



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School

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Principal and Assistant Principal's Corner

Dear OLPH Families,

We hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a great start to the New Year!

In this week's Gospel from Matthew, we conclude the season of Advent with the Feast of the Epiphany. The magi's (Matthew's Gospel does not give a number) journey is one of faith and search for purpose. The gifts presented each are fitting and foretelling of Jesus' life here on earth.

- gold is a gift fitting for a king, a ruler, one with power and authority;
- frankincense is a gift fitting for a priest, one who offers sacrifice (frankincense was an aromatic perfume sprinkled on the animals sacrificed in the Temple);
- myrrh is a fitting "gift" for someone who is to die (myrrh was used in ancient times for embalming the bodies of the dead before burial).

Which stars do we follow?

We will welcome students back on Tuesday, and start our second series of the NWEA on Wednesday.

Winter basketball for the school will start its district competition this week.

Upcoming Events:

- Tuesday, Jan. 7: CDC/School Inquiry List opens
- Tuesday, Jan. 7: WWT at 3:45
- Wednesday, Jan 8: Mass at 8:30
- Friday, Jan 10: Catholic Life Tickets Due
- Friday, Jan 10: Thank you card designs due
- Saturday, Jan 11: CAAC Sing @ the Cross Competition
- Monday, Jan. 13: PTC Meeting @ 6:30 in the cafeteria
- Wednesday, Jan 15: Baskin Robbins Spirit Night 3:30-8:30
- **Monday, Jan. 20 MLK day - school and CDC closed**

On Saturday, our Wildcat Worship Team will perform at The Catholic Arts and Academic Competition (CAAC) at Antonian. You will not want to miss their performance!

As a reminder, next Monday, January 13th, we will have our PTC General Meeting in the cafeteria, and will have a presentation on Civilian Response to Active Shooter Event (CRASE).

Our entire staff & faculty wish everyone the best for the New Year!

Know Him. Love Him. Serve Him.

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News from the CDC

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! As we begin our second semester, I want to thank everyone for your support of the CDC. We are blessed to have so many parents and grandparents participate in our parties, programs and fundraisers.

All Catholic Life tickets are due this Friday, January 10th. You may turn them into Ms. Kennedy at the CDC office.

The CDC inquiry list begins on January 7th. If you know of anyone who is looking for a K3/K4 program please have them give us a call. For those of you returning or if you have younger siblings you want to enroll, the school and CDC registration process begins January 29th for current families.

God Bless,

Stephanie Dunne, Director

St. Vincent DePaul Donations

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

- January 10-Chili w/o beans (15 oz)
- January 24-Peanut butter (18 oz)
- January 31-Spaghetti noodles (16 oz)

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)

Library:

I hope everyone had a relaxing Christmas break and found some time to read. The hot chocolate reading challenge mugs are due on Tuesday. Please make sure your child's name is on the mug. These will be displayed in the cafeteria. If you have any pictures of your kids reading and completing one of the activities, please email it to me (stammt@olphselma.org) so it can be included in the display. Thank you for participating!

Mark your calendars: The Scholastic Book Fair will be January 24-January 31. I will be sending out more information, including a sign up sheet for volunteers very soon.

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Put your creative abilities to work!

Create a design for the cover of the Thank You cards that will be sent to our Casino Night Gala Sponsors and Donors.

For your cover to be considered please:

- Make your design 4"x6"
- Include "OLPH" and some school spirit
- Submit your entry no later than Friday, January 10

The creator of the design chosen will be rewarded a \$10 Chick-fil-A gift card!

Book Fair eWallet
A digital payment option for students

Now available at our school!
GET STARTED

SCHOLASTIC

You can add funds to your child's e-wallet beginning on Thursday, January 9. An easy way to let children purchase books without sending cash, and you set the spending limit. Please ask Mrs. Stamm if you have any questions.

Journalism Student Articles

End of the decade

Written by: Jaslyn Al-Saigh

This is the last year of the teens decade like 2015, 2016, 2017, etc...of our generation. Now we have 50 (today's date is 12 November 2019) days till 2020. End of our decade. Now don't get all sad. Let's have a **throwback!**

Now anyone remember Silly Bandz? Here are some things from generation's teen decade:

- Gym Scooters
- Flip phones
- GoGurts
- Frozen

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- Club Penguin
- Tamagotchis
- Furbies
- Old Nickelodeon
- Parachutes

Now that hits different. Here's some more:

- Razor Scooters
- Dora
- Shreck
- The Black Eyed Peas
- Hannah Montana
- Ipod Nanos
- High School Musical
- Jessie
- Goodluck Charlie

Hopefully this brought back some good memories. This makes me nostalgic. This is sad, but I'm ready for a new decade. How about you?

Miss-Know-It-All Column

By: Miss-know-it-all

I'm not getting good grades on things.
I have to study more
But I can't find time to study
What should I do?
From, Anonymous

That seems like a really bad problem,
To make it even worse, report cards
are being sent soon. I suggest going

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To tutoring or asking your teacher for help

At home you can possibly make
a schedule for your activities

If schedules aren't your thing, then ask your parents for help

I hope this helps!

From, Miss-Know-It-All

**I think my friend
Lies to me a lot,
How do I know?
From, anonymous**

I say confront her about it,
Ask her why she's lying.
There's got to be a reason
why she's acting like that.
If she's not gonna say anything
Then drop that friendship,
she's not a friend if she lies all the time.