

Important Dates:

4/6 Teacher Inservice, 11:30 Dismissal
4/7 Good Friday, No School
4/10-14 Easter Break, No School

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,

Happy early St. Patrick's Day! Did you know St. Patrick is attributed with using the three-leaf clover to explain the Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Spirit)? Another little known fact... St. Patrick was born in the Scotland/Wales area. He is, however, credited with bringing Christianity to Ireland.

Report cards will be emailed home on Friday.

Stephen Smith will be here on March 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium to address parents. Mr. Smith will speak to grades 5-8 during the school day. Please make plans to attend. He will be sharing information on how to protect your child while using social media.

I would like to take a minute to thank our playground volunteers. We have had some nasty weather and they continue to show up in rain, sleet or snow!

Keep working on those Lenten promises!

Blessings,



COOK'S CURRICULUM CORNER

Our school will be hosting Wellness Week the last week of March (3/27-3/31). Students in grades preschool-3rd grade will focus on physical health topics like exercising and making healthy choices in physical education classes. Students in grades 4-8 will have various speakers on mental health topics that pertain to their age level. See the attachment at the bottom of the newsletter for more information on Wellness Week. ***Parents-we are inviting you to listen to Speaker Stephen Smith who will discuss the dangers of social media and how it influences your child and their life. There is a flyer attached to this newsletter regarding his presentation at 7:00 p.m. on March 27th.***

Students in grades K-8 can practice math facts on www.mathscore.com. This free online platform is adaptive to students' math abilities. This means that the program provides students with challenging, yet appropriate facts at their level and while continuing to track student progress and providing new skills as students master concepts. As a parent, you can sign up for a parent account and track your child's progress.

Check out the flyers attached for after school enrichment activities. Chess, coding, and STEAM clubs are great opportunities for students to extend thinking while also engaging socially with friends at school.

TUITION NEWS / FACTS

Our Lady of the Visitation is once again using the FACTS Payment Program. School families will be electronically re-enrolled for the 2023-2024 school year with the same option as the current school year. If you wish to make changes to your current payment plan, banking and/or contact information, please contact Patty Becker in the Parish Office at 513-922-2056 by **Monday, April 3.**

For monthly plans, your annual FACTS Enrollment Fee of \$44 will be automatically debited the **in April.**

The non-refundable deposit of \$50 per student for returning families will be automatically debited **Friday, April 21, 2023.**

Catholic Education Foundation has recently sent award letters to qualifying families receiving financial aid from the Archdiocese. If you received a letter, please submit a copy of it to Patty Becker, (pbecker@olvisitation.org) in the Parish Office so awards can be properly posted to your 2023-2024 FACTS agreement.

Financial Aid awards from Our Lady of the Visitation Education Fund for the 2023-2024 school year have not yet been determined.

CHURCH CHATTER

Lenton Rice Bowls: As we journey together this Lent, we remember that through prayer, God invites us to slow down and look for him around us. Through fasting, we act in solidarity with people who are hungry. Almsgiving is an act of love for God and neighbor. Lent is a chance to serve others. Join us in helping those communities in Honduras, the Philippines, and Kenya who are struggling to overcome hunger.

Please fill your rice bowl cartons and return it to school by March 31st and help someone in need. All donations will be sent to Catholic Relief Services.

The Creation: Please join us for a sacred music concert on March 26th. Please see the attached flyer.

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

YOUTH ART MONTH DRAWING CONTEST

Design a piece of the puzzle for Youth Art Month. Use any art materials. A worksheet is attached or can be found in the art room. Prizes will be awarded for the best drawings each Friday in March.

SUMMER ART CAMP 2023

Use your talents this summer to create beautiful artwork and learn new art techniques. Projects will include clay, printmaking, textiles, painting, sculpture, book making, drawing and more! Open to current K – 8th graders. The Art Camp will be held in the Art Room, June 5-9, 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM. See attached flyer for more information or to register.

YEARBOOKS: Yearbooks for the 2022-2023 School Year are on sale now! Yearbooks are \$20 each and are available for purchase online at www.strawbridge.net

1. Click **Order Pictures and Yearbooks**, and enter code **YB25505**
 2. Enter your name and email, and click **Access Yearbook**.
 3. Enter your students information, then click **Submit Details**.
 4. Select your product and quantity. Click **View Cart** to proceed to checkout.
- If you have any questions, please email ebecker@olvisitation.org

CUB SCOUTS

Please see attached about purchasing flower bulbs from Dutch Mill Bulbs.
Please join us for Scout Saturday Mass, Saturday, March 18, 4:00 at Visitation.

