

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School

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Dear Parents and Students,

On behalf of the entire faculty and staff of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School, I want to say thank you so much for your ongoing support and the amazing generosity displayed during Employee Appreciation Week. I personally enjoyed the smiles, hugs and high fives received from the students each day. I can also assure you that we will all need to cash in our gym membership gifts to burn off the extra "insulation" that was added as a result of the mountain of goodies delivered by the students. I would like to thank the PTC and Room Moms for making the week a blast and I want to thank the Men's Club for the amazing lunch they prepared for us today.

We began the week by attending the morning Masses held in conjunction with the Parish Lenten Mission. Several of our students provided support for the parish mission and many parents, grandparents and staff attended as well. Thank you all for participating in the rich faith traditions of our Church. We ended the week with the older students broadcasting the Stations of the Cross on KOOL 92 followed by a good cross-section of students performing for us at the Talent Show.

Yours in Christ,

Roy H. Delaney, Sr.

Upcoming Events

April 8

- 4th Grade Art Club
- Ms. Frisard Tutoring

April 9

- NJHS Officers to attend PJP II's Induction Mass
- NJHS Meeting

April 10

- 7th Grade Trip to NOLA
- NJHS Tutoring

April 11

- 7th Grade Picnic
- Choir Practice

April 12

- Kindergarten field trip to Teresian Sisters convent
- Chi Alpha Mu Math Club
- Ms. Frisard Tutoring

National Child Abuse Prevention Month and Lenten Food Drive

Please pray for all of those affected by child abuse and for those in want of having their basic needs, such as food, met. Thanks again to the Sterbenz family for donating the awareness bracelets and to all who were able to donate food items.



PARENT-TEACHER COOPERATIVE

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

MENS' CLUB

- **Tonight, Friday, April 5, is the last Friday Fish Fry** of Lent 2019. Please stop by the school and purchase a meal (or meals) from OLL's Men's Club.
- The next Men's Club Meeting will be **Thursday, April 11** in the **Gym** at **7:00pm**.

ACT Aspire Testing

ACT Aspire Testing will be conducted for students in 3rd through 6th grades from **Monday, April 8 – Thursday, April 11**.

Testing Tips:

- Make sure your child gets an ample, normal amount of sleep the night before the test.
- Mark testing days on your calendar to help remind you and your child when the testing will take place and plan your preparations.
- The student should eat a nutritious and filling breakfast. Avoid high sugar cereals which can make the student hyper and/or unfocused.
- Set aside time each night prior to the test to review the concepts that will be covered.
- Make sure the student is on time (if not early) on the day of testing.
- Set a backup alarm to avoid the possibility of oversleeping.
- If you child is sick please contact the school immediately to inform them.

Liturgical Schedule

During the Week

4/08 – Gospel Reading – John 8:12-20

4/09 – Gospel Reading – John 8:21-30

4/10 – Gospel Reading – John 31-42

4/11 – **Feast of St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr**; Gospel Reading – John 8:51-59



4/12 – Gospel Reading – John 10:31-42



Thank you to all who participated in this year's Parish Lenten Mission, especially our student Altar Servers, Readers and choir members.

REGISTRATION REMINDER – 2019/20

Registration for **returning students** entering Pre-K4 through 7th 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 7th Grade is ongoing.

CLUBS AND SPORTS UPDATE

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- **Art Club**. The **4th Grade Art Club** will meet after school until **4:45pm** on **Monday, April 8, 2019**. This is the **LAST** Art Club meeting for the 2018-2019 School Year.
- **Catholic Athletes for Christ (CAC)**. The CAC meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, April 9** has been **CANCELLED**.
- **Children's Choir**. The children's choir will meet in Mrs. Morehead's Music Room after school **Thursday, April 11** 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.
- **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**. **NJHS Officers** will attend the **NHS Induction Mass** at **Pope John Paul II High School** on **Tuesday, April 9**. There will also be a NJHS meeting on **Tuesday, April 9**. 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**. Congratulations on your two wins and thank you for representing our school.
- **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 Slidell Junior High** on **Tuesday, April 2** winning the first game in two sets: **25-8, 25-10** and **25-15, 25-15**. Congratulations to the boys completing the season **UNDEFEATED!!!!!!**
- **Boys Baseball**. The Wednesday, April 3 game against St. Peter's was cancelled.
- **Tennis**. Tennis lost to Christ Episcopal School on Wednesday, April 3.

