# **ORCHARD LAKE SCHOOLS**

SS. Cyril & Methodius Seminary 🛧 St. Mary's Preparatory 🛧 Polish Institute of Culture & Research

# CAMPUS COMMUNICATOR



"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace.

And be thankful." - Colossians 3:15

How many times have the words, *Let faith be your guide*, lifted us up in our lives? Our faith in God and all that He does fills our soul and reminds us of the goodness within our spirit. When we listen with our hearts, we are renewed.

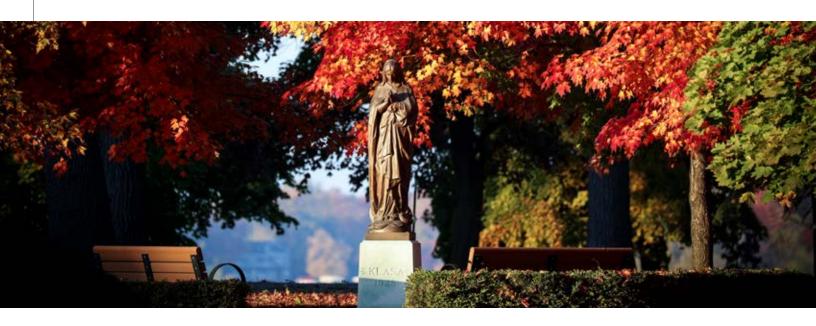
All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God. Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. - 2 Corinthians 4:15-16

Our Orchard Lake Schools community has been blessed with so much goodness filling the spirits of our campus community both near and far. We are all family, whether we have just passed through campus or participated in an online Mass, experienced a campus event, are a student or alumnus, an employee, volunteer, benefactor, donor, mentor, coach, clergy . . . or a Saint . . . this very special COMMUNITY gives thanks for the time, talents, and treasures that continue to grace us, lift us up, and sustain us in our faith, education, tradition, and culture for generations to come.

Come home to the Orchard Lake Schools this giving season. Participate in our holiday celebrations you can read more about in this issue. May the blessings of the season lift us up, fill our hearts, and bring us peace. Let us give thanks. We pray for you. Please pray for us

"I plead with you – never, ever give up hope, never doubt, never tire, and never become discouraged. Be not afraid." - St. John Paul II

The Orchard Lake Schools





At their October 25th, 2022, meeting, the Regents of the Orchard Lake Schools elected Andrew Harrington as the new Chairman of the Orchard Lake Schools Board of Regents. Mr. Harrington most recently served at Orchard Lake as Chairman of the Orchard Lake St. Mary's Preparatory Board of Trustees and has formerly served as Chair of the school's Investment Committee and Budget & Finance Committee.

Mr. Harrington was born in Lapeer, Michigan, and raised in neighboring Metamora by his parents, James, and Mary Ann, who are also supporters of the Orchard Lake Schools and have actively served the schools for several decades. Andrew is a graduate of St. Mary's Preparatory Class of 1987 and attended Purdue University where he studied Industrial Technology. After college, he served as OLSM's light and middleweight crew coach for several years, while he helped grow his family business, H & H Tool, in Lapeer, Michigan where he currently serves as President of the company. He resides in Bloomfield Hills with wife, Vicki, and their three children, son Nathan (Prep Class of 2020), daughter Katherine, and daughter Allison.

"I look forward to working with our board to continue the positive momentum we have achieved on campus at Saint Mary's Preparatory School, the Polish Institute of Culture & Research, and the formation of our new Saint John Paul II Liturgical Center," he said.

The Regents of the Orchard Lake Schools also elected Joseph Majcher as the new Vice Chairman of the Orchard Lake Schools Board of Regents. The St. Mary's Preparatory alumnus (Class of 1966) received his doctorate in Mechanical Engineering and his MBA from the University of Detroit Mercy, served in the U.S. Army (Captain), and retired from General Motors as an executive engineer after 37 years of service. The former mayor and current councilman of the City of Orchard Lake, and licensed Michigan residential builder has served as a Regent, former Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Polish Mission, and member of the Seminary Board of Trustees, among other committee positions. Mr. Majcher has also been very active in several major campus initiatives, including his most recent assistance with the Clarence & Lillian Constantakis Prep Building renovation project, the Burkacki Academic Center building project, and the Galeria project. Mr. Majcher lives in Orchard Lake Village with wife, Mary.