PTO and SPIRITWEAR

Spiritwear: You can shop online at visispiritwear.weebly.com. Any questions, please contact Nikki Niemann at 513-379-8478

VAC

3/23 - VAC general meeting 8:30pm in Pavilion
5/5 - VAC Golf Outing 8:00am @ Aston Oaks

VAC Golf Outing: It is time to break out the golf clubs, grab a group of friends and join us for the 2023 VAC Golf Outing, Friday, May 5th, 8:00AM at Aston Oaks Golf Club. See attached flyer for details and visit our website at www.vacsports.com, click on the VAC Golf Outing tab for details and registration. There is a max of 128 players this year, so sign up quickly!

Upcoming VAC Meeting: Spring is near! Now that it is warmer come get involved in Visitation's Athletic Club (VAC). The next meeting open to everyone will be on **Thursday, March 23 at 8:30pm** in the Pavilion. If you are a new family or just looking to get involved, start by attending a VAC meeting to learn more!

FALL SPORTS SIGNUPS- vacsports.com Sign-ups will close on May 15 unless noted below.
** Be sure to visit the Sports Home Pages at vacsports.com for additional details on each sport. **

Cheer (Any questions contact the Cheer Commissioner, Betsi Ryan - bblanchet82@gmail.com)
Open to all students entering Kindergarten through 8th grade. Cost: \$60.

Football (Any questions contact Football Commissioner, Bobby Lyons - bob.lyons45@gmail.com)
Costs: \$100 - Kindergarten - 2nd (Bandit), \$120 - 3rd & 4th (Pony), 5th & 6th (Reserve) and 7th & 8th (Varsity).

Golf (Any questions contact the Golf Commissioner, Mike Moorman - mmoorman@erpsuites.com)
Open to boys and girls in 5th-8th grade (both competitive and instructional teams). Costs: \$30.
Additional \$25 for new players needing a shirt (shirts run small). Additional course fees will apply.

Soccer (Any questions contact the Soccer Commissioner, Nic Carmosino - carnosn@yahoo.com)
Open to boys and girls Preschool through High School

- Lollipop for 3 - 5-year-olds (registration open until late Summer) - Cost: \$25
- Kindergarten (registration open until late Summer) - Cost: \$65
- 1st - 8th grade - \$85 (registration open until May 15; \$25 additional fee for any late registration)
- High School (registration open until completion of high school tryouts) - Cost: \$50

Girls Volleyball (Any questions contact the Girls Volleyball Commissioner, Tony Coors - acoorsjr@gmail.com) Open to girls in 3rd through High School.

- \$60 - 3rd & 4th (registration open until July 31)
- \$90 - 5th - 8th (registration open until June 30; tryouts held end of July/early August)
- \$70 - High School (registration open until July 31)

Reminder for all sports, no refunds will be issued and once teams are posted, the participant cannot switch teams. Be sure to follow "Our Lady of the Visitation Athletic Club" on Facebook and Twitter for additional VAC information and registration reminders.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Elder High School is offering Spring Sport Grade School Nights and a Backstage Pass Event and Elder Art Show. Register at www.elderhs.org/backstagepass.

LaSalle High School's volleyball grade school night will be held on 4/17. Please contact Shannon Memory at smemory@lasallehs.net with any questions.

LaSalle High School is offering Summer Camp opportunities for local grade school and incoming high school students. To register, click [here](#).

Mercy McAuley High School presents their spring musical, Seussical, on March 24-26. Please click here for more information www.mercymcauley.org/seussical.

Mercy McAuley High School's Summer Sports and Enrichment Camps registration is now open! Visit www.mercymcauley.org/camps for camp details.

Moeller High School will be hosting a number of summer camps for 8th grade students. Please click here for more information <https://moellercamps.campbrainregistration.com/>

Mount Notre Dame is offering summer camps and HSPT Prep program. Please register [HERE](#).

St. Xavier High School will be hosting a number of summer camps for 8th grade students. Please click here for more information. <https://www.stxavier.org/academics/summer-camps>

Ursuline Academy will be hosting a number of summer camps for 8th grade students. Please click here for more information <https://www.ursulineacademy.org/admissions/summer-at-ursuline>

Seton High School is offering a wide variety of special interest and athletic camps, for incoming 1st-9th graders. There are also events for the Seton-Elder Performing Arts Series. Registration is open online at setoncincinnati.org.

