



# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish School WEEKLY INFORMER

THE WEEK OF  
OCTOBER 14  
**2018**

## SCHOOL EVENTS

## ATHLETIC EVENTS

**SUN  
14**

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See upcoming events on the Sports Calendar  
**Practices are in white      Games are in gold**

**MON  
15**

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**3:15 - 5:00pm**  
A Football  
**3:15 - 4:30pm**  
A Volleyball  
**3:15 - 5:00pm**  
B1 Football  
**3:30pm**  
B2 Football  
@St. John Eudes  
**3:30pm**  
B1 Volleyball  
@ St. John Eudes white  
**3:30pm**  
B2 Volleyball  
vs St. Bridget of Sweden

**TUE  
16**

<b>6:45am</b> Family Prayer Group	<b>12:30pm</b> Early Dimissal
<b>Parent Teacher Conferences (K, 1, 2,4, &amp; 5)</b>	

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**WED  
17**

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**3:15 - 5:00pm**  
B1 Football  
**3:15 - 4:30pm**  
B2 Football  
**3:15 - 4:30pm**  
B1 Volleyball  
**3:30pm**  
A Football  
@ St. Euphrasia – Petit Park  
**3:30pm**  
A Volleyball  
@ De La Salle

**THU  
18**

<b>12:30pm</b> Early Dimissal
<b>Parent Teacher Conferences (TK, 3, 6, 7, &amp; 8)</b>

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**FRI  
19**

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**3:15 - 4:30pm**  
A Volleyball

**SAT  
20**

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**LOOKING  
AHEAD**

▶ **BEGINNING MONDAY, OCTOBER 22 — Spirit Week**

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**A Word  
from Mr. Brough**  
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**School Announcements**  
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## A WORD FROM MR. BROUGH

I can vividly remember my first encounter with the life of the martyr, Oscar Romero. I was a student at Bishop Alemany and scenes from the 1989 film, *Romero*, were shown in a religion class. *Romero*, starring Raul Julia, powerfully narrates the crisis of the Salvadoran civil war and growing call to action in the Archbishop's heart. Romero who was an outspoken advocate for nonviolence, stood in solidarity with the poor and was gunned down while offering the mass in March of 1980.

This weekend, the Church will canonize Oscar Romero. The occasion invites all to listen and respond to his call to put our faith into action. Romero, in the midst of all the messiness of life, was able to discern God's voice, incarnate in our world, and begin putting himself in a place of solidarity with others. One of Romero's gifts was his ability to listen and reflect. His patience and thoughtfulness enabled the building of bridges. His reality forced him to embrace those at the margins, those who had been ex-ploited or cast off.

The canonization of this saint from the Americas calls us to conversion ourselves. Romero reminds us to embrace the homeless, the elderly, and the lonely. He moves us to equip migrants, refugees, and orphans. Romero asks us to accompany victims of abuse.

To listen and to reflect — two wonderful ways to put our faith into action. Listening and reflecting - concrete ways in which Romero embodied Christ. Listening and reflecting — invite us to hear the call to conversion and to be fearless enough to allow our hearts to be changed. Romero is correct, "There are still many questions waiting to be answered. Much thinking remains to be done. We must do it together."

God bless,  
*Mr. Brough*

## VIRTUS AWARENESS SESSIONS

### WHICH SESSION IS RIGHT FOR ME?

- ▶ *Protecting God's Children*: This session is a 3 hour session for people who have either not attended a session before, or have let their certification lapse.
- ▶ *Keeping the Promise Alive*: This session can only be attended by people seeking re-certification. This course is an 1 1/2 hours long.

Your certification is good for 4 years, providing that you keep up with the monthly online bulletins sent to your e-mail.

### WHAT DO I DO WITH MY CERTIFICATE?

Once you have been certified, you will want to make a copy of your certificate for yourself, and give the original to whatever parish, school, or organization has asked you to participate in the session. If you are a parishioner attending the session for your own personal development, a copy of your certificate should be given to the parish office of your home parish.

### INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- ▶ Archdiocese of Los Angeles:  
Safeguard the Children  
[www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/safeguard/](http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/safeguard/)
- ▶ Virtus Online [www.Virtus.org](http://www.Virtus.org)
- ▶ Our Lady of Lourdes Safeguard Committee Monica Alvarez: Chairperson—  
[safeguard@ollnr.org](mailto:safeguard@ollnr.org)

### UPCOMING VIRTUS AWARENESS SESSIONS

To register, please go to [Virtus.org](http://Virtus.org) and log into your existing account. If you do not have an account, you will need to create one. You can also contact the Parish Center by email at [virtus@ollnr.org](mailto:virtus@ollnr.org).

