



CRUSADER CONNECTION

FROM THE OFFICE OF OUR PRINCIPAL
MISS ERVIN



Hello Parents!

Lenten Blessings! We had a grace-filled week with the relic of St. Carlo Acutis as our students were able to venerate him. As a teenager himself, I was moved to see our students connect with a saint their age who transformed the world by his heart for the Lord. It's a good reminder for us that we can all be a saint in the making!

Here's some items to note this week:

- **March is Reading Month:**

- The Book Fair is this week from March 2 - 6th: This is our first year hosting this book fair and we are excited for our kids to have the opportunity to select books. As the week progresses, inventory will run out. The last copy sold will remain at the Book Fair as a display book until Friday. The student who purchased the last book will have their name written on it and be given the book on Friday when the Fair is over. This will allow other students to know what is available online. More instructions are below for how to help students pay for books.
- Homeroom Reading Competition Begins: Students will have a reading tracker sent home to keep track of minutes read at home. Minutes will be tallied by homeroom with the winning class earning a pizza party at the end of the month.

- **Staffing Update:**

- Mrs. Hufford, 1st Grade: We will be saying goodbye to Mrs. Hufford at the end of this school year as she stays home to be a full-time mom for

the end of this school year as she stays home to be a full time mom for her newborn James. While we will certainly miss, we wish congratulations to her and her growing family!

- The hiring process begins this week for our open positions for next year: Assistant Principal and teachers in Pre-K, 1st Grade, 5th Grade, and 8th Grade. I hope to announce our new teammates when we come back from Easter break.

I hope all are persevering in their Lenten practices! May Jesus fill you with fortitude!

In the heart of Mary!

Karen

UPCOMING DATES

MARCH Reading Month

- 2 - 6 Ignatius Book Fair
- 6 **THEME DAY: Book Character Dress Up or Vocabulary Word**
- 11 All School Mass at 8:00am
- 13 **Spirit Day Dress**
- 19 Lenten School Confessions
- 20 **No School, Staff Retreat**
- 20 End of 3rd Quarter
- 27 7th Grade Retreat, **Theme Day: Wear a Shirt with Words**
- 30 Holy Week, All School Mass at 8:00am

APRIL

- 2 - 10 No School, Easter Break
- 17 **Spirit Day Dress**
- 18 First Communion Masses (10am and 1pm)
- 22 All School Mass at the church at 8:00am
- 24 **Spirit Day Dress**
- 29 May Crowning All School Mass at 8:00am



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

March Is Reading Month



March Reading Madness

March 2nd: Kick Off

- Reading Challenge Begins: A tracker sign off sheet will be sent home for minutes read at home. Pizza party for top reading class.
- Book Fair Opens: students attend in Media/Library class

March 6th:

- End of Book Fair
- Theme Day: Dress as a Book Character or Vocabulary Word

March 16th - 20th: One Book, One School

- Students will read in ELA: The Most Magnificent Thing and After the Fall (How Humpty Dumpty Got Back Up Again)

March 27th

- Theme Day: Wear a shirt with words on it

March 31st

- End of March Reading Madness Minute Challenge
- March Reading Madness Trackers are due to your homeroom teachers.



[marchreadingmadness \(2026 tracking sheet\).pdf](#)

This year we are excited to host the St. Ignatius Book Fair for the first time. They offer a variety of quality literature for our students of all ages. As the week progresses, inventory will run out. The last copy sold

**Volunteer
to work**

will remain at the Book Fair as a display book until Friday. The student who purchased the last book will have their name written on the book and be given the book on Friday when the Fair is over to take home. This allows other students to view the book and purchase it online during the Book Fair time. We thank you for your patience in this new Book Fair process and can't wait to see what everyone chooses!

Book Fair

For your child to purchase books at the Book Fair, students need to pay in cash or using an eWallet which you can set up through Ignatius Press.

See instructions below.



OLGC Book
Fair Parent
Instructions.pdf

A green banner for Ignatius Book Fairs. At the top left is a white icon of an open book with a cross on its pages. To its right, the text 'IGNATIUS BOOK FAIRS' is written in white, with 'IGNATIUS' on one line and 'BOOK FAIRS' on the line below. In the center is a circular photograph of two young girls in school uniforms. The girl on the left is holding a book titled 'LITTLE BEAR' and the girl on the right is holding a book titled 'Little House on the Prairie'. Below the photo is a white wavy line. Underneath the wavy line, the text 'IS COMING TO OLGC PARISH SCHOOL' is written in white. At the bottom, the dates 'March 2nd -6th' are written in a large, bold, white font with a blue outline.

IGNATIUS
BOOK FAIRS

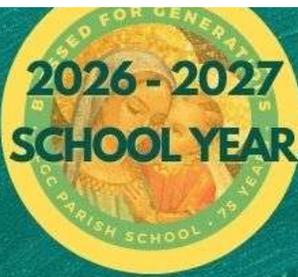
IS COMING TO OLGC PARISH SCHOOL

March 2nd -6th

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 26 - 27

Full Calendar coming in the Spring

CALENDAR



2026 - 2027
SCHOOL YEAR

HIGHLIGHTS

NO SCHOOL	START OF SCHOOL
BREAKS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Labor Day: Sept 4 - 7• Thanksgiving: Nov 25 - 29• Christmas: Dec 19 - Jan 3• Mid-Winter: Feb 13 - 21• Easter: Mar 25 - April 4• Memorial Day: May 31	Teacher First Day Aug 10 Meet the Teacher Aug. 17 First Day of School Aug. 18 Pre-K First Day Aug. 24

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

cooper with families. Our goal is to ensure that any family seeking an excellent Catholic education for their children can have one. To that end financial assistance is offered to families through two programs:

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.

