



# Our Lady of Lourdes Newsletter

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## From the desk of Kathy Bogataj

Dear Parents,

As we draw closer to Thanksgiving, it's a great time to think about everything in our life for which we are thankful. Each day we hear about families who are struggling, but who are still able to find joy in the blessings that God has given them. We are often caught up in the superficial nature of our society, instead of focusing on what is truly important.

This month our parish will learn all about Stewardship and how it is the response to our call to discipleship. When we understand that everything is a gift from God it makes it so much easier to give back of our time, talent, and treasure.

Blessings on your upcoming week!

*Kathy J. Bogataj*

## Campus Events

**\*\*Wed. Nov. 11th** - Veteran's Day Mass - 9:00 - reception following

**\*\*Thurs. Nov. 12th** - Parish-in-Council Meeting - 7:00 - Any student whose parent attends will receive a dress down pass. Please make sure to sign in when you arrive for the meeting

**\*\*Mon. Nov. 16th and Wed. Nov. 18th** - Open House in EC-4 and Kindergarten - 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

**\*\*Wed. Nov. 18th** - Last day for food donations!

**\*\*Mon. Nov. 23rd - Fri. Nov. 27th** - Thanksgiving holiday— no school!

## This and That:

**\*\*The school office hours are 7:15 - 3:30.**

Please keep this in mind when you are phoning the office.

**\*\*Any students who are in scouting (Boy or Girl Scouts) may wear their scout uniforms on Wednesday Nov. 11th in honor of Veteran's Day!**

**\*\*We are starting our annual Thanksgiving food drive. Please look over the attached list and be as generous as possible. Food should be sent in by Wednesday Nov. 18th.**



# School News



## Our Students will be showcased at the 2009 Art Harvest!

The Art Harvest is this weekend, Nov. 7 & 8th at Highlander Park in Dunedin.

## Art News!



We are knee deep in creativity! From Kindergarten's "Shape Monsters" to First Grade's Japanese Wind Socks. We have

had a blast so far creating totem poles, glow-in-the-dark paintings, fall leaf mixed media, and the list goes on. Our Middle School students get a chance to use our digital cameras to capture the perfect shot during Photography class. Make sure to check our website [www.myoll.com](http://www.myoll.com) for updates on upcoming art events.

## Spanish Happenings!



In EC4 and Kindergarten we are working with numbers from 0 to 20. The students are recognizing the numbers and are learning to say their telephone numbers in Spanish.

Third – Fifth graders are working with the seasons and weather. For example they can ask, "How is the weather today?" in Spanish.

The middle school students are working on conjugating verbs, constructing sentences, and words of the week.

## Media Center



Over the past few weeks in library the middle school students have been learning about reference materials. They have not only used computers as references, but have also learned how to use encyclopedias, atlases, almanacs, dictionaries,

and thesauruses to complete different activities. The elementary school students have been learning about parts of a book, as well as the differences between fiction and non fiction. They have just begun learning about biographies. After reading several biographies, the second and third graders have begun making classroom collective biographies that we will have on display in the library for everyone to see!

## Athletics

The After School Sports program is into their second set of sports. The girls are



playing basketball and improving with each game. The defense is coming along great and our shots are finally falling into the basket, our games are always exciting. Our boys are playing soccer now and at this time our Varsity boys are undefeated with 2 wins and one tie. Our JV boys have been struggling due to illnesses on the team and small numbers but we have recently picked up two great additions to the team which will help tremendously. Come out and cheer on our Roman teams.