OTHER NEWS

Please see the attached flyer about a Summer Drama Camp directed by Lori Wainscott.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Date	Day	Playground Upper lot	Playground Lower lot	Lunchroom (wiping tables)	Cafeteria (food service)
3/20	M	Lori Macke Jayne Laake	Lindsay Krause April Rischmann	Emily McKenna Theresa Marzhauser	Bob Johnson Jennifer Leisgang Jessica Burdette
3/21	T	Kate Raterman Danielle Hartoin	Dan Kaiser Andrea Griffith	Johnna Rowe Angela Graman	Sue Stautberg Jane Nieman
3/22	W	Jenny Carmosino Sarah Reynolds	Lisa Juszak Danielle Hartoin	Amy Faillace Amy Burns	Brandon Rainier Kristina Kelley
3/23	Th	Lee Cassiere Nicole Katon	Erin Pace Katie Rohrmeier	Maggie Lysaght	Andrea Schinkal Jane Nieman
3/24	F	Kirsten Law Maureen Hildebrandt	Lauren Eagan Katie Downing	Andrea Griffith Betsy Horvath	Stephanie Meyer Bob Johnson Sue Stautberg

LUNCH MENU FOR MARCH 13-17

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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
-Chicken Patty -Seasoned Fries -Pickles -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk	-Chicken Nuggets (5) -Dinner Roll -Mac-n-Cheese -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk	-La Rosa's Pizza (1 Slice) Cheese or Pepperoni -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk	-Nacho's & Cheese sauce - Pretzel -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk	-LaRosa's Cheese Rondos (2) -Pizza Sauce -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk
A La Carte				
-Chicken Patty	-Chicken Nuggets-5	-La Rosa's Pizza 1 Slice	-Nacho's & Cheese Sauce	-LaRosa's Cheese Rondos (2)

Cash can be used for milk, snacks and ice cream. Assorted bagged snacks daily for \$.75. Ice cream for \$1.50. Milk and water for \$.50.

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>. You may order daily until 8:00 a.m. Regular lunch is \$4.00. Hot a la carte is \$2.00.

If your student has an appointment and will not be here for lunch, please do not order a lunch for that day. If you did order a lunch and then your student leaves early for sickness or an appointment, please email Linda Good lgood@olvisitation.org so your account can be credited. Thank you.

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.



Teens, Tweens & Social Media

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TEENS, TWEEN & SOCIAL MEDIA

When: March 27th at 7pm

Where: Auditorium

Contact: Leah Cook

lcCook@olvisitation.org

(513-347-2222)



Wellness Week

A week to focus on students' physical, mental, and social well being.

March 27th-March 31st

Preschool-4

Wellness Week in grades Preschool-4 will be addressed in P.E. classes. We will be covering healthy eating, mindfulness and exercise using a "Wellness Wheel"

Grades 4-8

Social Media: Your Digital Footprint-This presentation will focus on the dangers of social media, how the truth can be twisted and the ways your digital footprint will stay with you like a tattoo.

Speaker: Stephen Smith

Date: March 27th

****Parent presentation in the evening at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium. All are invited.***

Fifth Grade

Healthy Relationships/Conflict Resolutions -This presentation will focus on healthy relationships amongst family, friends, and teachers. Students will understand the importance of surrounding themselves with those that love and encourage them to do their best and make good choices. The presenter will provide conflict resolution tools for students to problem solve in a healthy manner.

Time: Thursday, March 30th

Sixth Grade

Healthy Relationships/Conflict Resolutions -This presentation will focus on healthy relationships amongst family, friends, and teachers. Students will understand the importance of surrounding themselves with those that love and encourage them to do their best and make good choices. The presenter will provide conflict resolution tools for students to problem solve in a healthy manner.

Time: Thursday, March 30th

Seventh Grade

Mental Health 101-This presentation will focus on understanding the relationship between mental health and mental health disorders, what happens when the brain gets sick, and tips on caring for your mental health. Resources will be provided at the end of the presentation.

Time: Thursday, March 30th

Eighth Grade

Warning Signs/Helping Others -This presentation will focus on warning signs and when to ask for help. Recognizing when friends need help and how to help. Ways to cope when struggling with mental health. Resources will be provided at the end of the presentation.

