

Important Dates:

1/6-1/13.....Re-Enrollment Current Students
 1/14-1/24.....Registration New Students
 1/20.....No School, Martin Luther King Day
 1/23.....First Reconciliation
 1/26.....75th Alumni Mass/Open House
 1/26-1/31.....Catholic Schools Week
 1/30.....Open House
 1/31.....No School/Teacher Inservice
 2/10.....No School-Reward for Walkathon
 2/14 & 2/17...No School, Winter Break
 2/24.....End 2nd Trimester
 2/25.....No School, Inservice
 2/26.....3rd Trimester begins

K-8 Absent/Tardy 513-347-2231
 Preschool Absent 513-347-4450
 Early Dismissal..... Note to Teacher
 Aftercare 513-371-0371

AUG'S BLOG

Visitation Families,

*This is a part of the Church Bulletin series called "Word and Worship". It is written by seminarian Jacob Schmiesing. It describes different parts of the Mass. After the Words of Institution the **Memorial Acclamation** takes three possible forms. The first two are "We proclaim your death, O Lord and profess your resurrection until you come again" and "When we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim your death O Lord, until you come again." The second is essentially 1 Corinthians 11:26 while the first paraphrases the same verse. The final option, "Save us, Savior of the World..." is the cry of the Apostles in Matthew 8:25 worried about drowning combined with a theological elaboration on Romans 8:21.*

This past week of weather reminded me of my claim to fame...Yes, I was part of the many adventurous families who walked on water...the frozen Ohio River back in 1977. Please tell your

children this weather is not normal and it is super rare to get multiple days off school! But, I do hope they are taking advantage of playing in the snow!

IT'S REENROLLMENT WEEK! All current families should have received an email on Monday to re-enroll your children for next school year. It is vital that you complete an enrollment form for each child by Monday, Jan. 13th. We have waiting lists in many grades and would hate for you to overlook this timeline.

Due to new Google guidelines, we have added the following to our handbook under Technology:
By signing this form you are also agreeing to allow your child access to all applications used by the school. We continue to have all of our firewalls in place and use Go Guardian to monitor the students as well.

On behalf of the entire staff, we want to thank all of the families who contributed to the teacher Christmas gift collection. Teachers are always overwhelmed by the generosity of our families. Please know each and every donation is appreciated! It is so nice that you recognize the homeroom teachers as well as the specials teachers, aides, maintenance, cafeteria, etc. Thanks to our PTO for organizing the donations for the entire staff!

Sunday, Jan. 26th is our 10:00 a.m. Alumni Mass and Open House. For those of you who attended Visitation please let your friends and family know! The school will be open to walk through, old yearbooks on display and many retired staff plan on attending! Our family Open House will be Thursday, Jan. 30th 4:15-6:30 p.m.

Hopefully, you all received a letter inviting everyone to return to mass. Your attendance at mass "is not just a command from God, but an act of love and gratitude for God, and a vital commitment to the spiritual well-being of your soul and the future of your children."

Blessings,

Joely M. Aug

COOK'S CURRICULUM CORNER

Each benchmark (fall, winter, spring) students in grades K-1 take the AimswebPlus reading and math assessment. The reading subtests focus on letter identification, vocabulary, letter sound knowledge, phonemic awareness (the ability to hear distinct sounds in spoken words), fluency and decoding. The math subtests include number naming fluency, math fact fluency, number comparisons, as well as other concepts and applications. The assessments are administered by the staff typically in a one-on-one setting. The assessment takes about ten to fifteen minutes. The purpose for this assessment is to allow our staff to plan meaningful instruction and to meet each child's needs in math and reading. Taking the assessment each benchmark (fall, winter, spring) allows teachers to monitor student growth throughout the school year and to inform instruction. The Aimsweb assessments will be given this Thursday and Friday, January 9th and 10th.

Students in grades 2-8 will take the MAP Growth test from NWEA on January 13th, 14th, and 16th. The MAP growth test will be taken each benchmark (fall, winter, spring) to monitor student growth and inform instruction. See the letter attached regarding the MAP test.

