ORCHARD LAKE SCHOOLS

CAMPUS COMMUNICATOR

St. John Paul II Liturgical Center 🤏 St. Mary's Preparatory 🛂 Polish Institute of Culture & Research



"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace:" ~ 1 Peter 4:10



Students, faculty & staff returned to campus the week of August 19-23, 2024, for the start of our 140th year. Our campus history is rich in faith, education, culture and tradition! Walk with us this year in the footsteps of our campus community.

OLS UPDATE



At the April 20, 2024, Ambassadors Ball at the Townsend Hotel, Christine Burkheiser (daughter of Lud Koci, Orchard Lake Schools Board of Regents) was a silent auction winning bidder of the wine tasting and surf & turf dinner event on campus for up to eight guests. Her group gathered on the Burkacki Academic Center Veranda on Tuesday, August 20th for a fabulous al fresco dining experience overlooking the sunset on Orchard Lake!

The Annual Moms & Dads Club Auction is an incredible fundraiser for the Prep! Last February, one incredible group bid on and won a wine tasting and surf & turf dinner to be hosted on the Burkacki Academic Center Veranda. This amazing event took place on Wednesday, August 21st, and the eight guests enjoyed a perfect summer evening while witnessing the breaktaking sunset views. Mark your calendar for Saturday, February 1, 2025, for the next Moms and Dads Club Auction Gala to be held at Suburban Showplace in Novi, Michigan.





We're excited to share that the Board of Regents approved the "Ever Forward" Strategic Plan earlier this summer! Many thanks to committee members and the countless other parents, alumni, students, faculty, staff, benefactors, and community members who all had input into this. This is a clear sign that the Orchard Lake Schools is moving forward – Ever Forward! Special thanks to the Richard & Mary Trzcinski Foundation for funding this important endeavor.

This strategic plan charts a path forward for the OLS and its three major operational divisions. That path goes in the direction Fr. Dąbrowski envisioned – it leads toward OLS providing the best possible organizational structures and activities to enable the spiritual formation and educational growth of the people OLS serves.



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

THE SCHOOL YEAR HAS COMMENCED!

What an exciting time for us as Academic Year 2024-25 officially began in prayer with a Liturgy for our faculty and staff on The Holy Day of Obligation (The Feast of The Solemnity of The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary) Thursday, August 15, 2024. We thank Father Tom Belczak for serving as the main Celebrant of this Mass. New Student Orientation was conducted on Monday, August 19 – and the first classes followed on August 20 and 21. We welcome the largest enrollment in our history – and as one of our veteran administrators likes to say: "We are big enough to compete – and small enough to care …" An average classroom size of 18.1 students allows us to maintain our tradition of individual attention in the academic arena.

As we embark on this new year, let it be known that our Faith will lead us – and Our Lord will guide us. We are excited to work under the leadership of Chancellor Emeritus and Spiritual Advisor Father Tim Whalen's Model for OLSM re: The 4 Pillars of Saint John Paul II's Catholic Formation; our Campus Ministry Team of Mrs. Hannah Kenrick (Girls Division) and Mr. Peter Richer (Boys Division); our expanded Retreats; and the offering of our first-ever Honors Theology and Advanced Liturgy Courses in both Divisions.

In addition, all new 9th Grade Freshmen – Boys and Girls alike – will be enrolled in a 9-week Polish Heritage and Culture Course that includes a segment of OLSM History and Traditions taught by our Prep alumnus, Mr. Mark Carroll.

We are also pleased to announce a strengthened Campus Safety Program, some modest expansion of athletic locker room space, new hires in teaching, administration, support staff and athletics – and a bolstered program for our Boarding Students under the leadership of Mr. James Gonzales and Mr. Mike Furlong to improve the residential experience of our young men at Kolbe Hall.

