



CRUSADER CONNECTION

Happy Christmas Break!!

No School: Dec. 20 - Jan. 4

First Day Back: Jan. 5

FROM THE OFFICE OF OUR PRINCIPAL
MISS ERVIN



Hello Parents!

Advent Blessings! It has been so beautiful to see so many families and parents this Advent. We are nearing the Lord's birth of the Lord and I am so grateful for the many gifts He's given us, especially in gifts of one another and the festivities which remind us of His coming. Grateful to God for all the graces!!

In a week of great joy, I'd like to thank in a particular way:

- **All those who gave donations for families at Holy Trinity Parish in Detroit**
 - Your generosity helps others experience the love of Jesus in a tangible way while providing for their needs. Thank you for your generosity.
- **All those who volunteered for the Santa Shop**
 - Mrs. Guzowski and Mrs. Fisk went above and beyond especially to extend shopping times to accommodate the snow day!
 - Our older students who paired up with younger students to help them
 - ALL of our parent volunteers who helped little ones shop, purchase and

wrap gifts. THANK YOU!

- **All those who made our Advent Retreat so amazing!!**
 - The 3rd Graders, Mrs. DePerro, Mrs. Crosky, Mrs. Pina and Ms. Majcher who put on a beautiful and joyful nativity play
 - The Retreat Planning Team who designed and organized an extraordinary day
 - Our Parent Volunteers who helped everything go so smoothly
- **Our incredible team of staff and teachers**
 - The every day joy, Christmas spirit and light of Jesus which they brought to our students was inspiring, all in the midst of teaching too. Thank you for helping us all remember the reason for the season. Truly blessed by you!
- **Our clergy**
 - From the 2nd grade reconciliation retreat, to the whole school confessions, Masses and attendance at parties and plays, we are grateful for your spiritual fatherhood and bringing us deeper into grace!

I pray everyone has a blessed time over the Christmas season full of family togetherness; it is a gift to be a part of this community. May Jesus fill your hearts and homes with the gift of His peace! Come, Lord Jesus, Come!

In the Heart of Mary,
Karen

Merry Christmas!!



UPCOMING DATES

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

FEBRUARY

- 2 Enrollment for New Families Opens
- 6 8th Grade Retreat
- 9 - 13 Mid-Winter Break
- 16 **No School, President's Day, Prof. Development Day**
- 18 All School Mass, Ash Wednesday
- 20 Accreditation Site Visit
- 23 - March 2 Blessed Carlo Acutis relics



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

2025
Christmas
at Our Lady of Good Counsel

Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24: 4 PM, 7 PM, MIDNIGHT

- 4 pm Christmas Eve Masses take place in the Main Church & Church Gym.
- 4 pm and 7 pm Christmas Eve Masses are the most attended. If able, please consider attending another Christmas Mass to lessen the crowds.

Christmas Day

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25: 9 AM, 11 AM

Feast of Saint Stephen, First Martyr

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26: 9 AM

Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27: 8 AM

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27: 4 PM VIGIL MASS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28: 8 AM, 10 AM, 12 PM, 5 PM

Fifth through Seventh Day of Christmas

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29 - WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31: 9 AM

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31: 6 PM VIGIL MASS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1: 8 AM, 10 AM

Christmas Weekdays

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2: 9 AM

- Starting Saturday, January 3, the normal weekly Mass schedule resumes.

Our OLGK choir and students will be leading in liturgical roles at our 4:00pm liturgy in the gym on Christmas Eve. Please join us!

Christmas Eve. Please join us!!



OUR LADY
OF GOOD COUNSEL
PARISH SCHOOL

ENROLLMENT FOR 2026 - 2027

Jan. 14 - Feb. 2	Enrollment Current Families
Feb. 2	Open Enrollment New Families
Dec. 15 - Feb. 27	AOD Tuition Assistance App
Feb. 2 - March 13	OLGC Tuition Assistance App
May 1st	Enrollment Ends

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1 2 3 OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31 • 10AM-12PM
MAIN CAMPUS • 1151 WILLIAM ST, PLYMOUTH
PRE-KINDERGARTEN CAMPUS • 1309 PENNIMAN AVE
*FOR PRE-K, PLEASE PARK IN THE LOT BEHIND THE SCHOOL

**Both Pre-K and Main
Campus
will be welcoming
guests!**

**RSVP for Pre-K
Open House**

Our Lady of Good Counsel school welcomes any potential new and incoming students and their families to discover our main campus for Young 5's through Grade 8 along with our Pre-Kindergarten campus! Families will have the opportunity to ask questions, tour the two campuses, and learn about the community groups that make our school extra special.



SCAN TO RSVP BY JANUARY 28:



We exist to offer a life-changing encounter with Jesus and equip leaders to transform the culture. iamolg.com

**RSVP for Main
Campus Open
House**



**Tuition Assistance
2026 - 2027 School Year**

**AOD Tuition Assistance Application Now Open!
More information below.**



TUITION ASSISTANCE

A Catholic education requires considerable sacrifice and gives families an opportunity to unleash the Gospel within families. Our goal is to ensure that any family seeking an excellent Catholic education for their children can have it. To that end, financial assistance is offered to families through two programs.

