# **OLR MARCH 2024**

Please review the following important upcoming dates and events that are happening in the month of March 2024.



School Information

**Senior Secretary: J. Palermo** 

Superintendent: J. Chlutsi

Trustees: J. Wigston, A. Grella

Parish: St. Joseph the Worker Parish (Pastor: Fr. V. Amole)

**CSC Chair: J. Cutrone** 

**Enrollment: 318** 

Hours: 8:50am-3:20 pm

Supervision Begins: 8:35am

Lunch: 11:45am-12:45pm

Virtue of the month is

PERSEVERANCE

I will stick to the goals that I will make for myself. I will also believe in myself a have faith in I accomplish.

April's virtue is Reverence.

### IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS IN MARCH 2024



- □ Sat. March 2
- First Holy Communion Class # 7 at St. Joseph the Worker Parish from 10 am-12 pm
- Confirmation class # 7 at St. Joseph the Worker Parish from 3-5 pm
- □ March 1-22

March 4

- Full Administration of YCDSB K-5 Parent Census
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  - Love of Dance Registration begins
- □ March 6

- Black Heritage Month Reading Rainbow event for (P, Jr, and Int.)
- Council for Exceptional Children: Yes I Can! Awards Submission due date.
- Intermediate Boys basketball tournament at FJK
- □ March 7
- 1st Reconciliation for First Holy Communion students
- Intermediate Girls Basketball at Blessed Scalabrini CES
- Colour Blind 1.0? OLR Parent Engagement Presentation at 7 pm in the gym
- □ March 8
- Registration Deadline Highschool-New students

	International Women's Day
March 10	Daylight Savings Time
March 11-15	March Break (School is CLOSED)
March 15	2 <sup>nd</sup> Installment of Gr. 8 Extended Blue Mountain Day trip is due to Edu Travel (Online payment)
March 17	St. Patrick's Day!
March 18-22	SHARELIFE WEEK (More information for OLR families to come via School Messenger!)
March 18	<ul> <li>High School Course Change Due Date for Grade 9</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
March 18- April 5	Full Administration of Grade 6-8 Student Census
March 19	<ul> <li>Rosary Apostolate Visit</li> <li>Lenten Twilight Retreat from 4:30-5:30 pm</li> </ul>
March 21	<ul> <li>International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination</li> <li>World Down Syndrome Day</li> <li>Lenten Confessions for Confirmandi at St. JW Parish from 7-9 pm</li> </ul>
March 23	<ul> <li>Earth Hour</li> <li>FHC Class # 8 at St. JW Parish from 10 am-12 pm</li> <li>Confirmandi, Class # 8 at St. JW Parish from 3-5 pm</li> </ul>
March 24	Palm Sunday
March 25	Fire Drill # 4
March 26	<ul> <li>Gr. 6, 7 Toronto Holocaust Museum Trip</li> <li>Purple Day for Epilepsy</li> </ul>
HOT LUNCH SCHEDULE for TERM 2	<ul> <li>Mondays: Gino's Pizza</li> <li>Tuesdays: Nonna's Oven</li> <li>Wednesdays: Just Catering For Kids</li> <li>Fridays: Gino's Pizza Non-Pizza Items</li> </ul>
March 28	<ul> <li>Holy Thursday: Stations of the Cross Service at OLR</li> <li>Term 2 Stream Centre Visit # 2-Gr. 5/6</li> </ul>
March 29	Good Friday
March 31	Easter Sunday
April 1	Easter Monday

On behalf of Our Lady of the Rosary CES, we wish all of our families a Blessed Lenten Season and a Happy Easter in which we can all rejoice in the risen Jesus!

## Some Highlights from this month:

Congratulations to all of our Virtue of the Month Recipients for February: Wisdom! March's Virtue is Perseverance! FDK 1 (Ms. Ecclestone): Aria A Mia C., Haileigh S., FDK 2 (Ms. Prechner): Carmelo C., Faris J-Z., Mekhi S., Gr. 1 (Ms. Petrolo): Nikaloas K., Sean D., Gr. 1/2 (Ms. Bromley): Munachi A., Timara A A., Gr. 2 (Ms. laboni): Sienna S., Ian N. Gr. 3 (Ms. Ali): Anna Maria F., Georgia H., Gr. 3/4 (Ms. Gurrieri): Yuvin P. Cassius B., Felipe I R., Gr. 4 (Ms. Sciulli): Angel A-L., Sebastian C., Gr. 5 (Ms. Spano): Anjola O., Zayne B., Gr. 5/6 (Ms. Turchiaro): Sharmayne D., Mary Grace F., Gr. 6 (Mr. Martino): Ethan C., Njah B., Gr. 7 (Ms. Skenderis): Mabel K., Aldryn P., Patrick R. and Gr. 8 (Mr. Federici): Denise C. Giulia G., Tyler N.



# Prayer for Perseverance

Lord, we offer a prayer for perseverance
In all of life's circumstances
Family life, work and in service of people
Help us persevere through all trials and tribulations.

Counting on Your strength we can do it,
In Your Power we can pesevere through anything.
In Your Perfect timing and Providence
May we surrender our desires and wait in patience.