On behalf of the Orchard Lake Schools, we want to express overwhelming gratitude to Mr. Stephen M. Gross and Mr. Jeffery Stewart for their tireless leadership and dedication as Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Orchard Lake Schools Board of Regents for the past six years.

### **SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS**

# <u>Tuesday, November 1 & Wednesday, November 2, 2022</u> Mass Schedule (both dates):

11:30 am Mass • English • Seminary Chapel 4:00 pm Mass • Polish • Seminary Chapel 6:30 pm Rosary for All Souls • St. JPII Shrine 7:00 pm Mass • English • St. JPII Shrine

### IN MEMORIAM & PRAYERS FOR ALL SOULS

On the Feast of All Souls, and every day, we pray for our dearly departed. Those here are souls in the Orchard Lake Schools community who have passed into eternal rest in 2022.

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them."

#### Francis Bartos (P'59)

*May 17, 2022 ~ Age 80* Norton Shores, Michigan

#### Brian Buda (P'72)

*March 13*, 2022 ~ *Age 68* Livonia, Michigan

#### Edward Leonard Budzinski (P'47)

*June 21, 2022 - Age 93* Sandusky, Ohio

#### Delmer Flanz (P'60)

*May 9, 2022 ~ Age 79* 

Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

#### Kevin B. Galvin (Father of Michael, P'13)

February 15, 2022 ~ Age 58

Waterford, MI

#### Andrew Hailo (P'21; Brother of Ben P'23 and Luke P'26)

September 10, 2022 – Age 19 Commerce Township, Michigan

Saad Salem Hanna Halabo (Father of Simon Halabo,

P'23)

*March 18*, 2022 ~ *Age 53* Southfield, Michigan

#### Karolyn Yaldo Kassa

(Mother of Kyle Kassa P'14 & Andrew Kassa P'16)

*September 5, 2022 – Age 56*Commerce Township, Michigan

#### Edward D. Meyer (former president, St. Mary's College)

September 6, 2022 – Age 81 Highland Township, Michigan

#### Jeffrey Najor (P'01)

July 18, 2022 - Age 39 Southfield, Michigan

#### Daniel T. Nebus (P'54)

*June 1, 2022 - Age 85* Middletown, New York

#### Dave Ozog (Father of Anthony, P'22; Daniel, P'23)

February 13, 2022 ~ Age 61

Brownstown, MI

#### Martin Panik (P'65)

*March 13*, 2022 ~ *Age 74* Mingoville, Pennsylvania

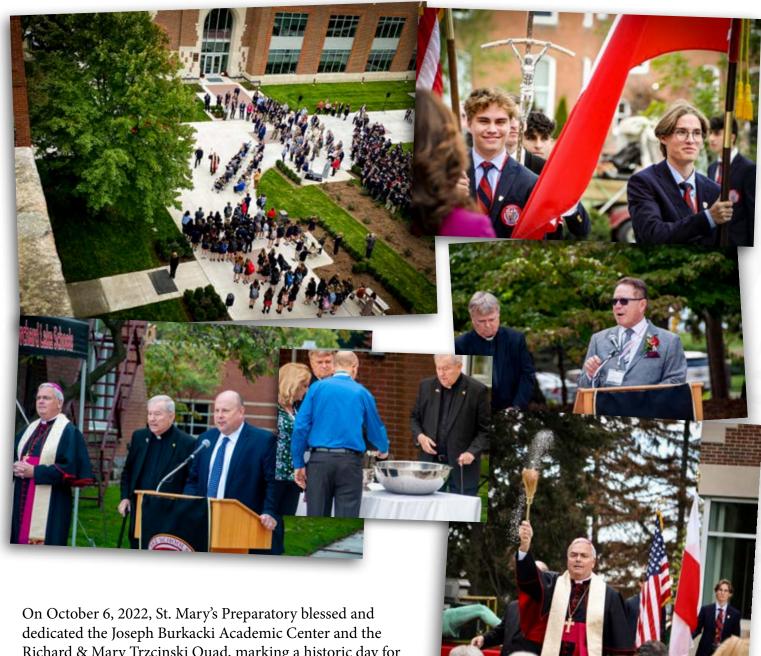
#### John Garfield Petitto (P'70)

