

## Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School

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Dear Parents and Students,

God is good – all the time and all the time – God is good. This is a phrase Archbishop Aymond likes to use when addressing the youth of our Archdiocese. It is a simple, yet very powerful message. Each day, God gives us opportunities to see Him, to be with Him, to trust in Him, to give ourselves over to Him. To be in Him as he is in us. Keep your eyes, ears and hearts open so that you can see His wonder in things great and small, hear His voice in the stillness of the day and during the chaos of life, and feel in your heart His love poured out into you. God is good – all the time and all the time – God is good.

This week we are blessed to have Fr. George Knab, O.M.I. join Our Lady of Lourdes to provide our parish's Lenten Mission. Fr. George is member of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, whose mission is to serve the poor and needy and to bring them the Good News of Jesus Christ. The faculty and students will have an opportunity to hear Fr. George during the school week and I encourage each and every parent to try and attend at least one session of the Lenten Mission. I also ask that you pray for Fr. George and his fellow oblates as well as for our pastor, Fr. Paysse, who made this Lenten Mission possible. See the attached flyer for more details.

Tomorrow is the start of a new week. Please check out the information contained in this newsletter and attachments so that you can stay abreast of the many things going on at OLL. This week we have added a new section to TWA – The "Baby Knights News" provided to us by the OLL Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC).

Yours in Christ – Roy H. Delaney, Sr.

## Upcoming Events

### April 1

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Art Club
- **Spirit Squad Tryouts Start**
- Ms. Frisard Tutoring

### April 2

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Art Club
- Spirit Squad Parent Meeting (5:00pm in the Gym)

### April 3

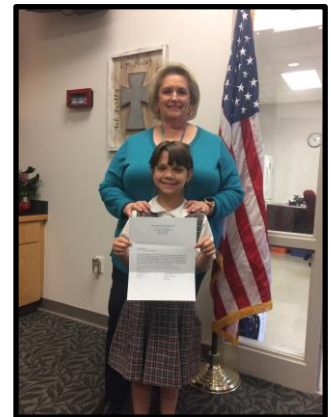
- No special events planned

### April 4

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip to IMMS
- Choir Practice
- Spirit Squad Tryouts End

### April 5

- Talent Show in Cafeteria starting at 10:00am
- Early dismissal at 11:30pm (no aftercare, lunch, bus)



**Madelyn Coleman (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade)** was chosen as the **1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner** of the **2018-2019 VFW Free-Hand Drawing of the U.S. Flag Contest**. Congrats Maddie!

## PARENT-TEACHER COOPERATIVE

- The next PTC meeting will be **Wednesday, April 10** in the **Cafeteria** at **7:00pm (NEW DATE)**

## MENS' CLUB

- Please patronize the Friday Fish Frys during Lent.
- The next Men's Club Meeting will be **Thursday, April 11** in the **Gym** at **7:00pm**.

## OLL Lenten Mission

Our Lady of Lourdes Church will be hosting a **Parish Lenten Mission** from **Sunday, March 31 through Wednesday, April 3, 2019**. Fr. Paysse would like for the school community to take advantage of the opportunity being made available to grow in faith. Students will attend the 8:30am morning Masses on Monday and Tuesday (**Mon – Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> / Tues – 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>**). Additionally our school Altar Servers and Readers will serve all three scheduled Masses.

Students may earn 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Service Hours for attending evening sessions or encouraging other family members to do so. There will be sign-in sheets in the vestibule of the church. Here is how service hours can be earned:

- 1 hour credit for Church Service Hours for each event the student attends that is not during school hours (NOT counting events they attend with their class).
- 1 hour credit for Church Service Hours for each event a parent/family member attends based on the student encouraging them to attend. Parents/family are encouraged to attend the morning Mass on the day their child's class is scheduled to attend (see above).
- Altar Servers and Readers will earn 1 hour Credit for Church Service Hours only for the evening Mass (7:00pm Wednesday)

**Note:** The student can only claim the "personal" credit if they attend an event with parent/family member. They cannot claim double credit for them and their family member.

