

April 6, 2020

OLMC Update: Day #17 School Closure

Dear Our Lady of Mount Carmel School families,

Yesterday morning, 121 of Our Lady of Mount Carmel families celebrated Palm Sunday together with Fr. Ulysses at his virtual Mass. A very warm thank you to Chris Pratt, Shane McLaughlin, Bianca Remlinger, and TJ Duane for making the virtual Palm Sunday Mass a special experience. We are now in Holy Week, the most sacred time in our Catholic liturgical year.

#### **OLMC Morning Assembly**

By popular demand:

We have upgraded to the PRO version, which will allow 500 participants. (Please see video on our Distance Learning webpage: <a href="http://school.mountcarmel.org/school-closure/OLMC-distance-learning">http://school.mountcarmel.org/school-closure/OLMC-distance-learning</a>.)

Login here for this morning's assembly at 8am.

OLMC Assembly ZOOM ID: 264-358-815 Join URL: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/264358815">https://zoom.us/j/264358815</a>

Meeting ID: 264 358 815

This will be a recurring ZOOM event and link for all Monday school day mornings. Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system. Weekly:

https://zoom.us/meeting/v5IpdOygpjovk7vurpak6fxv88o5woBHxg/ics?icsToken=98ty KuuuqjgvEtyUtV-Ce7YtOZXqbvHulHoZvLZPjB7uVSZLdFuuObdVYpBXCN-B

## **Holy Week**

This week in honor of Holy Week, **each Homeroom class will attend Mass together** as a class on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday. Please check your Homeroom teacher's schedule for which day your child will attend Mass with their class. **Fr. Ulysses and I invite families to join their students for the noon Mass.** 

Please follow Mass protocol to ensure reverence for this sacred experience:

- Students should wear their school uniform top and sweatshirt to Mass.
- Student computers should be muted for the entire duration of Mass.
- All participants should stand or kneel at the appropriate times durig the Mass.

In addition, Fr. Ulysses will offer Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Saturday Mass at noon/12pm.

# Please join the ZOOM virtual daily Mass at noon/12pm: http://daily.olmc.cc

#### **Academic Awards**

We will announce the Trimester #2 Academic Awards. Please login to celebrate our students' achievements!

# Tuesday, April 7th

8:00am- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade 8:30am- 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade Join URL:

https://zoom.us/j/110464861?pwd=LoF6enRKRWF1MVhhUm5XUTB GRllSdzoq

#### Wednesday, April 8th

8:15am- 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade Join URL:

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#### **FlexZone**

Coach Lilika will offer FlexZone PE on the following schedule. See the OLMC Distance Learning Guide for specific ZOOM URL logins:

Wednesday 1:30pm-2:00pm 6th-8th grade Thursday 2pm-2:30pm PK-2nd grade Thursday 2:30pm-3:00pm 3rd-5th grade

#### **Updated Expectations**

Please review our updated expectations. These are also posted in our updated OLMC Distance Learning Guide.



# **Zoom Classroom Protocol & Expectations**

# Getting Started

- Login to ZOOM using the teacher's meeting URL link (with embedded password) or ID number/password and be present and actively engaged in learning during the 60minute class.
- Login to ZOOM with first and last name only (no code names/aliases) If a child logs in with their parents' ZOOM account, that is fine.

# During ZOOM class OLMC students must...

- Have camera/video feature ON during entire duration of ZOOM lessons
- Keep microphones on MUTE during ZOOM class time, unless otherwise instructed by teachers.
- Stay in one spot to avoid distracting class with unnecessary camera movement.
- Keep hands free of food, cell phones, other objects that may potentially distract the class. (Drinking water is OK)
- Dress and speak appropriately.
- Attend ZOOM classes regularly and ON TIME. Please communicate directly to teachers via email to let them know if you will be late or miss a class.
- Keep discussion and answers on task and appropriate to subject matter when called upon by the teacher.
- Engage in ZOOM chat only with the teacher.
- Be respectful to one another to help foster a productive learning environment.

# Faculty ask parents to...

- Assist younger students with technology use. Be present/near your child to help ensure respectful/appropriate behavior.
- Be mindful of their own behavior/language while their child is in ZOOM meetings. Please be aware that other students may hear/see you while your child is in ZOOM.
- Please be aware of student ZOOM protocols and remind your child of expectations.



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#### General Guidelines

- If a student needs to use the bathroom during lesson, he/she will do so quietly and respectfully!
- Exhibit behavior in the ZOOM group meetings and group discussions the same as if you were in class on campus at Our Lady of Mount Carmel School. Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated. Please note that all postings (even deleted ones) can be seen by your teachers and administration.
- Our OLMC schoolwide learning expectations *Live with Integrity, Love like Jesus, Learn with Purpose* guide all of our learning and interactions, even and especially during distance learning.

# *OLMC Faculty commitments*

- Conduct office hours and/or hold virtual class during the designated class time each day.
- Answer student questions/concerns in a timely manner during school hours 8am-3pm.
- Be available on ZOOM the entire duration of the 60-minute class.
- Daily posts intended for parents to understand the upcoming day will be made in the evening to FACTS Lesson Plans.
- Daily posts including detailed assignments and instructions will be posted in GOOGLE Classroom by 8am. Faculty specifically do not post these the evening prior because they do not want students working ahead on assignments without proper instruction.

# **April Schedule**

Please note the schedule for the month of April:

- April 6-8: regular OLMC SchoolHouse at Home schedule
- April 9: 12:50pm early dismissal for Holy Thursday. Stay tuned for information about 12pm/noon OLMC Stations of the Cross led by our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class.
- April 10-19: Easter vacation rest, relax, get some fresh air, and find peace and gratitude in our many blessings!
- April 20: OLMC SchoolHouse at Home resumes with a 12:50pm Monday early dismissal
- April 21-22: regular OLMC SchoolHouse at Home schedule
- April 23-24: These had been early dismissal and school holidays to celebrate our OLMC Festival. Given the circumstances, these days will now be regular OLMC



SchoolHouse at Home schedule – not holidays! (I may reschedule these to a date in May, stay tuned.)

• April 27-May 1: regular OLMC SchoolHouse at Home schedule

# **Keeping our Students Learning**

Please be sure your students' devices are working properly for their distance learning. If you should find that you need an additional ChromeBook (we have oodles to share!) or you need an iPad (we are more limited, but have some to share), please contact Mr. Lane (clane@mountcarmel.org) to schedule a time to pick up a proper device for your student.

Thank you to parents who let us know when a link is broken or a code is incorrect. Thank you for the many suggestions for enhanced learning. Our Leadership Team and Faculty are problem-solving 24/7!

Please see the announcement from Elevate Math Tutoring, offering free tutoring to students in need.

#### **Attendance**

Please submit daily attendance by 10am daily

- Daily attendance link: <a href="https://forms.gle/t7Jyqde8bgei7wz29">https://forms.gle/t7Jyqde8bgei7wz29</a>
  - o Pro Tip: this link is the same every day, so you may bookmark it and use it each morning.
  - o It is also posted: <a href="http://school.mountcarmel.org/school-closure">http://school.mountcarmel.org/school-closure</a>
  - o If necessary, please call Mrs. McLinden at **650-366-1051** to record your child's attendance.

See you very soon at morning assembly!

Deborah Farrington, Ed.D.

Principal

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School