

February 2020 Newsletter



February 2020 - Principal's Invitation

OLV would like to invite you all to Our Lady of Victory Catholic School's 7th annual Gala on Friday, February 7th at 6:30PM. The OLV Gala is the school's number one fundraiser where 100% of the funds go directly to the school. The children of our school directly benefit from the funds from the Gala. The Gala is a critical component in helping OLV remain one of the top and most affordable private schools in the area.

Funds from the Gala are allocated each year for various improvements throughout the school grounds and improvements to our curriculum. Over the years, Gala funds have assisted in the buying of a new bus, bleachers, increased security, and many other improvements on campus. For this school year, our major renovation project is a much needed new roof on our unit 5 building. Classrooms in our unit 5 building include our Library, Spanish Room, Science Lab, Music Room, Computer Lab, and Campus Ministry program. Other projects also include improvements to our curriculum, water fountains, bathrooms, and school grounds. The investment in our children now is an investment in our future and your support is greatly appreciated. Tickets can be purchased online through our school store. If you are not able to attend, please consider donating to our Gala by contacting Denise Cooper at denise_cooper@ourladyvictory.org.



OLV GALA

Family & Friends!

OLV's Fiesta Gala is Friday, February 7th at The Cathedral Center starting at 6:30 pm. Don't miss out on this exciting event celebrating your student with the OLV community.

General admission tickets can be purchased online at the OLV store through Tuesday, February 4th . Tickets will be available by contacting Denise Cooper at [denise_cooper](mailto:denise_cooper@ourladyvictory.org) at ourladyvictory.org Don't miss out on this exciting event celebrating your student with the OLV community.



Help us continue to make OLV the best school in Victoria!

After Care News

EARLY DISMISSAL on Friday, February 7th. If your child will be staying for care please send them with a sack lunch and a drink.

Summer Camp packets will be sent home later this month and will be due on Friday, February 28th.

Packet and payment must be returned to the ECC by the deadline in order to keep your spot in our program.

Thanks,
Laura Janis
Director, Our Lady of Victory After School Program

OLV Sports News

Basketball:

Please turn in jerseys and shorts by Friday feb. 7th to Coach Harabis.

Track:

Athlete-parent meeting for any 4th - 8th graders wanting to participate in Track will be held on Thursday Feb. 6th at 6:30pm in the Cafeteria.

4th graders and parents please note that we will be talking to you as a group at the end of the meeting about what we are going to do this year as we might be needing a few 4th graders

OLV Softball tournament on April 4th, 2020 has been cancelled due to PSIA testing happening on the same day. Unfortunately we are unable to reschedule our tournament & therefore OLV will not be hosting one this year.

The potential Softball Schedule as of 1/24/2020 is the following:

THE GIRL teams for OLV will have 1 fast pitch Tournament Saturday March 21st, 2020 at Faith Academy & 1 Slow pitch tournament Saturday March 28th, 2020 with St. Rose- Schulenberg as the host.

THE BOY teams for OLV will have 1 tournament (slow pitch) - March 28th, 2020 with St. Rose - Schulenberg as the host - same tournament as the girls.

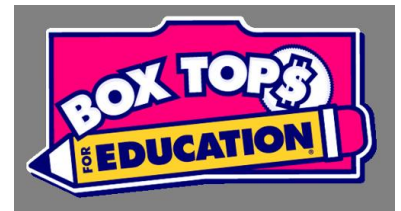
if anything changes an email will be sent out & the changes will be made in the Parent Calendar on the website.

Thank you for your understanding!!

If interested in helping coach SOFTBALL for boys and girls this season please contact Coach Harabis at mharabis@ourladyvictory.org

Boxtops For Education

Box Tops for Education, a program sponsored by General Mills that allows the school to earn ten cents for each Box top we send in. Box tops are available on many products and the box tops really add up.



Please send in any boxtops you have cut off the grocery boxes. We appreciate everyone who are using the boxtop app to give credit to the school.

Reclaim Family Time

From the Desk of the Very Reverend
Father Gary W. Janak

A most blessed New Year to all of you! We started the New Year with the celebration of the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God. We also celebrate World Day of Prayer for Peace, which surfaces a few questions for me: How much peace is in our home? In our marriage? In our family?



On the topic of peace and family life, Saint Teresa of Calcutta writes, "I think the world today is upside down. Everybody seems to be in such a terrible rush, anxious for greater development and greater riches and so on. There is much suffering because there is so very little love in homes and in family life. We have no time for our children, we have no time for each other; there is no time to enjoy each other. In the home begins the disruption of the peace of the world...if you want to bring peace to the whole world, go home and love your family."

Strong, but all too often true words. If, as Saint Teresa writes, it is in the home where the disruption of the peace of the world begins, it is also in the home where the beginning of peace can be found. As the familiar song states, "Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me..."

Instead of making New Year's resolutions that will be forgotten or unfulfilled by next month, what if we simply said, "This year, I am going to do my best, regardless of the circumstances, to be more at peace with

myself and others." God wants us to be a peace. Scripture reminds us: "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:6-7).