Please see the attached flyer for details on the Lenten Mission.

## Liturgical Schedule

### During the Week

**3/31 – Lenten Mission, Day 1** starts at 7:00pm at the Church

**4/01 – Gospel Reading – John 4:43-54**

- Lenten Mission, Day 2 –**
  - 8:30am Mass
  - 7:00pm Talk

**4/02 – Feast of St. Francis of Paola, Hermit; Gospel Reading – John 5:1-16**

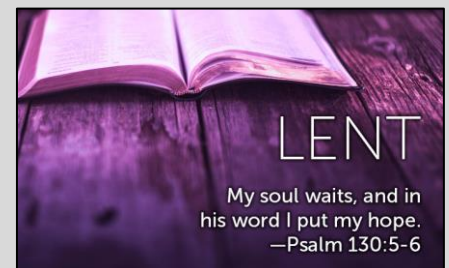
- Lenten Mission, Day 3 –**
  - 8:30am Mass
  - 10:00am-4:00pm confessions every hour
  - 7:00pm Talk

**4/03 – Gospel Reading – John 5:17-30**

- Lenten Mission, Day 4 –**
  - 8:30am Prayer Service and talk
  - 7:00pm Talk

**4/04 – Feast of St. Isidore, Bishop and Dr. of the Church; Gospel Reading – John 5:31-47**

**4/05 – Feast of St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest; Gospel Reading – John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30**



# REGISTRATION REMINDER – 2019/20

Registration for **returning students** entering Pre-K4 through 7<sup>th</sup> Grade remains open, although the \$65.00 late fee now applies. Registration for **new students** enrolling in the Early Childhood Development Center program or entering Pre-K4 through 7<sup>th</sup> Grade is ongoing.

## CLUBS AND SPORTS UPDATE

### CLUBS AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

- **Art Club**. The **2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Art Club** will meet after school until **4:45pm** on **Monday, April 1** and the **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Art Club** will meet after school until **4:45pm** on **Tuesday, April 2**.
- **Catholic Athletes for Christ (CAC)**. The next CAC meeting will be on **Tuesday, April 9** at **7:30am** in the gym.
- **Children's Choir**. The children's choir will meet in Mrs. Morehead's Music Room after school **Thursday, April 4** until **4:00pm**.
- **Chi Alpha Mu (Math Club)**. The Math Club will meet **Friday, April 12** from 3:30pm -4:30pm in Mrs. Laux's room.
- **Cub Scouts**. OLL Cub Scouts will meet in the **cafeteria** from **6:30pm – 7:30pm** on **Saturday, April 13** at **5:00pm**. This will be the final meeting of the school year.
- **Drama Club**. The OLL Drama Club will be supporting Pope John Paul II High School's production of "**Fiddler on the Roof, Jr.**" OLL Cast members are to follow guidance provided by director via separate correspondence. Performances will be held at OLL on **Friday, May 3** at **7:00pm** and **Saturday, May 4** at **2:00pm** and **7:00pm**.
- **Girl Scouts**. The next meeting will be **April 16** from **6:15pm** to **7:30pm** in the **Cafeteria**. The final meeting of the school year will be May 7.
- **Green Team**. The next Green Team meeting will be **April 18** after school until **4:15pm**.
- **KOOL 92**. The KOOL 92 Crew now broadcasts every Tuesday morning. Please send any items you would like covered by the KOOL 92 Crew to Mrs. Kathy Carter at [kcarter@ollourdes.org](mailto:kcarter@ollourdes.org).
- **Liturgy Club**. Activities are coordinated with grade-level Religion Teachers by our Director of Campus Ministries, Diana Tullis.
- **Mission Club**. No information to share at this time.

