

# 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,

We are wrapping up the first quarter having transitioned into the 2017-18 school year, making big leaps of learning and accomplishing our site visit. Thank you for your sacrifice and devotion to have your children at Our Lady where Jesus comes first and service and learning are held to a high standard.

**Café Help Needed** If you or a grandparent are able, we could really use the help with servers in the Café. Mrs. Boehm has been taking Mrs. Gilland's place, and we are now down a server, so we count on our volunteers and rely on those who have signed up for a spot. Thanks so much for your attention and help. Our students love to see you at lunchtime!

**Parent Teacher Conferences** are held from 3:00-6:00 PM today and 3:00-7:00 PM tomorrow. Please help us stay on time by being prompt. Do not be nervous! We all learn so much when we can come together for our children and compare notes between what happens at home and at school. Thanks for taking this time to meet.

**For your Reference** The school handbook is online and the family directory was published on Jupiter last week. Please refer to these documents for information.

**Attendance** In order to maintain Our Lady's Four Star status with the Indiana Department of Education, attendance is a high priority. We appreciate your hard work of having your child(ren) in class all 180 days. Doctor's appointments and illnesses are excused, but extensions of fall, Christmas or spring breaks, or unapproved trips out of town, etc. are not excused absences. The consequences are missed instruction, review, assignments or exams. This often causes undue stress for our students as well. You can review procedures in the parent/student handbook and find the school calendar online.

**Fall Extracurricular Jersey Day** On Friday, Sept. 29, students may wear their Our Lady team sports jerseys, theatre T shirts, scouting T's, YMCA T shirts, Southern Indiana Catholic team jersey or shirt, Our Lady volleyball jersey, etc. If a student does not have an extracurricular interest to showcase, they should wear their Our Lady spirit shirt. Jeans or uniform shorts or pants are permitted along with tennis shoes. Reminder: No sweatpants, yoga pants, or gym shorts permitted. This is an All-School Mass Day!

## **PTO News**

- 1.) **Thank you to PTO, Gr. 8 and Kindergarten families** for the delicious luncheon provided today. What a treat since we are busy conferencing until late today and tomorrow!
- 2.) **Chef's Night Out** is tonight, September 27 from 5:00-8:00 PM at Zaxby's on Charlestown Rd. Take a break from cooking while Our Lady receives 10% of the proceeds. We appreciate your generous support!
- 3.) **Boxtop Collection** Please clip and collect Box Tops For Education over fall break. It's appreciated if you put them in baggies of 50 each and put any "bonus" box tops in a separate bag. We will collect them when we return from the break. Middle schoolers, you can get House points for collecting Boxtops, too!

4.) **Save the Date!** PTO's **Winter Craft Bazaar** is Saturday, December 2 from 10:00-3:00. A colorful flier and vendor application is online!

**School Commission Subcommittee** A new subcommittee of School Commission is underway to increase communication with current and new families, build connections thus strengthening relationships and involvement. As a boost to marketing, retention and recruitment efforts, we recognize the inaugural group of Jenn Theobald (Chairperson), Kathy Willis, Jennifer Folz, Monica Bottorff, Wendy Kaiser and Annie Smith. This dynamic group is filled with ideas on ways to tell the story of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School and keep positive momentum and energy going.

**Keep Payments Current** Please remit tuition, café and aftercare bills on time. Thanks for bringing accounts up to date before the next quarter begins. If you have extenuating circumstances, please make the school office or Mary Ann aware.

**Lost and Found** Please remind your youngsters to check Lost and Found and claim missing items. On Friday, remaining clothing will be donated or submitted to PTO's used Uniforms.

**Barbeque for Bob** This weekend is your last chance to get a ticket for 2 lbs. of barbeque for a \$20 donation from Our Lady's Men's Club . Barbeque will be distributed on Sunday, Oct. 8 from noon—2:00 PM. All proceeds support Mr. H and his medical treatment to beat cancer.

I wish all families a relaxing, wonderful Fall Break! I look forward to hearing about your adventures when we return to school on Monday, Oct. 16 with a rousing Spirit Day! It is an honor to be at Our Lady and to spend time with your children. Here's to a joyous, relaxing two weeks!

Wishing you many blessings,

Mary Ann

## **CAREER DAY**

We are moving Career Day **back to the fall** and it is quickly approaching! We are interested in parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles etc. that would love to share their career and/or vocation with the students here at Our Lady!

Career Day will be **Tuesday November 7th from 11:30-2:30** in the gym (**rain date is Wednesday November 8th**). If you are interested in participating, please print a Career Day form under the "links" on the newsletter page on the Our Lady website, or email Mrs. Gilbert to request one. Please return the form back to Mrs. Gilbert no later than **Wednesday October 25th** via email or send it in with your child. Any questions please contact me at [812\) 944-7676 x1016](tel:8129447676) or [bgilbert@olphna.org](mailto:bgilbert@olphna.org) . Once you are signed up, more information will be coming your way!

Thank you for sharing your time and enriching the lives of Our Lady students!

Bri Gilbert

School Counselor and Special Education Coordinator

## ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, Sept. 27	Parent-Teacher Conferences 3-6:00PM PTO Chef's Night Out at Zaxby's, 5:00-8:00pm
Thursday, Sept. 28	CANCELLED --School Picture Re-Takes. Picture re-takes have been rescheduled for <u>Thursday, October 19</u> . Parent-Teacher Conferences 3-7:00PM
Friday, Sept. 29	8:00 AM All School Mass Fall Extracurricular Day (wear sports/activity jerseys with jeans or uniform pants or shorts and tennis shoes) End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter
Sunday, Oct. 1	5:00pm Mass at Schickel Farm, Lanesville, IN
Sunday, Oct. 8	Barbeque for Bob pick-up Noon-2:00 PM
October 2-6 & 9-13	FALL BREAK – 1 <sup>ST</sup> week is Intercession/Weather Makeup Days if needed
October 2-4	CHESS CAMP – 9:00-11:00 AM in Aftercare Room
Monday, Oct. 16	SPIRIT DAY
Wednesday, Oct. 18	1 <sup>st</sup> Reconciliation Parent Meeting, 6:30 PM in Wagner Hall
Thursday, Oct. 19	8:00 AM School Picture Re-take Day
Friday, Oct. 20	8:00 AM All School Mass