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FROM THE OFFICE OF OUR PRINCIPAL
MISS ERVIN



Hello Parents!

Welcome (almost) Back! I hope all have been enjoying this beautiful summer. I am just returning from a retreat in a Benedictine monastery on the coast of Rhode Island. I've seen many beautiful sunsets in my life but nothing compares with the sunsets I watched there. Reminded me again of the tremendous glory of God in the gift of creation. We have so much to be thankful for.

While finding time to unplug, the summer also provided me many opportunities to marvel at the gift of family life and to reflect on the heroism it takes to raise a family in this culture and in these days. It is not lost on me how much you pour yourselves out for your children and families. I am blessed by your witness and the steadfast way you love your children from the every day little things, like cutting the crust off of bread as you pack lunches to the big things, like providing a Catholic education. As you ease back into the school routine, know that you remain in my prayers. It is no small feat to transition a household from summer mode into back-to-school. We're in this together!

With that in mind, just a few things to note:

- **Staffing Update:** We have been busy this summer hiring for our open positions. I am excited to welcome our new staff members to the team and know we will be blessed by their presence! Check out their mini-bios below. We'll have more introductions soon so you get to know them

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- **Back-to-School Events:** We have a few events in the upcoming weeks to help us get ready for school. Make sure to check out the Save the Dates below and mark your calendars for our Crusader Kick-off on August 12th from 4:30 - 6:30pm. We're pulling out the slip-n-slide for an afternoon of pure joy. Hope to see you there!

I'll have more updates in the weeks ahead. In the meantime, continue to enjoy the beauty of summer with your family. I look forward to seeing everyone soon!

In His Heart,
Karen

Enjoy this view of a sunset from the monastery in Rhode Island. So beautiful, isn't it!



UPCOMING DATES

August

- 3 Administrators First Day Back
- 4 Office Open

- 10 Teachers Return
- 12 Crusader Kick-Off and 6-8th Curriculum Night
- 17 Meet Teacher

- 9-10am Kinder Round-Up
- 10-10:30am A - L
- 10:30-11am M - Z

- 18 First Day, Dismissal at 11:10am
- 24 Pre-K 1st day, ½ day of school
- 26 Curriculum Night, 1 - 5th, 5:30pm - 7:30pm
- 28 No School, PD Day

September

- 4 Labor Day No School
- 7 Labor Day No School
- 9 All School Mass at 8:00am
- 15 Skate Night: all grades, 6:00-9:00pm at Skateland
- 16 Picture Day



Crusader Kick-Off

Wednesday, August 12

4:30 - 6:30pm

Slip-n-Slide (soccer field until 5:30pm)

Sweet Treat (Kona Ice Truck)

Mass (6pm in Church)

Join the staff in kicking our year off right!

Let's play and pray our way into the new school year!
Bring a change of clothes to dry off for Mass.

Note: Junior High Curriculum Night will be immediately following
Mass in our church's Social Hall.

JUNIOR HIGH

CURRICULUM NIGHT

AUGUST 12
6:30PM
CHURCH SOCIAL HALL



BACK to SCHOOL

August 12

Crusader Kick-Off

August 12 6 - 8th Curriculum Night

August 17 Meet the Teacher

August 18 First Day of School

August 24 First Day of Pre-School

August 26 1st - 5th Curriculum Night

SAVE the DATES

IMPORTANT
ANNOUNCEMENTS

STAFFING UPDATE

We are saying goodbye to...

Kindergarten Teacher, Mrs. Renee Sullivan

We are sad to announce Mrs. Sullivan resigned her position in July to become a care-giver for her elderly parents. We have been so blessed by her love for our kindergarteners and wealth of experience that it is hard to say goodbye. Though she may be able to pop in as a substitute teacher here and there, we send her with our prayers as she transitions to a new season care-giving. Thank you, Mrs. Sullivan!! We are so grateful for you!!

Media Teacher, Mrs. Jennifer Doyle

We are saying goodbye to Mrs. Jennifer Doyle as our Media specialist as she pursues other opportunities. We have been so blessed by her love for our students and send her with prayers. Thank you Mrs. Doyle. We are so grateful for you!

We are welcoming...

Kindergarten Teacher, Mrs. Rachel Rembisz

We are blessed to welcome Mrs. Rembisz to our team as a kindergarten teacher. Mrs. Rembisz comes to us from Lincoln Park Schools where she has been a teacher for the past 27 years with the last 15 years in the kindergarten classroom. She is eager to be in a Catholic environment where she can share her love for the Lord and meet the academic needs of our students. Welcome to OLGC, Mrs. Rembisz!

Media Teacher, Mrs. Debbie Kozlowski

We are blessed to welcome Mrs. Kozlowski to our team as the media teacher. Mrs. Kozlowski has been a teacher for the past 20 years at St. Linus School in Dearborn. She is excited to be share her love for technology and passion for teaching with our students. Welcome to OLGC, Mrs. Kozlowski!

6th - 8th Grade Science Teacher: Mrs. Kathy Halberg

We are blessed to welcome Mrs. Halberg to our junior high team as our science teacher. Mrs. Halberg taught high school science for 7 years before staying home to raise her children. She is eager to be back full-time in the classroom with our middle school students and sharing her love for science as she develops young minds. Welcome to OLGC, Mrs. Halberg!

PreK - 3rd Grade Music, Mr. Ted Devine

We are blessed to welcome Mr. Ted Devine to our team as the music teacher for our youngest students in PreK - 3rd grade. Mr. Devine has been working as a campus minister and director of music at a parish in the Archdiocese of Detroit. He is eager to be in the classroom while sharing his passion for music and love for the Lord. Welcome to OLGC, Mr. Devine!

