



Our Lady of Grace Catholic School

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Weekly Bulletin

May 16, 2022

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May 24 Graduation
May 25 Last day of school

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May Crowning is a traditional Roman Catholic ritual held during the month of May. It is a solemn procession during which a statue of the Blessed Virgin is crowned with a garland or crown of flowers honoring Mary as “the Queen of May.” There is a special honor attached to being chosen to crown the statue. Eighth grader, Ava Keller crowned Mary during Tuesday’s ceremony with the help of her attendants.



The school office will be closed May 26-27.

Summer hours:

May 30-June 30 9:00-11:30 or By Appointment
July 1-July 29 By Appointment Only

Please call the school office or email to schedule an appointment.



Why Statues?

I have often been asked by people who visit our churches: "Why do Catholics worship idols?" The answer is "we do not," but we do have a long tradition of using statues in our churches. This is because hundreds of years ago, people were not well educated and most could not read and write and couldn't understand the stories in the bible for themselves. Priests and scholars were the only people in the church who were educated enough to read and understand the bible. Therefore, the church used statues, paintings and stained-glass windows to visually portray the biblical stories and show what people from that time period may have looked like. The stained-glass windows in a church often depicted the stories from Jesus' life *visually*, so that everyone, including little children, could understand who Jesus was and see depictions of the things He did.

It isn't much different today. We have photographs of our grandparents to remember them by, and share stories about who they were with our children. Music and YouTube videos on the internet tell a story in a couple of minutes, mostly by using pictures and a few words too. People do not have time to read very much and the message needs to get across to the viewer as quickly, and to the point as possible. The images and sound bites on the evening news are other examples of the need to quickly portray a story in just a few seconds.

Many of the buildings in our nation's capital have statues of presidents, war heroes, and other important public figures in order to honor them and preserve their memory. There are a lot of town squares throughout the world that have statues of a famous person who once lived in their town too, to honor them and remember what they looked like. Jesus, Mary and the saints are no different than any other important public figures in our world today. Catholics have statues of Jesus, Mary and the saints in our churches, to honor them and preserve their memory, just like our nation does with statues of presidents and war heroes.

Just a Note: May Crowning, the Rosary, and the many statues of Mary to the casual observer may appear that Catholics are worshipping Mary – that is not true - this is simply a way that Catholics show her honor. God honored Mary too, by sending the angel Gabriel to tell her she was "full of grace" and ask her to bear His son.

Here at the Our Lady of Grace Catholic School, we have many beautiful statues of Mary and the saints all around the building and Saint Ann Church. Below are just a few of the many statues which *honor* these wonderful saints and preserve their memory. (there are more) Remember the expression, "out of sight, out of mind?" As Catholics, we never want Jesus, and Mary, and the example of the saints to be out of sight or out of mind, but be forever enduring in our hearts, and in our everyday lives. *See if you can find these statues around the building!*



St Ann with her daughter
Mary



St Francis of Assisi



Another statue of St Ann
with her daughter Mary



Mary with her May Crown



The Blessed Mother



Another statue of St Ann
with her daughter Mary



The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary, & Joseph with St
Ann



St Francis again



A Guardian Angel



The Sacred Heart of
Jesus



Last Day of School

May 25: Last Day of School

We will be celebrating the last day of school with an all school Mass at 10:30. After Mass, we will honor our retirees, and sing the Circle Song. Parents are invited to share in this celebration with us.

We will then go back to the classrooms for final summer preparations. At 12:00, you are invited to sign your child(ren) out from their homerooms. **You are welcome to take your child(ren) home or bring a blanket and have a picnic with friends in the back field.** Either way, it is fun for the kids to have a special early dismissal the last day!

The cafeteria will have a brown bag style lunch and milk available for students or they can pack their own lunch from home. We understand not all parents are able to be here to get their child early, so teachers will have lunch with students whose parents are unable to attend. They will supervise them until dismissal at 2:50 p.m. Buses will be running at their normal times for those few students.

Please complete and return this form to your child's homeroom teacher by May 17th.
(Please fill out a separate form for each student.)

Student's Name _____

_____ I will be taking my student home with me at 12:00 on May 25th.

_____ I give permission for _____ to sign out my child.

_____ My child will have lunch with his/her teacher and will remain at school until 2:50.

Parent Signature _____ Date: _____



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>



Registration for the 2022-2023 Soccer season is now open! The season begins in early August with practice. Practice is determined by the coach but is typically 1 night a week for Swarmers (Birth Year 2014), and Passers (Birth Year 2013 and 2012.) For Wings and above (Birth Years 2011-2007) there are typically 2 practices a week, BUT that is determined by the coach. Click on the link to sign up!
<https://soccer-fall-2022.cheddarup.com>



Registration for the 2022-2023 Girls Volleyball season is now open! The season begins in early October with practice, and the season runs from November-January. Girls who attend OLG or belong to one of the covenant parishes (Assumption, St. Margaret Mary, Little Flower, St. Ann), and who are in 3rd - 8th grade can sign up to play. Click on the link to sign up!
<https://girls-volleyball-2022-2023.cheddarup.com>



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OHIO EdChoice
Scholarship

Click on the link below for the 2022-2023 renewal/registration documentation:

[Tuition and Fees Information Sheet](#)

[Re-enrollment Deposit Procedure](#)

[EdChoice Renewal Form](#) (current students)

[EdChoice Request Form](#) (new to OLG students)

[Income Verification Form](#)

Lunch Entrees for the Upcoming Week

Monday, May 16th: Chicken Tenders & Mac n Cheese

Tuesday, May 17th: Cheeseburger on Bun

Wed, May 18th: Cincy Chili & Spaghetti, Shredded Cheese

Thurs, May 19th: Marco's Cheese Pizza, Frozen Juice Cup

Friday, May 20th: Choice of Pizza Entree

- ❖ All meals include a choice of fruit and milk
- ❖ Alternative entrees will follow the regular weekly schedule.

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Ohio Summer Food Service Program

Ohio SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

KIDS EAT FREE!



- No Registration
- 18 or Younger

USDA United States Department of Agriculture Ohio Department of Education
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All children ages 1 through 18 are eligible to receive free meals during the summer months at participating program sites. Individuals ages 19 through 21 who have been identified as having mental or physical disabilities and are following Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) through their current enrollment in educational programs also are eligible for free summer meals. For more information call 1-866-3-HUNGRY (486479).

Free Meals for Youth Cincinnati Public Libraries

Free Meals for Youth through UMC Food Ministry
Mondays 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm at the Groesbeck Public Library

No Registration. First Come, First Served.

Children age 1-18 years of age and age 19-21 years with an IEP, physical or mental disability.

In an effort to combat hunger, the Library is partnering with [UMC Food Ministry](#) to bring meals for youth to select Library locations. The UMC meal service is made possible through federal funding, as part of the USDA's Child Nutrition Programs.

For a list of participating locations and details about this service, please visit cincinnati.library.org/meals.

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Drawing June 11, 2022

**The Celebrate Assumption 50/50 Split the Pot Raffle has begun!
Tickets are \$5.00 each, 6 tickets for \$25.00 or 30 tickets for \$100.00.**

The more tickets sold, the bigger the prize!

The seller of the winning ticket will receive \$100.00.

We will have weekly updates in the bulletin and on our website.

**Purchase online at
www.assumptionmthealthy.org
or scan the QR code to the right**

