

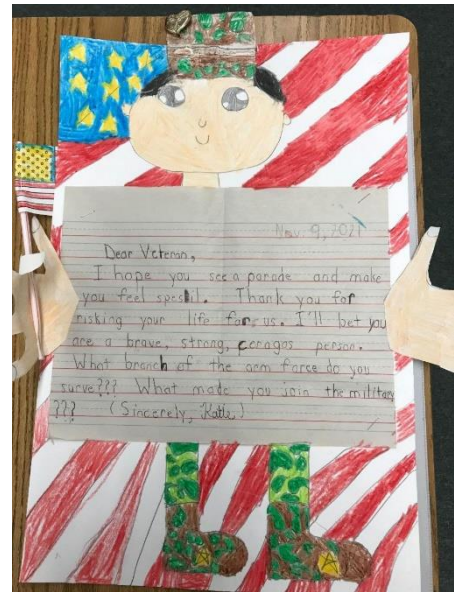
Wednesday Notes



November 10, 2021

Dear OLM Community,

We can look forward to a day off tomorrow in honor of all of those who have served our country, and whose example of selfless sacrifice is a model for our students: putting themselves in harm's way in order to serve a greater good. We thank all of our veterans, and we encourage anyone whose schedule allows to attend OLM Parish's 8:30 am Mass tomorrow as a way of expressing our gratitude to God for their courage. May we all live that same courage in our daily lives. Exciting things continue to happen at OLM, so please read on for the details!



The Week Ahead

Thursday, November 11 Veterans Day: No School

Tuesday, November 16 School Mass 8:15 am

Wednesday, November 17 PTG Board Meeting 6:00 pm

Thursday, November 18 "Beloved" Meeting 2:30 pm in the Gym

Thursday, November 18 Student Council Meeting 2:30 pm in Mr. Cote's Room

Friday, November 19 2022-2023 Sibling Applications Due

Friday, November 19 Lifetouch Picture Retake Day

Friday, November 19 Middle School Youth Ministry Meeting 6:30-9:00 pm

Updates & Reminders

- If your child requires a COVID-19 test to return to school, we strongly recommend the use of the K-12 testing sites available throughout the

state. We cannot accept at-home tests to re-admit symptomatic students to in-person learning, and positive COVID-19 cases arising from at-home tests become very difficult to document and respond to promptly. Please use K-12 testing sites whenever possible if your child requires a COVID-19 test. Thank you for working with us to help all of our kids stay safe, healthy, and in school!

- We also ask that families keep our health office informed if your child must stay home because of illness, or if you think that he or she may require a COVID-19 test. RIDOH's COVID-19 guidance has been changing rapidly throughout this school year, and **the best way for families to know the appropriate course of action regarding school attendance and requirements for COVID-19 testing is to check in with Mrs. Fleury before proceeding.**
- Please make sure that your child comes to school with a refillable water bottle each day! We have touchless water bottle fillers available on each hallway of the school for students to use, and we hope that they are able to take advantage of them!
- We have been getting more inquiries about our Extended Day program. Please remember that families may sign up for Extended Day this year on a per-trimester basis, and that we continue to try to manage the numbers in the program to minimize the likelihood of viral spread and to minimize the number of students who may have to quarantine in the event of a positive case. **Please make an effort to only use the program if necessary, and to reserve limited spots for those families that must use it to secure childcare after the school day.** Thank you very much!!

Sibling Enrollment & PK-3 Interest: 2022-2023

Sibling Enrollment

Thank you to all of our current families who have already submitted applications for next year! If you have not done so yet and you are planning to enroll a sibling of a currently enrolled student for the 2022-2023 school year, we ask that you complete an application for each prospective student by Friday, November 19th. **We must receive completed applications by Friday, November 19th in order to guarantee sibling preference for the 2022-2023 school year.** After this date, we cannot guarantee a spot for the siblings of our current students.

Please note that this is NOT re-enrollment for our current students. We will begin re-enrollment in February as we typically do, and all current students in good standing should presume that their spot is secure for next school year.

To fill out an application for a sibling of a currently enrolled student, you may log in to your [FACTS account](#) (district code is OLM-RI) and click on the Apply/Enroll button on the left navigation. Then you can fill out the information for a 2022-2023 application. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Verret at office@olmschool.org or call 401-884-1618.

PK-3 Interest

We would very much like to open our doors to more families who are looking for the faith, academics, and community that mark OLM School, so we are now beginning the process of assessing the feasibility of re-launching a PK-3 classroom beginning in 2022-2023.

The first step in that process is determining what the level of interest would be in the class. To that end, we ask that anyone who would be interested in enrolling a child who turns three years old by September 1, 2022 for next school year, please [click here](#) to indicate your level of interest in such a program. We would also ask that **if you know of friends, neighbors, relatives, or others in the community who would be interested in enrolling in a PK-3 program, please encourage them to complete an inquiry form on our school website.** You can also help spread the word by sharing our [Facebook post](#) soliciting inquiries about the program. As we develop a sense of the interest level in a new classroom, we will be able to take next steps to determine feasibility and make a firm decision about our ability offer a high-quality, joyful, and rigorous PK-3 program in the 2022-2023 school year.