*July 31*, 2022 - Age 69 Lake Orion, Michigan

To view previous years in the "In Memoriam" on our website, visit:

www.orchardlakeschools.com/in-memoriam

### **BLESSING & DEDICATION MARK HISTORIC DAY**



On October 6, 2022, St. Mary's Preparatory blessed and dedicated the Joseph Burkacki Academic Center and the Richard & Mary Trzcinski Quad, marking a historic day for the school and its students as provided by the Spirit of St. Mary's Capital Campaign. The campus improvements build on the rich tradition of Orchard Lake and represent the future of Catholic education at St. Mary's Preparatory for both our

Boys and Girls Divisions. The campaign has raised over \$12 million toward its \$15 million goal.

The Burkacki Academic Center added 22 new classrooms, numerous collaboration spaces and incredible views of Orchard Lake and the Richard & Mary Trzcinski Quad – the centerpiece of the academic campus that borders the Fr. Rakoczy Old Gym, the Clarence & Lillian Constantakis Prep Building that recently underwent a multi-million-dollar renovation, the Burkacki Academic Center, and our Priests Monument honoring all clergy who have served here on campus. Our historic quad dates to 1877 when the Academic Building of the Michigan Military Academy was constructed as "one of the most complete school buildings in the West."

Vocalist Aaron Caruso's breathtaking performance of Ave Maria captivated special guests gathered on the Burkacki Academic Center patio immediately following the Dedication and Blessing. Caruso is recognized internationally and specializes in Italian music, arias, and Neapolitan song. He's performed on Broadway, to sell out audiences at Carnegie Hall, and once opened for comedienne Joan Rivers.





The blessing and dedication merged Polish culture, Catholic education, and the St. Mary's tradition . . . God. Family. St. Mary's.

Special guests, including Mark and Barb Sholy, Richard Trzcinski and family members, and students, faculty, and staff gathered to celebrate and honor the Prep legacy.





Headmaster Bob Pyles, Vice Chancellor and COO Todd Covert, and members of the OLSM Student Council reflected in prayer, a blessing, and reflections of the special day honoring the future of Catholic education within our campus community. Enrollment and demand for a St. Mary's education is growing.

# ZAPRASZAMY

You are invited to join us for Polish 1st Sunday!

A special Mass at the Orchard Lake Schools to pray for Polonia

# Sunday, November 6 • 1:00 PM

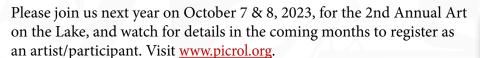
- The Mass will be a special celebration of prayer for Polonia.
- Polish Dinner following Mass in Campus Dining Hall.
- Please RSVP for Dinner by calling (248) 392-9279 or email info@liturgicalcenter.org

at the Shrine of St. John Paul II, celebrated by Fr. Bernard Witek

### A HEARTFUL THANK YOU!

On behalf of the Polish Institute of Culture & Research at Orchard Lake, we want to extend a heartful of thank you's to all the artisans, attendees, and absolutely everyone else who helped make Art on the Lake during October's Polish Heritage Month such a successful first year event! Thirty vendors, four musical acts, food vendors and artists from all over the greater metro Detroit area came together to offer something for everyone, including face, pumpkin, and plein air painting, caricatures, and welcoming sidewalk art.

