Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic School

Parent Letter

April 4, 2023

HOLY WEEK

Holy Week is a time to focus on Jesus Christ and His passion, death, and resurrection. Jesus came into the world to serve and to give His life for each of us. Jesus taught us that for everyone who asks, receives; the one who seeks, finds; and the one who knocks, the door will be opened. May the glory and promise of this joyous time of the year bring peace and happiness to you and those you hold most dear. I hope everyone has a nice time with their families and friends over Easter break, and I look forward to hearing the stories when the students return on April 12. On behalf of the entire staff here at Our Lady Queen of Peace School, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter!

April 5: Shadow Stations of the Cross 9:00AM

Noon Dismissal

April 6-11: No School for Easter Break

April 14: Mid-Terms

PSA Family Fun Night

April 19:1st Grade Field Trip

April 22: Mother-Son Night

April 27: Kindergarten Field Trip

April 28: 4th Grade Field Trip

April 30: Spring Gathering

May 2: Sports Banquet

May 4: 8th Grade Cardinal Game

May 5: Talent Show

5th-8th Grade Cinco De Mayo Party

May 8: 2nd & 3rd Grade Field Trip

May 9: 8th Grade Train Trip to Springfield

Change In Time

Our Shadow Stations of the Cross that our 8th graders are presenting will start at 9am (instead of 11:15am) on Wednesday, 4/5. All are welcome to attend.

Chess Club

We will not be having a chess club meeting this Wednesday, 4/ 5. Chess club will resume next Wednesday, 4/12.

Papa Johns Pizza Day

Our school will receive up to 25% back on all pizza orders on Wednesday, 4/5. You must use the code "SSNN03" when placing your order for it to count for the school. You can place your order on the phone, app ,or online. Valid at the Wood River location only.

Huge Thank You

The PSA Fish Fry committee was able to raise \$15,300.17 for the school this year. We would like to thank the parent and student volunteers, school staff, church members, and the community for their support of this fundraiser. A special shout out goes to the Knights of Columbus members, for without their many hours of work and commitment to the school, this event would not be possible. Thank you!

Enrollment For 2023-2024 School Year

Enrollment packets for the 2023-2024 school year went out on Friday, 3/17. If you did not receive it in an email please email the school office (cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org) to have us resend it to you. We need these packets done in order to plan accordingly for next year.

Service Hours

Service hour logs are due by 4/30/22 in the school office. Service hours are required for families whose children attend Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic School. Your dedication in achieving these service hours helps to ensure that the tuition at Our Lady Queen of Peace remains affordable. We still have several opportunities left in April to get service hours done. Families with incomplete hours will be charged \$25 per hour not completed. Below you will find available service hour opportunities. If you need a service hour log, please contact the office.

- Mother/Son Night
 https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0944a5ac2ea5f49-motherson#/
- **Spring Gathering** https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0944A5AC2EA5F49-spring1

Mother-Son Night

Formal invites went home a couple of weeks ago. The event will be held on Saturday, 4/22 from 5-7:30pm in the school gym. This year's theme for the night is pirates. The night will consist of a fun mystery treasure hunt that goes throughout the school, Mother/Son games, a craft for your Mom, and a photo souvenir. Dinner will be provided by Moonlight. Send in your ticket reservation form and money to the school office by Friday, 4/7.

Service hour opportunities are available the morning of and during the night of the event. We would appreciate any help you can spare if you are a mom without sons or dads even to make this a successful event. Please use the link below to sign up.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0944a5ac2ea5f49-motherson#/

PSA News

- The PSA has the position of secretary that is opening up for the 2023-2024 school year.
 If you are interested in applying for the position please email Karmin Hall (Karminhall@gmail.com).
- Our last family fun evening of the year will be Friday, 4/14. We will have snacks, carnival games, a face painter, and a clown/magician act. RSVP to the school office (cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org) if your family will be attending.
- **Field Day shirt order forms** were sent home a couple weeks ago. Students will be able to wear this during Field Day on May 22, 2023. To offset the price for parents the PSA is paying for half the cost for each student. The price to parents is \$6.00 each. Order forms are **due by Friday, 4/21.**

Spring Gathering

Mark your calendars for April 30 as an opportunity for some good fellowship this Easter Season as we celebrate the completion of the pavilion. Food, games, music, and raffle will be part of our celebration. Our gathering will begin at 12pm and end at 6pm. More info on details went home last week or the beginning of this week. See the sign up to volunteer below. We would like school families to be in charge of games, and please use the link below to fill up a 45 minute slot. Students are also able to help/volunteer with parent supervision if they are young. Older kids are able to help by themselves.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0944A5AC2EA5F49-spring1

"Give A Little" Envelope Fundraiser

This fundraiser goes along with the Spring Gathering and proceeds go directly to the school. Pick an envelope from 1-250. Simply pay the amount of money that corresponds to the envelope number (ex: envelope 110 pays \$110). For every \$10 donated you will receive 1 raffle ticket to win a prize (ex: envelope 110 would get 11 raffle tickets).

Prizes Are As Follows:

1st place: \$3,000 OR up to \$4500 towards OLQP Tuition 2nd Place: \$1500 OR up to \$2250 towards OLQP Tuition 3rd Place: \$750 OR up to \$1125 towards OLQP Tuition

Call or email the school office (cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org) to reserve your envelope number from what is left. Send in the corresponding money and then we will send your raffle tickets home with your child. Envelope numbers can also be purchased after Mass as well.

Hot Lunch

Lunch orders for the week of 4/17-4/21 are due by **Thursday**, **4/13** when we return from break. You can buy weekly or for the entire month. The menu for April can be found on the school website.

Caring Hands Opening

We are looking for someone to take over the position as the Before and After School care person for next school year (2023-2024). If you are interested or know of someone who would be interested, please contact the school office.

Mass Times For Holy Week

Holy Thursday- 7:30pm Good Friday- 7:30pm Holy Saturday-7:30pm Easter Sunday- 8:30am & 10:30am

Sacrament of Confession Times

Wednesday, 4/ 5- 5:30pm-6:30pm Thursday, 4/ 6- After 7:30pm Mass Friday, 4/ 7- After 7:30pm Service

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, 4/ 6- From 8:30pm-12AM

Egg Hunt

Family Life Ministries are providing a free egg hunt after 10:30 am Mass on Easter Sunday. The hunt is for ages 0-12 years old.

Marquette Musical

Thank you to the Marquette students who came and presented some of their songs to the students today from their spring musical. Their production of Peter Pan will be happening on the Ruth Klaus Stage on 4/13-4/15 at 7:00 pm each day. Your child will get in free to see the performance if they dress up like a character from Peter Pan.

Lent Project

Let's Make A Change!!! LAST DAY TO DONATE is Wednesday, 4/5.

Donate to the Missionary Childhood Association. We have a cooler set up in the school lobby for students to bring change/coins to fill the cooler to the top. The coins will be donated to the Missionary Childhood Association at the end of Lent. So far we have collected over \$100.00.

Psalm 118

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.