Choir & Band!

Thank you to everyone who has already indicated interest in choir and/or band for this school year! If you are interested in joining either and have not yet completed the interest survey below, please feel free to do so!

Please look for communication coming out soon regarding a formal registration process for both programs and an upcoming rehearsal schedule.

[Click Here for Choir & Band Interest Survey](#)

PTG News

With the holidays around the corner, take a look at the additional ways you can help OLM fundraise for our classrooms while doing your holiday shopping. Every cent helps!



[PTG Newsletter](#)

Spiritual Life



"To the Height of Charity"

Middle School Youth Ministry
Friday, November 19th, 6:30pm-9:00pm

What does the Church mean by Charity? How can we live the virtue of Charity out in our daily lives?

Join us for a talk and discussion
Followed by:



SIGN UP IN MR. COTE'S ROOM BY FRIDAY NOVEMBER 12!!!!

Middle School Youth Ministry: November 19

Middle School Youth Ministry will meet again next Friday, November 19 with the theme "To the Height of Charity." The talk is to be followed by the first-ever OLM Lip Sync Battle. May the best fake singer win!

Be sure to sign up in Mr. Cote's room by THIS Friday, November 12 if you would like to participate!


[To the Height of Charity](#)

OLM Parish Families Group

Please join the OLM Parish Families Group for Christmas Caroling on Friday, December 3, from 6:30-8:00 pm! We'll meet at the church at 6:30pm and carol in the surrounding neighborhood. Look for more information as the date approaches!



Thanksgiving Food Drive

 *In the Spirit of Thanksgiving*

2021 Thanksgiving Food Drive
To Benefit Mercy House

OLM School will be collecting non-perishable Thanksgiving food items to benefit the Mercy House Food Pantry. OLM School students are asked to bring in one or more items each week from the list below between October 25th and November 19th. Collection bins will be located at all drop-off doors in the mornings. Thank you for your goodwill offering!

Week One	October 25 - October 29	Canned Yams & Vegetables
Week Two	November 1 - November 5	Instant Mashed Potatoes
Week Three	November 8 - November 12	Bread Stuffing Mix
Week Four	November 15 - November 19	Turkey Gravy & Cranberry Sauce

[Thanksgiving Food Drive Flyer](#)

Community Events



Children's Christmas Bazaar

presented by

OLM Parish + Student Entrepreneurs

Come support young artists + entrepreneurs and shop for Christmas! There will be gifts included, but not limited to soaps, holiday centerpieces, dog treats, stationary, ornaments, and cupcakes + cookies!

When: December 4th

Where: OLM Parish in Mercy Park

Time: 1:30 - 3:30

Enjoy complimentary coffee and hot chocolate and enjoy some music while you stroll. 15% of proceeds go to the Mercy House.



SCAN HERE TO REGISTER
YOUR CHILD AS AN ENTREPRENEUR AT THE
OLM CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR
(25 PARTICIPANT LIMIT)

Wednesday Envelope

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- **PTG Directories (for anyone who ordered one or more)**
 - **November 20 Shredding Day Flyer**
 - **Middle School Youth Ministry Flyer (Grades 6-8 Only)**

Upcoming Dates

Thursday, November 11 Veterans Day: No School
Tuesday, November 16 School Mass 8:15 am
Wednesday, November 17 PTG Board Meeting 6:00 pm
Thursday, November 18 "Beloved" Meeting 2:30 pm in the Gym
Friday, November 19 2022-2023 Sibling Applications Due
Friday, November 19 Lifetouch Picture Retake Day
Friday, November 19 Middle School Youth Ministry Meeting 6:30-9:00 pm
Tuesday, November 23 School Mass 8:15 am
November 24-26 Thanksgiving Recess: No School
Tuesday, November 30 School Mass 8:15 am
Thursday, December 2 "Beloved" Meeting 2:30 pm in the Gym
Friday, December 3 OLM Parish Families Group Christmas Caroling! 6:30-8:00 pm
Saturday, December 4 Children's Christmas Bazaar 1:30-3:30 pm in Mercy Park
Monday, December 6 St. Nicholas Day!
Wednesday, December 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception: 9:00 am Mass; Formal Uniforms
Thursday, December 9 Christmas Pageant 6:00 pm
Monday, December 13 Confessions for Grades 3-8 12:45 pm
Tuesday, December 14 School Mass 8:15 am
Thursday, December 16 First Trimester Report Cards Distributed
Thursday, December 16 "Beloved" Meeting 2:30 pm in the Gym
Friday, December 17 Middle School Youth Ministry Meeting 6:30-9:00 pm
Tuesday, December 21 School Mass 8:15 am
Wednesday, December 22 Half-Day: 11:30 am Dismissal
December 23-December 31 Christmas Break: No School
Monday, January 3 School Resumes

May God bless our kids, and may God bless America.