

Important Dates:

5/288th Grade Graduation & Celebration
5/30Last Day of School, 11:30 dismissal

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,

Friday is the feast day of Our Lady of the Visitation! This day commemorates the day the Virgin Mary came to visit her cousin Elizabeth. When Mary arrived, the infant, John the Baptist, leapt for joy! Elizabeth responded with *“Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled.”* Luke 1: 39-55.

Thank you to all our field day volunteers and former grads who helped last Friday! Your prayers for good weather worked!

Congrats to our 8th graders who graduated last night! We will certainly miss their personalities and charisma! We thank them for being great role models and wish them only the best in high school. We can't wait to see what they accomplish?!

What is the Summer Slide? Summer slide is the tendency for students to lose academic gains over the summer due to lack of educational stimulation. Please make sure your child is reading and reviewing basic math facts over the summer. It is vital that our little ones continue to review major concepts such as naming letters, letter sounds, nonsense words, and reading aloud. Encourage your young children to read labels, signs at the zoo, signs on the road, etc.

Incoming Kindergarten and 1st grade students should practice life skills over the summer as well. They should learn to tie their shoes, ride bikes without training wheels, button and zip, open food containers, juice bags, snack bags, etc. Remember, they have to be able to do this and all within 25 minutes next year!

Older students should be able to introduce themselves, initiate greetings with adults, order independently at a restaurant, make their beds and put dishes away and do other chores consistently, understand money and time, etc. This builds confidence in students.

Reminder, please pick up a church bulletin from mass on your vacation travels. Only one bulletin is needed per family. Please list the names of all children and a candy treat will be waiting for you in August. These are for Catholic churches outside the Greater Cinti. area.

We have early dismissal for the last day of school. **Preschool carpool will be dismissed at 11:10. Carpool #1 will be dismissed at 11:17 and Carpool #2 will be dismissed at 11:30.** There is no aftercare. All buses will be running. Please try to have your children take the normal transportation home on the last day. Make sure you let the office know if it is different.

As I always say, determine your priorities for the summer and schedule them. Otherwise, you look up and it's August! Make time for those memories!

Please pray that all the children stay safe and healthy this summer. Lastly, please continue to pray for Ross this summer as he undergoes more treatments! Have a wonderful summer!

Blessings,



COOK'S CURRICULUM CORNER

I would like to wish each family a safe, fun and peaceful summer. I pray that we all find time to catch the simplicity of a sunrise and sunset while also taking that trip that has been put on hold for so long. Be sure to help your child maintain the academic skills learned this school year. Research states that just 10-15 minutes of academic practice a day will save your child from the "summer slide." Lastly, take time to attend mass, pray and celebrate life's big moments as a family.

Before and after care registration for grades K-6 is open. If you believe you will need either before or after care next school year please register. You must register for both separately. Fees will be collected in August. **Please follow the directions below to register your child(ren):**

1. Go to <https://olvisitation.org/school/Join-Our-Family/Before-After-Care>
2. Click on the before and/or after care registration links. (You must register for both separately.)

REDIKER

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

VISI FEST 2024 - We Need You!



We are in need of volunteers to help run individual booths for the festival. If you would like to be involved in this important fundraising event, please reach out!

- Kiddie Games Co-Chair
- Chicken Dinner Co-Chair
- Viking Darts Booth Chair
- Sponsorship Coordinator

As always, we are in need of help for set up and take down for the festival, the week before festival as well as the days following the festival. This is a great community service opportunity for high school aged students as well as incoming 7th graders in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The Festival is a major fundraiser for the parish and school. Please prayerfully consider serving in this vital role! It is a great way to meet new parishioners & families! Questions, contact our Festival Chairman Nick Feldman via email at nickfelds@aol.com or by phone at 513-330-2680.

Festival Dates:, Friday, 8/9, Saturday, 8/10 and Sunday, 8/11. See you all there!!!

VISI FEST BASKET BONAZA

Vis Fest will be held on August 9-11th. Please see the attached flyer about our Grade Raffle Challenge. Any questions, please contact Kursten Kaiser – kurstenkaiser@gmail.com.

FROM THE NURSE

I hope this final newsletter finds you and your children ready for summer! But while we are all dreaming of our summer plans, the start of the school year will be knocking at our door! Any forms that you may need over the summer have been sent to you already either via email or paper copy. If the forms have been misplaced, no worries, you can find ALL nurse office forms on the website. I will do my best to respond to emails but like you, I am enjoying my summer!

<https://olvisitation.org/school/Visi-Vitals/Nurse-Absences>

CAFETERIA

Parents, please pay off any charges that may be on your account. This can only be done on the website. Please add funds (advance payment) and the system will automatically pay off the unpaid orders. Thank you in advance.

CAFETERIA VOLUNTEERS

I am opening up a Sign-up Genius link for volunteers for the next school year 2024-25. This link is for those interested in serving hot lunch. If you cannot commit to the calendar year, please consider signing up as a sub. Indicate the day you are able to serve along with a contact number and email. As a reminder volunteers need to be AOC Safe Parish certified and current with bulletins. Should you need assistance in this, you may contact Kathy or Tricia 513-347-2992. <https://bit.ly/Cafeteria24-25>

VOLUNTEERS

Lunch Room: Volunteers are needed to help students open packages. Help with wiping tables.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F054FACA922A1FC1-49724231-lunch#/>

Playground: Volunteers are needed to help make sure kids are playing fair and following playground rules. You may occasionally be needed to turn a jump rope, watch a dance or referee a game of soccer.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F054FACA922A1FC1-49724252-playground#/>

VISI NIGHT AT THE REDS GAME - Tuesday, June 25th

Join us for a summer night at the ballpark! Please see the *flyer* for more details.

