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## EVENTS

**No School Monday, January 15th**  
**School is off for Martin Luther King Jr Day.**

### Geography Bee

**Tuesday, January 16th at 8:50am**

Cheer on our 10 finalists as they compete in the finals of the OLG Geography Bee in Cassidy Hall!



### Class Pictures

**Thursday, January 18th**

Class pictures will be taken on Thursday, January 18th. Order forms were sent home and are available in the main office. Parents can also order online at [mylifetouch.com](http://mylifetouch.com) with Picture Day ID: MI397165G0.

### Middle School Open House

**Thursday, January 18th at 7pm**

All 5th grade families are invited to join us to learn about our exceptional middle school program! This evening will introduce you to our outstanding faculty, excellent academic curriculum, our one-to-one laptop program, 8th grade Confirmation and the many special experiences our middle school students enjoy each year. We will also take the time to answer any questions you have. Please RSVP to, like and share our event, [here](#).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 2018-19 Registration Process

As noted in the recent Principal's Corner, we want to inform you that for the 2018-19 school year, OLG School will begin using a continuous enrollment model. This means that current K-7 students will be automatically enrolled for the upcoming school year unless a family contacts us by **January 19th**. This model is recommended both by the Archdiocese and national Catholic school organizations and will be easier for both families and the school. **If you have a K-7 child who will not be returning for the 2018-19 school year, please contact Mrs. Trenary by phone at 952.929.5463 ext 4.** Additional registration details will be sent in a letter from Mrs. Trenary soon.

### 2018-19 OLG Calendar

[HERE](#) is the 2018-19 OLG Calendar at a glance. Some items to note:

- School start is after Labor Day.
- There is a shorter Christmas vacation.
- Students are in school during Holy Week, but off on Easter Monday.
- Last day for 8th grade is May 31st with graduation on Saturday June 1st.
- Last day for grades K-7 is a Tuesday, June 4th.

## UPCOMING CALENDAR

### January

**15 No School - MLK**  
**16** Geo Bee 8:50am  
**17** School Mass 9a  
**18** Class Picture Day  
**18** Mid School Open House 7p  
**24** School Mass 9a  
**26 No School - Staff Retreat**  
**27** First Reconciliation  
**28** Begin Cath Schools Wk  
**30 Late Start 10:35a**  
**31** CSW Mass

### February

**1** Thurs. AM Rosary 7:55am  
**6** Family Mass/Bfast 7:30a  
**7** Family Mass/Bfast 7:30a  
**13** PSO Mtg 9:30am  
**14** Ash Wed School Mass 10:15a  
**17** 8th Grd Confirm 10am  
**19 No School-President's Day**  
**20 No School-Teacher Workshop**  
**21** School Mass 9am  
**28** School Mass 9am

[Release Day Calendar 2017-18](#)  
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## ATTENDANCE

Call the the 24-hour hotline  
**952-929-5463 ext. 236**  
or [ellieharristhal@olgschool.net](mailto:ellieharristhal@olgschool.net) prior  
to 8am to inform us that your child is  
absent or tardy. Parents should keep  
children home from school an extra  
24 hours after a fever.

## WEEKENDER SUBMISSIONS

- Deadline is noon on Thursday
- Submit to [Adam Groebner](#)
- OLG reserves the right to edit  
information for space/content.



## Lenten Book Clubs Survey!

Coming this Lent, consider growing friendships and nourishing your faith by joining a parent book club. The groups will consist of eight to twelve parents, with kids in the same grade. Schedules will be determined within each group, allowing for a lot of flexibility in planning. Groups will meet four or more times during Lent, reading and discussing a faith-focused book. See a list of possible books [here](#). If you are interested, please complete this very short [survey](#). Please consider this investment in yourself and our community!

## Chess Club Sessions 3 and 4

### Session Begins January 25th

Join the fun as a part of Chess Club for students in grades K-5. Check out the registration [form](#) for sessions 3 and 4 to learn more.



## PSO Spotlight on Service

Nicole Schmidt and Cathy Swanson, Orientation Co-Chairs, love the excitement of a new school year. Nicole says, "seeing students, parents, teachers and staff happily gathering together and preparing for the days ahead is very gratifying. Knowing that I've played a small part in a successful transition back to school for students and families is why I choose to serve OLG." Cathy works full time and travels regularly for her job. She chose to serve as orientation co-chair because she can plan key event details outside the school day when it works best for her schedule. Cathy and Nicole make a great team and we appreciate the many hours Nicole and Cathy put into Orientation last year! Would you like to find a way to serve our school community? Email [amy.selby@gmail.com](mailto:amy.selby@gmail.com) to find out about volunteer opportunities through PSO.