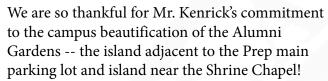
As we are called to be stewards of the vocation Founder Father Dabrowski had the vision and courage to undertake nearly a century-and-a-half ago, I ask that you please continue to pray for the success of our beloved institution as we work together to implement our "EVER FORWARD" Prep Strategic Initiatives and pledge our very best to make our school its very best.

Yours in Education, Mr. Len Karschnia OLSM Headmaster

KICKING OFF THE SCHOOL YEAR

The Moms and Dads Club has been working all summer on planning for another great year. Here are some highlights so far and things coming up.

CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION



The plantings are attracting butterflies and blooming with summer color and beauty.

plan to keep other areas of campus looking great.

Prep parents Shannon Fesquez and
Karen Ingoglia presented a vision to the Moms & Dads Club Board and
worked with Doug Fackler of the campus maintenance team to develop a

The first major initiative was to pull out less weeds. They proposed pulling out all the bushes along the arena wall and ice arena north end parking lot.

In April, along with a lot of volunteers and Fackler and his crew, they planted grass seed. It already looks better. That area had lots of older bushes that worked as a catch all and we always found trash and leaves in them. The Corcoran family donated equipment to help get the tough job done quickly. In August, the goal was to beautify the Dining Hall for our students, staff and families to enjoy. This Phase 3 initiative will continue along the south side of the Dining Hall soon. We're so grateful for such amazing volunteers and support from the Prep.



CELEBRATING SENIORS AT WELCOME BACK BBQ

The Class of 2025 kicked off the school year with a student/parent BBQ hosted by Senior Class Representatives Stacey and Frank Klingbeil (Boys Division) and Kelly and Brian Sosnowski (Girls Division). Seniors from both divisions and their parents played games and enjoyed food and drinks to celebrate the year they have ahead. What a way to celebrate senior "firsts" while honoring their last year at the Prep. Special thanks to the Class Reps and other parent volunteers!

Welcome, Class of 2028!

On Monday, August 19th the Class of 2028 had orientation and met their new classmates. After student drop off, parents had the opportunity to get to know each other and ask questions at a Welcome Breakfast hosted by the Moms and Dads Club.



DON BUCHANAN APPOINTED GIRLS DIVISION ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

The administration at Orchard Lake St. Mary's Prep has appointed Don Buchanan as Girls Division Athletic Director for the 2024-25 academic year. Coach Buchanan is no stranger to OLSM, having served as assistant coach in Varsity Football for more than 30 years and more recently as Phys Ed/Health Instructor and Alumni Relations Officer for St. Mary's Prep, as well.

Mr. Buchanan's professional and educational career includes experience as administrator and Athletic Director in the Fenton and Imlay City Public School districts, respectively. We are pleased to have Don Buchanan continue his dedication to St. Mary's in this new role for the coming school year.



Check out more about Don Buchanan at www.orchardlakeschools.com/alumni-relations



WELCOME, COACH WINIARSKI

Orchard Lake St. Mary's Prep is proud to announce Allison (Allie) Winiarski as Head Coach of the Eaglets Volleyball program. Coach Allie comes to St. Mary's from Lake Orion High School where she has spent the last six seasons as Freshman Head Coach and Varsity Assistant Coach. In addition to her time in the Lake Orion gymnasiums, Coach Winiarski is also a Club Coordinator and National Coach for the High Performance Volleyball academy in Waterford. Please join us in welcoming Coach Allie Winiarski to our St. Mary's Athletics

Staff. We are very excited to have her lead our Eaglet student-athletes.

HELLO, LITTLE EAGLET!

The Weaver family is now a family of three! We couldn't be more in love with Skyler Rein Weaver, born on 8/7/24 at 12:29 PM, weighing in at 6 lbs, 6.07oz. We can't wait to see what God has in store for our little angel. Thank you for all the love and support you have shown us throughout this journey.

God Bless,

REINIE & AUSTIN (PREP ENGLISH TEACHER) WEAVER





ATHLETIC ADMISSION PRICE CHANGE!

