

**Parent Update**  
**March 30, 2010**

**Our Parish School Mission**

*The mission of Our Lady of School Counsel Parish School is to form young minds and hearts in the image of Jesus spiritually, academically, physically, and socially through authentic Catholic teaching within a faith community of respect and compassion for others.*

**Upcoming Date**

<b>March</b>	30	Parish Penance Service (gr. 3-5-7)	7:00 p.m.
	31	General Parent Meeting on Internet Safety in café	7:00p.m.
<b>April</b>	1	Holy Thursday	
		Living Stations	10:00 a.m
		Early Dismissal	11:30 a.m.
		No Nursery	
		No After School Program	
	2-9	Easter Vacation	
	10	Priests' Appreciation Dinner in Cafeteria	7:00 p.m.
	12	School Resumes	
		Summer Uniform Begins	

**Happy Easter**

The faculty and staff of Our Lady of Good Counsel School want to wish you and your family a very blessed Easter. May your belief in Jesus as the Risen Lord be renewed and strengthened during this Holy Week

Our prayer for you and your family is the prayer of the Easter Sunday Mass.

*"May the Risen Lord breathe on your mind and open your eyes that you may know Him in the breaking of the bread and follow in His Risen Life."*

May you and your family also have a safe, enjoyable and relaxing Easter Week of vacation.

**Priests' Appreciation Dinner**

*Saturday, April 10, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.*

*OLGC Cafeteria – Buffet Dinner*

Our Pastor, Father Damian, our parochial vicar, Father Jim, and all our visiting priests continue to work tirelessly here at Good Counsel Parish on our behalf. In this, the Year of the Priest, we celebrate their presence among us with a Priest Appreciation Dinner.

The buffet dinner, catered by Colonial Catering, will be held in the cafeteria of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, Saturday evening, April 10th at 7:00 PM. The buffet will feature a selection of entrees, vegetables, and dessert. The ticket price of \$50.00 will include dinner, a champagne toast, and a gratitude purse for our parish and visiting priests.

For ticket information, please contact: Joe Graham, Grand Knight at

[jmgraham314@msn.com](mailto:jmgraham314@msn.com) or Linda Dix, DRE at [dixl@olgcnj.org](mailto:dixl@olgcnj.org).

We hope that you will participate in this event!

### **Parent Internet Safety Meeting**

All parents and any interested parishioners are invited to attend the Internet Safety seminar presented by the New Jersey State Police tomorrow evening March 31 at 7 pm in the cafeteria.

### **What's Happening in our Classrooms**

The eighth grade students were very busy during the month of March. Many sang and danced in the school production of "Bye Bye Birdie", while others spent many hours after school helping Mrs. Gauntt create the fantastic sets used during the performances. Under the guidance of eighth grade teachers Mr. Veasey and Mrs. Conners, Music Director Mr. Steve Lucasi, and Activities Director Miss Mary Sullivan, the eighth graders prepared and presented a prayerful reenactment of the Living Stations. The parish community was invited to attend a nighttime reenactment on Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup> while the school community will see the presentation on Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.

First grade and eighth grade Reading Buddies celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday by listening together as Guest Reader Assemblyman Jack Conners read **Green Eggs and Ham** to them in Mrs. Conners' homeroom. The children looked very festive as they donned **Cat In The Hat** hats created by the eighth grade students. The eighth graders will rest and relax during their Easter break in preparation for their much anticipated trip to New York City, the May Crowning, and the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dinner Dance and Graduation in June.

### **Enrollment in FACTS for all Families in Nursery -8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

If a family is currently enrolled in the FACTS Program and want to continue next year, they need not do anything. They will automatically be reenrolled. If there is any changes such as a different account will be used, they need to make that change and nothing else.

If a family is not enrolled in the FACTS Program this year but wants to for next year, they will have to go on the web site and register. The Parish Office will fill in all the tuition numbers for them.

### **Reminders:**

- . Dismissal on Holy Thursday will be at 11:30 a.m. All students will return to school after the 10:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross at Church. All students will be dismissed from school at 11:30 a.m. Please no requests to take your child home from the Church.
- . No Nursery on Holy Thursday
- . No After School Program on Holy Thursday
- . Students should not bring backpacks to school on Holy Thursday. All books needed for Easter vacation should be brought home on Wednesday.
- . There are NO gym classes on Thursday. All students should be in full school uniform.
- . Summer uniform begins on Monday, April 12th.