## EXTENDED CARE

### January 30th Late Start

#### Registration Due Tuesday, January 16th

We have a late start coming up! Join the morning fun as we explore winter animals from the MN Zoo! Click [HERE](#) for the form to register.

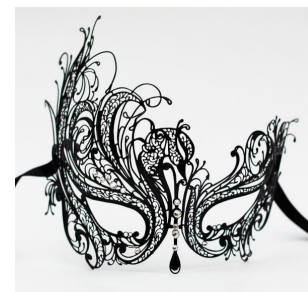
## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Tickets On Sale for the 2018 Men's Club Masquerade Gala!

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Tickets are on sale now

(<https://one.bidpal.net/olgmc/welcome>) for the annual Gala - get them now before they sell out! Proceeds will support renovations to create a multi-purpose music center that will benefit both our OLG students and the Parish at large. Stay tuned for details on silent auction bidding which will open a week before the event as well as information on fantastic live auction items including a beautiful white British lab puppy and get-away weekend in Chicago to see the play Hamilton. Auction item donations can still be made by contacting Doug Fulton ([doug.fulton@avisonyoung.com](mailto:doug.fulton@avisonyoung.com)) (Silent Auction)



or Mike Rogalski ([mike\\_rogalski@hotmail.com](mailto:mike_rogalski@hotmail.com)) (Live Auction) before February 1st.

## Last Call for OLG Men's Club Gala Raffle Tickets!

Just a few of the 150 tickets (\$100 each) remain for the OLG Men's Club Winter Gala raffle. The first prize winner can select any live or silent auction item offered at the February 10th Gala whether you attend or not. The second prize winner will receive four Wild vs. Lightning tickets on the glass with access to the Audi Club - a first class MN Wild experience. The drawing will be held on January 14th after 6pm mass. No need to be present to win. To purchase a ticket, please contact Jenny Helmer at [jennyzieglerhelmer@hotmail.com](mailto:jennyzieglerhelmer@hotmail.com). While they last, tickets may also be available after masses this weekend.

## Family Faith Event

**Wed, January 17, 6:00pm in the Church**

"From Bland & Bored to Salt & Light" presented by Joe Roueche, who serves at NET Ministries in St. Paul and has been featured on Relevant Radio, and has spoken at hundreds of events and parishes.

Raising children in the Catholic faith can be overwhelming to say the least. But the truth is: parents have far more influence on children in matters of faith than they will ever know. Save the date and come discover how to set your faith ablaze and to become, in the words of Pope Francis, "more fully human and more than human"! Limited childcare (age 1 to 5) is available in the nursery, please email [Stephanie Lloyd](mailto:Stephanie.Lloyd) to reserve a space (include child's name/age).

## Get Your Cub Scout Pancake Breakfast Tickets!

**Sunday, January 21st from 8:15a-1pm**

Please join us for the annual OLG Pack 102 Cub Scout pancake breakfast fundraiser in Cassidy Hall on Sunday, January 21st from 8:15am until 1pm. Pre-sale tickets are available for \$6 after all Masses this weekend or can be purchased the day of the event at the door for \$8. There will be plenty of delicious pancakes, great coffee, orange juice and butcher cut bacon. This is our one annual fundraiser and critical for the Pack - last year's event was a huge success so we hope you can join us again this year.

## Men's Club Mini Retreat

**Saturday, January 20th from 8:30am-12pm**

"I will Arise: Catholic Man in a Secular World" with Special Guest Speaker, John Crudele! Reserve your spot by signing up at the table in the back of the commons after any Mass during the weekends of Jan 6th and 13th, or by emailing Jim Clancy at [jrpclancy@gmail.com](mailto:jrpclancy@gmail.com) or by calling the OLG parish office at 952-929-3317. The schedule is below:

8:30 A.M. - Mass

9:00 A.M. - Breakfast (Donuts, Coffee, & Juice)

9:15 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. Mini-Retreat (Cassidy Hall)

12:00 P.M. - Lunch (Pizza & Pop)

## Parish Blood Drive

**January 25th from 3-8pm**

Our Lady of Grace is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive in Cassidy Hall from 3 pm until 8 pm on January 25th. All blood types are urgently needed and it only takes about an hour from start to finish to give a pint of blood and save up to 3 lives. To register, go to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and

enter the sponsor code OURLADYOFGRACE.

