



CRUSADER CONNECTION

NO SCHOOL FRIDAY, APRIL 4

The staff will be at a conference with Catholic educators throughout the Archdiocese to learn more about our mission of evangelization in schools. Please keep Catholic schools and our staff in particular in your prayers.

FROM THE OFFICE OF OUR PRINCIPAL
MISS ERVIN



My dear families,

Lenten Blessings! It's hard to believe we are halfway through Lent! I hope all are enjoying the many graces of the season.

Report cards for the 3rd cardmarking are now posted in the FACTs Family Portal. Although we are in the homestretch of the school year, there is still work to be done. Thank you for the many ways you reinforce academics at home to keep everyone engaged in learning as we move into Spring.

I'll be traveling this upcoming week with our 8th grade to Washington DC. It's such a privileged opportunity for them to be together in our nation's capitol before they graduate and go off to high school. Please keep us in your prayers!

Have a blessed weekend! May Jesus fill you with His peace!

In the Heart of Mary,
Karen

UPCOMING
DATES

MARCH

31st 8th Grade leaves for Washington DC

APRIL

4th No School, Archdiocese of Detroit Professional Development Day

5th Parent Trivia Night

12th Confirmation Retreat

14th All School Mass

17 - 27th Easter Break: NO SCHOOL

28th STAR End Of Year Testing Begins

29th Grade Level Masses

MAY

1st All School Mass, May Crowning, and Fun Run Pep Assembly

3rd First Holy Communion

5 - 6th 7th Grade Trip to Mackinac

6th Grade Level Masses

5 - 9th Teacher Appreciation Week

12th Pre-K Field Trip

14th All School Mass: Streamer Day

16th Fun Run

17th Confirmation

20th Grade Level Masses

20th Graduation Rehearsal, 8th Grade Breakfast at Church, Clap Out at 2:30pm

21st 8th Grade Graduation at 5pm

22nd Pre-K 4 Graduation

23rd PreK Last Day and New Family Picnic

26th Memorial Day Weekend: NO SCHOOL

27th Grade Level Masses replaced with Adoration during Mass time

30th

All School Mass: Field Day at Church



Spirit_ Theme Day Calendar 2024_2025.pdf



24 - 25 School Calendar by Month.pdf

IMPORTANT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**It's time to order your
2024-25 yearbook!**

<https://shop.memorybook.com/login>

School Code: 197918M

**User Name/Password:
you will create your own**

Cost: \$17

**Order cut off date:
4/18/25**

Order Yearbook

STUDENT GOVERNMENT UPDATE

Thank you for your support of our Penny Wars! We've raised over \$1000 and are still counting our coins. Our next fundraiser is to support a foster care center. See specific items below to donate.



APRIL 7TH-11TH

SAMARITUS FUNDRAISER

FOSTER CARE FOUNDATION

6th grader, Valentina, is collecting items for her Confirmation service project for this amazing organization. Help make the lives of so many children better!

Learn more at samaritus.org

PreK & Kindergarten	Fidget Toys
1st & 2nd grade	Small stuffed animals
3rd & 4th grade	Art supplies
5th & 6th grade	Small Play-Doh
7th & 8th grade	Simple Card Games

We are asking that students in each grade level might donate the suggested items if they want to support this project to provide a variety to the foundation. Whoever brings in the most donations, will get a prize from Valentina.

Thank you in advance for your support of her service project!

WAIT UNTIL 8TH

PLEDGE DRIVE PRE - K through 3RD GRADE



WAIT UNTIL 8TH

WHAT IS IT?

This is a national organization developed by parents to rally together and delay giving children a smartphone until the end of 8th grade. The intent is to protect children from the distractions and dangers of a smartphone.

WHY ARE WE DOING IT?

By parenting together in this initiative, parents can establish a unified peer network which decreases the pressure to have a phone at an early age.

WHEN ARE WE DOING IT?

OLGC will be launching this initiative March - May for parents to take the pledge.

March 17th: Protect Young Eyes Information Session

March 17th - May 2nd: Run Pledge Drive

May 9th: Announce Results to Community

WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE?

<https://school.olgcparrish.net/wait-until-8th>



Learn More: Wait Until 8th

PROTECT YOUNG EYES

CHILDREN TO HAVE A TECH READY HOME

5 HABITS TO HAVE A TECH READY HOME



HOT LUNCH

**Order Window Opens
April 10th!**

We need your help!

Sign-up for March - April

Order Hot Lunch

**Lunchroom
Volunteer Sign-up**

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH

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Virtue Month

PATIENCE

WHAT IT IS

Remaining calm
even in difficulties

WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE

- Going through difficulties
- Waiting in line
- Raising your hand and waiting calmly
- Waiting without complaining

WHAT IT SOUNDS LIKE

- I will not complain.
- I will wait my turn.
- I will not push/cut in line.
- I will raise my hand and wait for my teacher to call on me.
- I will wait for you.

HOW TO PRACTICE AT HOME

- Pray for the virtue: "Jesus help me to be more patient"
- Witness to patience at home and point it out
- Role play at home: create situations of waiting.
- Reflect and discuss real situations which come up
- Praise patience when you see it in action.

CLASSROOM FEATURES

Pre-K 4

Our Pre-K 4 brought literature to life with
houses for The 3 Little Pigs.