We pray that in all kinds of persecution in faith
In Your Holy name may we persevere in strength.

May our perseverance count us worthy,

As we complete the race for Your glory,

Amen!

Read the full prayer @ christianst com

## INTERMEDIATE GIRLS AND BOYS BASKETBALL TEAMS

Our intermediate girls' and boys' basketball teams have been preparing with purpose and inspiration to do their absolute best as their tournaments at Father John Kelly CES and Blessed Scalabrini CES are now right around the corner. Thank you to all of the coaches: Mr. Federici, Ms. Marinelli and Mr. Martino for teaching students the finer points of the game, from well executed plays to tight defensive play. We are so very proud of our students' dedication and love of the game.



# Jays Care Affiliate School

The Jay Cares program at OLR continues to empower youth to recognize their potential as leaders and ability to be changemakers in their community while also learning more about and enjoying the sport of baseball.



Thank you to Ms. Guida and Ms. Ecclestone for extending the program to this year's students.

## 100 Days of School: Let Me Count the Ways...

Literacy, numbers and stories collide as Ms. Bromley's students showcase 100 in various ways. Thank you to them for opening up their classroom to inquisitive visitors.



# Ash Wednesday Liturgy of the Word

Thank you to Ms. Marinelli, Ms. Guida, the choir, student technicians and Music teacher Ms. Chung for a well-organized Ash Wednesday liturgy which effectively enabled our school community to drop everything and turn our attention to the meaning and important of repentance and prayer. Everyone took this liturgy as opportunity for prayerful and candid reflection on how we can prepare for our Lenten journeys. Thank you to Father Victor and Faith Ambassador, Pia Colella for assisting g with the ashes.



# **Black History Month Liturgy of the Word**

The Black History Month was an important opportunity for the entire OLR community to not only learn about the important Black Canadian trailblazers in Canada, in the past and in the present, but also acknowledge and celebrate other lesser known Black Canadian heroes and heroines in our midst through song and prayer. Thank you to our student lectors, student tech crew, Ms. Chung and colleagues for making this simple affair, one that asks the big questions!





## MathAchievement Action Plan



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A Parent's Guide for the Grades 1-8 Ontario Mathematics Curriculum (2020) is available (click <a href="https://here.com/here">here</a> to acc s).





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## **Activities**



#### Four in a Row







#### 101 and Out



#### Bridge Riddle

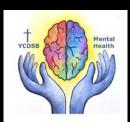


# EMPOWERING OUR INNER PEACE

Exploring Afrocentric practices that support our mental health

Led by Josie Rose, MSW, RSW and Sophia McKenzie, RN

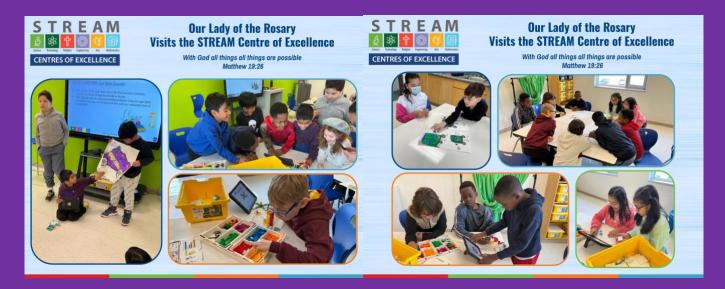
Wednesday March 6, 2024 7:00pm



REGISTER HERE

# STREAM CENTRE TRIP

Please have a look at some of the rich inquiry and learning that has taken place with Ms. Sciulli's Grade 4 class who visited the Divine Mercy Stream Centre of Excellence on February 27, 2024.



## **CODE MEETS MUSIC**

Something special is happening in the music room. Junior division students in Gr. 5 use their knowledge of bass and treble clef notes and corresponding beats to annotate simple music and use the Makecode application to use brick coding and program the Micro:bit. Fascinating and impressive!





## **ERGONOMIC CHAIR DESIGN FROM START TO FINISH**

Take a seat or two! Ms. Skenderis' gr. 7 students design the ideal ergonomically sound chairs on display at OLR!





## **ERGONOMIC CHAIR DESIGN FROM START TO FINISH**

Stop playing games! These are not ordinary Tetriminoes. Each piece contains an uplifting and positive message. Thank you, Mental Health Ambassadors and Luke 4:18 student leaders for "Connecting at OLR" and modelling how we prioritize Mental Well-being at OLR.



# Pathways and Careers Teacher Workshops



Who needs an electrician? Grade 8 students at OLR plying their trade and building electrical receptacle boxes under the direction of their PCT teacher, Mr. D. De Lisi.

# **Parish Connections:**

Please stay connected with events and initiatives at St. Joseph the Worker Parish by visiting: <a href="https://stjosephtheworkerth.archtoronto.org/">https://stjosephtheworkerth.archtoronto.org/</a>



Thank you to our friends at the Rosary Apostolate who continue to visited us on February 16 as well as a big thanks to youth minister, Alston Moras, who visited with Grades 1-8 on Feb. 22 and 23 to answer questions and ready our students' minds for Lent.