4th - 8th Grade Music, Mrs. Justine Jeffery

We are blessed to welcome Mrs. Jeffery to our team as the music teacher for our 4 - 8th graders. Mrs. Jeffery has studied music throughout her education including at the collegiate level playing multiple instruments and singing in choirs. This past year, she has been working with our after school choir which sings for All School Masses and is eager to continue building the program at OLGC. Welcome to OLGC Mrs. Jeffery!

Mrs. Henley:

Assistant Principal, Mrs. Katie Brydges

We are blessed to welcome Mrs. Brydges to our team as the assistant principal. Mrs. Brydges comes to us with over 25 years experience in Catholic education as a teacher, principal and superintendent. She most recently served as the principal of St. Regis for the past 10 years. She is eager to be a member of our community, meet our students and families and share her love for Catholic education. Welcome to OLGC, Mrs. Brydges!

See a note from Mrs. Brydges below!



Greetings, OLGC Community!

It is with great joy and gratitude that I introduce myself as the new Assistant Principal at Our Lady of Good Council School. I am truly honored to join this

Principal at Our Lady of Good Counsel School. I am truly honored to join this wonderful school community and leadership team, and I look forward to partnering with all of you as we continue to nurture our students in faith, learning, and service.

For the past 25 years, I have been blessed to serve the Archdiocese of Detroit as a teacher, principal, as well as an Associate Superintendent in the Office of Catholic Schools. Throughout my career, I have been passionate about creating a positive, faith-filled, and engaging learning environment where every student feels known, valued, challenged, and supported.

My husband and I moved to the metro Detroit area from our hometown of Traverse City in 2001 and have called the Plymouth-Canton area home since 2016. When I'm not at school, I enjoy spending time with my two daughters, family and friends, reading, traveling, and cheering on my favorite teams—the Michigan State Spartans (Go Green!), Western Michigan Broncos (Bronco Nation!), and, of course, the Detroit Lions (One Pride!).

I am so excited for the year ahead and for the opportunity to become an active member of this incredible community. If you see me at school, church, or around town, please stop and say hello—I would love to meet you! I can't wait to get to know the students, families, and staff who make OLGC such a special place.

I look forward to an amazing year together!

Blessings,

Mrs. Katie Brydges





SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 26 - 27

CALENDAR



HIGHLIGHTS

NO SCHOOL

START OF SCHOOL

BREAKS

- **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



2026 - 2027 OLGC School Calendar.pdf

CLASSROOM SUPPLY LISTS



GRADE LEVEL CLASSROOM SUPPLY LIST.pdf

Parent Leadership Team



PARENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

2026 - 2027 School Year

PRESIDENT CO-CHAIRS

Donna Pompa

VICE-PRESIDENT

Rick Goff

SECRETARY

Angeli Peters

SECRETARY

Araceli Peters

TREASURER

Joe Buehler

FUNDRAISING

OPEN POSITION

HOSPITALITY

Alyse Tollison

EVENTS

Courtney Greenup

We are still looking for a Fundraising Chair and are hopeful to also establish co-chairs underneath Fundraising to oversee:

- Sponsorships
- Hospitality of Fall Bash
- Fun Run

Please email Karen Ervin if you are interested at ervink@olgcparrish.net

SCHOOL UNIFORM



**Pre-Order for
the upcoming
school year!**



WE ARE MOVING

6585 N. Wayne Road
Westland, MI 48185

Sunday/Monday Closed
Tuesday 10am-5pm
Wednesday 12pm-5pm
Thursday 12pm-7pm
Friday & Saturday 10am-4pm

Summer Hours

Monday-Thursday
10am-7pm

Friday & Saturday
10am-5pm

OUR SCHOOL CODE IS: S0510

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many feet!!*





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JULY 31 - AUGUST 9

**DROP OFF DONATIONS IN THE HALLWAY
NEAR THE ADORATION CHAPEL**

Backpacks • Binders • Calculators
Colored Pencils • Crayons • Erasers
Folders • Index Cards • Glue • Markers
Paper • Notebooks • Pencils • Pens
Rulers • Scissors • Sticky Notes • Kleenex
Paper Towels • Disinfecting Wipes

Questions? Call Kimberly Mizzi at 734-355-8923



SMALL GROUPS



Women Living in Fellowship Together

**TUESDAYS 9-11AM OR
WEDNESDAYS 6:30-8PM**

To join us, please register at olgcparish.net/lift.

HOLY Smokes!

FOOD, DRINK & FELLOWSHIP

All men of the Parish are invited to
Holy Smokes! hosted by the

**OLGC Regular Joes
and Knights of Columbus.**

DATE: Wednesday, August 5, 2026
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Knights of Columbus Hall
ADDRESS: 150 Fair Street
Plymouth, MI 48170

***You don't need to smoke cigars to attend –
please join us for food, drink and fellowship!***



ST. ALOYSIUS 2026

BLOCK PARTY



AUGUST 8-22 • SPORTS BALLS COLLECTION

Please drop off donations at OLGC Church in the hallway bins.

AUGUST 23 • BLOCK PARTY • VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Party is at St. Aloysius Church from 11am-2pm. Sign up to help at olgcparish.net/volunteer



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**

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REPORT ABUSE

To make a report or contact the Abuse Hotline:

EMAIL reportabuse@aod.org

PHONE 313-237-6060

TOLL FREE 866-343-8055

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ENVIRONMENT
WEBPAGE**

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