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Principal and Assistant Principal's Corner

Dear OLPH Families,

In this Sunday's Gospel from Luke, Jesus speaks about the parable of the Unjust Steward. It could actually be referred to as the Penitent Steward. Fr. Paul D. Scalia, in today's writing about Luke's Gospel in *The Catholic Thing*, reminds us that, "We are mere stewards. At our judgment we will have to show whether and how we cared for what God entrusted to us." A perspective to consider is that we assume our own cultural views into the text. Actually, at that time, stewards were not actually paid a wage by their master; rather, the stewards added their fees to what the customer owed the master. Hence how the stewards made a living. In fact, Fr. Scalia notes, that Jesus' parables always have more depth than a first - or second or third - reading reveals. Far from being merely homespun wisdom, they often contain a twist or a shock to upend conventional thinking."

It's hard to believe that we already halfway through the 1st Quarter.

We appreciate everyone's work on the NWEA assessments.

Thank all who went to the PTC for hosting the 'Yoga Wine Down' on Friday evening at the OLPH gym. A great time was had by all.

As we watch our athletes compete upon the fields of friendly strife, at times we are not always on the winning side. We are reminded

Upcoming Events:

- Tuesday Sept. 24: PTC Board Meeting 6:30 in the library
- Wednesday Sept. 25: Mass 8:30
- Wednesday, Sept. 25: K-8 Progress Reports emailed
- Wednesday, Sept. 25: First Communion Parent Meditation 6:30 in the cafeteria
- Thursday, Sept. 26: eWallet set up available for the Scholastic Book Fair
- Monday, Sept. 30 PTC General Meeting

that, "The ultimate is not to win, but to reach within the depths of your capabilities and to compete against yourself to the greatest extent possible. When you do that, you have dignity. You have the pride. You can walk about with character and pride no matter in what place you happen to finish." - Billy Mills

Thank you for all you do for OLPH!

Know Him, Love Him, Serve Him.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help...Pray For Us.

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News from the CDC

Dear Parents,

Our students looked wonderful for Picture Day last Tuesday! If your child was absent last week for pictures our retake day will be October 22nd.

This coming Friday, September 27th our students will have a special visitor from HEB. H.E. Buddy will be here along with HEB Partners for story time. We collected 1,082 books for the HEB Read 3 Book Drive and are waiting to hear if we won the \$1000 prize. Thank you all for your donations!

We have our first PTC General Meeting on Monday, September 30th at 6:30pm in the school cafeteria. The classroom teacher with the most parents in attendance will win a gift card! Come and support your classroom teachers and make sure you sign in at the meeting.

If you would like to volunteer at the CDC or attend class parties you need to complete the VIRTUS trainings and Criminal Background Check through the Archdiocese. Ms. Kennedy has emailed information on how to complete these tasks. They must be completed before you will be allowed to take part in CDC events.

Our lot gets very busy in the afternoons with games and practices going on. As a reminder, the first row of parking spaces in front of the CDC is reserved for the CDC until 6:05pm. If you are attending games please utilize the other parking spaces.

If you have any suggestions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Tenille Kennedy or myself at 210-651-6819.

God Bless,
Stephanie Dunne, Director

After School Care Activities in the CDC

*Registration/information is available at the CDC or at <http://www.teamsoftomorrow.com/> for TOT and <http://www.webbydancecompany.com/state/texas/selma/> for Webby Dance

- Mondays - Art (3:45p, ages 6+, Art Room in the Admin Building)
- Tuesdays - TOT (2:30p, PK, CDC Bldg.)
- Wednesday - Dance (2:45p PK & 3:45p, Kinder+, CDC Bldg.)
- Wednesdays - Orchestra - Guitar/Violin (3:30p, Grades K-8, Music room in Admin Building)
- Fridays - Chess (3:45p, 1st-8th grade, Art room in the Admin Building)

St. Vincent DePaul Donations

Bring these items on these dates and wear jeans with your OLPH spirit shirt!

- September 27-Condensed Soup (11 oz)
- October 4-Can of Progresso (19 oz)
- October 11-Kernal Corn (15 oz)
- October 25-Green beans (15 oz)

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Journalism Student Articles

Counselor's Corner



Solidarity

Kind words can be short and easy to speak, their echoes are truly endless.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

October is the month that we are joining all the Catholic schools in the San Antonio Archdiocese in celebrating solidarity with a special focus on anti-bullying. To kick this off, students are encouraged to wear an orange shirt and/or an orange accessory (ex: socks, hair bow) on Friday, October 4th. (All other Spirit Day dress code requirements apply - uniform bottoms, approved uniform socks and shoes.)

Tina Teel, Counselor

Library News:

Our first Scholastic Book Fair is coming up
October 14-18

Book Fair eWallet is a safe and convenient digital payment option for your student to shop the Fair Give your student a secure, cash-free way to shop the fair. Simply create a free account, preauthorize a spending limit, and have funds immediately available. You must create an eWallet for each student; accounts cannot be shared or transferred.

Visit our homepage to sign up to volunteer, check out the flyers and create an eWallet.

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/ourladyofperpetualhelpsch7>

A Way to be Remembered

By Dennis Drouillard

Governor Greg Abbott recognized 50 first responders at the 2019 Star of Texas Awards in the Texas state Capitol who died and committed acts of courage, heroism, and some died in the line of duty. Governor Abbott also remembered those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001 attacks. Governor Abbott gave awards to police officers, firefighters, EMTs, and their families. The Star of Texas awards started in 2003 by House Bill 1937 to remember those who made "profound commitments while performing their duties." the ceremony took place on the 18th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks. Governor Abbott said, " We will always remember."



"Gov. Abbott honors first responders at 2019 Star of Texas Awards". 17 September 2019
<<https://www.kvue.com/article/news/local/2019-star-of-texas-awards/269-6be03109-ecd5-44ad-970a-e6fcd8ce56c3>>

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School Sports

With Coach Martinez

By: Jaslyn Al-Saigh and Laci Reifenberg

Do you wonder what coaches think about the school sports? Well, I have interviewed Coach Martinez about what she knows and her expectations for the fall school sports. Read on to see what she says! :)

This past week I went to ask Coach M. some questions about school sports. Below are the questions and answers I got.

Q: Where can you find the school sport's schedules? A: "All school sport's schedules are posted on the OLPH site under athletics." **Q: Is there anything different this year in school sports?** A: "Yes for football they moved from 6 man to 11 man and won their first game 14 to 6. For soccer they moved from 11 man to 8 man soccer"

Q: Do you have any expectations for the fall sports this year? A: "Yes, for girls 'A' and 'B' volleyball team my expectation is that they make the playoffs and being winners or runner-ups. For soccer it's that they win district and tournaments. For football, it's to have a winning season."

That is all the questions I asked Coach Martinez last week. Thank you, coach, for answering my question. Have a nice day! :)

Class of the Week

Written By: Ryan Drever

Each week we are going to be featuring a class of the week. The class of this week is... Mrs. Santini's first grade!!! Her class will be learning many things such as: short and long vowels, reading stories, nouns, verbs and even punctuation! They will also be learning about Bible stories and treating others with respect and kindness. Mrs. Santini's first grade class wants everybody to know the importance of keeping Jesus in our hearts and spreading his love every day! The classroom is welcoming and the students have so much fun while they learn! Here's a bit of the action:



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