

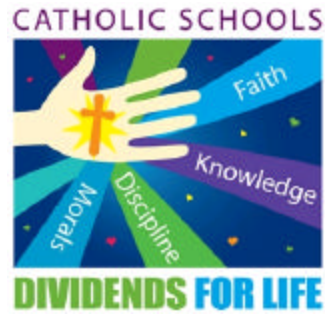
Our Lady of the Assumption School

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February 2, 2010



With Hands to Serve and Hearts to Love



Catholic Schools Week—A Celebration of OLA

"Catholic education is an expression of the mission entrusted by Jesus to the Church He founded. Through education the Church seeks to prepare its members to proclaim the Good News and to translate this proclamation into action."

--To Teach as Jesus Did, 1972, #7

Since 1974, Catholic Schools across the United States have been celebrating Catholic Schools Week. The purpose of Catholic Schools Week is to celebrate and acknowledge the 7,500 plus Catholic schools nationwide. Today there are more than 2.3 million students attending Catholic elementary and high schools.

OLA School kicked off Catholic Schools Week with a wonderful Open House. Mrs. Smith and our eighth grade class organized a beautiful Catholic Schools Week Mass, and the faculty and staff did a magnificent job preparing their rooms. Special thanks to the PTG for providing warm hospitality for our families.

As I indicated last week, we have a full slate of events planned for the this week, and they are listed in the bulletin. The faculty and staff wanted this week to be a lot of fun for our students. They deserve a fun week for all of their hard work this year and for their enthusiastic participation in our various service projects. On Friday, our faculty and staff will be performing in a fashion show for the students because they raised over \$1,500 for the Wellspring Woman's Center Christmas Store last December. This event is going to be a lot of fun, and parents are invited to come and watch. The fashion show begins at **11:30**, not 11:15 as previously announced.

On Friday afternoon, we will conclude Catholic Schools Week with a basketball game between the faculty and our eighth grade basketball players. The game will take place at the St. Michaels gym at 4:00 P.M. Admission is \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children. Both teams have agreed to send all of the proceeds to Catholic Relief Services for the people of Haiti. An adult should accompany students who attend the game. Special thanks to St. Michael's for letting the school use their gym.

Finally, a big thank you to the students and PTG for spoiling the faculty and staff this week. The week is just getting started, but we already feel loved and appreciated. Bless you!

Haiti

I am so very proud of how our community came together the last two weeks in response to the earthquake in Haiti. Our school raised \$850.00 over just a few days, and due to the efforts of Elle Minor, Jack Minor, Charlie Minor, and Jacob Hall, we also collected over 1,000 shoes for the Soles for Souls program. All the shoes collected will be distributed to the people in Haiti. Jack Deaner was also enterprising, and he established a collection for Haiti relief at our Little Dribblers and JV basketball games. And finally, our student council did a terrific job promoting our drive by making posters and collecting money before school.

Confirmation Conference—Fired Up!

Last Saturday, our eighth grade students enjoyed a full day Confirmation conference at Christian Brothers High School. This high-energy event, put on the Diocese of Sacramento, met our students where they are in their journey to the sacrament of Confirmation. The attendees were treated to a great band, a dynamic guest speaker, and engaging breakout sessions. Bishop Soto celebrated Mass with the students at the end of the program. It was really nice to see over 1,000 young people from around the diocese getting “Fired up!” about their faith.

Spirit Wear Clarification

For the remaining minimum day Fridays, our students will be allowed to their new OLA spirit gear or their Cougar Crew items to school. On those days, students may wear jeans. Students who do not have OLA spirit wear or Cougar Crew shirts or sweatshirts must come in uniform.

God bless,

Robert Love

This Week at OLA

Catholic Schools Week

Monday: Community

Kick-off Assembly; Door decorating

Tuesday: Students

Career Day Dress; Giant Musical Chairs; Free Hot Chocolate

Wednesday: Nation

Morning Assembly with 1st Lieutenant Patrick Bagley as guest speaker.

Thursday: Vocations and Volunteers

Donut on a string contest; *Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes*

Friday: Faculty and Staff

Fashion Show at 11:30 A.M.; OLA Spirit Wear/Cougar Crew Day; Faculty vs. 8th Grade Basketball Game at 4:00 P.M. in St. Michael's Gym.

Food Locker

Grade 6—February 1 through February 5.

