



## CRUSADER CONNECTION

FROM THE OFFICE OF OUR PRINCIPAL  
**MISS ERVIN**



Hello Parents!

Blessed Thanksgiving! I hope all have had a wonderful holiday week so far!! As you continue celebrations with family and friends, here's just a few highlights for next week.

1. **Christmas Carol Art Fair:** Art Fair projects are due Tuesday, December 2nd. We will display artwork at the church through the holiday season. Looking forward to seeing all the entries from our amazing artists!
2. **Confessions, Dec. 2nd - 3rd:** We will offer confessions for our 3rd - 8th graders this week as a part of our Advent celebration. Always grateful for the healing grace of God's mercy!
3. **All School Mass, Monday, Dec. 8th:** This is just a heads up that the All School Mass for the feast of the Immaculate Conception will be at 9:30am. Due to the fact that this is a holy day of obligation, the parish Mass times are being adjusted to accommodate a "school only" Mass time with our normal All School Mass protocols. As such, we will bus students to and from school, however, you are of course welcome to meet us there. We'd love to see you!

I look forward to the start of the Advent season and all the JOY as we prepare for Christmas! There are certainly plenty of happenings to keep us busy! With our eyes fixed on Jesus, may He fill you with His peace!

In the Heart of Mary,  
Karen

## UPCOMING DATES

### DECEMBER

- 2 - 3 Whole School Advent Confessions
- 5 **Spirit Dress Down Day**
- 8 All School Mass, Immaculate Conception
- 8 - 12 Santa Shop Opens
- 11 Advent Concert at 6:00pm
- 12 **Spirit Dress Down Day**
- 19 All School Mass, Advent Retreat, **Theme Day: Red and Green**
- 20 - Jan 4 No School, Christmas Break

### JANUARY

- 5 First Day back from Christmas Break
- 5 - 6 Pre-K Conferences, no school for Pre-K students only
- 9 End of 2nd Quarter, **Spirit Dress Down Day**
- 12 Middle of the year Star Testing begins
- 14 Open Enrollment for Current Families
- 16 **Spirit Dress Down Day**
- 19 No School, M.L.K Day, Prof. Development Day
- 23 **Spirit Dress Down Day**
- 24 - 31 Catholic Schools Week
- 28 All School Mass, Bishop Monforton will be with us
- 31 Winterfest
- 31 Open House - 10:00-12:00 School and Pre-K



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.



# ALL SCHOOL MASS 25 - 26

## MASS DATE

## FEAST DAY AND CELEBRATION

10/29/25 NEW Date	All Saints Festival after Mass (date changed from Oct. 31)
11/19/25	October Virtue Victors and Solanus Casey Relics
12/8/25 Mass at 9:30am	Immaculate Conception, students will be bused from and to school
12/19/25	Christmas Retreat, November Virtue Victors
1/28/25	Catholic School's Week: Bishop Monforton, December Virtue Victors
2/18/25 Mass at 9:30am	Ash Wednesday, students will be bused from and to school
3/11/26	February Virtue Victors
3/30/26	Lenten Retreat
4/22/26	March Virtue Victors
4/29/26 NEW Date	May Crowning (date changed from May 1)
5/13/26	Streamer Day and April Virtue Victors
6/3/26	Last Day, May Virtue Victors, Field Day



IMPORTANT

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Christmas Carol



# Art Fair

Students were sent home with instructions and materials this week for our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Christmas Carol Art Fair

*Completed artwork should be turned in to your teacher by Tuesday, December 2nd*

**A winner from each category will be chosen by Ms. Ervin**

Pre-K  
Young 5s - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade  
3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>  
6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>

Our hope is that this project encourages creativity and a chance to slow down together and create lasting memories

## FOOD DRIVE THANK YOU!

Students and families donated over **1,411** canned food items to St. Al's food pantry. Our top collecting grade levels are:

- 1st place: 3rd grade with 281 cans
- 2nd place: 4th grade with 218 cans
- 3rd place: 5th grade with 199 cans

Thank you so much for your generosity!! St. Aloysius Food Pantry will be well-stocked this Thanksgiving!!





**SANTA SHOP**

# DECEMBER

## 9<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup>

SPECIFIC DATES AND TIMES WILL BE  
COMMUNICATED BY YOUR STUDENT'S  
HOMEROOM TEACHER.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

**Volunteer for Santa Shop**



Join us for a beautiful evening of reflection as OLGC School  
recounts the birth of Jesus in Scripture and song!

