



“The O L Beat”

Edition for the week of January 10, 2011

It's a Date!

What's the Scoop?

Adult Faith Formation Opportunity

Participate in this year's Columbus Catholic Women's Conference on Sat. Feb. 26. Visit www.columbuscatholicwomen.com for details. Informational brochures will also be sent home through book bags & childcare mailboxes.

Registration

Can you believe it is almost time to think about the **SUMMER & NEXT SCHOOL YEAR**?! Info will be sent to families after this week's board meeting.

OLB will host an open house for prospective families on Sun. Jan. 30 from 1-3 pm. Don't forget to tell family & friends about us!

Kindergarten families, please note St. Timothy will host an open house for prospective first graders on Sun. Jan 23 at 1:15.

For open houses & information on other area Catholic schools, please check your “Catholic Times” & parish bulletins.

MON. 1/10 – FRI. 1/14

Childcare/latchkey tuition agreement change period; all families in childcare/latchkey have the opportunity to change their schedule for the new quarter; all families must complete a new agreement regardless of changes

TUES. 1/11

7:30 pm Board of Trustees meeting

Guests are welcome!

WED. 1/12

7 pm HASA meeting

THURS. 1/13

Phys Ed day for TTT's & Preschool

10:30 am Mass for Preschool & Kindergarten students
(Chapel)

Families & friends welcome; please note the time change to 10:30 to accommodate Preschool dismissal at 11:15

7 pm

**Development
Foundation meeting**

FRI. 1/14

Phys Ed day for Pre-K & Kindergarten

End of TTT's, Preschool & Kindergarten grading period

MON. 1/17

OLB closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

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A note from the Director.....

The end of January marks “Catholic Schools Week.” I don’t know if we had such an event when I was young & attending St. Peter Elementary in Lorain, Ohio, or if, like everything else, we now have to spotlight Catholic schools to give them the attention we want them to have or hope they deserve. Regardless, as we approach this special week, I want to thank you for your commitment to Catholic schools &, most especially, OLB.

No matter if there was such as thing as “Catholic Schools Week” during my early years, it seems as though the “option” of sending a child to a Catholic school wasn’t an option at that time at all – it was a given. My Italian immigrant father who had to leave formal education in his country in the fifth grade to run his family’s farm, & my high school educated mother who missed a full college scholarship by one tenth of a grade point, both worked extremely hard to send my siblings & I to Catholic schools – K-12. It wasn’t a question of IF they would, it was a question of HOW they would. As I look back now, I know they sacrificed many things, not just material ones, to do that for us.

In a vastly different world from that of my youth, I know that many of you face tough decisions about your children’s education & care every day – ones that you think & pray about. I approach my responsibilities to the students & to you with a fervor that wants to proliferate the HOW mentality in lieu of the IF. For the choice you have made, I am grateful & humbled. For your children, I am better & driven. May the Lord continue to bless our Catholic schools & the children that truly bless their hallways, Miss Lori