

Newsletter #14 November 13, 2024

#### **Important Dates:**

11/13 .......End of 1st Trimester
11/14 ......Trimester 2 Begins; Skyline Day
11/20-22 .....7th grade Camp Joy
11/22 ......Trimester 1 Awards Assembly
11/25-26 .....No School, Parent/Teacher Conferences
11/27-29 .....No School, Thanksgiving Break
12/10 .......3&Striking Vikings Christmas Concert
12/11 ......Early Dismissal 11:30, In-Service
12/23-31 .....No School, Christmas Break
1/1-3 ......No School, Christmas Break
1/1-3 ......No School, Christmas Break
1/6 ......School Resumes

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. **The Creed** is a summary of all the fundamental beliefs of Catholics. It has far too many Biblical references to list exhaustively. However, the idea of a creed, or an expression of belief, is highly biblical itself. In the Old Testament the opening "I believe..." is perhaps the most poignant, cried by the father of the boy possessed by a demon in Mark 9:24. The title "maker of heaven and earth" is from Genesis 1-2, and the entire middle section tells the theological highlights of Christ's life from the Gospels.

Dec. 8th is a Holy Day of Obligation. It falls on Sunday this year, so the obligation is now on Monday, December 9th. Our students will attend mass on Monday 12/8 at 8:30 a.m. in lieu of mass on Wednesday that week. Thursday, Nov. 21st is our parish Night of Mercy from 7-8:30 p.m. Mother Seraphina will be the guest speaker. Adoration, music and confessions will be available as well.

Quarterly Safe Parish is due this Friday, Nov. 15th.

Giving Thanks! Thanks to all families who took part in Operation Shoebox. We had over 160 shoeboxes filled with toys for the less fortunate! Our candy collection was another huge success. Thanks to Erin Frank who picked up the huge load and delivered it all to Our Daily Bread! This weekend at all Divine Mercy Family of Parishes you can drop off any gently used winter coat/jacket/parka for St. Vincent DePaul. The Giving Trees will also be out this weekend.

Tomorrow is Skyline Day! As a reminder all orders had to be placed ahead of time. If you did not order, your child should pack their lunch. Snacks, drinks and ice cream will not be sold on that day. Thank you to our PTO for funding this celebration for our 75th Anniversary! As a reminder, our major fundraiser, the Walk aThon, helps pay for many student events throughout the year!

Thanks to all of our families who have/had veterans who have served this great country! Norb asked all students on Veteran's Day to also pray for all the veterans who were not able to make it back to this great nation!

Today is the end of the first trimester! Report cards will be emailed out on Nov. 22nd.

**8th Grade Parents** If your child is planning on attending a Catholic high school they must take the HSPT on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Please check high school websites for registration.

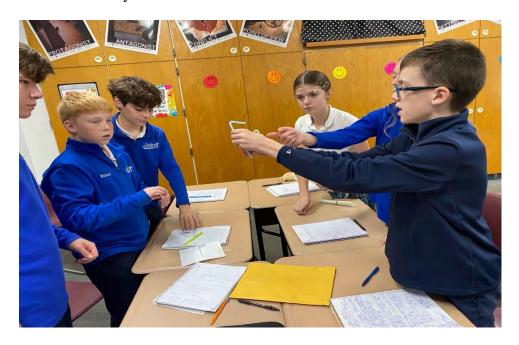
**7th Grade Parents** Camp Joy is next week! Please make sure you turn in forms for any medications that need to be administered during that time. Children may NOT carry their own medications. Call Nurse Knapke if you have any questions.

Grateful for all of you and your children,

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#### **COOK'S CURRICULUM CORNER**

Our eighth-grade students have been engaging in activities designed to build leadership skills and strengthen their ability to work effectively within groups. Through hands-on activities, students will practice what it means to be a contributing team member, with an emphasis on effective communication, role clarity, and respect for each other's unique talents and time. Each group will also have a designated student observer, who will provide constructive feedback on collaboration and leadership qualities within the team. These skills—working cooperatively, listening actively, and supporting each other—are essential not only in the classroom but also in all areas of life.



A free handy resource to study for assessments is <a href="www.studystack.com">www.studystack.com</a> (also available as an app). Students have the opportunity to create their own flashcards, games, and quizzes by inputting the content they are studying.

Leah Cook Assistant Principal

#### **SKYLINE CHILI DAY**

Skyline Chili is celebrating 75 years and so are we!! PTO is treating every student in grades K-8 (and full day preschool students) to **TWO Coneys/Hot Dogs** for lunch on **THURSDAY NOV 14th.** This is a **NO TRAY LUNCH DAY.** Your child will need to pack a drink and any additional snacks they may want. There will be no drinks or snacks sold on this day. If your child did not order Skyline, they will need to pack their lunch.

