



PARISH • COMMUNITY • SCHOOL BULLETIN

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Dear Parents,

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady Queen of Angels School is a Roman Catholic parish school for grades k through 8. Our fundamental task is to educate the whole person – spiritually, morally, intellectually, and physically. We are dedicated to academic excellence as we prepare our students for success in high school and a lifelong commitment to Christian stewardship. Our school, in partnership with students and parents, strives to foster a safe, nurturing environment that promotes mutual respect among all.

We have many exciting new activities in store for our students that I would like to share with the OLQA Community. Our Mission Statement, states “Our fundamental task is to educate the whole person – spiritually, morally, intellectually, and physically.” As we go forward as a school, our Mission Statement reflects itself in these activities and shows “we are dedicated to academic excellence as we prepare our students for success in high school and a lifelong commitment to Christian stewardship.

The exciting new activities are:

Advent Stewardship – Religious Coordinator, Micah Sumner

In striving to fulfill our Christian duty to help those in need, this Advent we will be participating in making donations to the Holy Childhood Association (HCA). The HCA is an organization that continues to follow the vision of Bishop Forbin-Janson – “children helping children.” In realizing the great needs of the world’s poorest children, young people are invited to pray and to offer financial help so that children in the Missions today may know Christ and experience His love and care.

Please encourage your children to offer whatever they feel called to give by placing coins inside of the donation sleeves provided in this week’s family envelope. Return the sleeves to the office by 12-8-10.

Thank you for your continued generosity and prayers.

Decathlon – Moderator Jaimie Moore

I'm honored to introduce OLQA's 2010 – 2011 Academic Decathlon Team. This year's participants are **Lauren Berty, Angie Carreras, Cami Dang, Elias Deeb, Emily Gess, Rylee Gladych, Paige Herold, Sabrina Lautenbach, Emily McCormick, Matt McGhee, Claire Otterbein, Gabby Spivey, Maddie Tutton, Chloe Wallace, and Jack Van Dalsem.** These Decathletes have already begun studying for this challenging yet exciting event that will take place on March 5th. Please keep the team in your prayers as they prepare for this academic competition. Congratulations team and GO ANGELS!!!

Geography Bee – Coordinator Jaimie Moore

Back by popular demand, OLQA will participate in this year's National Geographic School Geography Bee. The students in grades 5-8 will compete in the preliminary round during Social Studies class where two finalists from each grade will move on to the Final Competition. Stay tuned for an announcement of the class finalists, and when you can come observe the Final Competition. It truly is thrilling to watch!

OLQA Team Basketball – Coach K

It is that time of year and I am very excited to get all of our basketball teams up and running! For those new parents, we offer Varsity basketball to 7th and 8th grade and Junior Varsity to 5th and 6th grade. I am beginning to meet with the coaches for the season this week and we might need a few more coaches for the girl's teams. Please let me know ASAP if you would like to help coach. This week is very important with regards to getting your forms filled out and turned in on time. Please first consider if your child have the time to commit to our basketball program?

What is the time commitment for OLQA Basketball?

1 to 2 practices per week (typically 1 practice from 3:00 – 4:00 or 4:15)

8 to 10 games per season

2 games per week

Varsity games always begin at 3:30 and they play before the JV teams

JV games are 1 hour long starting at 3:30 if we play at home and if we are away and they have a gym we may play at 4:30

4-5 home games and 4-5 away games

Games begin the first week of January and the season ends mid February

We will not have a permanent schedule with games until the first or second week of December. If I get it earlier, the coaches will send it to you by email and at practice.

What I need to do if I want to play OLQA Basketball for this week:

Print out the proper form and fill it out completely with signatures. I will not accept a form that is not filled out completely. Form went home last night in an email to all parents in 5th through 8th grades as an attachment.

Staple a check for \$50 to the top of the form

Have your child turn this in to the office or hand it to Coach K before and no later than Friday, November 19th.

Once I get all of the players forms turned in by Friday, November 19th I will make my email contact lists and I will set up player/parent meetings for Varsity and JV. I would like to have you meet the coaches and go over our expectations for the season. If you have any questions please email me (pkgbaum@olqa.org) and I will do my best to get back to you as soon as I can. Thank you so much for being a part of OLQA sports and I'm really looking forward to a great basketball season.

Go Angels!

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Miguel Soria, our custodian, who is sick.

Rick Ready, a teacher, who is receiving chemotherapy.

THINKING THANKSGIVING

It is a tradition at Our Lady Queen of Angels School that each November our students hold their annual food drive to help families in need. This tradition has always been a wonderful opportunity for our students to share with those less fortunate. Our students, sensitive to those who have less than they do, are always eager to help. The Schoolwide Learning Expectation (SLE) that is demonstrated with this outreach is that a student of Our Lady Queen of Angels is a "Faith-Filled Catholic who responds compassionately to the needs of others."

