CELEBRATING
70
Years of Grace
OUR LADY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
OF GRACE
Schedule of Events

8:30 - 9:30 AM  5K Family Fun Run
9:00 - 12:00 PM  Marathon Celebration, Midway Activities & Music
5:00 - 6:00 PM  Mass with Archbishop Hebda
6:00 PM  Reunion Gatherings by Decade
6:30 - 10:30 PM  Rock the School
7:00 PM  Concert with The R Factor
OUR HISTORY
1950s

Fr. Luis Forrey
Pastor
1946 – 1967

Sr. Mary St. Jude
School Principal
1949 – 1955

Sr. Mary Laurentina
School Principal
1955 – 1961

Do you remember?

Sr. Mary Robert playing dodgeball with the students

Girls wearing navy blue felt beanies emblazoned with the OLG logo to daily Mass

Silence in the lunchroom until after bag lunches were eaten

Fr. Forrey personally delivering report cards

Convincing Fr. Forrey to allow “athleticism”

The Church Garage burned to the ground thanks to the Boy Scouts

Fr. Forrey’s “antidisestablishmentarianism”

The Basement Church, 8 school rooms and the convent are built for $450,000. OLG School opens its doors to 115 students for the first time. Seven Sisters of Mercy make up the original Faculty and Staff of OLG School.

1949

1950

First 8th Grade class graduates 12 students

1957

The Upper Church, auditorium, 4 more classrooms and new convent were built. The old convent is converted into 4 classrooms. The cost for this project was $500,000.
1960s

Fr. Joseph Baglio  
Pastor  
1967 – 1976

Sr. Mary Roseline  
School Principal  
1961 – 1967

Sr. Mary Bernice  
School Principal  
1949 – 1955

Do you remember?

The bowtie… and the “end of the bow tie”

10 cent plastic book bags, and the birth of the mini-boggan

“Lake OLG” when the lower parking lot would flood over every spring

Mr. Tarka’s “sawdust”

Princess Kay of the Milky Way

Ribbon ties for the girls and beanies for Mass and confession

Sr. Roseline’s lunchroom bells (and eat every bite)
1970s

Fr. Paul Slattery
Pastor
1976 - 1978

Fr. Eugene Pouliot
Pastor
1978 - 1985

Sr. Susan Dunwald
School Principal
1976 – 1979

Sr. Jane Carroll
School Principal
1979-1981

Do you remember?
Chuck Lewensten, Pat McGrath and the birth of the boys and girls athletic programs and fields.
George Carthage and Schola Baumtrog’s School of Art
Sr. Jean’s stories
Flooded Parking Lots
Jumping out of windows
Fines for not wearing ties
The tornado at Camp Foley

1970
The church was renovated to give it orange carpeting throughout.

1971
The sport’s program officially got started. The OLG “Raiders” were born and proudly wore the purple and white.

1974
The athletic fields were added to campus to support the sport’s program.
1980s

Sr. Jane Carroll
School Principal
1979 - 1981

Sr. Dolores Hannon
School Principal
1981 - 1983

Ms. Jeanette Kleve
School Principal
1983 - 1985

Mrs. Barbara Smrdel
School Principal
1985-1991

Fr. Robert Cassidy
Pastor
1986 - 2002

Do you remember?

1984
Sr. Marilyn Ward taught 2nd Grade on the last year that a Sister of Mercy taught at OLG

1986
The Church and Commons area were built for $4,700,000.

1988
First OLG School Reunion timed with the Edina Centennial Celebration

Jumping out of windows
The snowfight on Flathorn Lake
When Tomie de Paola autographed our books
Sr. Jane’s communication envelopes
Girls Volleyball champs
Marathon
The Year of the Library
Class prophecies and wills
Green M&Ms
The scoliosis test
The 8th Grade Play
“Oh son”
Mrs. Stifter’s “Thinkers”
Mrs. Trenary’s candy bribes
The original OLG Crest designed by Principal Barbara Smredel
1990s

Fr. Robert Cassidy  Mrs. Maureen Trenary
Pastor  School Principal

Do you remember?

Class prophecies and wills
Keeping squirmy Kindergarten buddies in line at Mass
Dissecting frogs before lunch
The Reading Couch
The 8th Grade Play
FNO Dances
WOLG Radio
Marathon
The OLG “Raiders” were renamed to the OLG “Royal Crusaders”

466 Students Enrolled
1,950 Families in the Parish
2000s

Fr. Bob Schwartz
Pastor
2002-2014

In 2001, the US Department of Education named OLG a “Blue Ribbon School” – A National School of Excellence. The distinction recognized OLG’s excellence in leadership, teaching, curriculum, student achievement, parent involvement and community support.

Built two-story middle school, Grace Room (now Cassidy Hall), school library, school office, K-5 computer lab and faculty lounge. Cost of building project 2001: $2,600,000.

