



## CRUSADER CONNECTION

Dear school families,

It has been another blessed week for the students and teachers, and I hope for all of you! I am always in awe of the way God's grace moves in the school community and the fruit of that grace. Two ways I see the fruit of God's grace at work is the hope and joy I see in the students as I walk through the school.

Hope is that virtue which allows our eyes, hearts, and minds to sense the presence of God. Hope provides that reassurance that even in the challenging moments of our life, God is present to us. This week, as Pope Leo XIV spoke at his Wednesday audience, he shared these consoling words: "We often think the Lord only visits us in moments of recollection or spiritual fervor, when we feel worthy, when our lives seem orderly and bright. Yet, the Risen One draws near precisely in the darkest places: in our failures, in worn-out relationships, in the daily struggles that weigh on our shoulders, in the doubts that discourage us. Nothing we are, no fragment of our existence, is foreign to Him. No fall is final, no night is endless. No wound is destined to remain open forever. However far we may feel, lost or unworthy, there is no distance that can extinguish the unfailing power of God's love."

Those words of Pope Leo bring such hope and consolation for me, and I pray for you too! The other fruit of God's grace is joy. Whether it's during lunch, on the playground, or especially during dismissal, it brings a smile to my face when I see joy in the children or I hear them laugh. It is never something I want to miss, and offer gratitude to God for these two fruits of His grace.

As we move into the weekend, the Gospel for this Sunday is from Luke, and recounts the healing of the ten lepers. We hear that only one returned to give thanks to Jesus for such a miracle, and so that lesson of gratitude resonates in our hearts. I invite all of us to think of some new ways in which we can express gratitude, or for

I invite all of us to think of some new ways in which we can express gratitude, or for something in particular for which we can thank God. It is our own Blessed Solanus Casey who would often say: "Thank God ahead of time!".

Be assured of my prayer for a blessed and holy weekend!

Monsignor Lajiness

## UPCOMING DATES

### OCTOBER

- 1 All School Mass at 8:00am  
Parent Night from 6 - 8:00pm, Active Assailant Training and Vision Cast
- 3 **Spirit Dress Down Day**
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- 16 Picture Retake Day (Jostens)  
Used Uniform Closet open 8-10am
- 17 **Spirit Dress Down Day**
- 24 First Quarter Ends, **Theme Day Michigan/Michigan State green or blue**
- 29 All School Mass, All Saints Festival
- 31 **\*\*NEW\*\* Theme Day: Orange & Black**

### NOVEMBER

- 7 Fall Bash  
**Theme Day: Fall Bash Green Out**
- 13 Parent Teacher Conferences ½ Day
- 14 PT Conferences, No School
- 17 - 24 Blessed Solanus Casey Relics are here!
- 19 All School Mass
- 21 **Spirit Dress Down Day**
- 26 - 30 Thanksgiving Break



School Calendar, 25 - 26.pdf

### **OLGC SPIRIT DAYS**

On designated OLGC Spirit Days (every Friday!) students may dress in Crusader apparel (gym clothes or Crusader team apparel). Students can wear Crusader/sports t-shirts and/or sweatshirts with school or gym uniform bottoms.

### **OLGC THEME DAYS**

On designated OLGC Theme Days, students may dress according to the theme listed. On these special days, students may be out of uniform while following guidelines outlined in the student handbook.

# **FALL BASH UPDATES**



**TICKET LINK**

**WELCOME TO THE**

# HOW TO HELP

Our Fall Bash requires many hands to help make it happen! Thank you for providing some of our auction items through the wish list or signing up to be a volunteer.

## AMAZON WISH LIST

**PURCHASE OFF  
WISH LIST**

## VOLUNTEER

**Volunteer for Fall  
Bash**

# SPONSORSHIPS

Thank you in advance for becoming a corporate sponsor for our Fall Bash or for helping us get those sponsorships!! Looking forward to an amazing event!!!



