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### Principal and Assistant Principal's Corner

Dear OLPH Families,

In this week's Gospel, we learn that John the Baptist serves as the bridge between the Old and New Testament. We also read about John's humility in pointing out Jesus as the Lamb of God, the Father's true Son.

Tomorrow, we will remember the life of Martin Luther King, Jr., and the work that he had accomplished changed the nation. He will be remembered not only for his commitment to the cause of equality for African Americans but also for his profound speeches that moved so many. A quote from one of his speeches that resonates is that, "The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education."

Thank all of you for your support in selling the Catholic Life Raffle Tickets, which as you know, is our largest fundraiser for the school and CDC. Thank everyone as well for being present at our PTC General Meeting this past Monday. The PTC Board gave a summary of the first semester events and a review of things in the coming semester. The PTC Board and all the volunteers fill a crucial role in filling the financial gap of what we pay in tuition and what it costs to educate a student at OLPH. Thank you for all your efforts.

### Upcoming Events

#### Monday January 20

- HOLIDAY-School & CDC closed

#### Tuesday January 21

- WWT-3:45

#### Wednesday January 22

- Mass-8:30

#### Thursday January 23

- Cyber Patriots-7:15
- After School Care in the gym

#### Friday January 24

- No Cafeteria Service
- Before & After Care in the gym
- Book Fair opens-12:00

#### Saturday January 25

- Cyber Patriots Semi-Final Round

#### Sunday January 26

- 10-11:45 Student Showcase-café
- 12:00 Catholic Schools Week opening Mass
- 1:00-2:30 Book Fair open
- 1:00-2:30 Open House/Campus Tours

CYO basketball is in full swing and the middle school basketball teams will wrap-up their regular season this week at home.

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We will kick off Catholic Schools week with the Science Fair, and then the 12:00 noon Mass next Sunday, led by the Wildcat Worship Team, and the handbell and recorder students who are able to participate. Please see the attachment for details of the week.

We received the following comment in our suggestion box, it is dated 12/20/19 @ 3:47 PM: "It would be very helpful if teachers used an app such as Class Dojo to communicate with parents. I don't feel adequately updated by my child's teacher."

Thank you for the suggestion. Although some teachers in fact do use Class Dojo for correspondence, our system of record for communication is FACTS/ RenWeb. This allows us to search for, and properly archive correspondence on a secure site. Texting as a means of communication between teachers and parents is limited to athletic apps, class Dojo or other educational apps, GroupMe, ParentMeet, or a note for a quick change in a pick-up/ drop-off of student, or emergencies.

Thank you all for all that you continue to do for OLPH!

Know Him. Love Him. Serve Him.

### News from the CDC

I hope everyone enjoyed their long weekend!

This Thursday and Friday after school care for 1st-8th grades will be held in the CDC backroom and morning care for Friday will be held in the 4th grade classrooms as Science Fair projects will be set up in the cafeteria these days.

We are all looking forward to the many activities planned for Catholic Schools Week next week!

God Bless!

### 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)

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### From the Religion Department:

Last Week we talk about when Christmas Season ends. This week we bring you a little about ordinary time of the Catholic Church.

What is ordinary Time? (Scott P. Richert)

The time set aside for celebrating our call to follow Jesus day by day as his disciples is Ordinary Time.

Ordinary Time calls us to reflect upon the Paschal Mystery and our call to discipleship throughout the year. The Sundays of the entire year are counted or set aside as sacred time.

Ordinary Time (typically 33 weeks) is celebrated following the Christmas season and then again following Easter. During ordinary time we celebrate all the events of our daily life as we strive to be faithful followers of Jesus.

We experience the Paschal Mystery in our daily lives in our dying and rising with Christ in whatever life deals us. There is a daily dying and rising if we but live in that awareness. Many times in our day to day rushing here and there we forget this. Below are some suggestions to help us slow down and celebrate the little and ordinary events that take place daily in our lives. Don't miss the little opportunities that daily present themselves.

