



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School

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Principal and Assistant Principal's Corner

Dear OLPH Families,

In this week's Gospel reading, we seem to think that Jesus healed a blind man. Before this happened, Bartimaeus reaches out to Jesus first for mercy, then to make him see. In saying Bartimaeus' faith healed him, Jesus opened not only his eyes, but his heart and soul.

We would like to thank everyone who made the Halloween Carnival a success! From the classroom booths, to the bouncy houses, it was a wonderful evening. Thank you all for making it so.

Thank you as well for meeting with the teachers this week for parent/ teacher conferences. It was great to see so many parents on Thursday and Friday.

We not only saw everyone Thursday and Friday, but throughout the weekend, as CYO games were ongoing.

The OLPH middle school soccer team was rained out this week, and they will start their championship run on Monday. Best of luck to the soccer team!

Upcoming Dates

- 10/30 8:15 Conversation w/Admin,
Café*
- 10/31 Happy Halloween!
9:00 CDC Parties and Parade
3:00 Classroom Parties
Wear a Halloween Shirt*
- 11/1 All Saints' Day Liturgy, 8:30
Honor Roll Awards*
- 11/2 Coach D Day-Wear Your Shirt!
2:30 Faculty/Student
Volleyball Game, Gym*
- 11/3 The Assembly*

Our Casino Night is Saturday, 10 November, and the theme is Homecoming. The classes, with parents and teacher assistance, have hand-made many items for the silent auction. All are encouraged to be a part of this event.

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Faith > Fear.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help...Pray For Us.

Francis Burns

Principal

Amanda Miller

Assistant Principal

Saints Day. We walk over to church beginning at 8:05a; please drop off your kiddos to school by 8a. If you are running late please meet us at the Church.

God Bless,

Stephanie Dunne, Director

News from the CDC

Dear Parents,

Thank you, thank you, thank you, to all the parents and CDC staff who helped to make the Halloween Carnival so successful! We couldn't do these events without your support for OLPH. I saw a lot of happy, smiling children who attended!

On Wednesday, Oct. 31st the K3 & K4 children will officially celebrate Halloween. Their parties will begin around 9:00a, and our parade at 9:30a. Please come out and join us! We would appreciate if your children will come to school dressed in their costumes (send a change of clothes to change into after the parade).

The students are doing a great job at Mass on Wednesdays. We are all so proud of them. Please join us for Mass this Thursday as we celebrate All

After School Activities in the CDC

*Registration/information is available at the CDC

Mondays – Art (3:45p, ages 6+, Ms. Weems Art room in the Admin Building)

Tuesdays – TOT (2:30p, PK, CDC Bldg.)

Wednesday – Dance (2:45p PK & 3:45p, Kinder+, CDC Bldg.)

Wednesdays – Orchestra - Guitar/Violin (3:30p, Grades K-8, Music room in Admin Building)

Fridays – Stomp & Play (2:45p, PK, 3:30 Kinder, CDC Building)

Fridays – Chess (3:45p, 1st-8th grade, Mrs. Weems Art room in the Admin Building.

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St. Vincent DePaul Donations

- 10/29 Can of Green Beans, 15 oz.
- 11/05 Can of Mixed Vegetables, 15 oz.
- 11/12 Can of Spaghetti Os, 15 oz.
- 11/19 Can of Whole Tomatoes, 15 oz.
- 11/26 Can of Tomato Sauce, 15 oz.

Spiritual Corner

All Saints' Day



Continued from Last Week All Saints' Day is a day Catholics offer prayers to those in purgatory. Reverend Donohoe said, "All Saints' Day and All

Souls' Day are related, but they are two separate celebrations. On All Saints' Day there's a call to live as saints, to remind us how we're supposed to live. On All Souls' Day, we're talking about all souls and asking God's mercy for them. "We're talking about those people who have died before us, and their process of getting to heaven, through Christ ... It has its roots all the way back to the fourth century." It is on this day that the Book of the Dead is opened to allow parishioners to write the names of relatives to be remembered. (We have that tradition at OLPH). Please feel free to write names of your loved ones who have died, in the book next to the all souls trellis in the church. Reverend Donohoe described that the book is "placed near the altar" and "That's done all through November. It's an All Souls' tradition." All Souls' Day is a commemoration of the faithfully departed and is observed primarily in the Catholic Church. Its origins date back to European folklore related to customs of veneration practiced worldwide through events like the Mexican Day of the Dead (Dia de los Muertos) or the Chinese Ghost



