

Our Lady of Grace Catholic School

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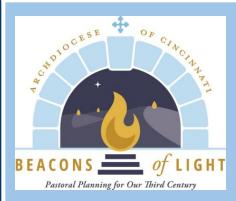
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Weekly Bulletin

October 18, 2021

If ANYONE in your house is being tested for COVID, YOUR CHILD CANNOT COME TO SCHOOL UNTIL THE PERSON BEING TESTED RECEIVES A NEGATIVE TEST RESULT. Parents are required to inform the school within 24 hours if a student or someone in the student's home tests positive. This is non-negotiable and applies to everyone.



*Each family with multiple parishes will be staffed with multiple priests, as appropriate per family.

*No parishes or schools are being closed at this time.

*Families of Parishes will be implemented July 1, 2022.



Welcome to the 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat October 29th 6p - 8p.

This is an OLG Family and Friends event and should not be shared on Community Facebook Pages.

St. Ann's back parking lot, car set up can begin as early as 5pm. Parking will be in the lower lot for treaters.

For more information and to sign up, so to: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d49aca82ca4fa7-olgtrunk

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Mary is our Mother

When I was growing up, I remember many times when there was something I really wanted to do that was out of the ordinary – like a concert, or a camping trip with friends, or whatever – and I was afraid to ask my dad's permission, thinking he'd say no. So, nine out of ten of those times, I would go to my mother to break it to dad – knowing that if she asked on my behalf – he'd most likely say yes. Sure, I could have gone straight to dad, but it seemed like a better idea to get someone like mom on my side before going to the big guy. With mom behind me approving my request, it felt like there was less of a chance Dad would refuse. As I think back on this, I realize now that it directly relates to my current relationship with Mary – our Blessed Mother. This is how Mary plays into my life these days. I go to my spiritual mother Mary, first, and then we go to God together.

I lost my own mother twelve years ago to Alzheimer's, although it seemed as though we lost her during the last two years of her life when she suffered terribly with that heartbreaking disease. It was August, only fifteen days after we buried mom that I was asked to sing at a special Mass at the Cathedral in Downtown Cincinnati on the feast of the Assumption of Mary – the celebration of Mary being taken up into heaven body and soul. I remember feeling very sad during that whole Mass and really missing my mom. I can recall praying to Mary during the quiet parts of the Mass and saying how much I missed my mother and asked Mary to pray for her soul and for me. When Mass was over, I was walking across the street to the parking garage, when I passed a phone booth (remember this was twelve years ago!) where an old woman with her back to me was looking in the coin return and on the ground for money that may have dropped from a caller's pocket.

I guess the lady saw me out of the corner of her eye and said "Sonny, could you spare a couple dollars?" My first reaction was my typical negative reaction to all panhandlers – but she was elderly and I did just come from the church. So, I reached into my wallet and pulled out the only money I had - a ten-dollar bill. *Too much* was my first thought, but then the old woman turned around - and what I saw staring kindly up at me was my own mother's face! Of course, not *exactly* her, but she bore a striking resemblance to the mom I knew before dementia and Alzheimer's had really aged her. She had that smile and that darker Italian skin I remembered so well - and memories flooded back into my head. I was stunned for a moment and I began tearing up. I was actually shaking. "What's the matter, son?" she said with love - and it was all I could do to smile and hand her the money. "It's way too much" the old lady said, "but thank you." *And she walked away*.

Mary is our mother, and she cares for us. She plays a major role now in my life and I know that I can always go to her as I did with my own Mother when things get hard and stressful. By the way, my Mom's name was *Ann* – which was also the name of *Mary's mother*. I will always be grateful to her for hearing my prayer at Mass that day ten years ago - and for the gift Mary gave to me - *on her feast day*.

Blessings, Mark Friedman, CRE





Our Lady of Grace Athletic Association

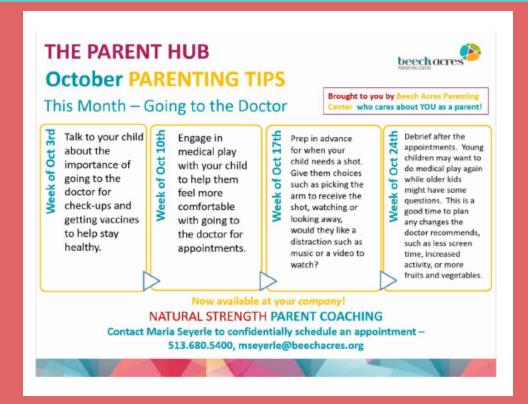
Stay up-to-date on all things athletics on the OLGAA website: https://leagues.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=759168

Pick Your Own

PTO is selling Once a Month Out of Uniform passes. Pass is good for one day only each month. The passes cost \$5 per month, or buy 6 months now for \$25



PTO is once again selling Out of Uniform passes that can be used once a month by students. The passes will start in October and can be used each month until March. Follow the link to secure yours today! https://out-of-uniform-pass-copy.cheddarup.com



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High School Information

Junior High Parents-This section of the Weekly Bulletin will be used to offer various information about the Catholic high schools in our area. Click on the link to get to the high schools' websites for further information and contact them directly with any questions you have.

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