

Newsletter #05 September 13, 2023

Important Dates:

9/14.....Safety Day

9/15......Visitation Night at Stricker's Grove

9/25No School, Teacher In-service

10/2-6.....Book Fair

10/12-13.....No School, Fall Break

10/17......Picture Retake Day, P3 Pictures 10/18.....Grandparents Day, Grades 1 & 3

10/27.....No School, Teacher In-Service

K-8 Absent/Tardy..513-347-2231 Preschool Absent...513-347-4450 Early Dismissal.....note to teacher

Aftercare513-371-0371

AUG'S BLOG

Visitation Families,

Tomorrow between 8:30-9:20, we are going to be practicing three different safety drills. If your child is tardy, they may not be able to enter the building at that time until the drill is over or they may have to wait in the office until the drill has concluded.

As the temperatures start to drop, it is a good reminder to put names in your child's uniform attire, lunchboxes, etc. We have hundreds of students with the same clothing items. Many of them change for PE class. Please put their name or initials in the tags. We announce missing items at the end of the day but then

send them to the Lost and Found...where we accumulate hundreds of items each year.

Friday is our Stricker's Grove Night at school. Stricker's Grove is a mini amusement park/picnic area near Ross, OH (past Rumpke softball fields). The park is open to Visitation families only. It is free of charge and includes hot dogs, brats, metts, popcorn, ice cream, Snow Cones, etc. The picnic grounds open at 5:00 p.m., concessions open at 5:30 p.m., rides open at 6:00 p.m. Thank you to our parish staff for working the food booth!

Please continue to keep Ross, our 6th grader, in your prayers. He is continuing treatment in St. Louis is currently struggling with some side effects.

As a reminder, don't forget to spend time with your family in prayer this weekend. Our parish masses are 4:00 on Saturday and 8 and 10 on Sunday! You can also check out <u>masstimes.org</u> for those occasions when you are not near Visitation.

Blessings,

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COOK'S CURRICULUM CORNER

Students in grades 4-8 have the opportunity to take piano enrichment with Mr. V during their flex time for **free**. The students will learn to read notes, develop hand eye coordination to create music and play songs such as Old McDonald, Ode to Joy, and Happy Birthday. Some students even extend their learning by writing and playing their own songs on the piano! You can sign your child up using this link: https://forms.gle/PeRdYFXDQEGvRENo6





ABCya (www.abcya.com) is a free interactive site/app for students in grades PreK-6. Students can practice reading, math, and logic skills through various kid friendly games and videos. This is also featured as a free app for iPads and iPhones. This is a popular resource for younger students to improve their letter and number skills.

Please see the attached flyers for our Chess Scholars, Coding Club and STEAM clubs. First session begins in October.

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

GRANDPARENTS DAY 1st & 3rd Grade Families

Mark Your Calendars! On Wednesday, October 18th we are having a Grandparents & Special Guests day just for you! We will start with mass at 8:30, followed by donuts/coffee, the opportunity to visit the classrooms and get a picture together. The morning wraps up at 10:50. We are in need of several volunteers to help make the day a success. Please use the signup genius link below. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F4AA9AE29ABF85-grandparents3

BOOK FAIR



Book Fair is coming October 2-6th. We are excited to partner with Literati this year for the book fair. Each student will visit the book fair during their regular scheduled class time. The book fair is optional. Students are welcome to bring cash to purchase books.

Parents can also purchase a Literati gift card if you do not want to send cash in with your child. The link is below. You will be able to print out the gift card and it will get scanned at the book fair checkout. Parents can also choose to shop online (link below) and orders are sent to school about 10 days after the fair closes (October 6th). Orders will be sent home with students. https://efairs.literati.com/?school=our-lady-of-visitation-school-cincinnati-oh

We will host an evening book fair on Wednesday, October 4th from 5:00-7:00pm in the media center. Parents, grandparents, and parish community are welcome to attend and shop.

Teachers are able to make a book wish list for their classroom, these lists will be available all week. If you purchase a book from a wish list, your child's name will go in the book so teachers will know who purchased it.

Please consider signing up to help the students shop. Taxes will be charged so parents are needed to help students with their money.

