

GRADE 8 = JULY 31 or AUG. 7



GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

GRADES 3-5 = JULY 9-12

GRADES 6-8 = JULY 9-12

GRADE 9 = JULY 10-11

SOCCER

GRADES K-9 = JULY 23-27

UNDERWATER HOCKEY

GRADES 6-9 = JUNE 25-29

MUSICAL THEATER

GRADES 6-8 = JUNE 11-15

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