Results for both the AimswebPlus and MAP Growth Test will be sent to parents within a few weeks. Please help your child prepare for these assessments by getting a good night's sleep and healthy breakfast. It is essential that your child arrives at school on time as many grades begin testing right after announcements.

Leah Cook
Assistant Principal

ART ROOM

The Art Room is collecting cereal boxes, cracker boxes for an upcoming art project in the new calendar year. Will you please send thin cardboard boxes to the art room? Thank you for helping us teach the next generation of artists!

LEGO CLUB GRADES 2-6

Come join Mrs. Lott on Thursdays for Winter Lego Club in the new year! Monday session is now full, but spots are still available for students in grades 2-6 on Thursdays! Details of dates (January and February) are in the link! If you sign up, please send payment to school addressed to "Amy Lott". Looking forward to some Winter Stem Challenges!
[Thursday Winter Lego Club.](#)

SPIRITWEAR SHOP

Visit the spiritwear site at: <https://www.visispiritwearshop.com/>
Questions contact Nikki Niemann 513-379-8478.

CAFETERIA

Let's start out the New Year by following these reminders.

*** Reminders***

*If you know your student will not be in school due to illness or a doctor's appointment, please cancel your lunch. You may cancel up until 8:00 am daily. Please reference the website for assistance.

*Please make sure you check your order for the correct amount (1 tray and not 2 trays) and under the student that will be receiving the ordered lunch. Please complete the entire check out process and submit.

**If your student packs their lunch, you are to provide the needs of that packed lunch. The cafeteria does not provide the condiment(s) or silverware for those that pack a lunch.

*If your student goes home sick or is sick the day you have ordered a lunch a credit will be granted to your account at the end of that service day. Please be aware of your scheduled dentist or doctor's appointments during the lunch hours and DO NOT order lunch. Again, you can always cancel ordered lunches up until 8:00am daily, please reference the website for assistance.

Thank you, Linda Good
Cafeteria Manager

REDIKER: All Rediker issues, primary email changes or primary household phone number changes should be emailed to rediker@olvisitation.org.

VISITATION ATHLETIC CLUB (VAC) – www.vacsports.com

For all sign-ups, please visit www.vacsports.com and login to register your child.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL – 3rd to 8th grade

Registration: Open until Sunday, Jan. 26

For boys in 3rd through 8th grade. Games are played in the evenings so boys can also play baseball. The season runs from March to mid-May. Tryouts for 5/6 and 7/8 will be in early February. Any questions, please email Commissioner Keith Nienhaus at keithnienhaus@hotmail.com.

BOYS BASEBALL – 4U-7U (PreK to 1st grade)

Registration: Open until Friday, Jan. 31

Please visit the [Baseball Homepage](#) for season details and FAQs. Any questions, please email visivikingsbaseball@gmail.com.

TRACK & FIELD – K to 8TH grade

Registration: Now open until Friday, Feb. 21

Season runs from March to mid-May. Any questions, please email Commissioner Lee Reynolds at rreynolds6@gmail.com.

Facebook (Our Lady of Visitation Athletic Club) - Instagram (visiathletics) - X (Twitter) (VACSports)

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Elder High School: Please visit Elder's website for more information. Details at <https://www.elderhs.org/admissions>. For more information, contact Brian Hiles at hilesba@elderhs.net.

LaSalle High School: Please visit LaSalle's website for more information. For more information, contact Jake Pucci at admissions@lasallehs.net.

Mercy McAuley High School: Please visit Mercy McAuley's website for more information. Register at www.mercymcauley.org/shadow.

Moeller High School: Please visit Moeller's website for more information, www.moeller.org.

Mount Notre Dame: Please visit MND's website for more information.

Learn details about each event [Here](#).

Purcell Marion High School: Please visit Purcell Marion's website for more information.