In 2009, the US Department of Education named OLG a “Blue Ribbon School” – A National School of Excellence for a second time! School are only eligible to win this distinction three times.

Do you remember?
The change to green polos for uniforms
September 11, 2001
Peter Pan for the 8th Grade Play
The first ever teachers vs 8th Grade basketball game.
OUR SCHOOL TODAY

Fr. Kevin Finnegan  
Pastor  
2014 - today

Mrs. Maureen Trenary  
School Principal  
1991 - today

650  
Students Enrolled

2,731  
Families in the Parish

We are a two-time Blue Ribbon School of Excellence Award Winner.

Our Middle School students completed over 3,000 service hours in 2017-2018.

The 2018 8th Grade Students tested in the top 1% of the nation in both Reading and Math.

Over 200 students celebrate first sacraments annually: Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

While 58% of our students are from Edina, our students come from 27 cities for their OLG education.

There are 25 students in each Kindergarten classroom.

We have 10 Teacher Assistants serving in our K-8 Classrooms.

We have 3 classrooms per grade level and a One-To-One Technology Program so that every student has a computer or tablet.

Our Parent School Organization has 40 committees in the areas of Classroom Support, Service, Fellowship, Fundraising and School Support.
CELEBRATE WITH US
5K Family Fun Run

7:30 - 9:30 AM
Help us kick-off the 70th Anniversary Celebration, 70 Years of Grace with a 5k Race. Participants are invited to walk or run. The course will begin at the OLG North Parking Lot and will head south along the frontage road, looping back north on the frontage road and will finish in the OLG North Parking Lot after completing two laps where they are invited to join the OLG Marathon Celebration Activities.

Check-In will begin at 7:30 AM at the OLG North Parking Lot near the start line. Each registration will include a T-Shirt and water after the run. Cost is $30 for participants 16+, $15 for participants under 16 and free for all 2019-2020 OLG School Students. All students who wish to race must still complete the online registration form.

SCHEDULE
7:30 AM - Check-In
8:30 AM - Race Kick-off

Marathon Celebration

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Every year the school participates in the Marathon for Non-Public Education Fundraiser. This year’s Marathon kicked-off on Friday, September 6 with a fun-filled student pep rally and ended on Friday, September 20. This year we raised $100,474.38 which is 103% of our goal! Marathon gives students, school families, faculty members and friends an opportunity to show their school pride while generating important financial support for OLG School programs. Join us for donuts and coffee as we celebrate the end of another successful year of our Marathon for Non-Public Education Fundraiser.

Midway Games

7:30 - 9:30 AM
Following the 5K, join us for midway activities, games and snowcones while enjoying the music of Wondercure featuring OLG Alumni, Mike Lupo ’74!

Games will include:
Candy Playland Obstacle Courses
Ultimate Ninja Warrior Obstacle Courses
Light Speed interactive game
Dunk Tank
Celebration Mass

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Please join us for our Celebration Mass at 5:00 PM on Saturday as we give thanks to the Lord for 70 Years of Grace. Archbishop Hebda will be presiding. Members of the Middle School Choir and OLG Teachers will sing during the liturgy. Following Mass, join us for Rock the School. Alumni are also invited to reconnect and enjoy the company of others who graduated from your decade at the Reunion Gatherings.

OLG School is part of a strong Catholic community deeply committed to the spiritual growth of each of its students. We engage students spiritually in ways that are challenging, instructive, and relevant to their lives and their future.

Reunion Gatherings by Decade

6:00 - 7:30 PM
Following Mass please join fellow Alumni to reconnect and enjoy the company of others who graduated from OLG during your decade. There will be wine, soft drinks and light refreshments. Free admission, however registration is required. Come, meet and mingle before you join others at Rock the School.

Rock the School

6:30 - 10:00 PM
Continue Celebrating 70 Years of Grace with Rock the School which will include a concert performed by Minnesota band The R Factor, an indoor reception with beer and wine, food from KCM Asian, Gastro Truck, Food Trip and late-night treats provided by Dude Donuts! The R Factor is an 11-piece band who will be playing all the hits from the 1950s through today! Registration is $60 and includes a meal and drink ticket and concert admission. Food will be available 6:30 - 9:00 PM.

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<td>Jumbo Pork Egg Roll, 5 Chicken Dumplings and 2 Cream Cheese Wontons OR 2 Veggie Spring Rolls (GF), 2 Pork Spring Rolls (GF), 2 Cream Cheese Wontons</td>
<td>Chicken, Veggie or Pork Tacos served with Chips and Salsa</td>
<td>Black Angus Burger with Fries OR Caprese Sandwich with Fries OR Grill Cheese with Fries OR Seasoned Tots with Queso</td>
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5k Family Fun Run
Visit [www.olgschool.net/70th-anniversary](http://www.olgschool.net/70th-anniversary) to hear more about how we will continue to celebrate 70 Years of Grace!

If you would like to stay connected, please fill out the contact form listed on the 70th Anniversary page.