I offer you a few simple, but profound suggestions, from Lisa Jacobson at forthefamily.org, as we seek to begin this New Year of 2020, as men and women of peace

TEN LITTLE THINGS THAT CAN HELP BRING PEACE INTO OUR HOME:

1. SPEAK KINDLY. It's amazing how a little kindness goes a long way in setting the proper tone for the home.

2. GATHER REGULARLY. For meals. For prayer. To simply hang out with each other. Enjoy our togetherness.

3. LAUGH READILY. Joke and play. Be ready to have a good time with each another. Lighten one another's load with a good laugh.

4. WORK CHEERFULLY. It seems there's always a job to be done. So why not make the most of it? Do all things without complaining and disputing. (Phil. 2:14).

5. GIVE GENEROUSLY. Of our time, our possessions. Our home is a place full of all kinds of giving opportunities.

6. FORGIVE QUICKLY. Don't waste time nursing a grudge. Let it go right away and get on with a loving relationship.

7. HUG FREELY. Give our little ones a squeeze. Wrap our arms around our big kids, as well. My spouse could probably use one too!

8. PRAY FREQUENTLY. We will ask God to bring peace into our home. Lift up the needs of the day. Seek Him for wisdom when we're stumped (or even when we're not).

9. CHEER LOUDLY. Let our family know we are behind them. All the way. Offer our enthusiastic support. Who doesn't need to hear a warm cheer now and then?

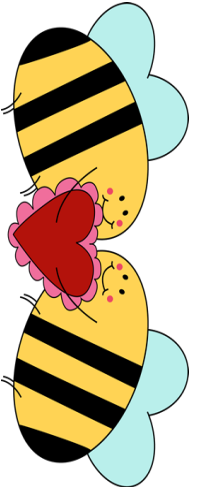
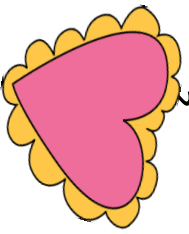

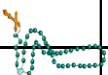

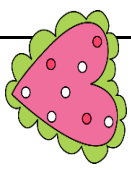
10. LOVE GENUINELY. Seems obvious, I know. But sometimes we forget how powerful love can be in our home. And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins." (1 Pet. 4:8)

Let us pray to be instruments of God's peace to our spouse, family and to all the world. After all, it begins with us. I believe Saint Teresa got it right, "if you want to bring peace to the whole world, go home and love your family."

May our Lord and Savior fill your family with peace, joy and love.

Father Gary

February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Notes					1
						
 2	3 All School Mass Basketball game at OLV	4	5 Faith Family Fun Night Principals Meeting	6	7 All School Mass Progress Reports 12:15 Dismissal Faculty Meeting OLV GALA	8 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition
9 	10 4K Field Trip OLV	11 Mass -3K-4th grade	12 Mass -5th-8th Grade	13 Mass -5th-8th Grade	14 Rosary 8:45am 4th grade 	15
	ACRE TESTING	ACRE TESTING			Valentine Parties	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Mass -3K-4th grade	8th Grade Field Trip	Mass -5th-8th Grade	Bullying Presentation	1st Communion for 2nd Graders 5:30 Mass
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		Mass -3K-4th grade Circus on Campus Bury Alleluia 3pm	Ash Wednesday All School Mass 8am 	Mass -5th -8th Grade 1st & 2nd Grade Field trip		



February Lunch Menu



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4	5	6	7
Chili Dog or Corn Dog Potato Salad Baked Beans Chocolate Pudding	Philly Cheese Steak Sub or Ham & Cheese Sandwich Chips Carrot Sticks Apple	Nachos or Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Spanish Rice Pinto Beans Pineapple Tidbits	Hamburger or Cheeseburger French Fries Salad Oreo Cookies	Early Dismissal
10	11	12	13	14
Meatloaf or Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Green Beans German Potatoes Mandarin Oranges	Ground Beef Stroganoff or PBJ Substitute Sandwich Corn Bread Slice Pineapple	Chicken Taco Bake or Ham & Cheese Sandwich Spanish Rice Pinto Beans Sliced Pears	Oven Fried Chicken or Tuna Sandwich Mashed Potatoes Vegetable Blend Jell-O	POTLUCK
17	18	19	20	21
BBQ on Bun or Turkey & Cheese Sandwich German Potatoes Vegetable Blend Mixed Fruit	Beef Ravioli or Fish Sticks Green Beans Breadstick Banana Pudding	Beef Enchiladas or Ham & Cheese Sandwich Spanish Rice Pinto Beans Salad	Chicken Nuggets or Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Peaches	Grilled Cheese Sandwich or Pepperoni Hot Pocket Stick Chips Carrot Sticks Orange
24	25	26	27	28
Pork Chop or Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes Corn Apple Cobbler	Hamburger or Cheeseburger French Fries Salad Oreo Cookies	Chalupas or PBJ Substitute Sandwich Spanish Rice Salad Mandarin Oranges	Chicken Spaghetti or Tuna Sandwich Green Beans Breadstick Rosy Applesauce	Domino's Pizza Cheese Slice Salad Banana Cookie