Intent to Return

A form is being sent home today with your oldest student asking if your child(ren) intend to return to OLA for the 2010/2011 school year. Please return the completed form no later than Thursday, **February 11**.

Minimum Day

Friday, **February 5**, is a minimum day due to a faculty meeting. Don't forget to wear your Cougar Crew/Logo Wear.

Pasta Feed

Saturday, **February 6**, at 6:30 P.M. in the gym.

Next Week at OLA

Food Locker

Grade 7—February 8 through February 11.

2010/2011 Registration Packets

Registration packets will be sent home with your oldest child on Tuesday, **February 9**. Please complete all of the forms, attach the \$260 registration fee (per child) and return them to the office no later than Monday, **February 22**. If you have an incoming kindergartner, please add your kindergartner's name to the registration form. Once the incoming kindergartners are identified, a separate kindergarten packet will be sent home through your oldest child.

OLA Information Night

Tuesday, **February 9**, is OLA Information Night at 7:00 P.M. in St. John's Hall. Anyone interested in learning more about our school program from our principal and members of our faculty are encouraged to attend.

Valentine Spirit Day

Thursday, **February 11**. Wear red, pink, or white tops with appropriate bottoms. Enjoy your class party!

PTG Meeting

Thursday, **February 11**, at 1:00 P.M. in the Meeting Room.

First Eucharist Parent Meeting

Thursday, **February 11**, at 7:00 P.M. in St. John's Hall. This is the first of two First Eucharist parent meetings.

Holidays!

There is no school on Friday, **February 12**. There is also no school on Monday, **February 15**, in honor of Presidents' Day. Enjoy your four-day weekend.

Bits and Pieces

Happy Lunches Menu Change

On Ash Wednesday, February 17, the smoked turkey sandwich listed on the menu will be replaced with a cheddar croissant sandwich. The Hot Lunch menu can be accessed on our Web site at the following link: <http://www.olaparish.net/school/files/Hot%20Lunch%20Menus/1002%20Hot%20Lunch%20Menu.pdf>

Last Chance!!!!

All lost and found items will be sent to the uniform closet or donated by the end of this week. If you are missing clothing (jeans, P.E. clothes, non-uniform sweatshirts), lunchbox, gloves, books, and more, please stop by the office to see if any of the items belong to you.

Free Throw Competition

Ryan Steele and Cameron Knight competed in the second round of the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition and won their respective age categories. They will move on to the third round on February 27. Good luck to you both!

Book Swap

The seventh grade "God Squad" will be hosting the annual OLA book swap again this year on Thursday, **February 18**. Start setting aside books your children have previously enjoyed and are ready to pass along. For each book brought in the student may choose another book from the assortment available. It is time to deliver your gently used books to the seventh grade classroom through February 11. Leftover books will be sold for 25¢ each on Friday, **February 19**.

Missoula Children's Theater

Missoula Children's Theater is coming to OLA! This year's production will be ***Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs*** and the performances will be at 1:00 P.M. and 6:30 P.M. on Saturday, March 20. Based on parent and student feedback, we will once again perform auditions. Auditions for 1st through 8th grade will be on Tuesday, March 15. Audition packets will go home electronically with the February 16 bulletin. There will also be a few copies in the office. Please return them to school by Friday, February 26. Additional information will be provided in the audition packets. Please contact Lynn Paine at (916) 549-4226 or nettles@surewest.net if you have any questions.

Souper Bowl of Caring

After Mass on February 6 and each Mass on February 7, students will be at each door to collect money to help feed the hungry. All funds from the collections at OLA will be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Locker.

The Five Paragraph Essay

Mercy Education Resource Center is offering a writer's workshops specifically designed for 5th, 6th and 7th grade students on Saturdays from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. There are two sessions: February 13 and February 20. The cost is \$75 per session or \$135 for both. For additional detailed information, please see the attached flier.

Box Tops for Education

Remember to clip and collect Box Tops! A new contest has begun. Please continue to clip Box Tops and turn them into your classroom.

Crab Feed Dinner and Dance

St. John the Evangelist School in Carmichael presents its 27th Annual Crab Feed Dinner and Dance on Saturday, February 6 from 6:00 P.M. to midnight. Tickets are \$39 per person and can be purchased in the school office at 5701 Locust Avenue, Carmichael. Dinner includes hors d'oeuvres, salad, pasta, crab and dessert. No-host bar from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M., dinner and raffle from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M., and dancing from 9:00 P.M. to midnight. Please call the school office at 481-8845 for more information.