Visit <https://www.purcellmarian.org/ibelong> to learn more.

Saint Ursula Academy: Please visit St. Ursula's website for more information.

Information can be found at www.saintursula.org/visit.aspx.

Seton High School: Please visit Seton's website for more information.

Seton's Open House - Thursday, November 21. Register here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49ADAA2AAAF5C16-52033548-seton#/>.

St. Xavier High School: Please visit St. Xavier's website for more information.

Information can be found at <https://www.stxavier.org/admissions/visit>.

Ursuline Academy: Please visit Ursuline's website for information about their upcoming events.

<https://www.ursulineacademy.org/admissions>.

OTHER NEWS:

CRHP WOMEN'S RETREAT

Please see the attached flyer about the 2025 women's Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) retreat. It's open to all women who are looking to explore their faith on a deeper level, develop new friendships, or just take a break from the craziness of everyday life! The retreat is FREE and all meals are provided. We hope to see you there! For questions contact Beth Papin at 513-309-2131 or elizabethpapin@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Date	Day	Playground Upper lot	Playground Lower lot	Lunchroom (wiping tables)	Cafeteria (food service)
1/13	Mon	Shannon Clifton	Jamie Donovan Laura Cavanaugh	Grace Faigle Amy Stroube	Wei Gibler Bonnie Pope Kate Raterman
1/14	Tue	Amanda Bruner	Christina Yockey Christie Klosterman	Andrea Griffin	Sue Stautberg Bob Johnson
1/15	Wed	Jenny Waldeck Julie Martin	Elizabeth Papin Becky Schwarz	Kelli Clarkson Janet Guethlein	Brandon Rainer Denise Miller
1/16	Thu	Deb Tisch Liz Priestle	Theresa Marzheuser Amy Burns	Emily McKenna Kimberly Steinreide	Chris Cassiere Krista Perez Jason Perez
1/17	Fri	Kirsten Law Laura Miller	Tiffany Kersting Maria Kersting	Sarah Waldeck Jenny Waldeck	Emily Shears Chrissy Pierson

LUNCH MENU FOR January 13-17

Please note, due to manufacturer shortages, menu may change.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
-Chicken Patty -Seasoned Fries -Pickles -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk	-Hamburger or Cheeseburger -Fries -Pickles -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk	- La Rosa’s Pizza (1 Slice) Cheese or Pepperoni -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk	-Popcorn Chicken -Dinner Roll -Rice Pilaf -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk	-Soft Taco Shell -Taco Meat -Shredded Cheese -Shredded Lettuce -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk
-Chicken Patty	-Hamburger or Cheeseburger	-La Rosa’s Pizza 1 Slice	-Popcorn Chicken	-Soft Taco

Assorted bagged snacks daily for .75, Ice cream \$1.50, Milk and Water .50

-Regular tray lunch \$4.00, -Hot A La Carte -\$2.00, Orders to be placed on Line with the Hot Lunch Program.

To purchase the regular lunch or hot a la carte items, you must set up an account and order through <https://olvlunch.ahotlunch.com/login>. Lunches must be ordered by 8:00 a.m. daily.

GENERAL REMINDERS

- If your child will be absent from school or tardy, a phone call is required by 8:30 a.m. The direct phone numbers to report a student absent or tardy are:
K-8: 513-347-2231
Preschool: 513-347-4450
- If your child needs to leave school early, a note written by a parent must be given to the student’s homeroom teacher at the start of that same day.
- For school closings and delays due to inclement weather, Our Lady of the Visitation will follow Three Rivers Local School District.

DIVINE MERCY FAMILY PARISHES PRESENTS

THE 2025 WOMENS CHRIST RENEWS HIS
PARISH RETREAT

SPRING INTO FAITH BLOOM IN HIS GRACE



Saturday, March 22 - Sunday, March 23



REGISTRATION BELOW



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**Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati's
2025 PRO-LIFE POSTER CONTEST
"Let's Make Human Life Great Again"**

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The Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati Pro-Life Poster Contest is open to all students in kindergarten through 8th grade from private, public, home schools, homes, or catechetical programs.