- **NJHS.** The next NJHS meeting will be **Tuesday, April 9** with the final tutoring session of the school year being held on **Wednesday, April 10**.
- **Quiz Bowl Team.** The OLL Quiz Bowl Team went **2-2** during the Brother Martin Tournament held this past **Saturday, March 30, 2019**. Thank you for representing our school and congratulations on your two wins.
- **Student Council.** The final Student Council meeting/party of the year will be held on **Tuesday, April 30** from **3:00pm -3:30pm**.

## SPORTS TEAMS

### GAME RESULTS

- **Boys Volleyball.** The boys **defeated St Tammany Junior High** in a double header on **Thursday, March 28** winning the first game in two sets, **25-8** and **25-17**, and the second game in two sets, **25-19** and **25-8**. The boys are undefeated on the season.
- **Boys Baseball.** The boys lost to Boyet Junior High by a score of 8-4 on Friday, March 29.

### PRACTICE/GAME SCHEDULES

- **Spirit Squad – Tryouts for 2019-2020 (4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade)**
  - **Monday, April 1 – Thursday, April 4** from **3:00pm – 5:00pm**
  - **Parent Meeting** on **Tuesday, April 2** at **5:00pm** in the **Gym**
- **Baseball**
  - **Wednesday, April 3** v. St. Peter in **Covington** at **5:30pm (Newly added)**.
  - **Wednesday, April 10** v. Holy Cross at **OLL** at **5:00pm**.
  - **Monday, April 15** v. Holy Cross at **OLL** at **4:00pm**.
- **Boys Volleyball**
  - **Tuesday, April 2**, v. Slidell Junior High at **OLL** at **5:30pm**.
- **Boys and Girls Tennis**
  - Wednesday, April 3, v. Christ Episcopal School (CES) at CES.
    - **Depart OLL by 2:30pm**
    - **Match** begins at **3:30pm**
  - Week of 8-12 April, v. Mary Queen of Peace (location TBD)
  - Week of 15-19 April, v. Holy Ghost at Oak Knoll
  - Week of 29 April – 3 May
    - v. Our Lady of the Lake at Slidell City Courts
    - v. Kehoe France ay Tchefuncta Country Club
  - Week of May 6-10, v. NITA Tournament

# 2019 – 2020 Scholarship Update

Families who wish to apply for their rising Kindergartener or older sibling transferring in from a public school are encouraged to apply for the **ACE Scholarship** (<https://www.acescholarships.org/>). The **ACE enrollment period began March 1 and is SCHEDULED TO CLOSE MARCH 31.**

Families are also encouraged to apply for the **Champions of Catholic Education (CCE)** program. This program is open to any family who has students enrolled in a Catholic school in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. The program's goal is to assist families who need financial assistance to ensure their children receive a Catholic education. This program is managed in partnership with First Bank and Trust. The enrollment window **CLOSES MONDAY, APRIL 1.** Go to the following link to apply: <https://tuitionportal.fbtonline.com> .

**Also, don't forget about the Knights of Columbus Louisiana Catholic School Supplemental Tuition Lottery Program where families can receive a \$500.00 tuition grant.** The student's father must be a member of the Knights of Columbus, in good standing, to be eligible. Go to the following link for more details: <https://www.louisianakc.org/programs/youth/tuitionlottery.pdf> .

## April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month

President Ronald Reagan designated the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention month in 1983. Different states support the month differently. The **National Child Abuse Prevention Month** recognizes the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and neglect and promotes the social and emotional well-being of children and families.

This year, thanks to the generous donation of the Sterbenz family, we will be presenting the students with awareness bracelets on **Friday, April 5, 2019. On this day, students may wear jeans, dresses, skirts, etc. that are BLUE.**

This year's theme is **Strong and Thriving Families.** One way to ease pressure on families and reduce the stressors that may lead to child abuses is to make sure basic needs, such as having adequate food supplies, are met. Therefore, **students are encouraged to bring in a can of food or other non-perishable food item donation for wearing BLUE to school.**

Additional resources on this topic, along with this year's Presidential Proclamation are provided for your viewing as desired.