-Some suggestions to slow us down in the New Year. (Scott P. Richert)

- Pausing in the New Year Buy a small notebook. Each day this week, make at least one notation in it that starts, "I never noticed..."
- Pausing in the New Year Go to your garage. Find something that you have moved at least three times. Give it away—to a friend, St. Vincent de Paul, or the charity of your choice.
- Pausing in the New Year Write a letter to someone you love. With real paper, pen, envelope, and stamp.
- Pausing in the New Year Grab a box of crayons. If you feel overwhelmed at any point today sit down for a 10-minute coloring break.

Stay tune for more ideas in future newsletters.

### St. Vincent DePaul Donations

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

- January 24-Peanut butter (18 oz)
- January 31-Spaghetti noodles (16 oz)

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### Spelling Bee

We held our spelling bees last week. Everyone did a fantastic job-it was a tough competition!

The Junior Spelling Bee (1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade) winners

are:



- 1<sup>st</sup> place: Justin Asingalembi
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Maddy Guerra
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Vinny Zinna

The winners of the Junior Spelling Bee competed with the 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students. The Senior Bee winners are:



- 1<sup>st</sup> place: Carmela Ante
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Antonio "AJ" Vasquez Delgado
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Vincent Taylor

Carmela will represent OLPH at the city bee in March.

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\*Friday, January 24- 12:00-5:00

\*Sunday, January 26- 1:00-2:30

\*Monday January 27- 7:15-5:00

\*Tuesday January 28- 7:15-5:00

\*Wednesday January 29 7:15-6:00

\*Thursday January 30- 7:15-5:00

\*Friday, January 31: Closes at 12:00

We are still looking for volunteers. You can sign up here:  
<https://volunteer.scholastic.com/#/signup/GoXrWOuOJr>



Our GRAND event will be celebrated Friday, January 31, after Mass. We will be celebrating grandparents and other special family members that influence your student. The Book Fair will be open after Mass until 12:00. There will be prizes and a photo op set up. We look forward to seeing you there!

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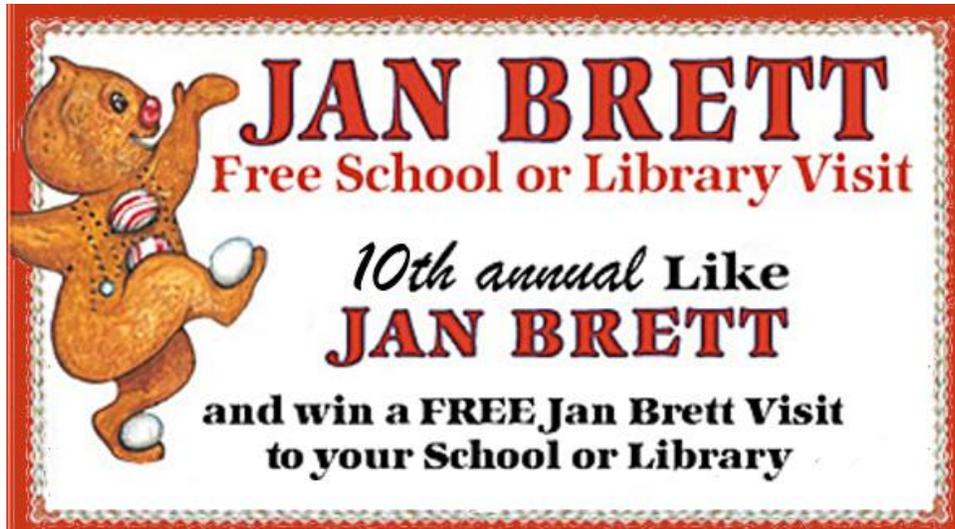
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# AMAZING OPPORTUNITY-PLEASE HELP US WIN



The school or library that has the most parents, teachers, friends, or supporters who enter the contest will win a free school or library visit from Jan in the 2020 school year. Contest ends Monday April 20, 2020.

Please enter your name and the information of the school or library you would like to win a free Jan Brett visit. One email address entry per person. Duplicate email addresses will be removed. All emails will be verified before the winning entry is announced. If you are under the age of 13, please use your parent's email address.

Please vote and share with your family & friends

[https://www.janbrett.com/contest\\_2020/2020\\_free\\_school\\_or\\_library\\_visit.htm](https://www.janbrett.com/contest_2020/2020_free_school_or_library_visit.htm)

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