2025 Fall Bash Donor letter.docx.pdf



2025 Fall Bash donor form.docx.pdf

IMPORTANT  
ANNOUNCEMENTS

# HOT LUNCH

The October Order Window is Closed  
November Order Window is Oct. 10 - 20th

Order Hot Lunch

Volunteer in Lunchroom

**Important Hot Lunch Reminders & Helpful Hints:** Many students have been coming to school thinking they have Hot Lunch when they do not. ***Students who did not order and do not have a lunch will now be offered cereal and milk.***

Please be mindful when you order that you must click on the final submit button and you will receive a confirmation email.

**A helpful tool** is to print out the email with the list of lunch items ordered and post it in a easily seen place like the refrigerator. Students or parents can check it each morning to see if they have Hot Lunch.

NEW SCHOOL YEAR  
NEW OLGC SWAG



**Updates to our spirit store for the 2025/2026 school year**

All products ship in 1-2 days of order placement, no more waiting weeks for your gear to arrive

New "Plymouth Crusaders" logo  
New "Home of the Crusaders" logo

Check it out!

<https://bsnteamsports.com/shop/2dKTNCHuqf?scrlybrkr=da1d7270>

**Purchase Items Here**

## Parent Volunteer Opportunities

### Chairs for Events

We still have a few chair positions open. This is an easy way to earn DOVE hours.

Note that there are a few new positions so please take a look! Thank you in advance for volunteering and making this community so amazing.

*We are beyond blessed!!*

**PLT Chair Sign Up**



#### Grade 4

Our 4th grade presented their inquiry projects this week. They had to pick a topic from the first chapter of the Social Studies textbook titled "The Land and

People of the United States" and explain how it helps make America strong.

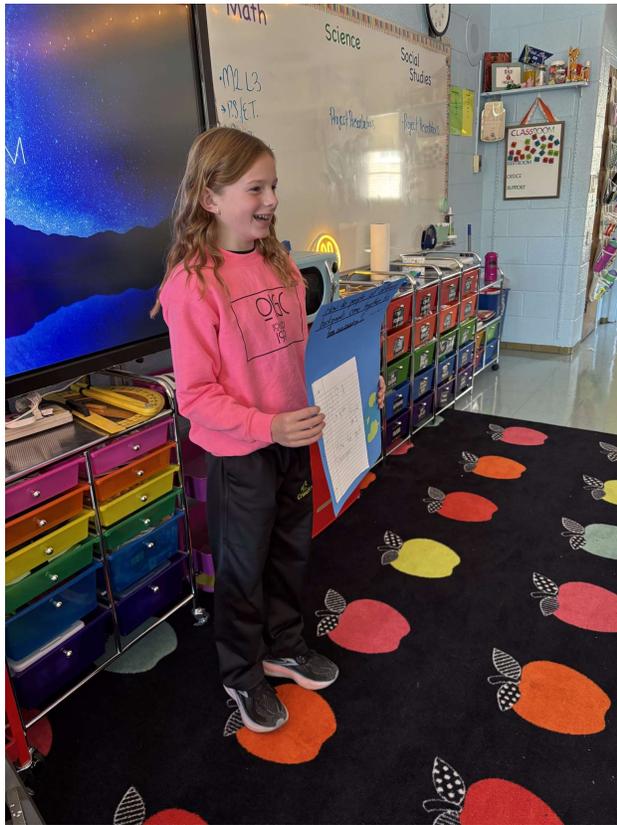
#### Grade PreK4

PreK4 is focused on learning the upper and lower case letters this week. Here they practiced writing letter "B."

*Thank you, Mrs. Hult!*



Thank you Ms. Lyle!



## COMMUNITY

### OLGC School Community Events

TRUNK-OR-TREAT	OCTOBER 17TH
FALL JR. HIGH NIGHT	OCTOBER 17TH
SKATE NIGHT	OCTOBER 27TH
FALL BASH	NOVEMBER 7TH
PISTONS FAMILY NIGHT	DECEMBER 5TH
CHRISTMAS CAROL ART FAIR	DECEMBER 6TH
DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE	FEBRUARY 28TH
SKATE NIGHT	MARCH 2ND
TRIVIA	MARCH 28TH
SPRING JR. HIGH NIGHT	APRIL 17TH
STAFF VS 8 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE BASKETBALL	APRIL 24TH
MOTHER & SON EVENT	MAY 9TH

Save The Date

OLGC Parish School

# Trunk or Treat

Join us for a community Trunk-or-Treat!  
Friday, October 17th from 6:00 - 8:00 PM  
OLGC Parish parking lot

School families are invited to trick-or-treat, or get creative and sign up to decorate your vehicle trunk and hand out candy

Pre-sale admission tickets are available until October 13<sup>th</sup> for just \$10/car  
Costumes encouraged!