Admission for all home athletic events is \$8 whether you pay cash or with a credit card.

OLSM STUDENTS & FAMILIES, ALUMNI & ALUMNI PARENTS:

Join us in celebrating an OLSM tradition!

HOMECOMING WEEKEND

BBQ & Corn Roast TAILGATE

BEFORE THE GAME

2nd Annual Homecoming Chili Ookoffi

Campus groups compete to see who can cook up the tastiest tailgating chili!

Bring your family!

Don't miss the opportunity for your children or grandchildren to stand with the Eaglets on the red turf during pregame festivities!

Fri, Sept 20th • 4-7:00 PM

ST. MARY'S ALUMNI, FAMILY & FRIENDS



Play 18 holes on one of Michigan's premier championship golf courses!



7000 Oakhurst Lane • Clarkston

To register: scan QR code or visit www.orchardlakeschools.com/ homecoming-2024

- Free range time prior to the shotgun start
- · Hamburgers, hotdogs, chips & soft drink lunch
- · Heavy appetizers following the event
- · Giveaways, prizes for closest to the pin, longest drive & more!

Proceeds benefit the Alumni Scholarship Fund.

For info & reservations, please contact Don Buchanan (248) 639-9699 • dbuchanan@orchardlakeschools.com



PER GOLFER

MONDAY, SEPT 23rd



💉 ST. JOHN PAUL II LITURGICAL CENTER UPDATE

On September 23rd, we celebrate the memorial of St. Pius of Pietrelcina, known in Italian as Padre Pio. St. John Paul II not only beatified (in 1999) and canonized him (in 2002), but he also met with him personally. It was in 1947, when as a newly ordained priest, Fr. Karol Wojtyła went to San Giovanni Rotondo wanting to see Padre Pio and participate in his Mass and, if possible, to go to confession with him. All was granted to him. In 1962, Bishop Wojtyła, having a strong conviction that Padre Pio's prayer had a special power before God, decided to write to him with a request for help and prayers: "Venerable Father, I ask you to pray for a forty year old mother of four daughters who lives in Krakow, Poland. During the last war she was in the concentration camps in Germany for five years and is now in grave danger of health, even life, because of cancer. Pray that God, with the intervention of the Blessed Virgin, will show mercy to her and her family." He never received a reply from Padre Pio, but after a few days Wanda Półtawska was miraculously healed and so he wrote again to Padre Pio expressing his gratitude: "Reverend Father, the woman from Krakow was instantly healed on November 21 before the surgical intervention. I give thanks to God. I also thank you." No wonder why St. John Paul II was a strong advocate of St. Pio. During his homily on Padre Pio's canonization, he said the following:

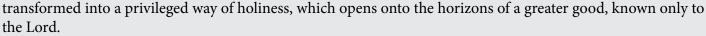
> Fr. Bernard Witek Director, St. John Paul II Liturgical Center

IN THE WORDS OF ST. JOHN PAUL II:

"For my yoke is easy and my burden light" (Mt 11:30)

Jesus' words to his disciples, which we just heard, help us to understand the most important message of this solemn celebration. Indeed, in a certain sense, we can consider them as a magnificent summary of the whole life of Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, today proclaimed a saint.

The evangelical image of the "yoke" recalls the many trials that the humble Capuchin of San Giovanni Rotondo had to face. Today we contemplate in him how gentle the "yoke" of Christ is, and how truly light is his burden when it is borne with faithful love. The life and mission of Padre Pio prove that difficulties and sorrows, if accepted out of love, are





Is it not, precisely, the "glory of the Cross" that shines above all in Padre Pio? How timely is the spirituality of the Cross lived by the humble Capuchin of Pietrelcina. Our time needs to rediscover the value of the Cross in order to open the heart to hope. Throughout his life, he always sought greater conformity with the Crucified, since he was very conscious of having been called to collaborate in a special way in the work of redemption. His holiness cannot be understood without this constant reference to the Cross . . .