#### **BUDDY CARDS**

LaRosa's has changed their Buddy Card Program. Cards are now \$20 each, but are still good for 14 offers- that's a \$150 VALUE! Buy any large pizza, get a large cheese pizza FREE! Sale starts 11/13 and all money is due by Monday 12/2. Thanksgiving is a great time to ask your family and friends! Cards will be back before Christmas for delivery. Forms will go home with students today.

- Sell ONE card per student, or donate \$5 by December 4th, and you will earn an out of uniform pass for Thursday, December 5th.
- Sell 10 cards per student and you will ALSO earn an out of uniform pass for the first week in January.
- Sell 20 or more and you will ALSO win a \$50 Amazon gift card.
- Top seller will win a Pizza Party for their classroom on a specific day.
- If you have any questions, please contact Erin Becker ebecker@olvisitation.org.

### **NEWS FROM EGO**

Next week EGO is sponsoring a **FOOD DRIVE to help St. Leo's and the TRAM food pantries** fill their shelves for the Thanksgiving / Christmas seasons. We are challenging all students to bring in several nonperishable food items the week of Nov 18th-Nov. 22nd. We hope to make this our largest collection yet. Any empty boxes you would like to send in to help with the collection would be appreciated as well.

Also, on Friday, November 22nd we are sponsoring another paid OUT OF UNIFORM DAY. Since it is football season, if student's contribute at least \$1 they can wear the colors of their favorite football team that day. (grade school, high school or NFL) All usual out of uniform rules apply. All money collected will go into a fund to help reduce the cost of future 7th grade Camp Joy field trips. Please help us by sharing your blessings with others.

#### SPIRITWEAR SHOP

The Spiritwear Shop will be open on Wednesday's from 7:30-9:00 pm.

Visit the new site at: <a href="https://www.visispiritwearshop.com/">https://www.visispiritwearshop.com/</a>

Questions contact Nikki Niemann 513-379-8478.

#### **CAFETERI**A

\*\*\* A Few 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 and complete the entire check out process.

\*\*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. Thank You for your help.

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

#### STRIKING VIKINGS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

**Save the date!** Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade & Striking Vikings Christmas Concert is Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

#### <u>VISITATION ATHLETIC CLUB (VAC)</u> - <u>www.vacsports.com</u>

## GOOD LUCK TO ALL 5 TEAMS ADVANCING IN THE SOCCER STATE TOURNAMENT! GO VIKINGS!

Team Schiller (Boys Passers), Team Beitz (Girls Passers), Team Pope (Boys Wings), Team Nieman (Girls Wings) and Team Young (Girls Kickers)

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

#### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL 8TH GRADE CELEBRATION

#### Saturday, Nov. 16 in the Auditorium

Please join us for a full day of volleyball to cheer on and celebrate our 8<sup>th</sup> grade players. All 7th/8th grade teams are set to play - 1:30pm (Team Coors), 2:45pm (Team Vollrath), 3:45pm (Team Cramerding), 4:45pm (Team Young), 6:00pm (Team Heurman) and 7:00pm (Team Wertenberger).

#### GIRLS 2<sup>nd</sup> GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE

### SIGN-UP DATES: Open until Sunday, Dec. 1

This is a great introductory league for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade girls to learn the game of basketball. Games are played on Sundays starting in February for a total of six weeks at St. Jude. The session lasts 1 hour consisting of 30-minutes of practice and instruction followed by a 30-minute game. League fees are \$70 which includes a T-shirt and a ball. For questions, please contact Girls Basketball Commissioner David Kneflin at davidkneflin81@qmail.com.

#### **BOYS 8U - 14U BASEBALL**

#### SIGN-UPS DATES: Open from Friday, Nov. 15 to Sunday, Dec. 8

Sign-ups after Dec. 8 will be placed on a waiting list and will NOT be guaranteed a roster spot. Please visit the <a href="mailto:Baseball Homepage">Baseball Homepage</a> for season details and FAQs. Any questions, please contact <a href="mailto:visivikingsbaseball@gmail.com">visivikingsbaseball@gmail.com</a>.

#### **GIRLS SOFTBALL**

#### SIGN-UPS DATES: Open from Friday, Nov. 15 to Sunday, Dec. 8

Sign-ups for girls in Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be open from Friday, Nov. 15 until Sunday, Dec. 8. For season details, please visit the <u>Softball Homepage</u>. Any questions, please contact <u>visisoftball@gmail.com</u>.