Sign up: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AA8AE2FA0FEC07-book

CHROMEBOOKS

Visitation has a limited supply of older chromebooks that we can offer for home use. These will only be offered to students in grades 4-8 and are to be used for school work only. Due to the limited supply, only one chromebook per family. Please fill out this form and have your oldest student return it to the office. https://olvisitation.org/Portals/1/Chromebook%20Loaner%20form%202020_1.pdf

Loaner chromebooks will not be available to be sent home until sometime next week.

PIANO ENRICHMENT

Visitation offers piano enrichment classes for students in grades 4 through 8. Classes are free of charge and students learn in a group environment, once a week, during their flex time. To participate, parents need to register their students and registration is open now through today, September 6. Here is the link to sign up: https://forms.gle/PeRdYFXDQEGvRENo6. Please let Mr. V know if you have any questions!

VISITATION VIKING BAND

It is not too late to sign up for band at Our Lady of the Visitation. Information and enrollment documents can be found at https://olvisitation.org/school/Get-Involved/Activities-Clubs/Band. Give your child the gift of an instrumental music education! Questions? Email our band director, Susan Cassidy at scassidy@olvisitation.org. Band is open to all Visitation students in grades 5 -8.

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS

Please see the attached flyer for information about American Heritage Girls. Contact Mollie Harloff at harloffwellness@gmail.com.

PTO and SPIRITWEAR

Our Fall "Big Win" is back and it's a good one!! (2) tickets to the Bengals Bills Sunday Night football game with parking pass! All information in attached document.

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

<u>VISITATION ATHELTIC CLUB (VAC)</u> – <u>www.vacsports.com</u>

Important Dates:

- 9/15 General sign-ups Close for Boys Basketball
- 9/28 VAC Open Meeting (DATE CHANGE)

Boys and Girls Wrestling: Boys & Girls Wrestling sign-ups will be an option for students grades 1st - 8th. Practices will be held at Elder High School and will begin in November. Sign ups will be open until September 30th.

GIRLS Basketball signups and tryout dates: It's that time of year again, girls' basketball sign ups! Sign ups will be open until September 30th. Please plan to attend at least one of the evaluations if you would like your child to be considered for an A or B1 team. Tryouts will be Oct. 22 and Oct 29.

<u>BOYS Basketball general signups – ENDING</u>: Signups will remain open for grades 3rd - 8th through Sept. 15 for those who want to play but did not try-out over the weekend for an A/B team. Highschool sign ups will be open until after high school tryouts.

Visit the Sports Home Pages for dates, fees, and full details. Please log into https://sports.bluesombrero.com/vacsports to sign up for all sports.

VAC Meeting – Date Change to Thursday, September 28 @ 8:30pm in the Pavilion

- Do you want to get involved, have new ideas or have feedback? Attend the next Visitation Athletic Board meeting. We welcome all parishioners and would love to see more parent involvement from every grade level.
- Voting will take place during the 9/28 meeting for the 5 open/up for re-election Board positions.
- Are you interested in running or would like more details about being on the Board? Please reach out to <u>visitationathletics@gmail.com</u>.
- If you have agenda items for the meeting, please send to <u>visitationathletics@gmail.com</u>.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

<u>LaSalle High School</u>: Please visit LaSalle's website for information about upcoming events – Shadow Days, Grade School Night and High School Placement Test. For more information, contact Jake Pucci at <u>admissions@lasalleehs.net</u>

<u>Mercy McAuley High School</u>: Please visit Mercy McAuley's website for information about their upcoming events – Shadow Days, Grade School Nights, HSPT and Open House. Register at www.mercymcauley.og/shadow.

<u>Mount Notre Dame</u>: Please visit MND's website for information about Shadowing, grade school events, information nights and Open House. Learn details about each event <u>HERE</u>.

<u>Purcell Marion High School</u>: Please visit Purcell Marion's website for information about our Shadow Days, Grade School Nights, etc. Visit https://www.purcellmarian.org/ibelong to learn more!

<u>Saint Ursula Academy</u>: Please visit St. Ursula's website for information about their upcoming events – Shadow Days, Walkabout Wednesdays, Grade School Night, Educational Services, and HSPT prep course. Open House will be on October 22nd. Information can be found at <u>www.saintursula.org/visit.aspx</u>.