Soles for Souls

Your generous response to the shoe drive was overwhelming. OLA collected over 1,000 pairs of shoes. Seven carloads! Thank you for helping those in need.

Thank you!

Thank you so much to the 4th grade parents who
supplied a delicious lunch for the faculty and staff last Friday.
We enjoyed every bite!

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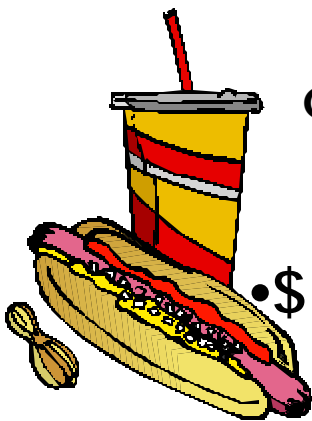
OLA Family Bingo Night
Friday, February 26 OLA

Gym

6:00 p.m.



- Fun for the entire family!
- Refreshments (Hot Dogs, Caesar Salad, Drinks & Snacks)
- Fun prizes!



• \$10 per family (or \$5 per person)

Pay at the door.

Return Bottom Portion

Family Name: _____

Number attending: _____

RSVP by February 19

ORDER FORM

Love Lines

for the 2009-10 Yearbook

LOVE LINES — Back by popular demand!

This is your opportunity to create an extra special memory in the yearbook for your child(ren) or friends. A love line is a 20-word maximum message, including names of the senders and the recipients. The cost is only \$5 per message, and space is limited to two pages in the yearbook. (See previous books.)

Don't delay, do it today. Get yours in ASAP!

Please complete this form's three steps below and return it to the school office along with your check made payable to *OLA School*.

The deadline is **Thursday, March 4**, to get your love lines in to the school office.

Examples:

Mary S. – You are a smart and wonderful girl and we are very proud of you. Love, Mom & Dad

Laura and Amy – We made a great team! Go Cougars! Your BFFs

John and RJ – What a fabulous and fun year! Thank you for working so hard. Love you lots! Dad

1. Love Line (20 words maximum per message) Please print neatly and use back if you need more room for additional messages. If you're writing your message on the computer, staple the paper to this order form, but don't forget to complete #2 and #3 below.

2. Print your name and phone number in case we need to call you to clarify the message:

Name: _____ Phone number: _____

3. Number of Love Lines ordered: _____ X \$ 5.00 per Love Lines message

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Office use only

Questions? Contact Mary Costan at 366-1064.



WRITER'S WORKSHOPS 2010

"THE FIVE PARAGRAPH ESSAY"

These 9-12pm Saturday workshops are specifically designed for 5th, 6th and 7th grade students. If your child struggles with writing, these fun & educational workshops are sure to help!!!

February 13 Session 1 introduces the mechanics, structure and fundamental elements of essay writing.
(Maximum 12 students)

February 20 Session 2 covers the writing process from thesis statement to a completed 5 paragraph essay.
Prerequisite-Session 1
(Maximum 6 students)

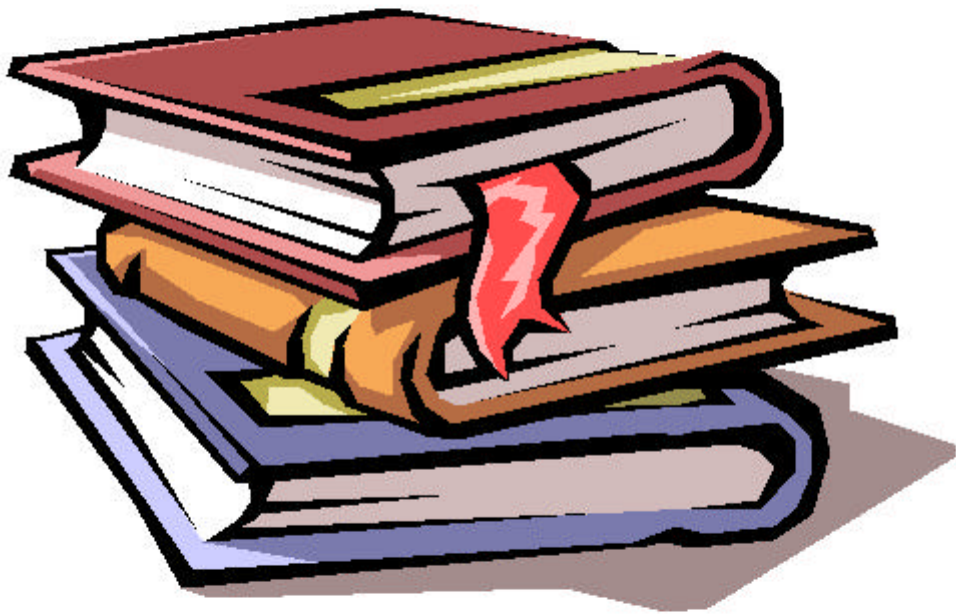
Minimum class size of four
Cost: \$75 per session or \$135 for both

