



# Our Lady of Grace Catholic School

*Expanding Minds • Growing Faith • Inspiring Service*

## Calendar Links

2018-2019  
SCHOOL YEAR  
CALENDAR

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SCHOOL CALENDAR](#)



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Feb. 15 Dress in favorite sports team for \$1.00  
Feb. 18 No School  
Feb. 28 End of 2nd Trimester  
March 1 Spiritwear Day



Weekly Bulletin

February 7, 2019

## Spread Your Wings at OLG!

### Ready for Kindergarten?

Come meet the teachers.  
Learn about our curriculum and  
our enriching educational activities.

**Wednesday, February 20th**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Our Lady of Grace Catholic School  
Trinity Room**



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### Cost concerns?

An affordable education may be within your reach.  
Scholarships available.  
Contact Darlene Cytraus at 931-3070  
or [dcytraus@olgcs.org](mailto:dcytraus@olgcs.org)  
Any information discussed is kept confidential.

Now enrolling for the 2019-20 School Year!

OLG's Kindergarten and re-enrollment periods have officially begun! The re-enrollment period deadline is February 28. Open enrollment will begin March 1 for new families.

If you have questions, please email Darlene Cytraus at [dcytraus@olgcs.org](mailto:dcytraus@olgcs.org) or Mike Desmier at [mdesmier@olgcs.org](mailto:mdesmier@olgcs.org).

[CLICK HERE for the Tuition and Fees Information Sheet.](#)

# Religious Education

## Be My Valentine!

Each year on February 14, we peruse the store shelves for the perfect gift or card for a loved one. According to Hallmark, more than 163 million cards—*not including* packaged kids' valentines—are exchanged. And it's not just an American phenomenon. Valentine's Day is celebrated in Canada, Mexico, the United Kingdom, France, Australia, Italy and Denmark. But why? How did this holiday of love and romance originate and, more importantly, how did Saint Valentine become involved? The origin of this holiday for the expression of love really isn't romantic at all—at least not in the traditional sense.

Valentine was a Roman Priest in the early Church at a time when there was an emperor called Claudius who persecuted the church. He also had an edict that prohibited the marriage of young people. This was based on their belief that unmarried soldiers fought better than married soldiers because married soldiers might be afraid of what might happen to them or their wives or families if they died. The Church taught that marriage was very sacred between one man and one woman for their life and that it was to be encouraged that couples - young or old - be joined in Christian marriage, and the idea of encouraging them to marry within the Christian church was what Valentine was about. And he secretly married them despite the Emperor's edict.

And for that, Valentine was eventually caught and imprisoned for performing marriage ceremonies against command of Emperor Claudius. And there are also legends surrounding Valentine's actions while in prison. One of the men who was to judge him in line with the Roman law at the time was a man called Asterius, whose daughter was blind. He was supposed to have prayed with and healed the young girl with such astonishing effect that Asterius himself became Christian as a result. Even in a Roman prison, Valentine acted with love.

In the year 269 AD, Valentine was sentenced to die because of his stand for the holiness of Christian marriage. The story goes that the last words he wrote were in a note to Asterius' daughter. He inspired today's romantic messages by signing it, "*from your Valentine.*"

I think that the life of hat Valentine shows us that there comes a time where you have to lay your life upon the line for what you believe. And with the power of the Holy Spirit we can do that—even to the point of death. Valentine's martyrdom has not gone unnoticed by the general public. In fact, there are no less than three churches that claim to house the remains of Valentine. (everyone wanted to claim him) Today, many people make the pilgrimage to those churches to honor the courage and memory of this Christian saint.

And so, Valentine has come to be known as the patron saint of lovers. Before you enter into a Christian marriage you want some sense of God in your life—some great need of God in your life. And we know, particularly in the modern world, that can be hard to do at times!

If Valentine were here today, I think he would say to married couples that there comes a time in all marriages when you're going to have to deal with difficulties. It's not going to be easy to hang on to your commitment and your vows in marriage. Don't be surprised if the 'gushing' love that you have for someone changes to something less "gushing" - but maybe much more mature. Human love is wonderful, and blessed by God—but it is also in the shadow of the cross – after all, we make our wedding vows “in good times and in bad.”

But nonetheless, Valentine's Day is a wonderful opportunity to let the people in your life know how much you love and care about them. Send flowers and cards, give candy. But whatever you do – do it from *your* heart!

**Mark Friedman, CRE**

# OUR LADY OF GRACE BOX TOPS NEWSLETTER

February 2019

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR OUR SCHOOL!

Please clip Box Tops coupons – each one is worth .10 for our school!

Box Tops can be found on hundreds for quality products from brands like these:

- General Mills
- Pillsbury
- Betty Crocker
  - Ziploc
  - Kleenex
  - Hefty

Visit [btfe.com](http://btfe.com) for a complete list of participating brands and to learn more about how you can help our school.

# SPECIAL TURN IN DAY MONDAY FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>!

Imagine what YOUR CHILD could do...

1 Box Top per month x 10 months = \$1.00

5 Box Tops per month x 10 months = \$5.00

10 Box Tops per month x 10 months = \$10.00

Imagine what OUR SCHOOL could do...

\$1.00 x 400 students = \$400.00

\$5.00 x 400 students = \$2000.00

\$10.00 x 400 students = \$4000.00

**SCHOOL GOAL = \$2500**

Help us reach our \$2500 goal  
this year!





