



OLPH NEWSLETTER

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School is committed to providing an affordable, quality education in a Catholic, Christian atmosphere within the framework of the teaching of Jesus and His Church.

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Calendar Reminders

April 24 - First Communion Learning Center for Third Grade, 9:00 am-12:00 pm; First Annual OLPH Golf Tournament at Classic Club

April 25 - OLPH Parish Festival celebrating 50th Anniversary of our church

April 26 - Animal Samaritans visit students; School Board Meeting at 6:00 pm

April 27 - Animal Samaritans visit students; Nite @ the Races Meeting, 6:30 pm room 205

April 29 - 8th Grade Parent Meeting at 6:30 pm, room 203

April 30 - Knott's Berry Farm

May 1 - First Eucharist for Third Grade at 10:00 a.m. in the church

First Communion Learning Center

Tomorrow, Saturday, April 24 is the second opportunity for third grade families to experience a special event as students prepare to receive their First Eucharist. Those families in the third grade who did not attend last Saturday April 17 need to attend tomorrow. The Learning Center will begin at 9:00 am in room 103.

Registration Packets

Thank you to all our families who have turned in their registration forms for the next school year. The office has had many inquires about enrollment, especially in preschool-third grade. Please read through your registration packet and return the forms as soon as possible if you would like to enroll your child in the fall. Your quick response to this is appreciated. Thank you!

Spaghetti Lunch



Next Wednesday, April 28, Kindergarten is holding a spaghetti lunch. Please see flyers for details. Your support is appreciated!

Student of the Month

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen Student of the Month for March. The teachers and staff are very proud of these students. Keep up the good work!

Kindergarten - **Jadah Alcalá**
1st Grade - **Joshua Calixto**
2nd Grade - **Amado Macias**
3rd Grade - **Juliana Taboada**
4th Grade - **Keven Brown**
5th Grade - **Suzhanna Salgado**
6th Grade - **Jacqueline Solis**
7th Grade - **Johnny Flores**
8th Grade - **Sol Carreon**
Physical Education –
Isabella Boyle,
Joaquin Solis
Computer –
Brian Pham,
Madison Ries

Weekly Cash Drawing

Thank you to all our families who turned in their ticket stubs and money for the weekly cash drawing. Congratulations to last week's winner, Mr. Ruben Jauregui, a sixth grade parent, who won \$100! It is always exciting to have a family from OLPH win in the drawing. If you have not turned in your ticket stubs and money, please do so right away. We want all ticket stubs to be entered in the drawing. Today's winner will be announced in the next bulletin.

OLPH Golf Tournament



On Saturday, April 24, 2010 the parish and school will have its 1st Annual Golf Tournament at the Classic Club in Palm Desert. This is an exciting event for our parish/school community as it is a means to show collaboration and fellowship. If you would like to assist at the tournament, contact Mrs. Arias at 347.3786.

Nite @ the Races



Thank you to our families who have turned in their *Nite @ the Races* option form. If you haven't turned in your option form, please do so as soon as possible. Remember, everyone is invited to participate in planning for this fundraiser. The next meeting is Tuesday April 27 at 6:30 pm. in room 205.

By now, all families should have received a letter from your room parent regarding the items needed for your class basket. All items for your class basket need to be sent to your child's classroom by Friday, May 7 or earlier if possible. Here is a list of baskets for each class.

Kinder - Romantic Evening
1st Grade - Disney Theme
2nd Grade - Family Fun Night
3rd Grade - Sports Fanatic
4th Grade - Desert Adventure
5th Grade - Father's Day
6th Grade - Coffee, Tea & More
7th Grade - Pamper Yourself
8th Grade - Wine & Dine
Preschool - Academy Awards

In addition, if you need a merchant letter for donations, feel free to stop by the office. We do have them available. Currently, there have been numerous prizes donated for this event. It is very exciting as there is positive support for A Nite @ the Races. Tickets are selling fast!

We also have had inquiries to reserve a table. Table reservations for 8 are \$50.00 each. Those that reserve a table will receive special VIP treatment. If you are interested in reserving a table, stop by the office and make a payment for the table.