"I am the Lord who acts with mercy" (Jer 9:23).

Padre Pio was a generous dispenser of divine mercy, making himself available to all by welcoming them, by spiritual direction and, especially, by the administration of the sacrament of Penance. I also had the privilege, during my young years, of benefiting from his availability for penitents. The ministry of the confessional, which is one of the distinctive traits of his apostolate, attracted great crowds of the faithful to the monastery of San Giovanni Rotondo. Even when that unusual confessor treated pilgrims with apparent severity, the latter, becoming conscious of the gravity of sins and sincerely repentant, almost always came back for the peaceful embrace of sacramental forgiveness. May his example encourage priests to carry out with joy and zeal this ministry which is so important today....



HONORING OUR POLISH ARMED FORCES

We commemorated Polish Soldier's Day (Dzień Żołnierza Polskiego) on Sunday, August 18, with Holy Mass at the Archdiocesan Shrine of St. John Paul II. Thank you to all the groups and individuals who participated in this beautiful Mass honoring our Armed Forces and for our fallen. Honor their memory – Cześć ich pamięci!

The Polish American Congress-MI (PAC-MI) would like to acknowledge those who participated in almost every facet of the commemoration, including Rev. Fr.
Bernard Witek who celebrated this beautiful Holy Mass,
Jerzy Różalski - Veterans, Ann Bańkowska - Polish Scouting,
Barbara Lemecha and Donna Bielecki – Chapel/General Haller monument/Dining Hall decorating, and Zdzisław Forys - cantor and Filaret Choir.

Thanks also to Grażyna Gałecka for the generous donation of hydrangeas and other flowers from her garden which decorated the Chapel, the monument, and the dining room. Thanks to Christopher Din for serving at Mass and for helping carry some of the heavier decorations.

ZEFOWI HALLEROW

(Photo credit: Stephen Satkiewicz & Barbara Lemecha)



POLISH INSTITUTE UPDATE

PICR HOSTS POLISH CONSULAR VISIT



On August 2-3, 2024, the Polish Institute of Culture & Research was honored to host members of the Polish Consulate from

Chicago as well as Polonia. The regularly scheduled Consular visit took place in the newly renovated Galeria, where guests enjoyed exquisite artwork and refreshments amidst the natural beauty of our campus on a magnificent August weekend. Many thanks to the Polish Vice Consul and team for a well-organized and productive visit.

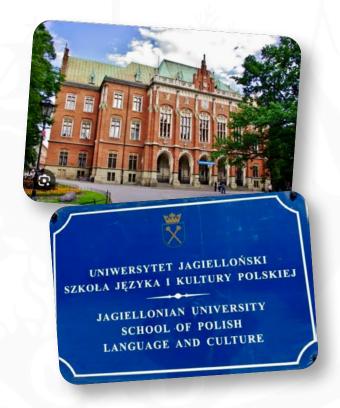


STUDENT FEATURE: OLSM SENIOR STUDIES AT JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY IN KRAKOW, POLAND

This summer, senior Sienna Smith participated in the Polish Language and Culture Studies Summer Program at Jagiellonian University in Kraków, Poland. Sienna also studies Polish Language and History with Mrs. Wloch at OLSM. We are proud of her dedication to Polish culture and her valued contributions as a volunteer at the Polish Institute and around campus. Below are excerpts from her journal about the trip. If anyone would like more information about the program, please email us at info@picrol.org.

