



LIFE @ LOURDES

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Tomorrow is the Baptism of our Lord. We will hear in Mark's Gospel the verse; **“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”** If we were to analyze scripture, we would see correlations with that verse to other verses in the Old Testament. For me, though, I simply hear the words of a loving parent, and I am awed by them. We, as parents, have an unconditional love for our children. It is a *gift* that comes with being a parent. Tomorrow, let us think of the day we had our children baptized. We took on an awesome responsibility on that day to raise that child in the faith of the Catholic Church. To actively live that faith, each day. Let us ask God to continue to help us. And tell your children today...that they are beloved, and with them, you are well pleased.

Here's what's new:

Wednesday, January 13 – 7:00 pm Zoom Reconciliation Meeting for 2nd grade parents

Friday, January 15 – Early Dismissal – Faculty Meeting

PLEASE COMPLETE THE HEALTH SCREENING THROUGH THE PICK-UP PATROL APP **BEFORE YOUR CHILD RETURNS TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY!**

If you have traveled to a state not contiguous with New York State (all states, except MA, VT, NJ, CT, and PA), before returning to school, you will be required to:

- Obtain a negative COVID test within 72 hours of departing the state you traveled to

- Fill out the NYS Traveler Health Form (<https://forms.ny.gov/s3/Welcome-to-New-York-State-Traveler-Health-Form>)
- Quarantine upon returning to New York and receive a negative COVID test on day 4 of your quarantine in New York.
- Experience no signs or symptoms of illness prior to returning.

TOMORROW IS THE LAST DAY TO ORDER SPIRIT WEAR!



Introducing Our Lady of Lourdes Spirit Wear!

The staff of OLL is already busy planning Catholic Schools Week and we are currently making spirit items available through the OLL Spirit Store. Click on the link below to access the store and see items available for purchase.

<https://ollapparel2020.itemorder.com/sale>

Most items can be worn everyday with normal uniforms.

*Please note: Flannel pants can be worn only during our special spirit days.

The store will be opened from now through January 10th.

Items are paid for directly on the website. Orders are not processed until after the store closes. Orders CANNOT be placed after the store closes on the 10th. All items will be delivered through the backpack 2 to 3 weeks later just in time for Catholic Schools Week.



PTL PRESIDENT – In the world of education, we are constantly looking months ahead into the future. With a positive and hopeful attitude, we are excited to be thinking about possible events and ideas for next year! As you know, we put a “pause” on our PTL activities for this year. Looking to next year, I am looking for **two parents to serve as Co-presidents of the PTL**. If you are interested, please email me with a brief description of why you would want to serve in this role and any other qualifications/skills that would make you an optimal choice for this position. I am looking for parents who have experience in fundraising, working on committees, detail oriented, organized, with the ability to take charge AND delegate, and who is committed to Our Lady of Lourdes School. I will be accepting emails until January 18, 2021. Kcotilletta5620@ollmalverne.org

CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S WEEK! CSW will be here before you know it! Please spread the word to your friends and families that Registration for next year has begun! Be on the lookout for bulletin social media announcements. Remember, you can now follow us on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook! @OLLSMalverne

MONTHLY MONEY MANIA!! Who is ready to have some fun in 2021?

We are launching our newest fundraiser that allows YOU to win money each month!

- Each family sells 4 raffles at \$40.00 each (you can sell more, too!)
- Any family that sells more than 4 will receive a nut card for each additional raffle.
- Whoever sells winning tickets will receive a nut card
- Raffle tickets are sold through the school only
- Raffle tickets are due **January 25, 2021**

HERE IS HOW IT WORKS: Each month we will have a drawing! If you win, your raffle ticket will be put back in for another chance to win until the raffle is over on June 16, 2021.

Raffle ticket pull dates and prize amounts:

January 31 - \$500

February 11 (Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes) - \$1,000

March 17 - \$500

April TBD Easter - \$1,000

May 28 - \$500

June 16 - \$1,000

Your generosity will allow us to continue to operate safely and in-person, giving your children the faith-filled quality education you have come to expect here at Our Lady of Lourdes School.

The four Raffle Tickets will come home with your oldest or only child this week.

Contact Mary Fills for ticket information: Maryfills48@gmail.com

(646.483.3409)

FINALLY, I'D LIKE TO END WITH SOME JOYFUL NEWS!

Just before Christmas break, Mrs. Cunnane, our 2nd grade teacher in 2-1, announced that she is having a baby! Her daughter, Kelly, is going to be a big sister! We rejoice in this news, and wish only the best for Mrs. Cunnane and her family.

AND...

Over the Christmas break, Miss Taylor Malings, our 3rd grade teacher in 3-1, got engaged! We extend to Miss Malings and her fiance our sincere congratulations!!! Her ring is gorgeous!!!

IT IS SUCH A PLEASURE TO SHARE JOYFUL NEWS. WITH ALL THAT WE ARE DEALING WITH IN OUR WORLD, NATION, AND FAMILIES, IT IS SO NICE TO BRING A SMILE TO OTHERS WITH SOME POSITIVITY AND JOY.

God made you. God loves you. God has a plan for you.

Warmest regards,

Kathleen Cotilletta