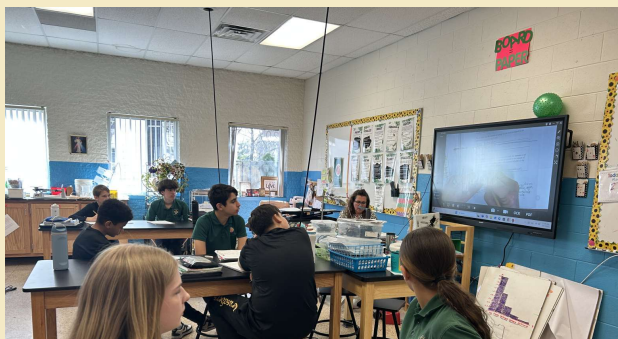
Thank you, Mrs. Tuquero!

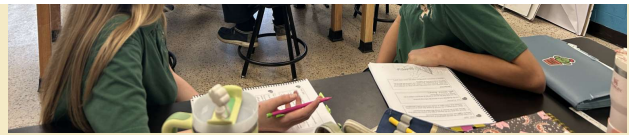


7th Grade

Our 7th grade is learning about
photosynthesis and the energy of cells!

Thank you, Mrs. Portelli!





Community



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Penance Service

COME, EXPERIENCE DIVINE MERCY!

Monday, April 7

FROM 7-9PM IN THE CHURCH



Join us for our 4th Annual Mercy in Action Day

COMFORTING THE

 *Sorrowful*

Saturday, April 5 • 9-11am

All are welcome to help us decorate wooden picture frames, make handmade cards, and assemble and deliver over 70 blessing bags for the families of those who have passed away in our OLGC community the past 18 months.

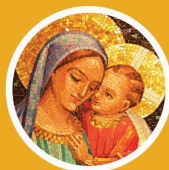
SIGN UP TO HELP AT:

olgcparish.net/volunteer

Volunteer to Make Blessing Bags

Take Fr. Tommy's Lenten Challenge

Fr. Tommy is issuing this challenge in this week's student announcements. Hope your family can take the challenge and spend time with the Lord.



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

LENTEN
ADORATION

CHALLENGE

CHALLENGE



“
COME & SEE!

- JESUS

”



OLGC SCHOOL
**TRIVIA
NIGHT**

FUN | CASH PRIZES | FOOD

5
APRIL

Starts at 7:00PM

Doors open at 6:30PM

OLGC Church Social Hall

\$25.00 ticket includes dinner and trivia. Please bring your own
alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverages

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Teams are limited to 10 people per team.
Tickets on sale until March 29th

Register for Trivia Night



Volunteer for Fish Fry

CYO SPORTS

SPRING SPORTS COMING SOON!

Media Highlight

Congratulations to our Chess Club

- Over 30 students participated throughout the season
- Awards went to:
 - Dylan T, Silver Medalist at K - 5 Elementary School Championship
 - Yovella F and Matteo A, Silver Medalists at the K - 8th JH Championship
 - 11th place trophy out of 58 teams at Oakland University's K - 8th Junior High Championship





In Case You Missed It

Highlights from Past Crusader Connections

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

SAFE ENVIRONMENT REQUIREMENTS

All parent volunteers must have completed the Safe Environments Requirements. Please note: parents are not able to attend classroom parties or field trips without certification.

If you have been certified prior to 2020

- Access it through your **[VIRTUS account](#)**. Email **[Janet Rost](#)** with questions.

If you have never been certified

- **[Click here to register for a new account](#)** and learn about training.

NOTE: Certification requires a copy of your driver's license and background check. For more information, check out our webpage.

**SAFE
ENVIRONMENT
WEBPAGE**

Safe Environments Certification

Who Needs to be Certified

- **Anyone who works in a parish/school:** priests, administrators, teachers, coaches, catechists, lunchroom/recess monitors, assistants, after-school club moderators, etc
- **Anyone who volunteers in a parish/school:** room parents, chaperones for field trips, volunteers in the classroom or attends classroom events

Steps to Be Certified

1. Background Check
 - Complete authorization form (return to child's school)

- Copy of driver's license (submit with authorization form)
- May take 5 business days to complete

2. Protecting God's Children Workshop

- Go to www.virtusonline.org
- Register for a course
- Complete the course
- May take 10 business days to update your child's school after course is taken



NOTE: Safe Environments recertification must be done every three years.
See olgcparrish.net/safe-environments

CALENDAR 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR HIGHLIGHTS



BEGINNING OF YEAR	NO SCHOOL	SAVE THE DATES
AUGUST 11 Teachers Return 13 6-8th Curriculum Night 18 Meet Teacher • 9-10am Kinder Round-Up • 10-10:30am A - L • 10:30-11am M - Z 19 First Day ½ Day 20 Curriculum Night, 1 - 5th 25 Pre-K 1st day	BREAKS • Labor Day: Aug 29 - Sept 1 • Thanksgiving: Nov 26 - 30 • Christmas: Dec 20 - Jan 4 • Mid-Winter: Feb 7 - 15 • Easter: April 2 - 12 • Memorial Day: May 25 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT • Sept. 29th • Jan. 19th • Feb. 16th • March 20th	Fall Bash: Nov 7 P/T Conferences: Nov 15 - 14 Streamer Day Mass: May 15 Fun Run: May 15 8th Grade Graduation: May 20 Last Day & Field Day: June 3

Full calendar coming in May!

PLT OPEN MEETING

Here's what you missed at our last PLT Open Meeting! All about our strategic plan!



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