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

#### **HIGH SCHOOL NEWS**

<u>Elder High School:</u> Please visit Elder's website for more information. Details at <a href="https://www.elderhs.org/admissions">https://www.elderhs.org/admissions</a>. For more information, contact Brian Hiles at <a href="https://www.elderhs.org/admissions">https://www.elderhs.org/admissions</a>. For more information, contact Brian Hiles at <a href="https://www.elderhs.org/admissions">https://www.elderhs.org/admissions</a>.

<u>LaSalle High School</u>: Please visit LaSalle's website for more information. 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 more information. Register at www.mercymcauley.og/shadow.

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

<u>Mount Notre Dame</u>: Please visit MND's website for more information. Learn details about each event Here.

<u>Purcell Marion High School</u>: Please visit Purcell Marion's website for more information. Visit <a href="https://www.purcellmarian.org/ibelong">https://www.purcellmarian.org/ibelong</a> to learn more.

<u>Saint Ursula Academy</u>: Please visit St. Ursula's website for more information. Information can be found at <u>www.saintursula.org/visit.aspx</u>.

<u>Seton High School</u>: 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#/.

<u>St. Xavier High School</u>: Please visit St. Xavier's website for more information. Information can be found at <a href="https://www.stxavier.org/admissions/visit">https://www.stxavier.org/admissions/visit</a>.

<u>Ursuline Academy</u>: Please visit Ursuline's website for information about their upcoming events. <u>https://www.ursulineacademy.org/admissions.</u>

#### **OTHER NEWS:**

#### **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PERFORMANCE**

Please join our students as they tell the true story of Our Lady of Guadalupe and how our Blessed Mother appeared to a man named Juan Diego. Watch as they perform the beautiful story, in the school auditorium, on her feast day, Thursday Dec 12 at 7:00p.m.

#### ST. LEO CHURCH AND FOOD PANTRY

GREAT things are happening at St. Leo!

For decades, Our Lady of the Visitation's partnership with St. Leo's Church and Food Pantry has been invaluable in helping us fulfill our mission. Since the 1980s, your support has empowered us to serve those in need in the North Fairmount community. Most importantly, together we are letting people know they are loved and valued, bringing hope and dignity to those who need it most.

The sharing of our Pantry Press and event information through your newsletters and bulletins has made a profound difference. Thanks to the generosity and compassion of your congregation, St. Leo's is able to feed, clothe, and support the underprivileged in North Fairmount. We look forward to continuing this meaningful work together and hope to strengthen our partnership even further.

Attached is this month's Pantry Press highlighting that we fed 1,551 people last month. We are also having our Toy and Clothings Sale on December 8th and we hope we can depend on your support.

For the Toy and Clothing Sale, we collect new and gently used clothing, toys, and small household items. These are then made available in a "sale" for our parish and the North Fairmount community. Rather than setting prices, we invite shoppers to make a donation for the items they choose, with all proceeds supporting the food pantry. This approach allows community members the dignity of shopping for their families while keeping costs affordable

#### **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

Date	Day	Playground Upper lot	Playground Lower lot	Lunchroom (wiping tables)	Cafeteria (food service)
11/18	Mon	Shannon Clifton	Jamie Donovan Laura Cavanaugh	Amy Stroube	Sherri Peretzky Amanda Hiles Stephanie Hayes
11/19	Tue	Amanda Bruner	Christina Yockey Christie Klosterman	Andrea Griffith	Sue Stautberg Bob Johnson
11/20	Wed	Jessica Neurohr	Aunnie Wertenberger Karen Berndsen	Susie Ammer Emily Hughes	Denise Miller Brandon Rainer
11/21	Thu	Deb Tisch	Dan Kaiser Mary Patten Sharp	Jillian Edwards Angela Born	Chris Cassiere Krista Perez Jason Perez
11/22	Fri	Kirsten Law Laura Miller	Tiffany Kersting	Jenny Waldeck	Stephanie Becker Maggie Herms Stephanie Campbell

#### **LUNCH MENU FOR November 18-22**

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	-Chili Cheese Hot Dog - Tater Tots - Chili & Cheese offered -Fruit -Vegetable	-Popcorn Chicken -Dinner Roll -Rice Pilaf -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk				
-Chicken Patty	-Hamburger or Cheeseburger	-La Rosa's Pizza 1 Slice	-Hot Dog with chili & cheese on the side	-Popcorn Chicken				

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

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

If your student has an appointment and will not be here for lunch, please do not order lunch for that day. If your student is sick or leaves early due to emergency or sickness, your account will be credited for that day's missed lunch. Please note, you can go into your account and cancel any lunch up until 8:00am daily of the day ordered.