Trip to Hawaii

Thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Craig Bedard for donating a trip to Hawaii! This prize will be raffled at Heritage Palms during our Nite at the Races fundraiser. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase for \$20.00 each, beginning May 3. Winner must be present at our Nite at the Races to win this fabulous trip. We are so excited about this prize and can hardly wait to see who wins! Again, thank you Mr. & Mrs. Bedard!



50th Anniversary Celebration of OLPH Church

Mark your calendar for Sunday, April 25. The parish will be celebrating 50 years of our church building. There will be a festival with food, music and entertainment all day! Bishop Rutilio del Riego will celebrate mass with the community at 11:00 am. The school will have a beverage booth, chaired by Miss Irene, Preschool Teacher. If you can help, please stop by the booth. All are invited to join in the celebration.

Bosley the Bear Presentation

On Monday, May 3 and Tuesday, May 4 the Barbara Sinatra Children's Center will be presenting Bosley the Bear for our preschool through third grades. This is a 20 minute puppet presentation that will teach your child how to stay safe from bad touches. A permission was sent home today with your child for approval. Please return the permission slip by Friday April 30. Thank you!

Child Abuse Prevention Month

Increasing public awareness of the need to ensure the safety and welfare of children led to the passage of the first Federal child protection legislation, the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA), in 1974. While CAPTA has been amended many times over the years, most recently by the Keeping Children and Families Safe Act of 2003, the purpose of the original legislation remains intact. Today, the Children's Bureau, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is the Federal agency charged with supporting States, Tribes, and communities in providing programs and services to protect children and strengthen families.

In the early 1980s, Congress made a further commitment to identifying and implementing solutions to child abuse. Recognizing the alarming rate at which children continued to be abused and neglected and the need for innovative programs to

prevent child abuse and assist parents and families affected by maltreatment, the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives resolved that the week of June 6-12, 1982, should be designated as the first National Child Abuse Prevention Week. They asked the President to issue a proclamation calling upon Government agencies and the public to observe the week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

The following year April was proclaimed *National Child Abuse Prevention Month*. Since then, child abuse and neglect awareness activities have been promoted across the country during April of each year. The Office on Child Abuse and Neglect (OCAN) within the Children's Bureau coordinates Child Abuse Prevention Month, providing information and releasing updated national statistics about child abuse and neglect each April.

For more information regarding child abuse, please see attached flyers.

Catholic Calendar St. Catherine April 29

The value Catherine makes central in her short life and which sounds clearly and consistently through her experience is complete surrender to Christ. What is most impressive about her is that she learns to view her surrender to her Lord as a goal to be reached through time.

She was the 23rd child of Jacopo and Lapa Benincasa and grew up as an intelligent, cheerful and intensely religious person. Catherine disappointed her mother by cutting off her hair as a protest against being overly encouraged to improve her appearance in order to attract a husband. Her father ordered her to be left in peace and she was given a room of her own for prayer and meditation.

She entered the Dominican Third Order at 18 and spent the next three years in seclusion, prayer and austerity. Gradually a group of followers gathered around her—men and women, priests

and religious. An active public apostolate grew out of her contemplative life. Her letters, mostly for spiritual instruction and encouragement of her followers, began to take more and more note of public affairs. Opposition and slander resulted from her mixing fearlessly with the world and speaking with the candor and authority of one completely committed to Christ. She was cleared of all charges at the Dominican General Chapter of 1374.

Her public influence reached great heights because of her evident holiness, her membership in the Dominican Third Order, and the deep impression she made on the pope. She worked tirelessly for the crusade against the Turks and for peace between Florence and the pope

In 1378, the Great Schism began, splitting the allegiance of Christendom between two, then three, popes and putting even saints on opposing sides. Catherine spent the last two years of her life in Rome, in prayer and pleading on behalf of the cause of Urban VI and the unity of the Church. She offered herself as a victim for the Church in its agony. She died surrounded by her "children."

Catherine ranks high among the mystics and spiritual writers of the Church. In 1939, she and Francis of Assisi were declared co-patrons of Italy. Paul VI named her and Teresa of Avila doctors of the Church in 1970. Her spiritual testament is found in *The Dialogue*.

From www.americancatholic.com

What's Your Catholic I.Q.?

This Week's Question

We call the day that when Jesus rose into heaven

- the Ascension
- Pentecost
- the Resurrection
- Christmas

See next week's bulletin for the answer!

Non-Discrimination Statement

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