A huge thank you to Ms. Saldaña and the OLSM Art Department - they not only volunteered during the twoday event but displayed artwork, curated a children's events tent, and assisted artisans and attendees. We are immensely grateful to all of our volunteers and supporters. Local artist Leanna Haun provided step-by-step instruction in fall foliage painting. OLSM freshman ALYSSA SPENCER took first place in a campus-wide art contest, as voted on by her peers. She is the first winner of the Art on the Lake poster competition.





# thank you to all of our partners! WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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#### MUSICIANS:

- . SEAN BLACKMAN'S IN TRANSIT TRIO: SEAN BLACKMAN, JAMES SIMONSON, RICK BEAMON
- . HUNTER MATTHEWS
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- . IAN FINKELSTEIN
- ERIN ZUCHNIEWICZ

#### FOOD VENDORS:

- . FIRE UP GRILL FOOD TRUCK
- . HALINA'S CATERING
- PRINCESS MEDITERRANEAN GRILL
- . ST. MARY'S CAMPUS DINING
- TOWN TO TOWN GOURMET

Congratulations to alyssa spencer, winner of 1st art on the lake poster contest!

MANY THANKS TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS!

# REFLECTIONS: SPECIAL MOMENTS AT MONUMENT DEDICATION

The Polish Institute of Culture & Research and the Orchard Lake Schools community formally gathered on Sunday, October 2 to dedicate a monument to General Józef Haller, a Polish general who led an army of volunteers made up of Polish Americans, many from the Detroit area, which fought in World War I and in Poland's wars of independence from 1918-1921. General Haller had close ties to the Orchard Lake Schools and visited the campus several times. The monument was donated to the campus by the Institute of National Remembrance in Poland. Dr. Paweł Zyzak, Consul





General of the Republic of Poland in Chicago, was the keynote speaker at the event.

The Most Rev. Robert Fisher, Auxiliary Bishop of Detroit, and Fr. Bernard Witek, SDS, blessed the monument. Honorary Consul of Poland in Detroit Richard Walawender and Orchard Lake Schools Regent Joseph Majcher also spoke on the importance of General Haller and his significance to the Orchard Lake community.

Dr. Radzilowski was recently interviewed on Ave Maria Radio's Epiphany with host Vanessa Denha Garmo about the Dedication. Check



out the archived recording at: <a href="https://avemariaradio.net/epiphany-october-9-2022/">avemariaradio.net/epiphany-october-9-2022/</a>

## WELCOME, ALICJA KARLIC!



The Polish Institute of Culture & Research at Orchard Lake welcomes Dr. Alicja Karlic to its organization. Recently, the Polish Institute acquired ownership of *Tygodnik Polski/The Polish Weekly* from Karlic, who will create and continue the enterprise in the form of a new electronic medium – the Polish Media Center - and serve as Editor-in-Chief. "I came to the Orchard Lake Schools with the idea of establishing a Polish Media Center, largely based on the publishing traditions of the oldest ethnic (Polish) newspaper in Michigan, the *Polish Daily News*, first published in March of 1904," said Karlic. "Despite the change of title and owner, I have served as publisher and editor-in-chief of the only Polish-bilingual magazine in Michigan for the last 18 years."

Karlic was born in Poland. She has 14 years of experience as a university professor and researcher. She was employed as full-time assistant and associate professor at the Wroclaw University of Science and Technology in Poland. In 1980, she earned

her Ph.D. in Philosophy. Her career transitioned when she came to the United States in 1988 and pursued freelance journalism and teaching Polish and religion.

In 2004, Karlic became publisher and editor-in-chief of the *Polish Weekly/Tygodnik Polski* newspaper and the *Profile* cultural magazine, building her extensive hands-on publishing, editing, managing, and marketing of the bilingual newspaper solely focused on the promotion of Polish culture, history, heritage, art, and patriotic values. The "Outstanding Pole in the USA 2018 - Chicago Edition" honoree further cultivated her knowledge of Polonia's organizations, leaders and members, and everyday life's issues, needs, and expectations thanks to her extensive knowledge of Polish and American history, culture, tradition, and political systems.