- The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages families to use the IRS import option to easily and accurately provide the required tax information. Call FACTS at (866)315-9262 with questions.

Important Links

- [Tuition Assistance & Scholarships - Archdiocese of Detroit](#)
- [FACTS Application](#)
- Parent Information Document: [English](#) | [Spanish](#)
- [Pastor's Signature Form](#)(for Catholic Applicants only)

Required Tax Documentation for FACTS Application

[FACTS Grant & Aid Application Tax Return Requirements](#)
[Taxable & Nontaxable Required Application Documents](#)

Apply for AOD Tuition Assistance

HOT LUNCH

Order Window is Open
Feb. 10 - 20th

Order Hot Lunch

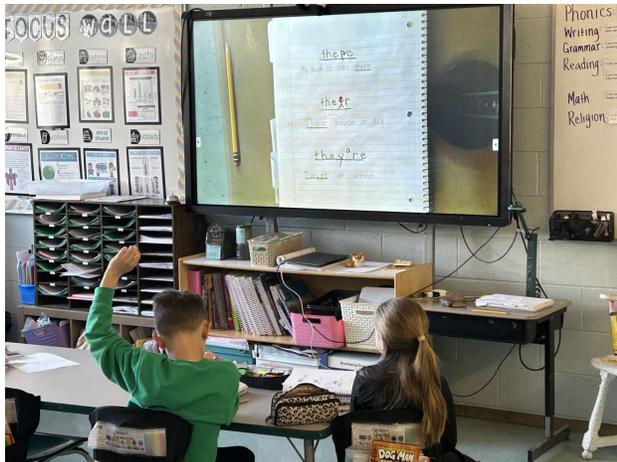
Volunteer for
Lunch



2nd Grade

Our 2nd graders are practicing using sentences to learn the difference between they're, their and there.

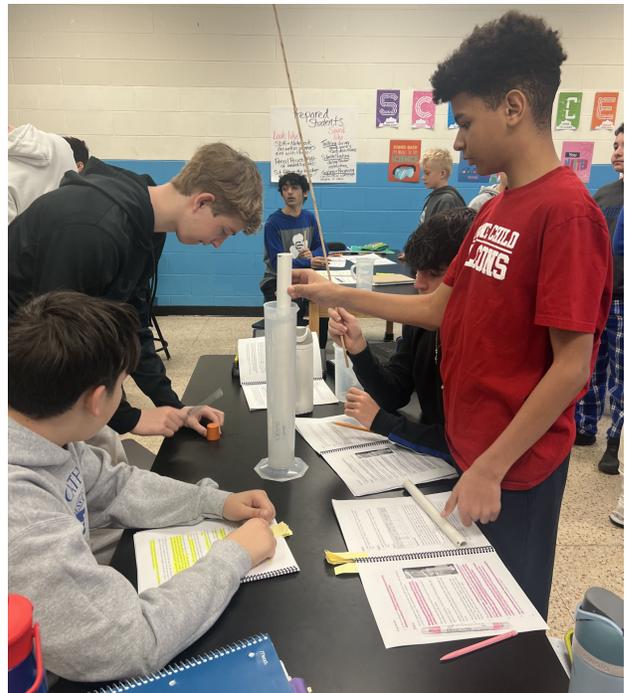
Thank you Mrs. Beiser



8th Grade

Our 8th grade scientists are calculating the speed of sound in air using tuning forks and 3 different frequencies.

Thank you Mrs. Portelli!



CYO

CYO Spring Sports Registration is Open!



CYO Lacrosse
Registration open from January 1 through February 28, 2026
Open to Boys & Girls 3rd - 6th Grade
Girls varsity is full & boys varsity is closed due to low enrollment

CYO Track & Field
Registration open from January 1 through March 6, 2026
Open to Boys & Girls 4th - 8th Grade
Please email olgcxctf@gmail.com to see if there is space to sign up your 3rd grader

Sign up here!  OlgcCrusaders.com

Register for Spring Sports

COMMUNITY

SKATE NIGHT



Monday, March 2nd

6:00 - 8:00 PM

GRAB YOUR SKATES AND YOUR FRIENDS! THIS SKATE NIGHT IS GOING TO BE A TOTAL BLAST!

It's a green out!

Wear the color green or your Crusader gear

\$10/person

Admission includes skate rental

Skatin' Station
8611 Ronda Dr. Canton 48187



Calling All
OLGC
Alumni!

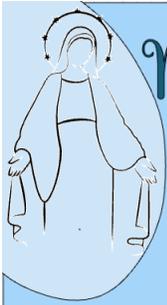


**If you are a Crusader
alumni, complete this
form so we can stay
connected!**

**Alumni
Registration**



We are looking to connect our former Crusaders



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 2025/2026

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
WINTERFEST	JANUARY 31ST
DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE	FEBRUARY 28TH
SKATE NIGHT	MARCH 2ND
TRIVIA	MARCH 28TH
SPRING JR. HIGH NIGHT	APRIL 17TH
STAFF VS 8 TH GRADE BASKETBALL	APRIL 24TH
MOTHER & SON EVENT	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](#)

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