### Resources

<https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/preventing/preventionmonth/>

### Presidential Proclamation for 2019

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/president-donald-j-trump-proclaims-april-2018-national-child-abuse-prevention-month/>



# Baby Knight News


APRIL 1-5, 2019



Please check your child's folder for information about Employee Appreciation Week!



## IMPORTANT DATES

- April 1-5: Employee Appreciation Week
- April 5: 11:00 Dismissal 
- April 17: Easter Egg Hunt
- April 19: No School - Good Friday
- April 22-26: No School - Easter Holidays
- May 22: Pre-K3 End of Year Program;  
Last day for Pre-K3
- May 24: Last Day of School - 11:00 Dismissal



### Ms. Couste's Corner

"Please leave your children's toys at home as they can be disruptive during the school day. Comfort items for nap time are ok!"

## SUMMER SESSION

Summer Session registration is now open!



- Session 1:** June 3 - June 28  
*Center Closed: July 1 - 5*
- Session 2:** July 8 - August 2

Please submit your registration forms as soon as possible, but no later than **Wednesday, April 17**. Registrations fees are due by **Wednesday, May 23**.

## DROP OFF & PICK UP

When using the circle driveway, please:

- pull as far forward as space allows.
- come in and out of the center as quickly as possible.
- pull as far to the right as possible so other cars can get around you if necessary.



## EASTER EGG HUNT

Our Easter Egg Hunt will take place on **Wednesday, April 17** after nap time. Each child in Preschool One through Pre-K3 should bring one candy filled egg for each child in his/her class. Please ask your teacher for the number of children in the class. If you do not wish for your child to have candy, please let us know.

## YEARBOOKS

The Baby Knights will be in the 2018-2019 yearbook! The cost is \$40 until **Friday, April 5**. After that time, the price increases to \$45. Please pick up an order form at the front desk. Yearbooks will be delivered at Check In Day in August.

**We have 80 Baby Knights enrolled for the 2019 – 2020 school year!!!! Nursery, PS-1 and PS-2 are full!!! Only 6 spaces remain available in PS-2 and Pre-K3. Praise God!**

# Attachments and Other Important Things

## Attachments

- April School Schedule
- April Lunch Menu
- April Parish Schedule
- Parish Lenten Mission Information (biography included)
- Spirit Squad Tryout Information Flyer
- Derek Thomas Memorial 2019 Scholarship Competition (open to all students enrolled at PJP for the 2019-2020 school year **(That means you 7<sup>th</sup> Graders who enrolled at PJP)**)
- eXaLT Youth Group Flyer for April 10 event from 7:00pm-9:00pm at St. Genevieve (5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grades)

## Other Important Things

- Talent Show and Early Dismissal (Friday, April 5)
  - Talent Show in the Cafeteria starting at 10:00am
  - Early Dismissal on Friday, April 5, 2019. No Lunch, no bus service, no Aftercare.
- ACT Aspire Testing. Testing will be conducted for students in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grades from Monday, April 8 – Thursday, April 11.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Activities
  - Class Trip to New Orleans on Wednesday, April 10
  - Class Picnic on April 11
- Kindergarten Field Trip to the Teresian Sister Convent in Covington on Friday, April 12.
- PTC/Men's Club Family Day will be held Saturday, April 13, 2019. More details to follow.
- OLL's Altar Servers, Grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>, will be attending the Chrism Mass at the St. Louis Cathedral on Tuesday, April 16 (details to follow).
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade field trip to the Audubon Zoo.
- Living Stations of the Cross to be presented by the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Class on Thursday, April 18 ( ) starting at 1:30pm in the Gym (all are welcome).
- The Easter Holiday begins on Good Friday, April 19, 2019 and continues through Sunday, April 28, 2019.