Time: Thursday, March 30th



Chess Scholars

Spring 2023

Our Lady of the Visitation School

No Experience Needed



Grades K-8

Develop your child's intellect through the royal game of chess! Current research has shown a strong link between chess and academic performance in a variety of areas, including mathematics and language arts. Chess has been proven to enhance children's motivation, concentration, focus, social skills, and creativity.

Each class will consist of a fun, interactive teaching period and guided practice time. Both beginner and experienced players are welcome and will learn under the guidance of an experienced Chess Scholars coach.

Schedule: 7 Mondays, March 27th - May 15th, 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM

No class: 4/10

To sign up, please visit <https://www.learningmeansfun.com/signup>.

You will need to enter the course code **OLV3.27.23** to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 3/19 for the early bird price of \$105.00.

If you have difficulty registering, please contact Afterschool Enrichment Solutions at 847-482-9999 or registration@learningmeansfun.com

All participants must conduct themselves in a manner that allows all students to fully participate during the class without impeding their experience. We have a no refund policy, unless there is insufficient enrollment. No make-ups will be scheduled for inclement weather or circumstances beyond our control. Please be aware of this as there will be no refunds. It's the parents' responsibility to remind the children about the classes.

If schools are closed during the program session, classes will pivot to all-virtual sessions. Please be aware of this as there will be no refunds made. Program provider has experience in virtual delivery.

Let's Code



Spring 2023

Our Lady of the Visitation



Grades 2-5

Schedule: 7 Thursdays, March 23rd - May 18th, 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM

No class: 4/6, 4/13

To sign up, please visit <http://www.learningmeansfun.com/signup>.

You will need to enter the course code **OLV3.23.23** to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 3/15 for the early bird price of \$133.00.

If you have difficulty registering, please contact Afterschool Enrichment Solutions at 847-482-9999 or registration@learningmeansfun.com

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S.T.E.A.M.



Spring 2023

Our Lady of the Visitation



Grades K-5

Interactive!



This exciting program from Afterschool Enrichment Solutions brings together elements of science, art and math in a hands-on, action-packed environment! Students will conduct experiments, play educational games, and unlock their creativity through building challenges and projects. No experience necessary!

Schedule: 7 Wednesdays, March 29th - May 17th, 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM

No class: 4/12

To sign up, please visit <https://www.learningmeansfun.com/signup>.

You will need to enter the course code **OLV3.29.23** to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 3/21 for the early bird price of \$110.25.

If you have difficulty registering, please contact Afterschool Enrichment Solutions at 847-482-9999 or registration@learningmeansfun.com
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A SACRED MUSIC CONCERT
FEATURING JOSEPH HAYDN'S

The Creation



MARCH 26 | 3:00 PM

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION CHURCH, 3172 SOUTH ROAD

Join us for a sacred music concert featuring Haydn's The Creation (Parts I & II in English) performed by 90 singers and 27 orchestra members from Musica Sacra Chorus and CCM Chorale.

The Creation is one of the major choral-orchestral masterpieces of the 18th century along with Mozart's Requiem and Handel's Messiah. Haydn spent a few years on a concert tour in London towards the end of his life where he heard Handel's Messiah and other oratorios. He was inspired to write his own and chose to set the creation story from Genesis.

Duration: 80 minutes (no intermission)

