



# OLPH NEWSLETTER

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## Calendar Reminders

Mar. 13 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Parents' Club  
Maintenance Day 7:30 am -1:00 pm

Mar. 13 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade  
Reconciliation Learning Center  
9:00 am-12:00 pm

Mar. 14 - Daylight Savings  
Time begins, Spring forward

Mar. 16 - WCEA/WASC visit  
school today

Mar. 17 - St. Patrick's Day

Mar. 19 - No School, Religious  
Education Congress for  
Teachers in Anaheim

Mar. 22 - St. Joseph's Prayer  
Service at 9:00 am

Mar. 27-Second Grade  
Reconciliation at 9:00 am in the  
church

Mar. 29 & 30-Stations of the  
Cross at 2:00 pm in the church

## First Reconciliation



The second "First  
Reconciliation  
Learning Centers"  
event is tomorrow,

Saturday, March 13. This event  
will take place in Rooms 103  
and 104 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00  
noon. You won't want to miss  
this time with your child  
preparing to make his/her First  
Reconciliation! Also, please  
note a change in the date for the  
sacrament: **Saturday, March  
27** at 9:00 a.m. This was due to  
a scheduling conflict. A letter  
was sent home last week to  
explain all changes and events.

## Third Parents' Club Maintenance Day

Tomorrow, we will have our  
third maintenance day. The day  
is set aside for cleaning the  
perimeter of the school. We  
have weeds that need to be  
removed in the parking lot and  
in front of the school. If you  
have a weed eater and  
gardening tools such as rake,  
weed puller, shovel, etc. it

would be helpful. Please also  
bring trash bags. We will also  
be cleaning the snack bar. If  
you have cleaning supplies and  
towels to use to clean, please  
bring. Maintenance day will  
begin at 7:30 am. We plan to be  
here no later than 1:00 pm. If  
you have not completed your 3  
hours of maintenance service  
hours, now is the time to do so  
before it gets warm. Thank you!

## Student Achievers

Congratulations to the  
following students who  
received the Academic  
Achievement Award, the Honor  
Roll, Student of the Month  
Award for February, and / or  
the Accelerated Reader Award.  
We are so proud of these  
students! Keep up the good  
work and continue to be Life-  
Long Learners!

## Honor Roll

**First Grade**-Joshua Calixto,  
Matthew Caro, Antonio De La  
Rosa, Breanna Flores, Isabella  
Gil, Hannah Hinojosa, Nicolas  
Hinojosa, Abraham Huerta,  
Juliana Lopez, Anthony  
Magana, Damian Montano,  
Donovan Nickols, Richard  
Perea, Francisco Cervantes  
**Second Grade**-Isabella Boyle,  
Rebecca Brown, Jacob  
Castaneda, Jazmine Gonzalez,  
Natalie Herrera, Paige Hrycyk,  
Justin McWay  
**Third Grade**- Marisleysis  
Aguilar, Miranda Becerra,  
Andrea Bravo, Adysen Burgen,  
Kara Diaz, Marcela Flores,  
Juliana Taboada, Nevaeh  
Welmas, Aaliyah Zendejas  
**Fourth Grade**- Keven Brown,  
Alexis De La Rosa, Amanda  
Flores, Sierra Hilton, Marisela  
Martinez, Michael McWay  
**Fifth Grade**- Mary Becerra,  
Sabrina Borjas, Patricia Brown,  
Angel Castellanos, Reyna  
Castro, Albert Islas, Anel  
Monreal, Ivan Palomino,  
Ulisses Sanchez, Zayra Zamora,  
Claudia Valencia

**Sixth Grade**- Walter Brassea,  
Ivanna Castro, Amanda  
Jauregui, Alora Reed Garcia,  
Guadalupe Saldivar, Jacqueline  
Solis

**Seventh Grade**-Alexandra  
Bravo, Megan Brown, Johnny  
Flores, Elijah Martinez, Claudio  
Medina, Aaron Perez

**Eighth Grade**-Roger  
Garczynski, Jackson Gibson,  
Joaquin Solis, Analise Spensieri

## Accelerated Reader

**Third Grade**-Aaliyah Zendejas

**Fourth Grade**- Andre Brassea,  
Krystynne Clark, Amanda  
Flores, Brianna Gonzalez,  
Christopher Hilton, Sierra  
Hilton, Michael McWay

**Fifth Grade**-Mary Becerra

**Sixth Grade**- Jacqueline Solis

**Seventh Grade**- Alexandra  
Bravo, Megan Brown, Johnny  
Flores, Omar Martinez, Aaron  
Perez, Leilani Pimentel,  
Madison Ries

**Eighth Grade**- Jackson Gibson,  
Analise Spensieri

## Student of the Month for February

**Kindergarten**-Neo Flores

**First Grade**-Breanna Flores

**Second Grade**-Paige Hrycyk

**Third Grade**-Liam Manzano

**Fourth Grade**-Michael  
McWay

**Fifth Grade**-Ulisses Sanchez

**Sixth Grade**-Daniel Contreras

**Seventh Grade**- Leilani  
Pimentel

**Eighth Grade**-Roger  
Garczynski

**Physical Education**- Carlos  
Aceves, Ivan Palomino

**Computer**-Nicolas Hinojosa,  
Albert Islas

## Nite @ the Races



Last Tuesday room  
parents attended  
the meeting for *Nite  
@ the Races*.