There are three age categories for the contest: K-2nd, 3rd-5th, and 6th-8th. Cash prizes and prize ribbons for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners will be awarded in each age group. All participants will receive a certificate of participation.

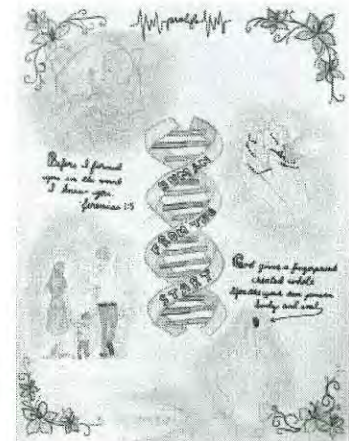
Each poster will be evaluated on its originality, use of medium, interpretation of theme, and presentation of a pro-life message. Selections of the top entries will be chosen. We please ask for no copyrighted material.

This year's theme, "*Let's Make Human Life Great Again*", provides an excellent teaching opportunity, educating even the youngest students on the importance of upholding the greatness of each human person. After God created the universe, it was only after He created the human person that He declared, "very good" in Genesis 1:31.

In a culture that increasingly discards the unborn, the aging, the handicapped, the infirmed, and the "inconvenient," we must reach the hearts of our youth proclaiming the value and worth of each unique human life from the moment of conception, made by the most loving Lord. Whether a person lives for a few minutes or for centuries, thriving or struggling, EVERY human person mirrors God.

Entry forms and rules are enclosed and may be reproduced. Additional copies may be obtained from the Right to Life Office (513/728-7870) or downloaded from CincinnatiRighttoLife.org.

Deadline for entries is Friday, February 28, 2025. Please note the size requirement of 9" x 12". If you have any questions, please call Karen Byrne at the Right to Life office, 513-728-7870 ext. 206. We look forward to seeing your creative and inspiring artwork!



Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati 2025 Poster Contest Rules

- ☺ One entry per student.
- ☺ Student must currently be a Kindergarten through 8th grade student.
- ☺ Finished art must be **9" x 12"**.
- ☺ Artwork must be original work by student. (no collaborative work).
 - ♦ Use of photocopies or copyrighted material is prohibited.
- ☺ Use any type of medium, one or many.
- ☺ Use the theme specified. This year's theme is - "**Let's Make Human Life Great Again**".
 - Why are YOU pro-life?
 - Show us your support for all innocent human life: born & unborn.
 - How do you value human life as a gift from God?
- ☺ Artwork must be **received by Friday, February 28, 2025** to be considered.
- ☺ Artwork must have completed information form (below) permanently attached to the back.
- ☺ Each poster will be evaluated on: originality, use of medium, interpretation of theme and presentation of a pro-life -message, and overall effect.
 - ☺ There are three age categories:
 - ♦ Kindergarten – 2nd grade
 - ♦ 3rd – 5th grade
 - ♦ 6th – 8th grade
 - ☺ Awards given in each age category will be:
 - ♦ first place - \$100, 1st place ribbon
 - ♦ second place - \$50, 2nd place ribbon
 - ♦ third place - \$25, 3rd place ribbon
 - ♦ Honorable mentions will be awarded at the discretion of the judges.
 - ♦ Every student who enters will receive a certificate of participation.
 - ☺ Upon submission, all artwork becomes the property of Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati, Inc. All decisions by the judges are final.

Cut off the form below, attach to your poster and send to:
Right to Life Poster Contest, 1802 W. Galbraith Rd., Cincinnati, Ohio 45239

*Please use appropriate information, **either school OR home**,
use home information ONLY if submitting from home or if you are home schooled.*

Please print

student's first and last name: _____

student's grade: _____

student's age: _____

teacher or parent's name: _____

teacher or parent's email: _____

school name: _____

school or home address: _____

school or home phone number: _____