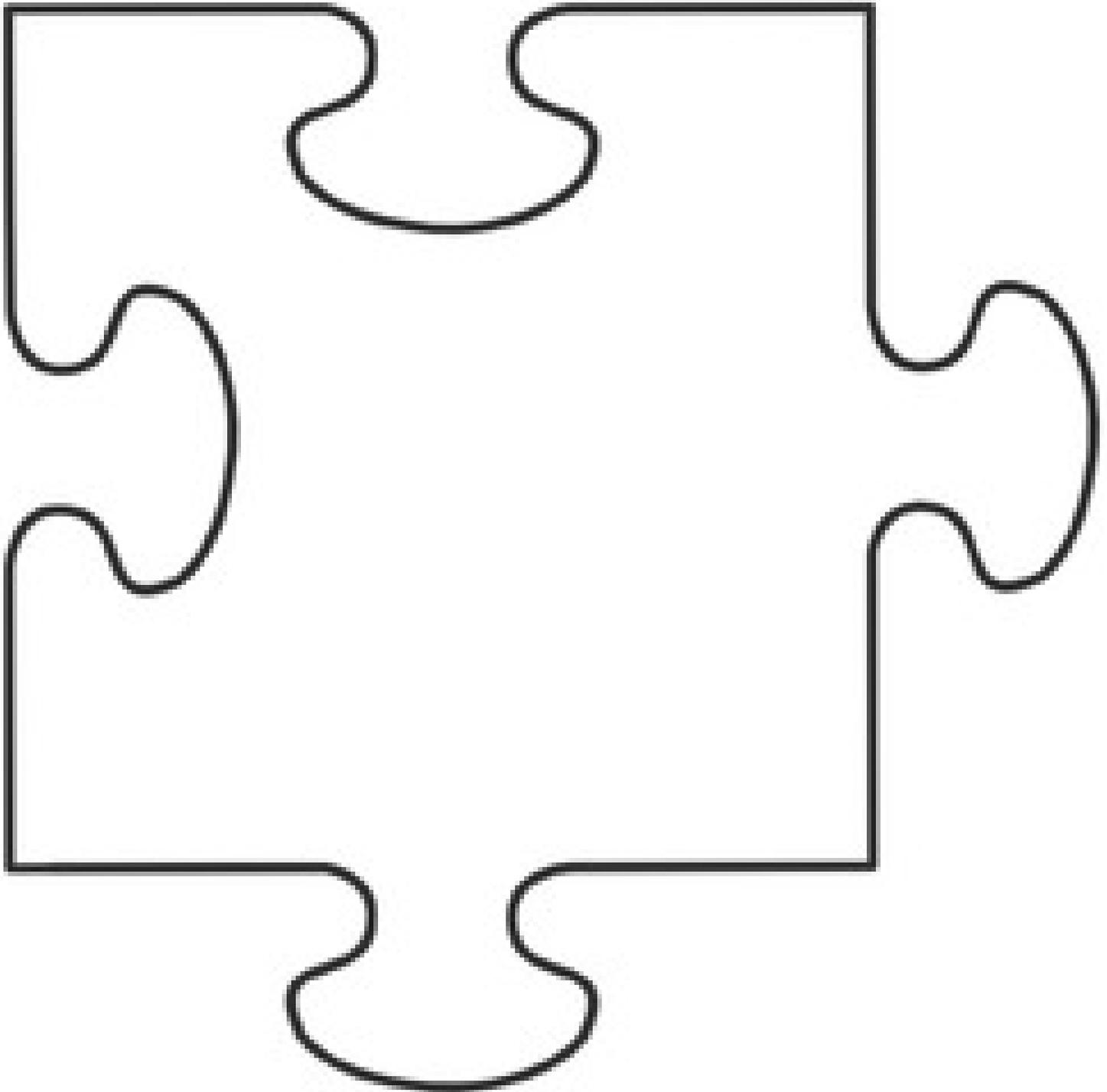


THIS PERFORMANCE IS SPONSORED BY
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THE EVENT IS FREE OF CHARGE
NO TICKETS ARE REQUIRED
FREE WILL OFFERINGS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED

YOUTH ART MONTH DRAWING CONTEST

Instructions: Design a piece of the puzzle. Use any art material. Cut it out.
Put your name and Homeroom teacher's name on back. Give to your art teacher.
Prizes will be awarded for the best drawings each Friday in March.



Summer Art Camp 2023

Use your talents this summer to create beautiful artwork and learn new art techniques. Projects will include clay, printmaking, textiles, painting, sculpture, book making, drawing and more!

Instructor: Mrs. Rellar

Who: Open to current K – 8th graders (limited to 30 students)

When: June 5-9, 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Where: OLV Art Room (Main Building)

Cost: \$95. Fee includes materials, snacks and instructions for the week.
(Please make checks payable to Our Lady of the Visitation School)

The Art Show will be on Friday, June 9th at 12:00 PM. Families and friends are invited!

If you would like to participate in the Our Lady of the Visitation Art Camp, please return your \$95 fee and the completed form below to your art teacher. After your registration is received, a confirmation letter will be sent home in May. If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Rellar at krellar@olvisitation.org or 513-347-2235. Ext. 2940.

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Summer Art Camp 2023 Registration Form

I, the lawful parent or guardian of _____ (“the child”), give permission for my child to participate in the Our Lady of the Visitation Summer Art Camp and release from all liability and indemnify the Archbishop of Cincinnati (“the Archbishop”), both individually and as trustee for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and all parishes within the Archdiocese, and their officers, agents, representatives, volunteers, and employees from any and all liability, claims, judgements, cost or expenses, including attorney fees, arising out of any injury or illness incurred by my child while participating in or traveling to or from the activity.