Call 737-6026

Mercy Education Resource Center
6007 Folsom Boulevard, #200
Sacramento, Ca 95819

Call now! Registration ends February 8th!

God Squad's Annual Book Swap



Swap:
February 18, 2010
Purchase:
February 19, 2010

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SCRIP PROGRAM 2009-2010

FAMILY NAME (PLEASE PRINT) _____

PHONE _____ DATE _____

ORDER DATES

Order form and payment are due in no later than 8:15 a.m. on the following order days.

January 20 th (Delivery 1/28)	February 3rd (Delivery 2/11)	February 17th (Delivery 2/25)	March 3rd (Delivery 3/11)	March 17th (Delivery 3/25)
March 31 st (Delivery 4/1, no joke!)	April 14 th (Delivery 4/22)	April 28th (Delivery 5/6)	May 12th (Delivery 5/20)	May 26th (Delivery 6/3)

DELIVERY LOCATION (Please choose 1 of 4 locations)

**If your order is not picked up it will be kept in the office

Office _____ Cottage Lot _____
Extension _____ Classroom _____ (Childs Name & grade _____)

Your Signature _____

Once delivered to your child, OLA is not responsible for lost or stolen scrip.

PAYMENT

Payment must accompany the order form. Please attach cash, check or credit card receipt. The credit card machine is available for your use in the school office during office hours. No American Express ~ No Gas/Wal-Mart/Toys-R-Us/Walgreens only charges!

QUESTIONS? Call Scrip Chair Donna Washburn at 397-3605 (washburn@surewest.net)

- Scrip is available for purchase in the school office during office hours. Scrip may also be purchased on Thursdays after school at the Cottage Gate, and after 5:30 & 9:30 masses.
- **ALL SALES FINAL. THERE IS NO REFUND OR EXCHANGE OF PURCHASED SCRIP**

8/12/09

STORE	#	\$\$
Grocery/Restaurant		
Applebees 8%		\$25/\$50
Arbys 8%		\$10
Baja Fresh 7%		\$25
Baskin Robbins 9%		\$2
Boston Market 12%		\$10
Buca di Beppo 8%		\$25
Burger King 4%		\$10
California Pizza Kitchen 4%		\$10
Carl's Jr. 9%		\$10
Cheesecake Factory 5%		\$25
Chevy's 8%		\$25
Chilis/Mac Grill/Border 11%		\$25
Chipotle 10%		\$10
Chuck E. Cheese 8%		\$10
Claim Jumper 8%		\$25
Cold Stone Creamery 8%		\$10
Del Taco 4%		\$10
Denny's 7%		\$10
El Pollo Loco 6%		\$10
El Torito 9%		\$25
Hagen's Orange Frz (8%)		\$20
Hard Rock Café 10%		\$25
Honeybaked Ham 12%		\$10
Islands 8%		\$25
Jack in the Box 4%		\$10
Jamba Juice 7%		\$10
KFC 8%		\$5
La Bou 5%		\$10
Leatherby's 10%		\$5
Logans Roadhouse 8%		\$25
Marie Callenders 12%		\$25
Mimi's Café 8%		\$25
Outback Steakhouse 8%		\$25
Panera Bread 9%		\$10
Papa Johns 8%		\$10
Peet's Coffee & Tea 8%		\$20
PF Chang's 8%		\$25
Qdoba 7%		\$25
Raley's Card		FREE
Red Lobster/Olive Gard 9%		\$25
Red Robin 9%		\$25
Ruths Chris 10%		\$50
Safeway 4%		\$25
Save Mart 2%		\$25/100
See's Candy 1 lb. 25%		\$15.60
Smart & Final 3%		\$25/\$50/\$100
Starbuck's 7%		\$10 / \$25
Subway 3%		\$10/\$50
TGI Friday's 9%		\$25
Wendy's 4%		\$10
Woody's 15%		\$25