The Reds Kid Glove Program is live for the 2024 season. For *select* home games, you can use our unique offer code to purchase view level tickets for only \$12! This promo is for all parishioners, not just students and ball players!

- Head to [Reds.com/kidglove](https://www.reds.com/kidglove)
- Enter offer code VIKINGS
- Select your preferred game from the list, choose seats, and continue as prompted!

There is NO LIMIT, so use the promo code for as many games as you'd like! Information will be available on the VAC website throughout the season: www.vacsports.com

YEARBOOKS – Only 2 more days to order

Yearbooks for the 2023-2024 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 YB29199
2. Enter your name and email, and click Access Yearbook.
3. Enter your student's 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

UNIFORM SALE

There will be a Visitation Uniform Sale on **July 20th**. Please see attached for information. Emily McKenna is looking for another parent or two to help run and organize the uniform sale with her. If interested in helping, please email her at Emily.McKenna@cchmc.org.

360 SCHOOL KITS

Our Lady of the Visitation School has once again partnered with 360 School Kits to give parents an alternative to purchasing the requested back to school supplies. Please see the link below to place your order now! <https://office360schoolkits.com/> Questions - Jennifer Leisgang schoolkits@office3sixty.com

CHURCH CHATTER

Family Bingo Pray & Play event will be held on Thursday, June 20th. Please see attached.

Totus Tuss - A Summer Youth Camp will be held on July 7-12 at St. Joseph's. Please see attached.

PTO and SPIRITWEAR

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

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

Important Dates:

- 6/25 – Visi Night at the Reds Game (see flyer)
- 6/28 – Sign-ups close for **Cheer** (K -8th) and **Girls Volleyball** (3rd - High School)
- 7/26 – Sign-ups close for **Lollipop Soccer**

Get Involved Next Year: 3 board positions will be open or up for re-election next year. Candidates will be introduced at the first VAC meeting in the Fall. If you are interested in running for a 2-year term or would like more information, please email visitationathletics@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed: Throughout the Summer we need help running concessions and prepping fields. We require that every family with a baseball/softball player sign up for at least 2 sessions throughout the season if you have not paid the non-volunteer fee. Sign-up now - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4AABAA28A1F85-2022>

Summer Updates: For VAC updates throughout the Summer, be sure to follow us on social media:

- Instagram @visiathletics
- X @VACSports
- Facebook @ Our Lady of Visitation Athletic Club

GRADE RAFFLE CHALLENGE



WIN A PIZZA PARTY FOR YOUR GRADE!

Join the fun at VisiFest (Aug 9-11) by contributing to your grade's raffle basket! VisiFest is our parish's biggest fundraiser!

How to Win: The grade with the most tickets in their basket by the end of the weekend wins a pizza party at the start of the 2024-2025 school year!

How to Contribute: Match your current grade's theme and drop off an item or gift card at the Parish office by July 12. Alternatively, you can explore the Amazon wish list provided below (or simply check it out for ideas).

Grade Themes (go off your child's current grade):

K: BOOK FAIR



1ST: ARTS AND CRAFTS



2ND: SPORTS



3RD: TAKE IT OUTSIDE



4TH: FIRE PIT:



5TH: CINCINNATI



6TH: GAME NIGHT



7TH: MOVIE NIGHT





VISI NIGHT AT THE REDS GAME



TUESDAY, JUNE 25TH

Join us for a Summer night at the ballpark!

Here's how to purchase your tickets through the Reds Kid Glove Programs for only \$12:

- Go to <https://bit.ly/VisiKidGlove24>
- Enter **offer code VIKINGS**
- Select **June 25** game vs. the Pirates at 7:10pm
- Purchase seats on the west side of the stadium **in or near section 535**
- If 535 sells out, look for neighboring sections



Uniform Shirts, Uniform Shorts, Jumpers, Uniform Skirts, Pullovers,
Fleeces, Athletic Wear



VISITATION UNIFORM SALE

July 20

9:00-1:00

8212 ABBEY LN
Cleves, OH 45002

Come out and shop gently used Visi uniform and athletic items
Proceeds benefit Visitation School
Cash or Venmo

Now accepting donations for the sale! Contact Emily McKenna @ 513-237-4525
or gbemily1@yahoo.com to arrange drop off.



Family



Pray & Play Event

THURSDAY, JUNE 20 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm

St. Jude Undercroft

Doors open at 6:00 pm

Learn easy ways to pray together as a family, including a guided exercise for your family unit. Immediately following, enjoy a fun evening of bingo, prizes, and refreshments, sponsored by our Knights of Columbus.

Chips, pretzels, sodas, and kid-friendly drinks will be provided. Feel free to pack a cooler of your favorite beverages and treats for your family.

Please pre-register for this event at www.divinemeracyfam.org



Featuring

**Our priests as
Guest Callers!**

JOIN US FOR

Totus Tuus A Summer Youth Camp

JULY 7-12 | ST. JOSEPH CAMPUS

Day Program | Grades 1-6
Monday-Friday (9:00am - 2:30pm)

Evening Program | Grades 7-12
Sunday-Thursday (7:00pm - 9:00pm)



**REGISTRATION OPENS
JUNE 3 AT 12 NOON**

Register at www.divinemercyfam.org

Spots are limited!

\$50 for Day Participant

\$25 for Evening Participant