Sienna's Daily Journal: Poland Trip July 2024 7/15/24

Today was my first day of class at the Jagiellonian University in Kraków, Poland. I woke up and headed to the local coffee shop that is across from the apartment I am staying in. I got traditional "Krakowskie małdrzyki", or cottage cheese pancakes. After eating, I started walking to the university, here everyone walks. I arrived at the school and found my "sala" (classroom) number and walked in. There are different levels within the program, A1-C1. I am in B1. My class was made up of 10 other students from around the world. 4 students from America, including me. A boy from Boston, a girl from Virginia, and another girl from Chicago. There are 2 boys from England, one boy from Puerto Rico, and another 2 from Italy. This surprised me that so many different cultures would be present. I have already made 2 friends. Darya, who is from Chicago. Her mom





is Polish, and she has been speaking Polish language since she was little. My other friend, Victoria, is from Virginia. Most of her family is from Poland. She traveled here from Japan where she was taking a class in Tokyo! My teacher is also very nice. His name is Mikołaj and he is super fun and energetic. The lesson I learned today is that the interest and diversity of Polish culture is much more widespread than I imagined. I cannot wait to see how much I will learn throughout my time here.

* Stay tuned for more of Sienna's journey at the Jagiellonian University and in Poland!

LEGACY DONATION FROM THE RZEPKA FAMILY

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Jerry and Colleen Rzepka for their generous donation of Polish art to the Polish Institute of Culture & Research at the Orchard Lake Schools. Their contribution includes a painting by Wlastimil Hofmann and a sketch by Leon Wyczółkowski—precious works that enrich our collection.

These pieces were once owned by Fr. Joseph Swastek, Mr. Rzepka's

uncle. Fondly known as "Fr. Joe," he was a beloved history teacher and spiritual director at St. Mary's College and St. Mary's Prep, serving from 1940 until his passing in 1977. Fr. Joe was instrumental in establishing the archival and historical collections at Orchard Lake Schools and was among the first academic historians to study Polish immigration in the United States.

We are deeply thankful to Mr. and Mrs. Rzepka for their donation and for sharing their cherished memories of Fr. Joe. Special thanks are also due to Ania Bieciuk, Associate Director of the PICR, for her invaluable assistance in facilitating this meaningful gift.



UNIQUE PARTNERSHIP WITH PICR AND METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF DESIGN DETROIT

Earlier this year, the Polish Institute for Culture & Research (PICR) and Friends of Polish Art joined forces and partnered with the Metropolitan Museum of Design Detroit (MM-o-DD) for the upcoming seventh edition of the International Design Exhibition & Marketplace exhibit. In addition to Poland, the 2024 exhibit will also feature Finland and Italy, and will open on November 8, 2024, at MM-o-DD, located at 905 Henry St. 3rd Floor, Detroit, MI 48207.

If you are interested in being included in the Polish American artist registry and possibly becoming a part of the MM-o-DD exhibit in November, please contact Alina Klin (ad7484@wayne.edu) or Elijah Majeski (emajeski@picrol.org) and they will provide you with details. PICR and FPA would also appreciate your help with spreading the news about this initiative.

GALERIA GRAND OPENING

POLISH INSTITUTE OF CULTURE & RESEARCH

SACRED IMAGES, HOLY SPACES: ART & FAITH IN POLAND AND ITALY



Saturday, October 19, 2024 | 4 PM

GALERIA, POLISH INSTITUTE OF CULTURE & RESEARCH AT ORCHARD LAKE

3535 COMMERCE ROAD • ORCHARD LAKE, MI





After many years of thoughtful footsteps, the pathways of the Marian Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at Orchard Lake St. Mary's have given way to age and are in need of repair. The Mary Project needs your help to sustain this prayerful space.

We are soliciting your support to repave the walkways and paths, starting with the walkway from the Grotto towards the lake. It will be paved with custom bricks to make it much more attractive and durable than poured concrete, and we are asking that you donate one or more of the bricks.

You may individualize a brick for you, or your family, honor a loved one or create an in-memoriam message. The donated bricks will become a part of the Grotto, paving the way for generations of visitors. As a friend of the Grotto and Orchard Lake Schools, please take advantage of this exceptional opportunity to have your commemorative brick(s) become a permanent part of this prayerful space.