## Celebrate Marriage Evening

**Friday, February 2nd, 5:45pm**

Make plans to attend the 2nd annual Celebrate Marriage evening at OLG on Friday February 2nd. Mark your calendars, book your baby sitters and join us for a beautiful date night with your spouse! The evening includes a cozy catered dinner by the fire in the Commons, a Mass with a Marriage Blessing, and an inspiring talk on enriching your marriage by Bill and Adella Wacker, co-founders of Marriage in Christ. The event will be held from 5:45 to 9:00 pm

Registration information will be available after January 1st.

Questions? Mary Hodgdon at [hodg3064@stthomas.edu](mailto:hodg3064@stthomas.edu) or 952-237-8423.

## Vacation Bible School: Save the Date!

**July 23rd-27th**

SAVE THE DATE and prepare for your children to be "shipwrecked", but rescued by Jesus the week of July 23rd through July 27th. Look for registration links in early spring! We will need all hands on deck!!



## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### AIM Higher Scholarships

**Families Can Apply Until February 15th**

The Aim Higher Foundation provides two scholarships for students to attend a Catholic school in the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. The application period for scholarships for the 2018-19 academic year closes February 15, 2018. We aim to award the scholarships and notify families and schools by March 6, 2018. Details of the scholarships and how to apply can be found [HERE](#).

### DeLaSalle Open House

**Wednesday, January 17th from 7-9pm**

Join us for our Open House for prospective students and their families. Easily the fastest-growing Catholic high school in the Upper Midwest, DeLaSalle's enrollment is its largest since the early 1970's!

The Open House features presentations about DeLaSalle's Catholic and Lasallian heritage; college prep curriculum and Guidance program; 1:1 iPad technology initiative; extra-curricular activities, \$3.05 million program of financial aid grants and academic scholarships, unique Global Advantage Program, connecting students to international academic travel; and so much more.... DeLaSalle staff and many current students will be present to welcome guests and answer questions.

### Visitation Open House

**Thursday, January 18th from 6-9pm**

Come and learn more about grades 9-12 at Visitation during our January open house on January 18 from 6-9 p.m. To learn more, please contact Beth Carver, Director of Enrollment, at 651-683-1706.

### Holy Family Youth Fan Nights

Holy Family Catholic High School in Victoria invites families to join us for some FREE family fun at our Fire Fan Youth Nights at Boys Basketball (Friday, January 12), Girls Basketball (Tuesday, January 23), and Boys

Hockey (Saturday, January 27). Each ticket includes free family admission, fun giveaways, and concession stand meal. For more information and a printable ticket visit - <http://www.hfchs.org/events/>

## Holy Family Winter Dance Clinic

Join the Holy Family Dance Team as they host a youth dance clinic on Friday, January 26, from 4:30-8:00 p.m. The clinic is open to girls in grades K-6 and the cost is only \$25. Dancers will learn a routine from the Holy Family Dance Team, play games and perform their routine at halftime of the Holy Family varsity basketball game! Pizza and beverages will be provided. Register by 1/15 to receive a clinic shirt. Register and learn more at <http://www.hfchs.org/firecamps/>

## Parenting in an Online World

**Monday, January 29 from 7-9pm**

Parent Communication Network is excited to announce its upcoming forum on Monday, January 29 from 7:00 - 9:00 PM at South View Middle School. The topic is Parenting in an Online World: From Digital Citizenship to Online Safety. Erin Walsh, M.A. will speak about brain development and raising children in a digital age.



## Choosing a Catholic High School

**Thursday, February 1 from 6:30-8:30pm**

Are you aware that studies have shown that 50% of teenagers who self-identified as Catholic no longer do so 10 years later? Catholic parents considering high school options for their children are invited to attend an event to assist you with your decision-making process. Learn what you need to know in selecting a high school that will help preserve your child's Catholic Faith.

WHERE: St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, New Brighton, MN

WHO: Patrick Reilly, President, Cardinal Newman Society and several Chaplains of local Catholic High Schools.

TICKETS: Reserve your tickets at <http://www.HighSchoolChoice.com>

**THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS!**

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