

OLR APRIL 2024

Please review the following important upcoming dates and events that are happening in the month of April 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: 315

Hours: 8:50am-3:20 pm

Supervision Begins: 8:35am

Lunch: 11:45am-12:45pm

Virtue of the month is

REVERENCE

I will honour and respect God's gift of life.

I will show good manners, pay attention and treat others the way I wish to be treated.

May's virtue is Responsibility

IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS IN APRIL 2024



<input type="checkbox"/>	April 8-30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administration of Annual Gr. 8 YCDSB Exit Survey for 2023-2024 Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary Early dismissal at 12:120 pm due to Solar Eclipse
<input type="checkbox"/>	April 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vimy Ridge Day
<input type="checkbox"/>	April 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OLR Catholic School Council mtg. at 6 pm in the library Discovering Indigenous Culture at 6 pm at the CEC Day of Pink
<input type="checkbox"/>	April 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final Lockdown Drill
<input type="checkbox"/>	April 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easter Mass at St. Joseph the Worker Parish @ 10 am. All are welcome!

□	April 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ONPARA Wheelchair Basketball presentation for whole school.
□	April 17	Vaughan in Motion Walk for Cancer Care-Loonie/Toonie Drive at OLR
□	April 18	Local Oral Communication competition at Our Lady of the Rosary CES
□	April 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rosary Apostolate Visit
□	April 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Holy Communion Mass at ST. JW Parish (5 pm)
□	April 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Holy Communion Mass at ST. JW Parish (12 pm)
□	April 22-27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City of Vaughan - 20 Minute Makeover
□	April 22-26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> YRPH Pause to Play Challenge 2024 begins at OLR. Time to get active outdoors and put down those devices!
□	April 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Holy Communion Mass at ST. JW Parish (5 pm)
□	April 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vaughan in Motion-Walk for Cancer Care National Day of Mourning - Flags half-mast First Holy Communion Mass at ST. JW Parish (5 pm)
□	April 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Drill
□	HOT LUNCH SCHEDULE for TERM 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mondays: Gino's Pizza Tuesdays: Nonna's Oven Wednesdays: Just Catering For Kids Fridays: Gino's Pizza Non-Pizza Items

On behalf of Our Lady of the Rosary CES, I would like to extend warm spring wishes and a Happy Second Week of Easter!!

Some Highlights from this month:

Congratulations to all of our **Virtue of the Month Recipients for March: Perseverance!** March's Virtue is Perseverance!
FDK 1 (Ms. Ecclestone): John-Vincent A. (JK), Ulysses V. (JK), Adrian Cannon (SK), Brando Delfino (SK), FDK 2 (Ms. Prechner): Kassi H. (SK), Michael K. (SK), Lucas Valentin P. (JK), Gr. 1 (Ms. Petrolo): Alicia M., Ivana M., Gr. 1/2 (Ms. Bromley): Julian A., Jordan M., Gr. 2 (Ms. Iaboni): Blane M., Emilio F., Mason C., Gr. 3 (Ms. Ali): Danielle C., Thiago G., Gr. 3/4 (Ms. Gurrieri): Euan B., Lhermae M., William J., Gr. 4 (Ms. Sciulli): Kelenna Emesibe E., Julia S., Immanuel O., Gr. 5 (Ms. Spano) Esteban U., Tomi O., Gr. 5/6 (Ms. Pellegrino): Marcus H., Ibukun O., Gr. 6 (Mr. Martino): Joshua S., Rafaella K., Gr. 7 (Ms. Skenderis): Christabell O A., Lia I., Dante S., Gr. 8 (Mr. Federici): Oleksii K., Oleksandr D.

Kindergarten Recipients of the Virtue of Perseverance



Primary Recipients of the Virtue of Perseverance



Junior Recipients of the Virtue of Perseverance



Intermediate Recipients of the Virtue of Perseverance



A Prayer for Easter Greetings

We praise you in this Easter season. Change our lives, change our hearts to be messengers of Easter joy and hope. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord forever. Amen.