# Our Lady of Grace Athletic Association



## Registration for the 2018 Track and Field Season is now open!

Track is offered for boys and girls in ALL GRADES K-8

Practices will be Monday and Wednesday evenings at Mt. Healthy High School (times TBD)

Follow the link below to register!

**DEADLINE IS FRIDAY March 1<sup>st</sup>!!!!**

<https://leagues.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=759168>

Questions please contact Kate Romanello-Jones at [oltrackandfield@gmail.com](mailto:oltrackandfield@gmail.com)



Come out and cheer our 8th grade/B level boys basketball team to victory! They are playing for the league championship this Friday, February 15th at 7:30pm at Our Lady of Victory Parish & School. Let's Go Eagles!! #eaglesflyinghigh



Lunch entree for this Friday, Feb 15th, is Marco's Cheese Pizza. **Students may purchase an extra slice of pizza for \$1 cash.** Grades 6-8 may purchase two extra slices. Due to the large number of meals and extras at the register, we will require cash for the extra slice. Students must order extra in their morning lunch count. *Note: On all other lunch days, extra entree is \$1.50 and may be purchased with student meal accounts.*

Please take a minute to review our updated OLG Wellness Policy. It can be found on our school web-site under the Cafeteria page under Resources for Parents. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Mrs. Lawson or Mrs. Shewmaker.

# GOT BREAKFAST?



## OUR LADY OF GRACE HAS IT!

*School breakfast will be offered every school day.*

*7:30am – 7:50am*

**\* Serve line closes promptly at 7:50am. If your student wants breakfast, they must arrive in time.**

- Hot and cold breakfast entrees offered daily along with fresh fruit, cut fruit, 100% juice and milk.
- Free and Reduced Price (\$0.30) Breakfast for those who qualify. Benefits from lunch extend to breakfast.
  - Full price breakfast only \$1.50!
- Payments can be made with funds on student's electronic account or with cash at the register.

**USDA is an equal opportunity provider.**

# RECOLLECTION

Fr. Tony Stephens is currently Vice-Rector, Director of Formation, for our Seminary of St. St. Mary's of the West. He will be coming to St. Therese Little Flower to give a Day of Recollection on Saturday, March 2, 2019.

More details will follow soon but please mark your calendars for this wonderful day of renewal and reflection which will begin at 10 am and continue until 4:30 mass begins most likely.

Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to begin the Lenten season with a more focused, spiritually enlivened outlook!



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## Family Day

Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

Check-in at Noon

To Purchase visit <https://squareup.com/store/olgpto>

Skiing (Price per person)	Standard Pricing	OLG Pricing
Lift Ticket	\$52	\$39
Ski Rental	\$29	\$20
Total	\$81	\$59
<i>Total savings of \$22 per person!!</i>		

Tubing (Price per person)	Standard Pricing	Group Pricing
3 Hour Session	\$32	\$25
<i>Total savings of \$7 per person!!</i>		

**\*\*In order to honor group pricing, OLG needs to sell a total of 50 passes.**

Complete your wavier at Waivers are available at [www.perfectnorth.com/waivers](http://www.perfectnorth.com/waivers)

19074 Perfect Lane Lawrenceburg, IN 47025 (812)-537-3754

Join us for...

**THE FIRST EVER...**  
**ODD BALL DANCE**  
**BE SILLY! BE UNIQUE!**  
**BE YOU!**

**MAY 18. 2019 7 P.M.**  
**OLG GYM**

snacks and drinks provided  
guests do not need to be virtus  
trained  
tickets: \$18 per couple or \$30 per  
family  
cash, check, or pay square  
<https://squareup.com/store/olopto>



## BOOK DRIVE



Hosted by Matthew Drew

February 11, 2019 through February 25

Collecting New or Gently used Books  
from preschool to teenage reading levels

Books will go to children in Greater  
Cincinnati and Northern KY through  
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**Slice of the Pie.**  
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Grace PTO**

**Thank you for supporting  
OLG PTO!**

**Please join us.**

**We will donate**

**20%**

**of our proceeds to**

**Our Lady of Grace PTO**

**Tuesday, February 26, 2019**

**10:30 AM - 10:00 PM**

Please present your flyer to a Team Member to participate.



**WHITE OAK**

**Dine In . Delivery . Carry Out**

**We love to help the neighborhoods we serve!**



Hello, OLG Parents!

Does your child get excited about anything and everything that has to do with science?!

Dynamic Dinosaurs  
Measurement Madness  
Water Works  
Science of the Sea



These popular **Crystal Clear Science** classes are being offered at Our Lady of Grace School for the next session:

Dates **March 7, 14, 21, April 4**

Classes meet right after school on **Thursdays 3:00 - 4:00.**

Grades 1-5

Mrs. Mary Jo Fischer is eager to inspire your child to love science. :)

For your convenience, register and pay online from your computer or phone. Please use link below to secure a spot for your child:

<https://www.crystalclearscience.com/our-lady-of-grace-science-club>

Please note your child's spot is not confirmed until you follow the link to submit payment. Once registered, **watch your email** for confirmation of your payment and more details about the class.

Best Regards,  
Michelle White  
513.828.9944

[crystalclearscience.com](http://crystalclearscience.com)



Questions about the class or registration? Contact:  
Mary Jo Fischer  
[mifischer@fuse.net](mailto:mifischer@fuse.net)