STORE	#	\$\$
Clothing/Dept. Store/Sporting		
Amer Eagle Outfitters 9%		\$25
Bass Pro Shop 9%		\$25/\$100
Big 5 8%		\$25
Brooks Brothers 16%		\$25
Cabela's 11%		\$25/\$100
Dress Barn 8%		\$25
Eddie Bauer 10%		\$25
Foot Locker 9%		\$25
Gap/Old Navy/Ban Rep 9%		\$25
Gymboree 13%		\$25
J. Crew 13%		\$25
J. Jill 8%		\$25
JCPenney 5%		\$25 / \$100
Kohl's 4%		\$25 / \$100
Lands End 16%		\$25 / \$100
LL Bean 15%		\$25 / \$100
Macy's 10%		\$25 / \$100
Marshalls/TJ Maxx 7%		\$25 / \$100
Men's Wearhouse 8%		\$25
Mimi Maternity 6%		\$25
Motherhood Maternity 6%		\$25
Orvis 17%		\$25
Overstock.com 8%		\$25
Payless Shoes 13%		\$20
REI 8%		\$25
Ross Dress for Less 8%		\$25
Sears/OSH 4%		\$25/\$100/250
Sports Authority 8%		\$25/100
Talbots 11%		\$25
The Children's Place 12%		\$25
BOOKS & VIDEO		
Amazon.com 4%		\$25/\$100
Barnes & Noble 9%		\$10 /\$25/\$100
Blockbuster Video 7%		\$10
Borders 9%		\$10 / \$25
iTunes 4%		\$15/\$25
HARDWARE/HOME		
Best Buy 2%		\$25/\$100/250
Coffman's Furniture 3%		\$100/\$250
Crate & Barrel 8%		\$25 / \$100
Emigh Hardware 5%		\$10 / 25
Home Depot 4%		\$25/\$100/500
K Mart 4%		\$25 / \$50
Lowes 4%		\$25/\$100/500
Radio Shack 4%		\$25
Restoration Hardware 12%		\$25 / \$100
Wal-Mart/Sam's Club 2%		\$25/100/250
SPECIALTY		
Bath & Body Works 13%		\$10 / \$25
Bed, Bath & Beyond 7%		\$25
Build-A-Bear 8%		\$25
Cabela's 14%		\$25/\$100
Century Theaters 4%		\$25

STORE	#	\$\$
Claire's 9%		\$10
CVS/pharmacy 6%		\$25/100
GNC 8%		\$25
Hallmark 4%		\$25
JoAnn Fabrics 6%		\$20
GameStop 3%		\$25
Kragen Auto 8%		\$25
Longs 5%		\$25 / \$100
Michaels 4%		\$25
Office Depot 4%		\$25/100
Office Max 5%		\$25
Pep Boys 4%		\$20
Pier 1 9%		\$25
Pottery Barn/W. Sonoma 8%		\$25 / \$100
Return to Secret Garden 8%		\$25/\$50/\$100
Rite Aid 4%		\$25
Shutterfly 9%		\$25
Staples 5%		\$25 / \$100
Sunglass Hut 12%		\$25
Supercuts 8%		\$25
Toys/Babies R Us 1.5%		\$20
UA/Regal Cinemas 8%		\$25
ULTA Salon 4%		\$25
Visa 1.5%		\$ 25/50/100
Walgreens 2%		\$25 / \$100
Gas/Auto/Travel		
American Airlines 8%		\$100/\$250
Arco 2%/3%		\$50/100/250
Bedandbreakfast.com 10%		\$50
Best Western 12%		\$25 / \$100
Chevron 1.5%/2%		\$50/\$100/250
Courtyard 8%		\$50/100/500
Disney 2%		\$25/100/1000
Hyatt Hotels 9%		\$50/\$100
Marriott Hotels 12%		\$50/\$100/500
Shell 2.5%		\$25 / 50/ 100
OTHER		
Cascading Wallet 25%		\$2.99
Gift Card Wrapper 20%		\$.35
Scrip Wallet 15%		\$1
TOTAL \$ AMOUNT ORDERED _____		

Items in bold are available in the box!