JUNIOR GIRLS AND BOYS BASKETBALL TEAMS

Athletics. Coaches: Mr. Martino, Ms. Marinelli and Mr. Federici have been preparing both jr. boys and girls basketball teams for their tournaments on May 9 and 10 at St. JW CES and at OLR.



Jays Care L.I.T. Girls Spring After-School Program



- 5 students at OLR have been selected as participants in a pilot program this year under the guidance of Ms. Iannetta, Mme. Colarossi:
- The Jays Care's L.I.T. Girls Spring After-school program that runs from April 29th– May 31st, 2024: Uliana, Jessica, Grace, Sophia, Lia. We are thrilled to invite these outstanding youth to participate in this unique and exclusive virtual leadership experience.

ONPARA PRESENTATION AT OLR

A School Assembly from ONPARA scheduled for Tuesday, April 16th in which students and staff will learn the rules and regulations of the sport of wheelchair basketball from an ONPARA facilitator and athlete.



Holy Thursday Stations of the Cross Service

The Holy Thursday Stations of the cross service put on by the intermediate students, solemnly accented by songs from the OLR choir and overseen by Ms. Chung, Ms. Guida, Ms. Marinelli, Ms. Iannetta, Ms. Sciulli was a memorable service and the true embodiment of reverence for Jesus.



Stations of the Cross



ShareLife Fundraiser for 2023-2024 at OLR

OLR ShareLife fundraiser for 2023-2024: Rounded to \$600 (\$362.50 for Terra Cotta Butterfly Cookie sales, Toonie Tuesday: \$175.20). We also collected boxes of toiletries and self-care items (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc...) for St. Clare Women's shelter. Thank you the ShareLife Committee and members of Luke 4:18 for promoting this important campaign.



Catholic School Council Corner

Thank you to our parent volunteers and members of CSC for making the two hot dog day lunches on April 4 and May 3, 2024.

Also, with the CSC Easter Cookie Decorating kit fundraiser with a unit cost of (\$19.99) Each, the campaign ran from March 4 to March 8, 2024 with \$455 raised in net profits raised.



STREAM CENTRE TRIP

Please have a look at some of the rich inquiry and learning that has taken place with Ms. Pellegrino's Grade 5/6 class who visited the Divine Mercy Stream Centre of Excellence on March 28, 2024.



- As part of this year's Parents Reaching Out Grant (PRO GRANT), on March 11, parents were invited to OLR to speak freely with humanity hero, Aubrey Noronha to venture out of their comfort zones to learn about structural racism and to commit to radical humility in an effort to protect our children from the social scourge of racism in all of its forms.