PRACTICE/GAME SCHEDULES

- **Baseball**
 - **Wednesday, April 10** v. Holy Cross at **OLL** at **5:00pm**.
 - **Monday, April 15** v. Holy Cross at **OLL** at **4:00pm**.
- **Boys and Girls Tennis**
 - **Monday, April 8**: dismiss at 2:45pm, depart by 3:00pm for match against Kehoe France at **Christ Episcopal School** at **4:00pm**.
 - **Thursday, April 11**: dismiss at 2:15pm and depart by 2:30pm for match against Mary Queen of Peace at **Tchefuncta Country Club** at **3:30pm**. OLL is the home team (host) so please everyone bring a new can of tennis balls! Any extra cans we will save for our next home match.
 - Future Dates
 - 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 still open.**

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> .

Liz Fichter Day will be held on Wednesday, April 17

You may ask yourself, who is Liz Fichter and why are we celebrating her on Wednesday, April 17? Liz Fichter is our friendly neighborhood crossing guard. Although she is technically the crossing guard for Salmen High School, Ms. Liz has adopted Our Lady of Lourdes as her own – students, families and faculty. She always has a smile and a wave ready when you pass by in the morning or afternoon. Ms. Liz was recently diagnosed with cancer for which she will undergo surgery on Holy Thursday, April 18. Ms. Liz works two jobs to make ends meet: as crossing guard and as a cashier at a local retail store. We will have a **Free Dress with Donation Day on Wednesday, April 17** to raise a few dollars to help Mr. Liz make ends meet during her recovery.



Congratulations to Mr. Smith's 3rd Grade Homeroom which sold the most Bayou Bash Raffle Tickets this year and won a free trip to Cajun Encounters.





Baby Knight News

APRIL 8-12, 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

- 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 23: Summer Registration Fees Due
- May 24: Last Day of School - 11:00 Dismissal



Ms. Couste's Corner

"Please remember to label your child's personal items to ensure nothing is shared and that everything goes home with the right child."

SUMMER SESSION

Summer session is nearly full! We have only two nursery spots remaining, as well as a couple drop in day spots for older kids. If you haven't registered yet, please contact the office ASAP to ensure we can accommodate your child! The \$50 registration fee per child is now due by **Wednesday, April 17th**.



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 plastic egg filled with an age appropriate treat for each child in his/her class. If you do not wish for your child to have candy, please let us know.

TOYS FROM HOME

Please leave your child's toys at home as they can become a distraction during the school day. One comfort item for nap time is allowed.

NOW HIRING!

We are looking for qualified individuals for substitute teacher and after care teacher positions! If you enjoy working with children and have flexible availability during school hours and/or after school, please email your resume to ecdc@ollourdes.org. Feel free to share with friends and family!



Attachments and Other Important Things

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- "JAZZ IT UP FOR LIFE" – St. Tammany Right to Life Fundraiser, April 6, 2019.
- Derek Thomas Memorial 2019 Scholarship Competition (open to all students enrolled at PJP for the 2019-2020 school year (**That means you 7th Graders who enrolled at PJP**)).
- eXaLT Youth Group Flyer for April 10 event from 7:00pm-9:00pm at St. Genevieve (5th – 12th Grades).
- Divine Mercy Sunday flyer.

Other Important Things

- 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 4th – 7th, will be attending the Chrism Mass at the St. Louis Cathedral on Tuesday, April 16 (details to follow).
- Living Stations of the Cross to be presented by the 4th 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.
- The Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated on Sunday, April 28, 2019. Please see the flyer for details.

A FEW TALENT SHOW PICS FROM 4-5-19



OLL's Go Talent! Geaux Knights!