



School News

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School - Building the Spirit

April 2018

From the Principal...



Dear School Families and Friends,

This month is full of exciting events for our students and parents. When you look at the calendar, you will notice there are things for everyone! Here are just a few highlighted events.

April 14 - I want to invite you to the Starlight Gala that is coming up on. This event is our largest fundraiser that includes Silent, Cake, and Live Auctions, Fund-A-Need and great community building with those who love Our Lady. Invite your family and friends. The goal for this event is \$30,000. Fundraising helps cover the gap between tuition and the real cost to educate each child at Our Lady.

April 16- Parent Safety Meeting. Officer Tim Sonnek, our police liaison, and I will address safety issues and how the school and parents will work with law enforcement in the event there is an emergency at the school. Childcare is available, please register with Mrs. A at ollplus@oll.pvt.k12.mn.us.

April 20 and 21- School Board Elections after mass. If you will not be at mass, please go to the office and vote before April 25.

April 27- Generation Day. Please make sure to connect with grandparents or other important guests to make sure they have the date saved. Details and lunch order forms will be sent out soon.

K-8 grade students will be doing their spring assessments to help teachers plan for the rest of the year. A separate email will be sent to parents to help explain this more.

I pray your break and Easter celebration was everything you needed. As we are told, "From everyone who has been given much, much will be required; and to whom they entrusted much, of him they will ask all the more." Luke 12:48
Time to get to work!

Praising, Working, Loving

Becky Kennedy
Principal

Note From Father Tony...

Dear Brothers and Sisters,



"We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song." These are the words of St. Augustine in the 4th Century and they are as true now as they were then. Our Catechism tells us that: "The Paschal mystery has two aspects; by his death, Christ liberates us from sin; by his Resurrection, he opens for us the way to a new life." The gospel tells us of Peter and John who run to the tomb and find it empty. It says that when John entered the tomb "he saw and believed." But what did he see - he saw the absence of Jesus and he believed. He did not

simply see physically but he saw with the light of faith.

Pope Benedict says: "Faith in the resurrection of Jesus says that there is a future for every human being; the cry for unending life which is a part of the person is indeed answered... God exists: that is the real message of Easter. Anyone who even begins to grasp what this means also knows what it is to be redeemed."

I pray that all of you will be filled with Easter joy and may know in a deep way the love of God who has redeemed us. Truly, "We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song."

-- Fr. Tony

Yearbooks

We are getting ready to order the yearbooks. If you missed the deadline, you can have one more chance to purchase a yearbook. They are \$22 and you can make checks out to OLL. Please send payment to the office by Thursday, April 5th. You can also order online at ybpay.lifetouch.com yearbook code 2664718.

Twins Game

Take Me Out to the Ballgame!



Mark your calendars! Our third annual OLL group Twin's game is scheduled for Monday, May 21st, 2018 when the Minnesota Twins take on the Detroit Tiger's.

Like last year, our middle school students will appear on the Jumbo Tron singing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" with TC during the 7th inning stretch!

Tickets are only \$10 each. With your ticket, you will also receive a hot dog and soda at the game.

We are limited to 200 tickets and they will be given out on a first come first serve basis. The last day ticket request forms will be accepted is **Friday, April 20th**, or until sold out. You can find the ticket order forms on School Speak.

You are responsible for your own transportation to and from the game.

Email Mrs. Jones with questions. See you at Target Field!

Mjones@schoololl.com

Generation Day

Generation Day is Friday, April 27th. That's a day the students invite a family member or friend to spend part of the day visiting the school, enjoying lunch together and attending Mass. We will be doing box lunches from Subway. Order forms will go home with the students this week and need to be returned by April 19th. There will be no hot lunch that day so if you choose not to do the Subway box lunch you can also bring your own lunch.

Registration Update

If you have not registered for next year and are planning on attending, the registration forms are on SchoolSpeak. There are always some stragglers after the initial crunch of registrations. We really do need to know if you are sending your kids here next year so, even if you don't have the paperwork ready to send in, drop us a line and let us know verbally if they are (or aren't) coming.



TADS Business

With the registration forms coming in, the next thing to take care of is setting up your billing account in TADS. If you have already registered you will be receiving an email from Tads by mid- April with instructions to setup your account for next year. Please go to www.tads.com and take care of that as soon as possible.

First day for shorts...

The big question: When can we wear shorts?

The short answer: April 15. But please be sensible and take the weather into consideration if you are going to wear them. Remember, we do go outside for recess and it's not fun to be cold.

Starlight Gala

Join us Saturday, April 14th at the Wayzata Country Club for the Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School's Starlight Gala. The evening will include dinner, drinks, as well as a silent and live auction, and most importantly – FUN! You can register at

<http://school.ourladyofthelake.com/starlightgala/>

Invite your friends, get your babysitter booked and enjoy a night out to support our great school!

Can't be there for the Gala? Please consider, purchasing an ad, sponsoring a table, or donating a gift item to our live and/or silent auctions. Sponsorships and ads are a great way to promote your business to over 150 attendees and over 2000 of our supporters while supporting our school.

If you have any questions, or would like to be a sponsor, please contact Starlight Gala Chair, Tara Collins at tcollins@grenergy.com or [612-239-4110](tel:612-239-4110) or Starlight Gala Co-chair, Amy Roelofs: amyroelofs@gmail.com or [612-801-7670](tel:612-801-7670)

April Service Project

During the month of April our service project will be to make place cards for the Gala and cleaning up the church and school grounds.

Family Fun Night

The next Family Fun Night is Monday, April 9th from 5-7.

Middle School Events

We have some fun Middle School events coming up. Save the date for Sunday, April 22nd. We will have an escape room adventure set up at OLL from 4-6pm. We will also have a mystery game day on Friday, May 4th from 11-1:30. This is a non-school day.

Thank You

Thanks to the generous donations from last year's Gala Fund-A-Need, 4 new interactive panels were installed in 4 classrooms over spring break. The teachers are excited to use them when the kids return. We also purchased blinds for all the rooms as well. The blinds were installed this past summer.

Save the Date – Middle School Spring Program Thursday, May 17.
8th Grade Graduation – May 30th



April Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Easter	2 No School	3	4 Mass Gr. 1/2	5 School Board 6:30	6	7
8	9 Family Fun Night 5-7	10	11 Mass Gr. 7/8 Last day to order Twins tickets	12 PTO Mtg. 6:30	13	14 Starlight Gala
15	16	17 Chess Club	18 Mass Gr. 5/6	19	20	21 School Board Elections at Mass
22 School Board Elections at Mass Middle School Event 4-6pm	23	24	25 No Mass	26	27 Generation Day Mass Gr. 3/4	28
29	30	1 Chess Club	2 Mass Kindergarten	3	4 No School OLL+ Open	5



Congratulations to Gavin O'Donnell for winning the DARE essay contest. The 6th graders completed DARE and received a ride in the Emergency Response vehicle to the DARE celebration at Grandview.