Classroom baskets and letters  
should be going home to families  
from your room parent next week.

Today, the information packet  
about the event went home with

the oldest child. Please read through it carefully and return the option form by Monday, March 22. This form is very important as it helps the committee to confirm the number of people who will attend the event. Remember, everyone is invited to participate in planning for this fundraiser. **The next meeting is Tuesday March 16 at 6:30 pm. in room 205.**

**If you need a merchant letter for donations, feel free to stop by the office. We do have them available.**

Currently, we are looking for pictures for a power point presentation the evening of the event. If you would like to share your pictures of school and/or class activities to be placed in the power point presentation, please send to Mrs. Arias at [darias@olphschoolindio.com](mailto:darias@olphschoolindio.com). Your support is appreciated!

## Science Fair Winners

Congratulations to the following students who will be representing our school in the Inland Empire Science Fair. This competition is offered to all schools in Riverside and San Bernardino counties. There are many students that participate in this event. We are very proud of our students-Analise Spensieri Grade 8, Johnny Flores Grade 7, and Zayra Zamora, Grade 4 whose projects will be judged in April. Your projects were outstanding and do make us proud!



**Dad Alert!**  
Calling on Dads! Mark your calendars for Monday, March 22! We will be celebrating Saint Joseph's Day / Father's Day at 9:00 am in the church. You won't want to miss your day!

**Knights of Columbus**  
The Knights of Columbus from our parish asked our 8<sup>th</sup> grade

students to participate in an essay contest. The title was *The Responsibility of a Catholic Christian in a Free Society*. Each student did a great job in writing about this topic. We are pleased to announce that the Knights were impressed with the essays. All were very good. The following students placed and will be receiving cash prizes.

**First Place**-Sol Carreon  
**Second Place**-Victoria Marquez  
**Third Place**-Dominic Velasquez

These essays are being forward to the state competition. Congratulations students for your effort and participation. You can be effective communicators!

## Lenten Fish Dinners

The Knights of Columbus are serving fish dinners every Friday during the Lenten Season. The dinners are held in the parish hall from 5:30-7:00 pm. Why cook when someone can cook for you? Please support the Knights as they are always here to support our school.

## Catholic Calendar St. Patrick (389 A.D – 461 A.D.)

St. Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland and the Irish. He was born about 389 A.D. in Northern Wales, which at that time may have been part of England or Scotland.

Saint Patrick had an adventurous life. He was captured by pirates at the age of 16. The Irish pirates brought him to Ireland to tend the flocks of a chieftain in Ulster. Six years of slavery made him a devoted Christian. He escaped to France and became a monk. In 432, a vision led him to return to Ireland as a missionary bishop. He

brought Christianity to Ireland and taught there for 29 years. He used the shamrock, a 3 leaf clover, (Ireland's national flower) to explain the Blessed Trinity. St. Patrick founded 365 churches, baptized over 120,000 people and consecrated 450 bishops.

According to some Irish writings, St. Patrick died on March 17, 461 A.D. The anniversary of his death is celebrated as St. Patrick's Day. It's interesting to note that the shamrock clover flowers around that time of year.

The first official celebration of St. Patrick's Day in the United States occurred in Morristown, New Jersey in 1780. It was authorized by George Washington. Today St. Patrick's Day is celebrated by the Irish as well as many Americans with parades, parties, wearing of green, Irish songs and jigs. People wear green on this day to represent the lushness of Ireland - The Emerald Isle.

**Students can wear shamrock buttons (4 leaf clover) or symbol and green socks to recognize this day.**

## Saint Patrick's Day Dinner

The Catholic Daughters and Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a St. Patrick's Day Dinner on Saturday March 20, 2010. They will be serving corned beef & cabbage, dessert and beverage for \$10.00. Please see attached flyer for more information.

## Prayer Corner

- ❖ For the students, staff, and families of OLPH School
- ❖ For parishioners and ministries of the parish
- ❖ For all clergy, especially Pope Benedict XVI
- ❖ For world peace
- ❖ For all who are sick, hungry, and homeless

