

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Newsletter

We are on God's Mission

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Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School forms leaders of tomorrow by expanding minds, touching hearts and nurturing spirits through the traditions and teachings of the Catholic faith.

Dear Our Lady Families,

As a Catholic school, we are called to show mercy and care for one another. This week, you will find a few opportunities to do that for our neighbors. Together, we carry out the Gospel message of Jesus. Thank you for helping Houston and keeping Florida in prayer as Hurricane Irma approaches.

Helping Houston Student Council is sponsoring two events to help the victims of Hurricane Harvey in Houston. First, is a collection of supplies needed to help families. Please support this effort by bringing in non-perishable food items of canned and boxed goods; baby supplies of diapers, wipes, formula, baby food; bathroom supplies of shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, body wash, deodorant; bottled water; pet supplies and box fans. Parent, Kelly Graves, will coordinate with Student Council to get items to the local Fire Department for delivery. You may drop items off at the school office, parish office or church vestibule, and Student Council members will collect them for delivery. We ask our students to give up a treat or help extra at home to earn funds to donate; thank you for your compassion and generosity.

Secondly, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School will be participating in the National Catholic Education Association's *Student to Student: A Response to Hurricane Harvey* campaign. Each Catholic school student is asked to bring in at least \$1 to help their peers impacted by the storm. Funds collected will be used to rebuild, reopen and re-enroll Houston area Catholic school students. On Thursday, September 14, each student who brings a dollar or more may wear a hat or have a wild and crazy hair style to share our positive, upbeat spirit with Houston.

Site Visit We are busy preparing to put our best foot forward for the Archdiocesan Site Visit on Wednesday, September 20. We will be welcoming 14 teachers and administrators as part of the continual school improvement process exercised by all Archdiocesan schools. The educators will be observing in classrooms and meeting with various groups throughout the day. If you would like to be part of the parent group giving input on Wednesday, September 20 at 1:30 PM, please send Mary Ann an email, and we will be sure to have you on the list of parents and have a chair for you at the meeting.

Happy News! Congratulations to Mrs. Abby Haynes and her husband, Drew, who welcomed their second daughter to the world yesterday afternoon! Finley Louise arrived at 3:30 PM weighing 8 lbs. 10 oz. at 21 inches. Big sister, Lucy, is thrilled! We send our love! Welcome, Finley!

Mum Sales All mum orders and money are due tomorrow, Thursday, September 7. The class that sells the most mums wins an Out of Uniform Day. Competition is stiff with Mrs. Ferree's class in first place, Mrs. Castleberry's in 2nd place and Miss Naville's in 3rd place. Just one more day to get orders and money turned in, so let's sell those mums and conclude this fundraiser in a great way! All mums are to be picked up in the field on Wednesday, September 13 from 1:00-6:00 PM. Thanks for your support of our seventh graders, Our Lady's Class of 2019, as they earn funds for their Washington, DC trip.

Café Invoices Dear Parents, during Mrs. Gilland's absence, you will receive reminder notices for lunch account balances from Mrs. Diane Boehm. Thanks for being aware and not deleting Diane's email!

Providence Football Cheer Clinic is tonight from 5:30-7:30 PM. The girls will cheer at the Friday, September 8 game. See the attached flier for details.

Providence Deanery Night is Friday, September 8 at 7:00 PM as Providence plays Clarksville in varsity football. Our Lady students should wear your spirit shirts to gain admission for only \$1. Also, students who register for a Pioneer Pass will gain free admission to all regular season home athletic contests (except the New Albany basketball game) at Providence this year. See the flier on the website for details!

Deanery Middle School Play You won't want to miss the whimsical rendition of Seussical at Providence High School Auditorium on Saturday, September 9 at 7:00 PM and Sunday, September 10 at 2:00 PM. Our Lady has 20 of the 48 middle school performers! Cast members will be wearing their *Seussical* T shirts on Friday, September 8 with uniform shorts or pants to drum up the excitement!

PTO Fall Book Fair We look forward to the PTO Book Fair running September 8-13 with Preview Day on Friday, September 8 for all classes; then the sale runs from Monday-Wednesday in Wagner Hall. Family Night is from 3:00-6:00PM on Wednesday, September 13.

House Shirts We will be placing one more order for middle school House T shirts and sweatshirts before Fall Break, so our students can be colorfully comfortable on Tuesdays with the cooler weather. The order form will be posted online on Friday, September 8 with an order deadline of Wednesday, September 27.

Grandparents Day Kindergarten through Gr. 3 will celebrate their grandparents or special persons in their lives on Wednesday, September 13 with an 8:00 AM Mass, breakfast of donuts, coffee or milk and then a few lively rounds of Bingo. The Book Fair will be open to grandparents to shop after Bingo! Each K-3 student may invite 2 guests. See classroom newsletters for more details!

Family Fun Fest is Sunday, September 17 from noon until 3:00 PM on the parish grounds. Enjoy food, fun, bouncy houses and more! This is a free event sponsored by the Main Event Committee to include all Our Lady families!

Kroger Community Rewards Please take a few minutes to enroll in the Kroger Community Rewards program by going to www.kroger.com. Designate Our Lady as your school of choice; our school number is 10059. Last year, our school earned \$6,332 simply by having school and parish families sign up. This does not cost you a thing or deter from any savings or discounts for your family. What an easy way to increase funding for Our Lady—let's get all families on board this year. Let our office know if you need help signing up.

I wish you a blessed week,

Mary Ann

ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, Sept. 6	PHS Cheer Clinic 5:30-7:00 PM (Performs at football game Friday)
Thursday, Sept. 7	Last Day to order Mums
September 8-13	PTO Book Fair in Wagner Hall
Friday, Sept. 8	HOUSE SHIRTS – Order form available
Friday, Sept. 8	Book Fair Preview; PHS Deanery Night at PHS vs. Clarksville Football Game/Wear your spirit shirt & admission is \$1
Saturday, Sept. 9	<i>Seussical</i> at PHS, 7:00 PM
Sunday, Sept. 10	<i>Seussical</i> at PHS, 2:00 PM
Monday, Sept. 11	SPIRIT DAY – Patriot Day
Wednesday, Sept. 13/AM	Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day for grades K-3 beginning with 8:00 AM Mass followed by light breakfast in Wagner Hall
Wednesday, Sept. 13/PM	MUMS DELIVERED in afternoon 1:00-6:00 PM. Pick up your order from the field behind the playground. BOOK FAIR Family Night, 3:00-6:00 PM in Wagner Hall
Thursday, Sept. 14	Hurricane Harvey campaign – Donate \$1
Sunday, Sept. 17	Our Lady FAMILY FUN FEST, Noon-3:00 PM on church grounds
Monday, Sept. 18	5 th Grade Trip to Biztown PTO Meeting, 7:00 PM
Wednesday, Sept. 20	Archdiocesan Site Visit – 1:30 PM Parent Input Group
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Gr. 3 tours New Albany historical sites
Wednesday, Sept. 27	HOUSE SHIRTS – Orders due today Parent-Teacher Conferences
Thursday, Sept. 28	School Picture Re-Takes, 8:00 AM for Early Pre-School, students and staff who did not have a picture taken in August Parent-Teacher Conferences
Friday, Sept. 29	8:00 AM All School Mass End of 1 st Quarter
October 2-6 & 9-13	FALL BREAK – 1 ST week is Intercession/Weather Makeup Days if needed