# **OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL**



# In Faith and Love we build Christian Community

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# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2025

#### **COSTUME BASH – WHAT A PARTY!**

A huge thank you Sarah Morreau, Mirella Gargiulo and our amazing Halloween Bash parent volunteers that made this night possible; supervising games, running the fundraising booths, and ensuring it was a truly epic event with fun, safe, and creative costumes! In addition, thank you to the Fundraising Committee and everyone who helped plan, set up, donated a prize or food item, worked the event and cleaned up. We cannot host these community events without the support of all our parents!

#### OCTOBER 30, 2025 - INDIVIDUAL PHOTO RETAKE DAY

Retakes will be on <u>Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup></u>. Please notify your child's teacher and have them dressed in full uniform on this day if they wish to have their individual photo retaken. **Also, your child must bring their proof sheet from their original photo.** There is a QR code on the proof sheet that is required by Artona.

# OCTOBER 31, 2025 - COLOUR / COSTUME DAY

Students may dress down (e.g., orange, and black) or come in appropriate dress up and non-scary costumes on <u>Friday</u>, <u>October 31<sup>st</sup></u>. As this is a fun dress up day, we are asking that costumes do not have weapons, blood, or inappropriate scary accessories or masks. More information will be provided by their Classroom teachers. Students will be learning the connection and history of the Tridium of All Hallows Eve (Oct 31<sup>st</sup>), All Saints Day (Nov 1<sup>st</sup>), and All Souls Day (Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>) and how to better understand the importance of these 3 days in our Catholic – Christian Faith.

#### **NOVEMBER 2, 2025 – DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS**

Remember to turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed on **Saturday, November 1st**.

#### **NOVEMBER 3, 2025 – READ-A-THON RECORDS DUE**

The Read-a-Thon officially ends on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Please continue to encourage reading at home. Reminder, **ALL** reading records need to be handed in by **November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3:00 p.m.** to be eligible for prizes.

#### **NOVEMBER 4, 2025 – ALL SAINTS DAY SCHOOL MASS**

Our Grade 7s will be leading and Celebrating the Communion of Saints by dressing up and presenting a variety of popular Saint's lives at our School Mass on <u>Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m.</u> All other students must be in full uniform (school sweaters and black shoes). Parents and grandparents are welcome to join us.

#### NOVEMBER 4, 2025 – CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING AT 7:00 P.M.

A notice will be sent home with students with further details.

#### NOVEMBER 3 – 7, 2025 - AGAPE STREET MINISTRY DONATIONS

Once again, we reach out to OLS families for their donations of extra Halloween candy. We will be accepting candy until **Friday, November 7**<sup>th</sup>. All candy donated will go to AGAPE Street Ministry.

# **NOVEMBER 6 – 7, 2025 – REMEMBRANCE DAY POPPY DONATION**

Students from Grade 6 will be visiting classrooms to collect a \$1 minimum donation for poppies from November 6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>.

# NOVEMBER 7, 2025 – REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

All parents/grandparents are welcome to join the OLS staff and students at a Remembrance Day Service to be held on <u>Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup></u> at 10:45 a.m. in the school gym. Students must be in full uniform( Sweaters and Black Shoes).

# NOVEMBER 10, 2025 – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – NO SCHOOL

There will be a Professional Development Day for OLS teachers on <u>Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup></u>; therefore, there will be no school for students on this day.

# NOVEMBER 11, 2025 - REMEMBRANCE DAY STAT HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL

There will be no school on **Tuesday, November 11**th, as it is the Remembrance Day Stat Holiday.

# NOVEMBER 14, 2025 - READ-A-THON PLEDGES DUE

All Pledge Money is due on <u>Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup></u>. Each family is required to contribute a minimum of \$40 as part of the mandatory fundraiser.

#### **NOVEMBER 20, 2025 – GRADE 6 ANNUAL BAKE SALE**

The Annual Grade 6 Bake Sale will take place on <u>Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup></u>. This year each bag will be \$2.00.

#### NOVEMBER 21, 2025 – CISVA NETWORKING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – NO SCHOOL

There will be a Professional Development Day for CISVA teachers on <u>Friday, November 21<sup>st.</sup></u>; therefore, there will be **no school for students on this day**.

#### **NOVEMBER 23, 2025 – FAMILY & GR. 7 CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT MASS**

All students in Grade 7 who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation will be required to attend this Mass on <u>Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup></u> at 11:30 a.m. This Mass will be led by our Grade 7 students! We invite all families from OLS to celebrate the Family Mass. This is a great way for our families to attend and participate in the **required** Sunday liturgy.

## NOVEMBER 28, 2025 – REPORT CARDS TO BE SENT HOME

Report Cards will be sent home on Friday, November 28th.

# DECEMBER 3, 2025 - PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES - NO SCHOOL

Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for <u>Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup></u>. More information will be sent home soon. Please remember there will be no school on this day for students.

#### KINDERGARTEN 2026 SIBLING REGISTRATION FORM

A Kindergarten sibling registration form will be sent home with students this week. If you have a child born in 2021 (sibling only), please complete the form and return to the school office by **Wednesday, November 12**<sup>th</sup>. In order to secure your child a spot, this form must be returned by the due date. **If we do not receive this form, and we have completed the registration process, your child will not have a spot for the September 2026 Kindergarten class.** Please contact the school office if you did not receive one.

#### **OCTOBER 2025 HOT LUNCH DATES**

Thursday, November 6 <sup>th</sup>	Ragazzi Cheese Pizza
Thursday, November 13 <sup>th</sup>	Subway
Thursday, November 20 <sup>th</sup>	Columbus Chicken Strips
Thursday, November 27 <sup>th</sup>	Homemade Pasta

# REMINDERS

#### **ALTAR SERVING PROGRAM**

The altar serving program will be starting up in November. This is a great opportunity for students to join and be trained for altar serving to serve at school and weekend Masses. Altar serving is an excellent opportunity for students to serve their parish as well as to take on a leadership role. Students can choose the Mass or Masses that work with your family's schedule. Training will take place at lunch. Ms. Guzzo has visited classes and distributed notices. Altar serving is open to boys and girls in grades 3-7. Thank you for your support!

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# **SAFETY REMINDERS!!**

As the weather gets darker and wetter, please remember to slow down and not stop to socialize in the drop-off zones. Drop off Zones are meant for quick exit and drop-off behind the coned areas. Please be quick to exit to prevent backing up and passing the stopped cars. Thank you for your diligence with student safety!

# PARISH NEWS

## **NOVEMBER 2, 2025 - OLS PARISH CRAFT FAIR - FREE ADMISSION**

There will be food, crafts, jewellery, baking, clothing, and raffle prizes. There will be something for the whole family! Make sure to come by after Mass on <u>Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup></u> between 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All cafeteria proceeds benefit Our Lady of Sorrows Church.