

Financial Aid 2018-2019

Attached are the instructions for applying for financial aid for the 2018-2019 school year. Please note well the deadline for applying - March 9th. Applications submitted after this date will not be processed.

From the PTO

Thank you to the parents who volunteered to serve delicious ice cream sundaes to our student body during Catholic Schools Week - Abby Hunter, Sara Grady, Trisha O'Connell, Jen Graves, Kristina Spillane, Lisa Barrows, Sara Sweetser, and Keri DiPietro. Also a huge shout out to the Kozal family who donated home made ice cream from their family owned shop "Aloha Ice Cream" at Hampton Beach, NH.

The PTO will be opening the snack shop during OLA Intramural basketball games. Donations of water, Gatorade, and donuts are welcomed and appreciated!

There will be a dine out night at the Red Robin in Millbury on Tuesday, February 20th We hope you can plan to enjoy some great food while supporting OLA! The flyer to bring with you is attached to this email.

Ash Wednesday/Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day being on the same day as Ash Wednesday this year, our older students will refrain from the traditional Valentine's Day snacks/party. Classroom teachers will communicate Valentine's Day activities directly so please be sure to watch your child's backpack for information. We will be attending the 9:00 Mass to receive our ashes and begin our Lenten Journey.

Students can wear red/pink for \$1.00

Our School Community's Lenten Journey

During this season of Lent, we will be teaching our students the importance of prayer, fasting, and alms giving. We will be focusing on the Cardinal Works of Mercy to help us to live as Jesus invites all of his brothers and sisters to. Please print the following to and thank you for helping in any way that you can:

Week 1 beginning February 26th - ***Feed the Hungry*** We will be collecting donations of non-perishable food items for our parish St. Vincent de Paul food pantry.

Week 2 beginning March 5th - ***Give Drink to the Thirsty*** We will be collecting donations of bottled water for our parish St. Vincent de Paul food pantry.

Week 3 beginning March 12th - ***Shelter the Homeless*** We will be collecting donations of new socks and underwear for the St. Vincent de Paul store on Park Ave.

Week 4 beginning March 19th - *Visit the Sick* Students will be making cards for the sick and imprisoned with messages of hope and prayer to be distributed to local nursing homes and jails.

Week 5 beginning March 26th - *Give Alms to the Poor* We will collecting loose change all week. We will also have one "Casual for a Cause" day with proceeds going to St. John's Food for the Poor.

Thank you for helping us to focus on what we CAN do to help others during our Lenten Journey.

Grade 8 March Madness Calendar Raffle

Our 8th grade class is sponsoring the annual March Calendar Raffle to help defray the cost of their class to our Nation's Capital this spring. Tickets cost \$10.00 each. By purchasing a ticket you will be entered to win cash prizes every day for the month of March! Thank you for supporting OLA's Class of 2018!!