#### **LUNCHROOM VOLUNTEERS**

Help is needed in the lunchroom, wiping tables, helping students, etc. If interested in helping, see the following link: <a href="Lunchroom Helper Sign Up">Lunchroom Helper Sign Up</a>

#### PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS

We could use your help. Volunteers are needed for playground, both upper and lower lots. If interested in helping, see the following link: • Playground Helper Sign Up

#### **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.

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



Giving

You have the opportunity to provide Christmas joy to others this holiday season by choosing ornaments from the Giving Trees at all of our parishes.

Trees will be up November 16/17 and gifts are due back the weekend of December 7/8.

Gift wishes include toys, clothing and games for needy children in the Three Rivers Community. Volunteers to help sort gifts after Masses are needed. Questions? Kathy Volk at kvolk1976@gmail.com

#### St Jude

St Joseph

These gifts are important for the mental, emotional, and physical well-being of our brothers and sisters in the communities around us. Recipients are Little Brothers- Friends of the Elderly, North/South Fairmount, and Community Matters. Questions? Chrissy Keller at ackeller314@gmail.com

#### Visitation

There are gift items and gift card options for St Vincent de Paul, St Martin's, and St Leo Parish. You may purchase the gift cards or you can write a check to OLV, indicate the organization in the memo line, and put in the collection basket. Questions? Call or text Lynn Hensler at 513-519-3368

### COAT DRIVE

Share the warmth this winter and donate a coat to a neighbor in need We are participating in St. Vincent de Paul's annual coat drive. Bring your gently used coats to any parish

November 16 and 17





### Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party!

Join us for a Divine Mercy Family Service Project on **Sunday, November 10, 4:00-5:30 at St. Joseph** Pack a shoebox and bring hope and joy to a child!

Pick a gender/age range and bring appropriate items. Pack shoeboxes with the group - it's like a potluck dinner but filling a box instead of a plate of food. **QUESTIONS?** Contact Colleen Harmeyer at 513-227-4215 colharmeyer@gmail.com

### THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION

St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting non-perishable food items at the

Thanksgiving Day Mass at St Jude.

Boxes will be set up in the vestibule for food donations and baskets for anyone who would like to make a cash donation. Thanks for your support!





The Jail Ministry at Visitation will be collecting cookies for the inmates in the Hamilton County Correction System. Please bring your cookies to the Visitation Welcome Center on December 14 & 15.

For details, contact Tim Gates at 513-941-5417

6 It is more blessed to

give than to receive -Acts 20;35



### ST LEO TOY DRIVE

We are collecting items for St Leo Church from now until **December 8**. Please consider donating new or gently used toys, clothing, bedding, household items, and towels. Drop off before and after Masses at the Visitation Canteen, or in collection boxes at St Joseph & St Jude. If you are considering a large donation, call or text Lynn Hensler to make arrangements at 513-519-3368



# ST. LEO THE GREAT TOY & CLOTHING SALE

DECEMBER 8, 2024 1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM **CENTENNIAL HALL** 





TOYSFORALL AGES > SMALL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS





CLOTHING \( \rightarrow\) NEW ORGENTLY USED BEDDING \( \rightarrow\) TOWELS



### DONATIONS ACCEPTED UNTIL DECEMBER 7

\*\*We cannot accept large furniture or mattresses\*\*

### PLACE DONATIONS IN THE ST. LEO BIN



1860 Carll Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45225

NOVEMBER 2024

#### Greatest Needs:

Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, Rice A Roni, 16oz Ranch Dressing, 16 oz Vegetable Oil, 1 lb Sugar, 16 oz BBQ Sauce, Flour, Raisins, Cereal, Saltines, Graham Crackers, 1 lb Rice, Ramen Noodles, 64 oz Juice, Apple Sauce, Salt & Pepper Shakers, diapers, Paper Towels, Shampoo, and Razors.

Canned Goods: Mixed Vegetables, Carrots, Spinach, Tomato Soup, Chicken Noodle Soup, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Pears, Mixed Fruit, Salmon, Tuna, Chicken 12.5 oz, Sloppy Joe Sauce



## Monthly Overhead Sponsor Cnonymous





In October, we served:

1,551 Individuals

407 Households

646 Children

150 Senior Citizens

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, OR FRIDAY

1 to 3:30 PM







View our Amazon Gift List



Calling all kids for a night of FUN!

Parents, take the night off and grab dinner-we've got the kids covered!

Kids must be dropped off no later than 6:15 pm.

Ages 5-II \$25/Per Child Pizza & Snacks Provided
Fitness Obstacle Courses
Inflatable Targets
Pickleball Cames
Temis Cames

Call to register today!

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