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Festival. To remember the departed, many cultures prepare meals for the souls of the dead, light candles or leave flowers on relatives' graves and some anoint tombstones with holy water or pour milk over them. All Souls' day is celebrated November second and if that day happens to fall on a Sunday, the Mass is of All Souls and Morning and Evening Prayer (Lauds and Vespers) for the Dead can be said while people participate. Each celebration touches on cultural beliefs about the spirit world, honoring the dead and feasts, so when you celebrate remember to prepare for **All Saints' Day** and **All Souls' Day** as well. (Taken from the CALIFORNIA NETWORK)

From the School Nurse:

Vision and hearing screenings were completed on 10/3/18 for PK4, K, 1st, 3rd, 5th and 7th grades, as well as for new students. Re-screening for students who did not pass the initial screening will occur on 10/24/18. Parents will be notified at that time if their child did not pass this re-screening. I will be sending a total of 3 follow-up letters, as required by state regulations, until I receive a response to the screen failure notice. It is the parent's choice to have their child examined by a physician, but I need a response to the follow-up letter for the school health file.

Spinal screening will occur on 11/7/18 for girls 10 years old and 12 years old and boys 13-14 years old as of 9/1/18. An e-mail has been sent through Renweb with more details.

Christ's Peace, Nurse Beth



Uniform Tip of the Week

On Wednesday, Oct. 31, students K - 8 are invited to wear a Halloween shirt with uniform bottoms. All other guidelines for uniform dress should be followed (i.e. socks, shoes, belts and outerwear, etc.)



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COMING SOON:

Burger Day on the OLPH Wildcat Lunch Menu will change to Tuesdays beginning in November!

Student Corner

Writings from the Journalism Class

Do You Know the Resource Teacher?

By Caitie Rudd

Cindy Rudd teaches at OLPH Catholic School as a resource teacher. She is also an Academic Interventionist, which means that she implements the Dyslexia Intervention Program. She has worked at OLPH for 13 years, but she has been a teacher for 23 years. She realized she wanted to teach in high school when her German teacher, Margaret Carty, said that she would work well with kids.

Cindy Rudd attended and graduated from Southwest Texas State University. She received a bachelor of science degree in elementary education. She has a reading specialization and a minor degree in Fine Arts. Before coming to OLPH, she taught third and fourth grade at Mount Sacred Heart and Highland Park Elementary in SAISD.

When she was in school, her favorite subjects were Reading, English, Art, and German.

Mrs. Rudd lives in the country, so she loves many animals especially cows, horses, and cats. She has four pets, 2 dogs and 2 cats. Her favorite colors are hot pink and sapphire blue. She also loves to fish, camp, dance, read, and write. Her dream is to write and publish children's books and build her business. She has also volunteered as a Room Mom for OLPH and been a CYO mom. Mrs. Rudd loves her family and friends and she is very busy. And finally, she is my mom!

Who is Ms. Moser?

By: Prateek Mohan and Jacob Simmons

Mrs. Moser has been here for thirteen years as a parent, but this is her sixth year of teaching at this school. Mrs. Moser was hired by Mrs. Palmero and when she came here the current father was Father McGrath.

Mrs. Moser has five children. Her favorite books are the bible, Little House on the Prairie, and Little Women. She has been to France, Spain and Mexico.

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Fun Facts

She was a contractor employee in the Air Force, working in the marketing department at the AFD in Georgia.

During that time, she studied journalism to prepare herself for a weekly article, and a monthly insert produced by her office.

How did she get to this school?

She said that God had put her here at OLPH (Our Lady of Perpetual Help). She was asked to sub as a Religion teacher 6 years ago. After a week of subbing, she was asked to stay at this school as a teacher, and she has been here ever since.

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