



PARISH • COMMUNITY • SCHOOL BULLETIN

September 22, 2010

Dear Parents,

This morning, as always we began our day with prayer at morning assembly. Today, at assembly the students received a special blessing from Father Henry. Father Henry was at Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish in conjunction with the African Child Foundation. Father Henry is responsible for a school in Kenya, Africa that supports four hundred and seventy orphans. Members of our Parish Community hold a fundraiser in the fall each year to help support Father Henry's school. Father Henry was visiting our campus today to receive a gift of ciborium and chalice from Jim Keating, husband of Jean Keating.

Jim Keating, who sits in as our school receptionist, explained to the students that Jean Keating, our beloved receptionist who died last October loved the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist and would have wanted Father Henry to have a beautiful chalice and ciborium for his chapel at his African school. Each year when Father Henry would come to visit, Jean Keating would always anonymously donate money to support his mission. With this gift today, Jim Keating continues in her spirit of giving.

Jim Keating shared that Jean Keating also loved the students at Our Lady Queen of Angels School. Therefore, there was no better venue to present this gift to Father Henry. It was almost as if you could feel Jean Keating's love one more time as her love of the Eucharist, Father Henry's school, her OLQA students meet together for a memorable moment. It truly was a special blessing that Father Henry gave the students today.

Excitement continues today as our girls' and boys' sport team meet after school for games against other Catholic Schools from the Diocese of Orange. We have five games after school today. Two are flag football. The boys' varsity and junior varsity will be playing on Carson field. This will be the first time this year that we will light up our scoreboard! The girls' varsity and junior varsity volleyball teams will be playing on the blacktop. Games start right after school and will continue to about 5:30 P.M. Come catch the excitement and help cheer on OLQA. Go Angels!!

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Miguel Soria, our custodian, who is sick.

Rick Ready, a teacher, who is receiving chemotherapy

ITBS TESTING

Next Monday begins ITBS Testing at OLQA. Our standardized tests are used by all the Diocese of Orange Catholic Schools. Grades second through eighth will test every morning during the week of September 28. The results of this test allow us to better understand our students and their educational needs. Please support this school-wide effort by making sure your students have a good night's sleep, schedule no appointments during testing week, and send them with two sharpened #2 pencils.

THE LEARNING CENTER - TLC

"Children already come to us differentiated. It just makes sense that we would differentiate our instruction in response to them." Carol Ann Tomlinson

We are proud to announce the addition of the new Learning Center to our school. Mrs. Wilcox and Ms. Rogers have been in the classrooms working with both teachers and students. The Learning Center is an exciting new place where students will be able to receive small-group instruction from two experienced, credentialed teachers. In addition to this service, The Learning Center will offer Writer's Workshops as well as Reading Comprehension Workshops. Mrs. Wilcox and Ms. Rogers will be working closely with the teachers in their classrooms to ensure lessons are differentiated. All children learn at different paces and in different ways. With the support offered by The Learning Center, the teachers of OLQA will be able to help all learners achieve their goals.

RACE TO NOWHERE – MARK YOUR CALENDAR

After seeing Ken Robinson speak last year at the PIA, many parents got a chance to see the movie he recommended-Race to Nowhere.

OLQA Parents have said it was a great movie, and think other OLQA parents and teachers would get something out of it as well. Here is the information on upcoming screening:

Thursday Sept 30, 7PM at St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Newport Beach
Thursday Sept 30, 7PM at Mariner's Church, Student Center, Irvine
Monday Oct 4th, 7 PM at University Synagogue, Irvine
Tuesday Oct 26, 7PM at JCC of Orange County, Irvine

Tickets can be purchased online at
<http://www.racetonowhere.com>

CARPOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Remember in the morning to always drive on the left side of the cones. Never move next to the curb. The area from the cones to the curb is a safe area for our students and teachers.

If you must pick your child up from school - there is only one spot designated for parking and that is the parking lot across the street from the church on Domingo Drive. (The future site of our new church)

Once you have come on school property to pick up your children, **please discontinue using your cell phone for the safety of the students.**

Right now we are beginning to cluster family and carpools together on the school parking lot pick up area. We are in the process of grouping the students so expect to see your child possibly sitting in a different area.

Cars dropping off should expect to see teachers on duty on the blacktop at 7:20 A.M. to help alleviate the crush at 7:50 A.M.

Thank you for your support and patience.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 27	In N Out
September 27-October 1	ITBS Testing
October 1	Minimum Day – Noon Dismissal
November 13	School Auction – <i>Wish Upon A Star</i>

*Thank you for your continued support of our school.
Eileen Ryan and Faculty*