### *The Christmas Story Concert*

Thursday, Dec. 11th

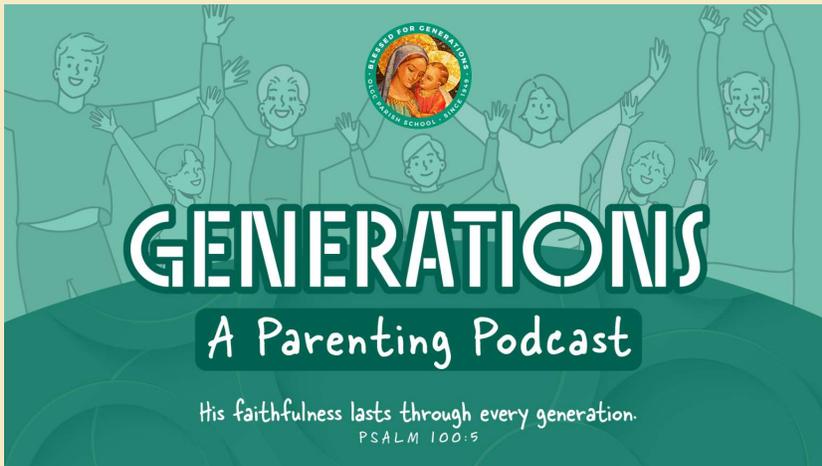
6:00pm



# OLGC Church

Student performers should dress in Sunday best Christmas colors and arrive at 5:45pm.

*And suddenly there was with the angels a multitude of the heavenly host praising God.  
Luke 2:13*



This month Mrs. Fitch and Mrs. Lesnau discuss the emotional roller coaster of development!

[Listen Now](#)

## HOT LUNCH

Order Window Opens  
December 10th

[Order Hot Lunch](#)

[Volunteer in  
Lunchroom](#)



## Pre-K 4

Our Pre-K 4 created a gratitude quilt and learned all about Thanksgiving for their Thanksgiving Feast!

*Thank you, Pre-K 4 Team!*



## 4th grade

Our 4th grade artists are learning how to add shade to their sketches.

*Thank you, Mrs. Aquilina!*



# COMMUNITY



## OLGC Chess Club is back!

- **What grades can participate?** All OLGC students 2nd-8th grade
- **What day is it on?** Starts Dec. 4th and meets weekly on Thursdays through March
- **What time?** 3:10 - 4:00pm (prompt parent pick up expected)
- **Where does it take place?** The Commons area in the Jr. High
- **Do I have to know how to play chess?** The club includes weekly instructions, *but basic chess knowledge is required to join.*
- **What else do I need to know?** The OLGC Chess Club also attends a few Tournaments throughout the year and those are optional.

- **How do I sign my student up?** Please email Coach Steven Cupchak (former OLGC parent and volunteer) at [sjcupchak@aol.com](mailto:sjcupchak@aol.com) with student's Full Name, Grade & Date of Birth

# 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

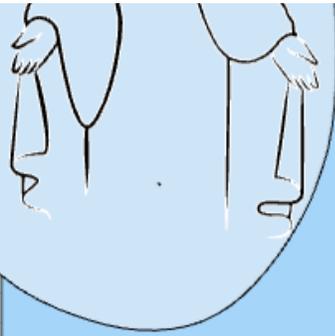
Check it out!

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

**Purchase Items Here**



# Mom's/Women's



# Rosary

Thursdays  
8:00am-8:45am  
in the Parish House

Don't know how to pray the rosary?

-We can teach you!

Don't have a rosary?

-We will have extra!

"For where two or three are  
gathered together in my name,  
there am I in the midst of  
them" Matthew 18:20



## OLGC School Community Events

TRUNK-OR-TREAT  
FALL JR. HIGH NIGHT  
SKATE NIGHT  
FALL BASH  
PISTONS FAMILY NIGHT

OCTOBER 17TH  
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OCTOBER 27TH  
NOVEMBER 7TH  
DECEMBER 5TH

CHRISTMAS CAROL ART FAIR  
DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE  
SKATE NIGHT  
TRIVIA  
SPRING JR. HIGH NIGHT  
STAFF VS 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BASKETBALL  
MOTHER & SON EVENT

DECEMBER 6TH  
FEBRUARY 28TH  
MARCH 2ND  
MARCH 28TH  
APRIL 17TH  
APRIL 24TH  
MAY 9TH

*Save The Date*

## 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

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**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@olgparish.net](mailto:hickeyl@olgparish.net)

[School Website](#)

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