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Student Name: _____

Current Grade: _____ Current Homeroom: _____

Phone Number: _____

Any known Allergies or Health Conditions: _____

(Please bring your own snack if you need to accommodate allergies.)



Please help support
Cub Scout Pack 238

Purchase flower bulbs from Dutch Mill Bulbs
via the link or QR code below and 50%
of the proceeds help us support activities
throughout the year for our Pack.

We appreciate your support!

<https://dutchmillbulbs.com/cub-scout-pack-238-cincinnati-oh>



2023 VAC GOLF OUTING

ASTON OAKS GOLF CLUB

NEW
MORNING
SHOTGUN START
and GRILL OUT
TO FOLLOW
details to follow
VACsports.com

registration 7:15
shotgun start 8:00

friday 2023
may 5th



ONLY ACCEPTING
128 GOLFERS

Golf Foursome
(includes lunch)
\$400.00

Golf Single Person
(includes lunch)
\$100.00

Hole Sponsor Only
\$150.00

Hole Sponsor
with in cart advertising
\$200.00

Register @
VACSPORTS.COM

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION ATHLETIC CLUB

Please note, the primary use of golf outing funds are to support the ongoing improvement and general upkeep of the Our Lady of the Visitation athletic fields and gyms. From time to time excess profits from fundraising events may be used for support of school or parish improvement projects or special events with approval of the VAC board.



VISITATION VIKINGS

Our Lady of the Visitation Viking Football Program welcomes ALL students and Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) students of Visitation in grades K-8th grade. 2023 Football registration will be open until May 28th.

Come join kids throughout the city and play in the GCYL, the largest and best youth football league in southwest Ohio.



- Bandit: (K - 2nd Grades where it all begins!)
- Pony: (3rd & 4th Grades)
- Reserve: (5th & 6th Grades)
- Varsity: (7th & 8th Grades)



Participation Fees:
 \$100.00 for K-2nd
 \$120.00 for 3rd -8th Grade

[Register @ www.vacsports.com](http://www.vacsports.com)

Practice begins August 2nd

We follow USA Football's coaches training and player safety guidelines, including the Heads Up Football program. Coaches certification are required at all levels. Our coaches further their training and certification in Concussion Awareness, Lindsay's Law practices, and Safe Parish training. Player Safety is our #1 concern. The creation of standard fundamental player skill sets at each level help our players to become better prepared and skilled in the sport of football. *The game has changed and we have changed with it! Evolving and teaching the right way!*



There is nothing better than a Saturday afternoon at Lambo Field watching our future stars play football with their buddies...it's why we let them play!



Summer Drama Camp!

This summer camp will bring your child through every step of a production process from auditions to a full show performed for family and friends! This year, we will be performing:



Directed by: Lori Wainscott

June 19th – June 29th

Ages 7-18 (must be able to read to audition)

Cost - \$150.00 per child (T-Shirt included - \$10 discount for each additional child per family)

June 19th-23rd M-F– 9:30am-1pm (Our Lady of Lourdes)

June 26th-27th– M-T – 9:30am-2pm (Our Lady of Lourdes)

June 28th – W – 3pm-9pm (at theater - OHHS) - pizza provided during this rehearsal!

And show day – Thursday – June 29th - Call time – 4pm (OHHS)

Show Times! – Thursday June 29th – 6pm & 8pm

To sign up for the camp, please complete this google form:

<https://forms.gle/9itKsX6zRgwzt9y57>

(Space is Limited)

Payment is due before the audition:

Pay by venmo (@Lori-Wainscott-1) or make checks payable to Lori Wainscott & mail to:
Lori Wainscott – 5616 Muddy Creek Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45238

Questions? angiegehrum@yahoo.com or lwainscott1962@gmail.com

Auditions will be held on May 16th & May 17th from 6-8pm - a signup genius with slots will be emailed out to choose a slot that works for your performer along with audition materials.

New this year! If you would like to order a recording of both performances, we have a videographer who will record & edit the shows! The cost is \$25 – please fill out this google form to order: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfgzB3tvjh1M4c-S7EZjZxBMLujKfnF044QWv22_hmijXxwdA/viewform