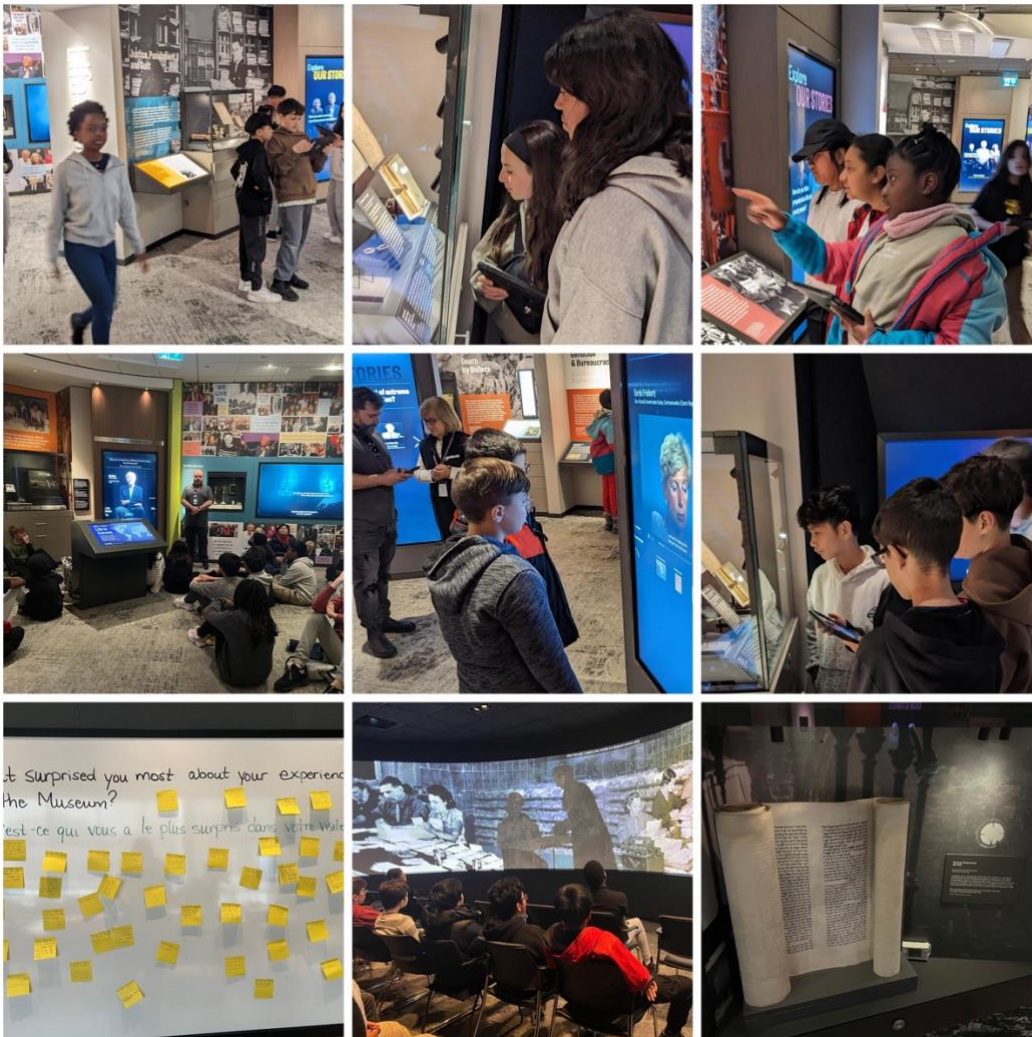


Toronto Holocaust Museum Excursion

On Tuesday, March 26th, Mr. Martino and Ms. Skenderis, together with their Grade 6 and 7 students and parent volunteers from Our Lady of the Rosary CES embarked on a profound journey of learning and remembrance during their visit to the Toronto Holocaust Museum. Immersed in exhibits detailing the harrowing events of the Holocaust, our students gained invaluable insights into the resilience of the human spirit and the importance of standing against injustice. Through interactive displays, they explored themes of empathy, tolerance, and the enduring power of hope. This poignant experience not only deepened their understanding of history but also inspired a commitment to fostering a more compassionate world. We are immensely proud of our students for engaging thoughtfully with this essential chapter of human history.

One particular item of note is the image of a Torah scroll, which was rescued by a Catholic Priest from the remains of a destroyed synagogue in 1938. The Priest kept it safe, as he knew it was an important document. In late 1944, he gave it to a rabbi for safe keeping. This rabbi went on to practice his faith in Canada later on in his career.

Thank you to both teachers for facilitating this important learning experience for our Jr and Int. Eagles!



Upcoming School Events:

At OLR, we are engaged in ongoing preparation for the Junior/Intermediate Diversity themed performance in May 2024. Revised Date to be confirmed. Original date is May 16, 2024. The focus of the night is a Diversity Night Concert to engage parents. Students' show-cased work will include Student's coding of a children's song from their home country or country of choice using MicroSoft Makecode for Micro:bit, Art displays featuring different countries. Each class will choose from a country of choice and perform song/music/drama/dance/choral speaking to perform during the concert.

We look forward to Catholic Education Week on May 5 to 10. Theme is: We are called to love.

Ms. Bromley's and Ms. Petrolo's enjoying Scientist in School Program