The notable author of many publications, scientific papers and magazine articles is also the mother of two successful daughters, and the wife of Paweł Karlic, a former professor at Wayne State University and a director at American Axle Manufacturing. For more good work from Dr. Alicja Karlic, visit the Polish Institute of Culture & Research at <a href="https://picrol.org">https://picrol.org</a>.



## **PREP NEWS**

### **BLESSING AFTER ST. HYACINTH SETBACK**

When St. Mary's learned that St. Hyacinth was robbed of donations for their largest fundraiser, students jumped into action and raised \$3,200 in a dress-down day effort to support our fellow parish with Polish roots. Mr. Covert, Dr. John Radzilowski, and three members of the student council traveled to St. Hyacinth to deliver the donation.

## PICTURE PERFECT FALL DAY FOR OLSM OPEN HOUSE







# CONGRATULATIONS, CHSL ATHLETES, ON YOUR

**AWARDS** 

SOCCER • <u>All-Catholic</u>: Nicholas Nutting, Brett Wojkowski, Cole Plagens; <u>All-League</u>: Sam Karrick, Rhys Golden, Alessio Camilleri;

All-Academic: SEAN KINANE

FOOTBALL • <u>All-Catholic</u>: Skyler Bonner, Ryan Mooney, Zane Nessen, Cole Olsztyn, Darrell Rounds; <u>All-League</u>: Duke Coats, Cam'Ron Everette, Anthoni Kiafoulis, Brayden Ledin, Charles White; All-Academic: Victor Giller

OLSM defeated Brother Rice to bring this rivalry trophy home to the Eaglets! The trophy that keeps record of OLSM vs. Brother Rice rival games was created in 1997. It's been three years since we held it, but it's back!



# GIRLS DIVISION WINS CHSL CHAMPIONSHIP IN JUST THIRD YEAR!

A huge shout out to the history-making Girls Division varsity volleyball team that won the CHSL Championship on Tuesday, October 25, defeating Regina High School at University Liggett after five sets and over two hours of play! All this in just three short years of the Girls Division at St. Mary's!





We received a very generous donation the night of the event. If anyone is interested in doing so, please contact Chris Czarnik at <a href="mailto:czarnik@orchardlakeschools.com">czarnik@orchardlakeschools.com</a> or (248) 392-9267.

### Do you know about the 1885 Club for Alumni?

Check out this link for more information:

https://16620.thankyou4caring.org/pages/1885-club-donation-page



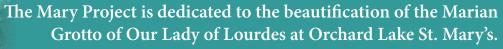
Updating our database is a tedious task. Please be sure to let us know if you have moved, changed an email, or have a new phone number so we can stay in touch with you. Upon commencement, the graduates share their phone numbers and emails with the Orchard Lake Schools. We understand many change. If you would, please email <a href="mailto:lgray@orchardlakeschools.com">lgray@orchardlakeschools.com</a> with any updates to alumni contact information. This enables us to keep sharing relevant campus news and information with you.

### **Upcoming Event Highlights**

NOVEMBER 2022

- 1 All Saints Day
- 2 All Souls Day
- 3 "We Served with the Americans" Film screening and Conversation with Filmmaker @ 5:00 PM
- 6 Polish 1st Sunday
- 11 Poland's National Independence Day (Narodowe Święto Niepodległości)
  Veterans Day
- **20** Tree Lighting
- 23-27 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)
  - 23 Boys Varsity Hockey vs. Brighton @ 7:30 PM
  - 24 Happy Thanksgiving
- **25-26** Boys Varsity Hockey Tournament @ TBD
  - 28 Classes Resume
- 29-30 Boys Varsity Hockey CHSL Tournament @ TBD

"We never give more honor to Jesus than when we honor his Mother." - St. Louis DeMontfort