<u>Seton High School</u>: Please visit Seton's website for information about their Grade School nights and Shadow days. Open House is November 2nd. Register online today at <u>www.setoncincinnati.org</u>.

Registration is open for Seton's festive fall event, Bourbon and Bites on Thursday, September 21.

All 7th & 8th grade future Seton Saints and Elder Panthers are invited to the Tailgate Mixer before the football game on Friday, 10/6 at 6:00 p.m. Join us in Elder's wrestling/volleyball gym for music, Lindsey's shaved ice, snacks and giveaways, and receive free admission to the game and LaRosa's pizza in the Pit! Registration is required online at Seton or Elder's website.

<u>St. Xavier High School</u>: Please visit St. Xavier's website for information about our upcoming events – Shadow Days, Grade School Nights, etc. Information can be found at https://www.stxavier.org/admissions/visit.

Benny the Bomber Entrepreneurship Boot Camp will be held 10/20 and 10/21. For more information, please see https://www.stxavier.org/entrepreneurshipbootcamp

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

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Date	Day	Playground Upper lot	Playground Lower lot	Lunchroom (wiping tables)	Cafeteria (food service)			
9/18	M	Shannon Clifton Jamie Donovan	April Rischman Lindsay Krause	Nikki Niemann	Sherri Peretzky Amanda Hiles Stephanie Hayes			
9/19	Т	Elizabeth McPherson	Renae Fishburn Erin Pace	Shannon Clifton Andrea Griffith	Sue Stautberg Bob Johnson			
9/20	W	Amy Burns Erin Pace	Lee Cassiere	Amy Failace Angela Graman	Brandon Rainier Clint Lehman			
9/21	Th	Kirsten Law Leighann Boehmer	Amy Beitz	Tom Lanter Jackie Lanter	Keith Schutte Sue Stautberg			
9/22	F	Lee Cassiere	Kelly Krummen Sarah Reynolds	Meghan McKenna	Maggie Herms Stephanie Campbell			

LUNCH MENU FOR SEPTEMBER 18-22

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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday				
-Breaded Cheese Ravioli -Marinara Dipping Sauce -Garlic Breadstick -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	Chili Cheese Hot Dog - Tater Tots - Chili & Shredded Cheese offered -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk				
A La Carte								
-Breaded Cheese Ravioli	-Chicken Nuggets (5)	-La Rosa's Pizza 1 Slice	-Nacho's & Cheese Sauce	-Hot Dog with chili & cheese on the side				

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, may be purchased daily with cash or online.

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. 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 <u>lgood@olvisitation.org</u> 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.



Chess Scholars

Fall 2023

Our Lady of the Visitation School



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: 9 Mondays, October 16th - December 11th, 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM

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

You will need to enter the course code OLV10.16.23 to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 10/8 for the early bird price of \$139.50.

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





Our Lady of the Visitation



Grades 2-8

Digital Design – Your child will have a blast designing video games and animations in this exciting STEM program. Our innovative approach to coding is sure to spark your child's interest in computer science, using a kid-friendly, intuitive, block-based programming system called Scratch, developed by the MIT Media Lab. The fun filled curriculum hones important skills related to problem solving, attention to detail, creativity, storytelling and critical thinking. Class topics include conditional statements, cloning, variables, loops, control structure, object-oriented design concepts and data structures.

Schedule: 9 Thursdays, October 5th - December 14th, 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM No class: 10/12, 11/23

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

You will need to enter the course code OLV10.5.23 to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 9/27 for the early bird price of \$171.00.

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

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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: 9 Wednesdays, October 11th - December 13th, 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM

No class: 11/22

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

You will need to enter the course code **OLV10.11.23** to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 10/3 for the early bird price of \$139.50.

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LOOKING FOR FAITH, SERVICE & FUN FOR YOUR DAUGHTER?

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Email Mollie Harloff: harloffwellness@gmail.com **Questions**?

Email or Call Mollie 513-404-6436



American Heritage Girls

Our Lady of the Visitation, Troop # 1313

The program allows your daughter to grow in FAITH, cultivate a heart of SERVICE, and have fun while building new friendships.

