



Saints & Scholars

...so that Mercy may flourish

The mission of the Catholic school is the integral formation of students so that they may be true to their condition as Christ's disciples and as such work effectively for the evangelization of culture and for the common good of society ~ Pope St. John Paul II

Calendar of Events

Thursday, 3/17

12:05pm

Irish Mass-Reception

Friday, 3/18

Dress Down Day -

Saints and Scholars

Fund

Wednesday, 3/23

6:00pm

Living Stations of the

Cross

Thursday, 3/24

Professional Day -

Staff only

Friday, 3/25

Good Friday - No

School

Thursday, 3/31

8:15am School Mass

Friday, 4/1

Professional Day -

Staff only

Spring Fling (PTG)

Monday, April 4

School Advisory

Board Meeting



“God’s mercy transforms human hearts; it enables us, through the experience of a faithful love, to become merciful in turn. In an ever new miracle, divine mercy shines forth in our lives, inspiring each of us to love our neighbour and to devote ourselves to what the Church’s tradition calls the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. These works remind us that faith finds expression in concrete everyday actions meant to help our neighbours in body and spirit: by feeding, visiting, comforting and instructing them. On such things will we be judged...For in the poor, the flesh of Christ “becomes visible in the flesh of the tortured, the crushed, the scourged, the malnourished, and the exiled... to be acknowledged, touched, and cared for by us.”

Pope Francis

News!

Reminder: Same day dismissal changes must be send in writing to olmoffice@olm.org as well as to the student’s homeroom teacher email.

A new Pre-K Program for 3 year olds is now being offered for the 2016/17 school year. Children must turn 3 prior to September 1st. Please register using the on-line registration form/process. Seating is very limited.

Re-registration for 2016/17 School Year: The April 7th deadline for registering is fast approaching. Remember you are not registered until the \$250 payment is made to the school. We do not want anyone to miss their opportunity to continue their OLM experience. Please register today!

Tuition Prices for 2016/17: Please see information on our web page for details. Remember, in order to be considered for financial aid, you must submit your Grant Assessment application on the FACTS website.

Father’s Corner

Sunday is Palm Sunday and it is the beginning of the Great Week of the Church we call Holy Week. This is week in which we and all Christians remember and witness to and relive in our own lives the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus. Every other dimension of the Christian life finds its roots and inspiration in this Paschal Mystery. Holy Week is a time the Church sets aside each year so that we can experience in the liturgy the events of our salvation, renew our faith, strengthen our spiritual life and give strength to that vision of life that only our Catholic faith can provide us. And, as we make our faith journey in the Sacred Triduum (three days) of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday we recognize that it is through the eyes of faith that we see so much more of what God intends for us. Palm Sunday calls us to begin this spiritual journey with a deep and lively faith. It helps us approach the mysteries of salvation with more devotion and grow that much closer to Christ the Savior. St. Josemaria Escriva reminds us: “We can't let Holy Week be just a kind of commemoration. It means contemplating the mystery of Jesus Christ as something which continues to work in our souls. The Christian is obliged to be *alter Christus, ipse Christus*: another Christ, Christ himself.” Join us this Holy Week, the Lord is waiting to see you!

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Parish

olmparish.org
Daily Readings:
uscc.org/readings
Catechism of the
Catholic Church
usccb.org/catechism

Web References

Academic ~ General

Khanacademy.com
(online tutorials for
many subjects)

Literacy

Seussville features
Dr. Seuss's books,
games and activities,
videos and much,
much more!

Starfall is an
educational
alternative to other
entertainment
choices for children."

Mathematics

Fact Monster - Fact
Monster is a free
reference site for
students, teachers,
and parents.

Puzzle Maker -
Create your own
content related
puzzles.

**Art of Problem-
Solving:** 3rd grade
and up; videos are
organized, clear and
free!

7th grade class - The Religion class is in the middle of learning some fundamentals of moral theology. They have learned about the definition and application of the Theological Virtues- Faith, Hope, and Love. The students are currently in the middle of learning about the Cardinal Virtues-Prudence, Justice, Temperance, and Fortitude. Emphasis is placed on how virtuous living is inanimately connected to human flourishing and lasting happiness.

ELA: After finishing *Johnny Tremain*, the students composed letters written from a character's perspective, set 10 years after the novel. Each student has presented a "Book Talk" on a recent independent reading choice. We are starting a unit on argumentative writing, in which we state an opinion, make claims and anticipate counter arguments.

3rd Grade Easter Basket Raffle - Throughout this season of Lent the students have been focused on "the three P's" ...praying, penance, and giving to the poor. One way we have decided to help those less fortunate is by having an Easter Basket Raffle. The students will put together Easter Baskets made up of items donated from both classes. Tickets will go on sale starting March 17th thru March 23rd for 25¢ each. Winners will be announced March 23rd! The proceeds from our raffle will be donated to several groups in need to be announced at a later date.

Sister Lourdes and Sister Emma's experience at OLM: *"First of all, we thank God for this great blessing and opportunity for calling us to be a part of the OLM Family. Thank you to Fr. Healey and Fr. Connors and all the Staff for the warm welcome. Working with the kids in the past 6 months in the extended day care, is a joy and a challenge at the same time. We are happy to work with Mrs. Craybas, Mrs. Manion and Mrs. DiPrete. They inspire us every day by the way they deal with the kids. After their snack at 2:30, we try to help them with their homework before they do some activities or go out to play in the playground. The kids have so much energy to run around, to get on the swing, to play ball games that sometimes it makes us nervous and pray silently to their guardian angels to watch over them and keep them safe. We are also happy to be with them during their lunch break. We try to give them a hand whenever they need help to open their lunch boxes, reading their parents notes to them and to help in any little things they need. We also encourage them to eat as much as they can so that no food will go to waste. We try to remind them of the many poor children all over the world who wish they have food to eat. We are very happy to be here at OLM. It's like ONE BIG FAMILY. Everyone, teachers, staff and students are very friendly. We are especially inspired when we have the mass once a week to see even the littlest ones participate and behave well in Church."*

Basketball - After being undefeated during the regular season, the Eighth Grade Girls' Basketball team lost the Championship Game versus Good Shepherd 35 – 36.

Prayer Requests – A friend of OLM has recently had surgery and is in need of our prayer for healing.

8th Grade Girls' OLM School Basketball Team



OLM "Wacky Sock Day" for Read across America Day