All items must be healthy, non-perishable; i.e., canned goods, boxed goods, etc. Dollar donations to buy perishables (turkeys) are welcome. We will be collecting items from **NOVEMBER 15TH THROUGH NOVEMBER 19TH**. Please send items to your children's classroom where the collection boxes will be in the back of the classroom to store the food. We need boxes also!

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The invitation for the December 7th Christmas Luncheon, "Sing a Song of Advent" is in today's family envelope. This year, there will be reserved seating so we ask that you turn in your response card as soon as possible. Tables will be assigned in the order that the response cards are received. Check in will begin at 11:00 on the day of the luncheon where you will receive your table number. We hope you will join us for this wonderful Christmas tradition!

THE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

Please mark your calendars for November 30th through December 2nd (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after the Thanksgiving holiday) for the Scholastic Book Fair. The fair will take place in the Parish Hall and the children will be visiting the fair at the following times:

KA at 8:00 a.m. on 11/30; KB at 8:00 a.m. on 12/2
1A at 1:10 p.m. on 11/30; 1B at 1:50 p.m. on 11/30
2A at 8:45 a.m. on 11/30; 2B at 1:10 p.m. on 12/1
3A at 10:30 a.m. on 12/2; 3B at 12:30 p.m. on 11/30
4A at 10:30 a.m. on 12/1; 4B at 12:30 p.m. on 12/1
5A at 1:50 p.m. on 12/2; 5B at 9:25 a.m. on 12/2
6A at 1:10 p.m. on 12/2; 6B at 12:30 p.m. on 12/2
7A at 11:15 a.m. on 11/30; 7B at 10:30 a.m. on 11/30
8A at 8:45 a.m. on 12/1; 8B at 9:25 a.m. on 12/1

Please remind your children to bring their shopping money in a wallet or a zip-lock bag with the child's name on it. The fair will be open from 7:45 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The children may come to the fair after school only if accompanied by a parent. Thanks for your support and we will see you there!

PARISH NEWS

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated Sunday November 28, 2010 at 12:30 immediately following the end of the 11:30 Mass. Everyone who is seriously ill, experiencing a physical, emotional or mental health challenge or simply the burden of the aging process is invited to receive this sacrament. A good preparation for receiving this sacrament would be a good confession and the reception of Holy Communion but that is not required. Please tell your homebound friends and if you can, help arrange for their transportation. The priests will visit all homebound parishioners before Christmas in their homes as well. If you know of someone who is ill at home and unable to come to Mass, please let the parish priests and parish staff know at 949 644-0200.

RALPH'S GROCERY GIVES BACK TO OLQA

Twenty OLQA Parents have already signed up at Ralph's Grocery Store to help OLQA receive cash reward for all your grocery shopping. In today's flyer there is a simple information sheet on how to join other parents in an easy way to help our school. Please take this sheet to Ralph's and it is as simple as 1-2-3!

SIBLING SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2011- 12

In today's Family Envelope, there is Sibling Entrance Information for September, 2011. Please fill out this information sheet and promptly return it in the Family Envelope. Everyone at OLQA School enjoys knowing what new family members will be coming next year.

REMINDER

Tomorrow is the last day to turn in your order for a Christmas tree! Please see today's Family Envelope for an order form for your convenience with all the important information.

EIGHTH GRADE NEEDS OUR HELP!

In today's Family Envelope, our 8th graders explain a fundraiser that they are doing to raise money for their trip to Washington, D.C. Please take a look over their flyer and See's Order Form.

THANK YOU

On behalf of the entire OLQA Community, I would like to thank our entire Auction Committee for the amazing fundraising event, *Wish Upon a Star*, last Saturday night. It would be impossible to explain the incredible amount of work that went into this special night but it is easy to see what a fabulous ending there was for all their hard work. Thank you to Jennifer Klingler and Stephanie Simpson, our auctions chair persons, for saying "yes" so many months ago. Your leadership was shining examples of Christian Stewardship!

CHRISTMAS GIVING

It has been a tradition at Our Lady Queen of Angels School to provide gifts and food for needy families to the organization Share Our Selves (SOS). This year, one class will be responsible for one family. Soon you will be receiving information from your child's teacher about this Christmas tradition. You will be asked to send in one gift, if possible, for your child's adopt a family classroom project and a food item to help stock this families' pantry. As always, thank you for your generosity.

We need drivers for dropping off gifts/food for SOS.
Please email Brenda Murphy at brendamurphy1@cox.net if you want to be Santa's helper.



UPCOMING EVENTS

November 24

School Mass – Minimum Day

	No Extended Day
November 25, 26	Thanksgiving Vacation
November 29	IN N OUT
November 30 - Dec. 2	Book Fair
December 7	K-4 Christmas Luncheon
December 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception School Mass
December 13	In-N-Out Burger
December 16	Evening Christmas Program in the Church
December 17	Student Council Play Minimum Day No Extended Day
December 21 – 31	Christmas Vacation
January 3	School Resumes

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