

# MAY 2019

## PARENT NEWSLETTER



### **GRANDPARENTS DAY**

Please mark your calendar for Friday, May 10 when OLLH students will be celebrating Grandparents' Day. The day will begin with mass at 8:00. All students and if they'd like, grandparents will be processing into church for the May Crowning of Mary. After mass, there will be activities throughout the school which include: a craft, board games, Euchre, and pictures. Coffee will be available for grandparents in the library. Lunch will begin around 11:00. The day will conclude after lunch. We look forward to sharing our school with the children's grandpas and grandmas! Also, if your son and/or daughter is not going home with a grandparent, please be sure to make arrangements for pick-up after the lunch or contact Jenny Mazure in daycare/latchkey.



### **SACRAMENT OF HOLY EUCHARIST**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students will be have their first Sacrament of Holy Eucharist on Sunday morning, May 5 during the 8:30 mass. May these children always feel the love and presence of the Lord as they receive Him in Holy Communion.

### **EIGHTH GRADE HAPPENINGS**

It is an especially busy time for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class. This May, they will be attending a special 8<sup>th</sup> grade mass in Saginaw with other 8<sup>th</sup> graders from the Diocese of Saginaw on May 3. On May 16 and 17, the 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be traveling north to St. Ignace and Mackinaw Island. There is a popcorn sale that they are sponsoring on Monday, May 6. Also, please get your carnation orders for the May Crowning and Grandparent's Day to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade classroom by Wednesday, May 8.

## RECESS REMINDERS

Please be sure your child has an old pair of shoes and coat in school for recess. As long as the weather conditions are right, we will be outside for recess. However, the playground area may be a bit muddy and though a little dirt doesn't hurt, we don't want to ruin good clothing. The children in grades K – 5 enjoy their mid-day break before eating lunch. This time gives students the opportunity to nourish their brains and bodies, visit with their classmates, and get some physical activity. Though recess is not a structured time of day, children are expected to follow the OLLH behavior expectations. We have noticed an increase of "hands-on" behavior, especially with some of the younger students. ***Please take a moment and remind your child that rough-house play and hands on another person are not appropriate school recess behavior.*** Thank you for your continued support in this effort.



## FIELD DAY

Parent volunteers are needed to help plan and oversee events for Field Day which is planned for the last day of school. (See article below regarding last day for this school year.) Following games, students will be served a "picnic style" lunch. Please contact Mrs. Goulet or Mrs. Candace Swartz if you are interested. Parents are also needed at each field event station. This year's graduating 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be working with parents to run the stations and help the younger students. Thank you for your consideration. This is a fun day and a great way to end the school year for our students!



## THANK YOU!

The 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Class would like to thank the OLLH community for their support of Empty Bowls. This group of young people organized and held a very successful event that raised over \$1400.00. The money raised will be given to Community Connections in Harbor Beach for the Backpack Food program. This allows for those children in need to have meals over holiday breaks and weekends when they don't have access to a hot meal at school. The students also want to extend a special thanks to their homeroom teacher, Mrs. Sorenson, their parents and grandparents who baked bread, cooked soup or helped with set-up and clean-up in making this event a rewarding experience for all. A special thank you to Corteva-Dow, the Dairy Farmers of America and Christian Service for their generous donations.



### **WHAT OUR LADY OF LAKE HURON SCHOOL MEANS TO OUR STUDENTS**

Students in Ms. Stahl's Language Arts classes were given a writing assignment on what makes OLLH special. Here is another sample of what the students are writing:

#### **What Makes OLLH Special to Me**

*I love OLLH because it is a small school so I know almost every person's name. I love that we have religion and go to church on Thursdays because it helps us stay connected to God. It helps us strengthen our faith and prayers. Next, I love OLLH because of the teachers. We have good teachers here. They are friendly and nice. They will help you when you don't understand. I also love that our school is like a community. The friends I make here will be my friends forever. I know that my classmates and teachers support me so I have a lot of perseverance to become what I want to be when I get older. Another thing is that I love our principal. She is the most kind-hearted person and I know that I can talk to her about everything. I like how we interact with the other schools, so I have friends here and at the other schools. We do so many fun activities. We have Mardi Gras, Catholic Schools Week, and dress-up days. We have a lot of fun at OLLH!*

*-by Kelsey Siemen*



Rooted in our Catholic faith, Our Lady of Lake Huron Schools nurtures character through service, promotes academic excellence, and develops Christ-centered virtues.

## CALENDAR

05/02 – 8th Grade Mass	05/20 – Home School Council Meeting
05/03 – 8th grade to Saginaw for Mass	05/23 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Mass
05/03 – Early Release	05/24 – Early Release
05/05 – 2nd Grade Sacrament Holy Eucharist @ 8:30 Mass	05/27 – Happy Memorial Day; No School
05/07 – 5th Grade to Port Sanilac; Ave Maria Parish	05/30 – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Mass
05/09 – Teachers’ Mass	05/31 – 8th Grade to Reality Fair
05/10 – Grandparent’s Day	06/06 – Teachers’ Mass for Graduates
05/12 – Mother’s Day	06/06 – School Committee Meeting @ 4:00
05/16 – K/1 Mass	06/07 – Last Full Day/Last Day for 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
05/16 – 8th Grade Trip to	06/10- Half Days; Snow Day/Weather Day
05/17 St. Ignace & Mackinaw Island	06/14 Make Ups; 11:30 Dismissal *
05/17 – Early Release	06/13 – All School Mass
	06/14 – Field Day

### LOOKING AHEAD

\*There still is no definitive end date for this school year, though I don’t anticipate that we will go any longer than June 14. Once I hear from Harbor Beach Community Schools and Superintendent Bishop, I will get the information to you.

### MESSAGE FROM FATHER GEORGE

Last Friday, each family received a letter from Father George regarding the school and tuition rates. The letter is attached to the e-mail that you received with this newsletter. If you have not had the opportunity, please take the time to read and review Father’s letter. Thank you.