### RE-CERTIFICATION

If there is less than 5 people signed up it will be cancelled on Wednesday prior.

#### *Keeping the Promise Alive*

- ▶ **Friday, October 19 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm**
- ▶ **Friday, November 16 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm**

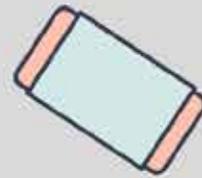
#### *Protecting God's Children*

(3 hr class, opened to public for 60 + people)

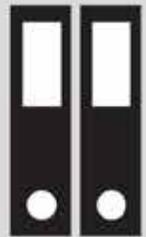
- ▶ **Saturday, October 20 from 12:00pm to 3:00pm**
- ▶ **Saturday, November 17 from 12:00pm to 3:00pm**

# DID YOU KNOW?

## THIS FALL WE PROVIDED STUDENTS WITH



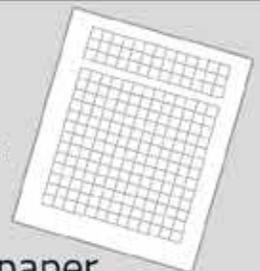
250 erasers  
300 binders



2,000 pencils  
250 highlighters



500 red pens  
500 blue pens  
900 green pens



100 reams of graph paper



150 boxes of crayons

over 400 spiral  
and composition notebooks



PLUS. . . 1,700 GLUE STICKS, OVER 200 POCKET FOLDERS, 180 PACKS OF COLORED PENCILS, TISSUES, ANTI-BACTERIAL WIPES AND SO MUCH MORE!



## Fortnite Fever: Everything You Need to Know about Gaming

Are you worried you have a *Fortnite* addict under your roof? Have you heard about kids getting scholarships for gaming?

The world of video games is more realistic, more accessible, and more personal for our kids than ever before. We've seen an explosion of public conversation around gaming in the past year with the runaway success of *Fortnite: Battle Royale* and the introduction of eSports into the world of high school and college competition.

Join Common Sense to discuss the impact of *Fortnite* and explain the popularity of this particular obsession. Our panel will offer tips to manage gaming in your household and guide kids to the best of media and tech, especially given concerns about screen time, addiction, exposure to violence, and a lack of exercise.

### Hosted by

Oakwood Secondary School

### Time and Location

Tuesday, November 13, 2018  
7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

11600 Magnolia Blvd.  
North Hollywood, CA 91601

### Register here

[support.commonsensemedia.org/oakwood](http://support.commonsensemedia.org/oakwood)

[www.commonsense.org](http://www.commonsense.org)



## IS SOCIAL MEDIA HURTING OUR KIDS?

Lately, we see more and more news articles about the potentially negative effects social media might have on our kids. Sometimes the evidence seems to draw a straight line from social media to anxiety and depression. The reality is a bit more complicated.

There's [some evidence](#) that kids (and adults) who are already at risk and vulnerable to mental health issues can suffer negative effects from social media. It's also clear that [some apps are designed](#) to keep us coming back compulsively, as we wonder if we're missing out. Seeing people's perfect versions of their lives over social media can also make some people feel [depressed and less-than](#). On the other hand, according to [our new research](#), the majority of kids who use social media have more positive feelings after using it. To help our kids find the right balance, we can pull back the curtain and explain the proverbial wizard behind those feelings. We can also help them find balance by setting limits, having conversations, and — very importantly! — modeling how and when to use social media in a healthy way.



# BABY SHOWER

*Each October, the Our Lady of Lourdes Respect Life Ministry “showers” some of the pro-life organizations in our community who support parents who choose life for their babies. We invite our school families to bring a donation of new or gently used baby items OR \$ to the school office or parish center during the month of **October** OR to our table on the patio before and after all masses **Saturday 10/6** and **Sunday 10/7**.*

**Niamh Anderson, Parent of Owen (8<sup>th</sup> grade), OLL Respect Life Ministry Leader**



Our Lady of Lourdes

# IF WE SELL RIDE TIX & WRISTBANDS (PRE- SALE)

\$15,000 = 1 day free dress

\$25,000 = 2 days free dress

\$34,000 = one week of free

dress & extended recess for a  
week !!!

**DEADLINE: 10/15**

\*recess is extended by 15 minutes