Come hungry!  
Hot dog, chips  
& drink  
package will be  
available for  
\$5

Contest for the  
best decorated  
car!

Admission on  
the day of the  
event will be  
\$15/car  
CASH ONLY

Our DJ for the  
evening is  
sponsored by  
The  
Bartisan



The parking lot will be closed for the safety of the kids during this event. No leaving & no drop off's

[Purchase Trunk or Treat Tickets-  
corrected link!](#)

OLGC PARISH SCHOOL

# Pistons Family Night

WE INVITE ALL OLGC SCHOOL FAMILIES TO JOIN US  
FOR AN EVENING OF FUN AT LITTLE CAESARS

ARENA, WATCHING THE DETROIT PISTONS TAKE ON  
THE PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS!



Friday, December 5th 2025

Game Time 7:30 PM

Ticket Price: \$40 per person

*Lower Level Group Seating*

Tickets must be purchased by October 30th

Each ticket includes

A post game shot on the court  
and a Pistons giveaway item

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT DANA TIWAINI AT [DANA.TIWAINI@GMAIL.COM](mailto:DANA.TIWAINI@GMAIL.COM)

[Purchase Pistons Tickets](#)

## "CRUSADER CREW" LEADERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Student Council visited the 3rd through 6th grade classrooms this week to announce the Crusader Crew leadership applications being posted. They are looking for honest and reliable team members who will help the Student Council with periodic projects and events throughout the school year. Two leaders from each grade level will be

*Looking for 3rd-6th  
grade Student  
Leaders!*



Leaders from each grade level will be voted on and selected for the Crusader Crew.

Applications are available in the Application Station across from the front office and should be completed independently by students. They are **due** no later than 2pm on **Wednesday, October 15th**. No late or incomplete applications will be accepted or considered.



Crusader Crew Application 3rd-6th 2025.docx.pdf

## CYO UPDATE

### 25 - 26 CYO Calendar

Come out and Cheer on our Crusaders at home this week!



#### Football

Home Field: FGR

Saturday, October 11th

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Fans are encouraged to wear pink in support of breast cancer awareness

JV Green vs. Ann Arbor Saints at 10:45 AM

### Volleyball

Home Court: DLGC Church

**Friday, October 10th**

4th Grade vs. OLV at 5:00 PM

JV Gold vs. OLV at 6:00 PM

Varsity Green vs. St. Francis at 7:00 PM

## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

**Pictures Retakes are Thursday 10/16!**

# PICTURE DAY

**Wednesday, Sept. 17**

**Retakes are Oct. 16**

View and order at:

<https://shop.jostenspix.com>

School Name: OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Event Code: FE78025

Student Name

Need Help: 1-877-515-1447 option 1

Please don't wear green as they use a green screen.

# INSTRUCTIONS TO ORDER PICTURES



2025 Fall Portrait Day.pdf

## SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

For all parents who'd like to chaperone or volunteer. This course is required to be Safe Environments certified.

[SAFE ENVIRONMENT WEBPAGE](#)



## Protecting God's Children Course

*Required for all volunteers*

In order to protect our youth and most vulnerable from sexual abuse, all volunteers are required to complete Protecting God's Children. Join us for an upcoming training at Our Lady of Good Counsel in the Social Hall!

**Wednesday, October 22 • Register at [virtus.org](https://virtus.org)**  
Light meal at 5:30 pm, training begins promptly at 6 pm until 9 pm

Questions? Email [hickeyl@olgcp parish.net](mailto:hickeyl@olgcp parish.net)

School Website

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