



Our Lady of Grace Catholic School

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SCHOOL YEAR
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Feb. 28 End of 2nd
Trimester
March 1 Spiritwear Day



Weekly Bulletin

February 21, 2019



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 or Mike Desmier at mdesmier@olgcs.org.

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



Did you know we have two Facebook pages at OLG which offer A LOT of information for families?

[CLICK HERE for the OLG School page.](#)

[CLICK HERE for the OLG Family page.](#)

Religious Education

Port left, Starboard right.

There was an old sea Captain who had earned a reputation as one who could make excellent decisions in times of crisis. People did notice, though, that just before it was time to give his orders to the crew, he would go down to his stateroom, open his safe, and pull out a slip of paper and read it. Then he would stride on deck and make the right call.

Naturally, curiosity was high – so it was no surprise, that when the old Captain died, one of the first things the crew did after his funeral service, was to gather in his stateroom and watch while the first mate opened the safe and pulled out the well-worn slip of paper. He read it aloud:

Port left, Starboard right.

What!?! Doesn't every sailor know that? But, in difficult times, the Captain knew to remind himself repeatedly of the basics. Yes, the captain's little slip of paper held information that everyone already knows. But it was *his* secret, the basic source of his ability to act.

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus is a little like that Captain. He has a secret. He is secretive about his identity, and Jesus refrains from appropriating any titles for himself. He teaches in parables in which the secret of the kingdom of God lies hidden. Over and over, Jesus "sternly orders" people not to tell his secret. *Shhhh* - is Jesus' message to the demons he drives them out. *Shhhh* - is his word to a leper he has healed, and a synagogue leader whose daughter he restores to life, and a deaf man he restores to speech, and a blind man at Bethsaida he restores to sight.

And in today's Gospel reading from Mark Chapter 8, there is an interesting exchange between Jesus and his disciples. As Jesus and his disciples were walking toward the town of Caesarea Philippi he asks them: "Who do people say that I am?" They respond with a variety of answer "John the Baptist, Elijah, or one of the prophets." But Jesus asks "Who do *YOU* say I am?" Peter replies by saying, "You are the Christ!" Although it is difficult to know for sure what Peter's understanding of "Christ" is, I believe it is safe to say that Peter *somehow knows* that Jesus is the anointed one and that he will usher in a new era of peace and holiness. But he doesn't quite get what it will take for this to happen. For when Jesus mentions that the Son of Man must suffer greatly, be rejected by all, and be killed and then rise in three days, Peter is not only surprised by this, but actually reprimands Jesus for even saying such things! After all, how could *that* happen to the Messiah.

For the Gospel writer Mark, this secret functions throughout his gospel like the little slip of paper in the Captain's safe. It expresses the heart of Jesus' divine identity – *the cross*.

And Jesus' repeated stern injunctions to people "not to tell" are not completely successful. The demon knows him - the healed leper spreads the news - and a whole crowd observes the healing of the paralytic let down through the roof by his friends. *Even Peter seems to know*.

We have to focus on the fact that Jesus' authority and power come from his willingness to submit himself to God in love for us – and we are called to do the same for one another. Those who would be disciples of the secretive Messiah of Mark's gospel must keep a slip of paper in a safe place on which is written the real secret of the kingdom of God in Mark: *Divine power only flows from the cross*. That's a fundamental message for us Christians. There will be pain – there will be sorrow – and we must accept our cross as Jesus the Messiah did.

In a culture and a time that holds an opposite understanding of the source and purpose of power, we continually need this reminder. For if we are living faithful lives and seek to serve others, and love them as Christ loved us –we must accept our crosses - *then it's no secret to anyone*.

Mark Friedman, CRE

YOU ARE THE PTO



SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL!

Dine & Donate

Our next scheduled Dine & Donate will be held at Larosa's in White Oak from 10:30am-10:00pm on Tuesday, February 26th. Dine-in, Carry-out and Delivery options available. Please bring the flyer that will be sent home to participate. Remember, 20% of all sales will be donated to OLG!



Box Tops!

Remember to turn in your Box Tops this Friday! For your student and your student's class to get credit, please include your student's name and class on the envelope or baggie. For every 10 box tops submitted, your student will earn a prize from PTO!



an easy way to
earn cash for
your school!

Upcoming Events

Check out the Upcoming Events scheduled for OLG. Check out our new SQUARE page to purchase tickets for our upcoming events.

Visit <https://squareup.com/store/olgpto>

- Perfect North Family Night – Bring on the snow! See you Saturday, 2/22!
- Odd Ball Dance NEW DATE – We've rescheduled the dance to Saturday, 5/18 at OLG.

PTO Meeting Reminder.

Join us at our next PTO meeting on Monday, March 11th in the teacher lounge. Starting this month, for every meeting you attend you earn extra entries in the tuition raffle at our Volunteer Dinner in May.

If you have any questions you can always email PTO@olgcs.org.

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 of quality products from brands like these:

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

Visit 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 25TH!

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 1st!!!!

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

Questions please contact Kate Romanello-Jones at oltrackandfield@gmail.com



March 5th, 7pm

Shyla Colt at Joseph-Beth Booksellers

2692 Madison Rd,
Cincinnati, OH 45208

You are cordially invited to come see OLG's very own Shyla Colt (mom of Tiana and Isla Novak) at Joseph-Beth Booksellers. Shyla visited our 5th grade classrooms earlier this year to talk about being an author. Congratulations on your success Shyla!

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!



OUR LADY OF GRACE
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Family Day

Saturday, February 23rd

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 waiver at Waivers are available at 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
Adopt-A-Book

Call (513) 245-0968 or email
ccadrew@yahoo.com for pick up

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FAMILY PIZZERIA

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— SUCCESS —
FUNDRAISING**



Slice of the Pie.
FUNDRAISING EVENT

**Our Lady of
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



Questions about the class or registration? Contact:
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