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# "WE SERVED WITH THE AMERICANS": POLES IN THE AMERICAN ARMED FORCES

A Conversation with Filmmaker Monika Mazanek-Wilczyńska

Sponsored by the Polish Institute of Culture & Research at Orchard Lake

# November 5, 2022, 5 p.m. The Galeria, Orchard Lake Schools

"We Served with the Americans"/ "Służyliśmy u Amerykanów" is an award-winning documentary that shines a light on the forgotten story of Poles who served in the American armed forces during the Cold War. The film focuses on Franciszek Nowak, who, after escaping from Poland, in the 1980s, found employment in the American Army in Germany and had the opportunity to meet Poles working in the Guard and Technical units of the American Army.

(Labor Service units).

Following a film screening in Polish with English subtitles, filmmaker Monika Mazanek-Wilczyńska will join us for a conversation about the film and her documentary journalism moderated by Dr. Alicja Karlic, editor of the Polish Media Center at the Polish Institute for Culture & Research and editor of the Polish Weekly. A reception will follow the event.



Looking for impactful campus dedication/ naming opportunities that leave a lasting campus impression for generations to enjoy?



#### **NOVEMBER 2022**

MASS SCHEDULE \*

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 • ALL SAINTS DAY

- > 11:00 AM FR. WITEK ENGLISH SEMINARY CHAPEL
- ➤ 4:00 PM FR. WITEK POLISH\* SEMINARY CHAPEL
- > 7:00 PM FR. BANAZAK ENGLISH ST. IPII SHRINE

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 • ALL SOULS DAY

- ➤ 11:00 AM FR. WITEK ENGLISH SEMINARY CHAPEL
- > 4:00 PM FR. WITEK POLISH\* SEMINARY CHAPEL
- > 7:00 PM FR. WITEK ENGLISH ST. JPII SHRINE

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

➤ 9:00 AM FR. WITEK • ENGLISH • ST. JPII SHRINE • MASS FOR PEACE

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- ➤ 9:00 AM FR. WITEK POLISH\* SEMINARY CHAPEL
- > 9:00 AM FR. McDonell LATIN ST. IPII SHRINE
- > 11:00 AM FR. BANAZAK ENGLISH ST. JPII SHRINE
- ➤ 1:00 PM FR. WITEK POLISH\* ST. JPII SHRINE POLISH 1st SUNDAY

#### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

- > 9:00 AM FR. WITEK POLISH\* SEMINARY CHAPEL
- > 9:00 AM MSGR. BROWNE LATIN ST. IPII SHRINE
- > 11:00 AM FR. BANAZAK ENGLISH ST. JPII SHRINE

#### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

- > 9:00 AM FR. WITEK POLISH\* SEMINARY CHAPEL
- ➤ 9:00 AM FR. McDonell LATIN ST. JPII SHRINE
- > 11:00 AM FR. BANAZAK ENGLISH ST. IPII SHRINE

#### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

- ➤ 9:00 AM FR. WITEK POLISH\* SEMINARY CHAPEL
- ➤ 9:00 AM MSGR. BROWNE LATIN ST. JPII SHRINE
- > 11:00 AM FR. BANAZAK ENGLISH ST. JPII SHRINE

\* Feed for the Live stream of the Polish Masses is below: https://www.facebook.com/olsnews

When you can't be with us for Mass, watch our 9:00 AM Polish Mass via Facebook live stream or on our YouTube Channel, or listen to Polish Varieties Radio at 9:00 AM on WNZK 680/690 AM Detroit.

#### MONTHLY ENROLLMENTS

Throughout the year, donors to the Orchard Lake Schools enroll their loved ones in the "Friends of the Orchard Lake Schools" Enrollment. These names are those that have been added from the month of September. Prayers are offered at every mass at the Archdiocesan Shrine of St. John Paul II for those names enrolled.

For more information on this opportunity, please contact Lisa Gray at Igray@orchardlakeschools.com

GERARD JAMES ANDREE
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