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1. Archdiocese of Detroit Tuition Assistance Program
2. OLGC's Catholic Education Fund (formerly the Vollbrecht Scholarship Fund)

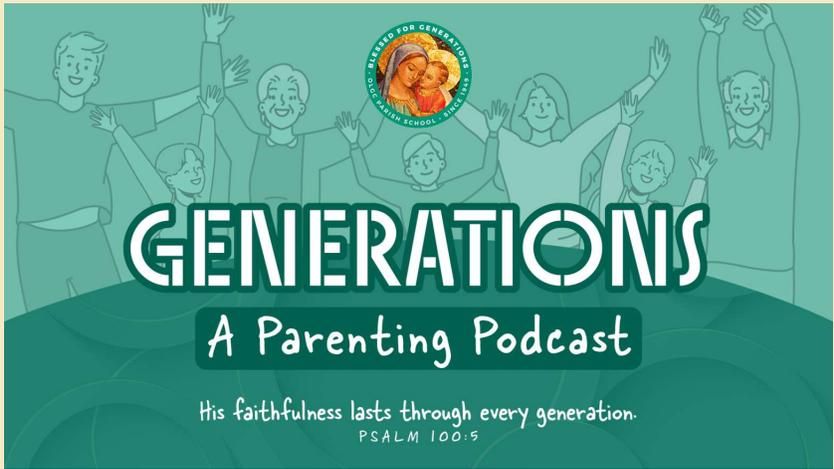
ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT TUITION ASSISTANCE:

- Application Opens: December 15, 2025
- Application Closes February 27, 2026
- Apply Online
- Requires an application fee

OLGC CATHOLIC EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

- Fill out the AOD's Tuition assistance application first
- Apply online for OLGC Scholarship through our financial assistance webpage
- Application Window: February 2 - March 13, 2026
- Tuition assistance through the OLGC Scholarship Fund will be considered on a financial need basis.

AOD Tuition Assistance



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

Listen Now

HOT LUNCH

Order Window Opens

Order Hot Lunch



Jan. 10 - 20th

Volunteer for Lunch



1st Grade

Our 1st graders are putting their vocabulary in practice by identifying pictures!

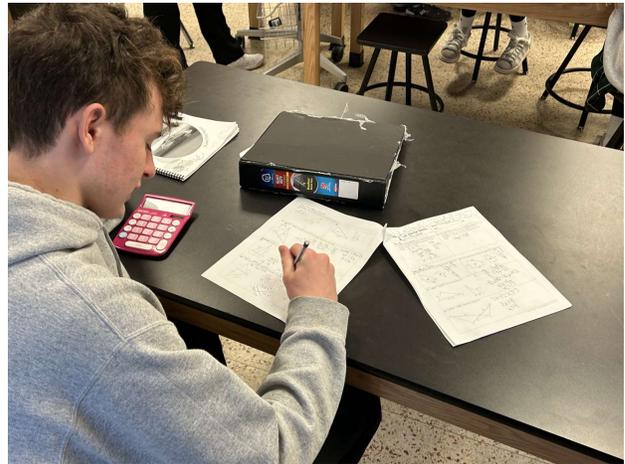
Thank you, Mrs. Emil!



8th grade

Our 8th graders are prepping for their geometry test on the perimeter of triangles..

Thank you, Mrs. Tarchala!



CYO

All our games are away this week!!
Home games coming soon!!

COMMUNITY

Sensory Mass

Sunday, January 11 at 2 pm

All are welcome to worship with us during a sensory Mass! This is an environment free of stigma and specifically designed for individuals with Autism, Down Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, ADHD, sensory processing disorders, intellectual and developmental disabilities, Alzheimer's, and dementia.

The sensory Mass will include lower lights, softer music, scripture from the Children's Lectionary, and shorter more literal homilies. We encourage families and individuals to get up and move if needed, to bring alternative seating, fidgets, or noise cancelling headphones, and to participate in the liturgy just as they are.



Calling All
OLGC
Alumni!



We are looking to connect our
former Crusaders

**If you are a Crusader
alumni, complete this
form so we can stay
connected!**

**Alumni
Registration**



OLGC School Community Events 2025/2026

TRUNK-OR-TREAT
FALL JR. HIGH NIGHT
SKATE NIGHT
FALL BASH
PISTONS FAMILY NIGHT
CHRISTMAS CAROL ART FAIR
WINTERFEST
DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE
SKATE NIGHT
TRIVIA
SPRING JR. HIGH NIGHT
STAFF VS 8TH GRADE BASKETBALL
MOTHER & SON EVENT

OCTOBER 17TH
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OCTOBER 27TH
NOVEMBER 7TH
DECEMBER 5TH
DECEMBER 6TH
JANUARY 31ST
FEBRUARY 28TH
MARCH 2ND
MARCH 28TH
APRIL 17TH
APRIL 24TH
MAY 9TH

Save The Date



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!



Christmas Carol Art Fair

Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish School

December 5th
through
January 14th

Located in the lower level hallway outside of the social hall



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



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?scrylbrkr=da1d7270>

A massive thank you to all of the families who have ordered from our spirit stores! Thanks to your incredible support and school pride, we've earned enough to give a generous gift to every single member of our dedicated school staff!

THANK YOU!

**Purchase Items
Here**

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
Light meal at 5:30 pm, training begins promptly at 6 pm until 9 pm

Questions? Email hickeyl@olgcp parish.net

[School Website](#)

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