AHG focuses on providing progressive level programming rich in opporutnies for girls of all ages and abilities. With each AHG level, girls are introduced to new skills, badge work, services projets, and outdoor experiences unique to a female audience. Girls develop physically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually through the support and encouragement of other fun-loving girls and engaging AHG volunteers.

FIVE LEVELS OF FUN! PATHFINDER

ages 5-6

TENDERHEART

AGES 6-9

EXPLORER

AGES 9-12

PIONEER

AGES 12-14

PATRIOT

AGES 14-18

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For more information visit American Heritage Girls visit americanheritagegirls.org

The AHG program has given her great opportunities to speak in front of others and develop leadership skills. - Katie A.





WOMEN of INTEGRITY Six Program Emphases

AHG's Program Emphases creates a well-rounded experience for girls. A girl who completes the AHG Program will be a Christ-following servant leader who is honoring, relational, anchored in Christ, and competent: a woman of integrity.

Outdoors

Christ

Life
Skills

SocialEmotional

Health

AHG OATH

I promise to love **GOD**,

Cherish my FAMILY,

Honor my **COUNTRY**,

Serve in my **COMMUNITY**.

AHG CREED

As an American Heritage Girl, I promise to be

Compassionate,

Helpful,

Honest,

Loyal,

Perseverant,

Pure.

Resourceful,

Respectful,

Responsible,

Reverent.



FAITH:

Girls are encouraged to grow in their faith and relationship with God through the AHG Faith Award Program, prayer, fellowship, and service, which are woven throughout each aspect of the AHG Program.

Outcome: A Christ-follower who submits to Christ and seeks God's will for her life.



LEADERSHIP:

The AHG Program is rich in leadership opportunities for girls of all ages. Girls discover their passions, acquire project management skills, hold leadership positions, and participate in leadership training.

Outcome: A servant leader who follows Jesus' model of leadership by putting others first.



SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL:

Girls will gain a better understanding of their identity in Christ through the AHG Program. AHG's multi-level Troop structure encourages girls to create friendships with girls of all ages. This unique Troop structure allows for mentorships and learning opportunities to occur naturally among girls. Girls learn to anchor their emotions in Christ in a caring and loving environment.

Outcome: A relational girl who invests in positive and loving relationships with others and clings to Christ when navigating emotions.



OUTDOORS:

Nature reveals to us God's beauty, glory, power, wisdom, presence, creativity, and, most of all, His loving care. Through the AHG Program, girls are encouraged to participate in outdoor activities such as hiking or camping several times a year. High Adventure activities are great times for team building, leadership, physical activity, and strengthening relationships with friends. The outdoors will educate girls about their natural world and the beauty God has bestowed upon them.

Outcome: A girl who values creation through outdoor experiences that display the glory of God's creation.



CITIZENSHIP:

The AHG Program provides girls with a deeper understanding of their country and heritage. Girls cultivate honor for their country by participating in patriotic events, flag ceremonies, serving in their community, and through badge work. Serving others and being active citizens with their Troop, fosters a lifelong love for their country.

Outcome: An honoring girl who cares for her community as an active citizen through service and patriotism.



LIFE SKILLS:

In the AHG Program, girls can step out of their comfort zone and try new experiences in a safe environment. Earning badges provides girls the opportunity to learn a wide array of life skills, inspiring them to become lifelong learners and doers. AHG's six Badge Frontiers include: Heritage, Family Living, Arts, Outdoor Skills, Personal Well-Being, and Science & Technology.



For more information visit American Heritage Girls visit americanheritagegirls.org





Fall Big Win

Get your tickets now to win a BENGALS PACKAGE

Package includes (2) Tickets for Sunday Night game against Buffalo Bills for Sunday November 5th. Tickets are in Section 112 Row 22, tickets also include parking pass!! And for good measure we threw in some Bengals tailgating accessories!!

VALUED AT \$1200

Drawing will be held on Friday October 27th 2023. Tickets are \$20 each or 3 for \$50. To purchase tickets, you can use the link or QR code below or send in money and form thru school, with envelope marked "PTO BIG WIN" Checks should be made out to OLV PTO. Tickets will be sent home thru school.

Any questions please email Beth Cebula at bcebula@olvisitation.org

https://visipto.square.site



Fall Big Win

Name of purchaser:	
Number of tickets:	
Email address:	
Phone:	
Student	