Construction of Phase 1 will begin in early November. Sales for Phase 2 (continuing towards the lake) began October 1, 2023. There is plenty of space for additional commemorative bricks. Bricks purchased for Phase 2 are \$150 each and will be installed in November 2024.

The bricks are 4" x 8" x 2 1/4" and are engraved using state-of-the-art laser technology. Every brick engraving is guaranteed for life!

All donations are tax deductible. EIN: 82-5453994

ALL ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

PLEASE PROOF READ CAREFULLY! \$20.00 FOR CHANGES MADE AFTER ORDER IS PLACED.

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The Mary Project 3535 Commerce Road Orchard Lake, MI 48324

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If you have any questions, please contact: Maureen Gross themaryproject@myyahoo.com

TAWNYA TOWNSEND BENDER (S'77)

In the early 1970s, St. Mary's College transitioned from a seminary prep path to a liberal arts college where approximately 70 male and female students attended. Dorm facilities were open to male students.

In 1973, while Tawnya Townsend was a senior at Novi High School, she was offered a scholarship to attend St. Mary's College (SMC) and become part of the new liberal arts female residency program. "My placement advisor said SMC was offering scholarships because it was evolving to a liberal arts college and expanding its enrollment. I applied for it, received the acceptance offer, and I thought, it's only 20 minutes from home!" said Townsend.

But after this first small group of women came to campus, something changed for her. "I contemplated commuting, but after my first week of orientation, I knew I had to live on campus so I wouldn't miss out on all the activities and friendships," she added. Under the supervision of Sr. Reynelda, a Felician Sister, this group of four women was assigned to oncampus housing in the Victorian home at the end of Seminary Road.



Townsend discovered so many opportunities opening to her as a student of the College. "There were a lot of firsts that year. I helped create a female presence here on campus. The guys showed us a lot of respect and

kindness. The summer after my freshman year, I got a job as the secretary to the secretary of the secretary general and worked in the Administration Building. I earned free room and board for the summer months."

Miss Tavnya Kent Townsend
2k339 Pine Crest
Novi, Michigan 48050

Dear Tavnya,

I am pleased to tell you that your request for admission to Saint Mary's College has been approved by the Committee on Admissions for the 1973-74 school year.

Information regarding registration, laundry service, etc., is enclosed.

If you have any questions, please feel free to come into the office and I will be happy to answer them for you.

Best vishes, congratulations, and velcome ... to the Saint Mary's College Class of 1977:

Sincerely,

Lavrence E. Olek
Director of Admissions

When more women were admitted the following year, SMC moved female student housing to dorm style rooms that used to be the barracks of the old Michigan Military Academy prior to becoming an integral part of the Orchard Lake



Schools. That same year, Townsend converted to Catholicism. She treasured her campus life, joining the drama club (SCARGA), producing a Sunday morning radio show on WRIF/WXYZ with the Archdiocese of Detroit call Merry-Go-Round, learning polka dancing, and becoming a part of the Dance club. "I fell in love with Orchard Lake and ended up being the first female SMC liberal arts student to graduate – the Class of 1977," said Townsend.



Tawnya Townsend's first job after graduation was at WRIF Radio working part-time on the weekends until she was offered a full-time position, produced public service announcements, became Music Director, and eventually married Tom Bender, WRIF Program Director. They moved to Texas, started a family, and returned to Detroit. Tawnya Townsend Bender continued to work in metro Detroit in numerous



roles, including in the Archdiocese of Detroit's Communications Office, Catholic Social Services, and freelance graphic design. She shared this story at the recent St. Mary's College Reunion here on campus on July 13.



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

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ZAPRASZAMY

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

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

Sunday, October 6th • 1:00 PM

- There will be a Polish Dinner after the Mass in the Dining Hall.
- Please RSVP to the dinner by Wednesday, October 2nd.
- For more information, call (248) 602-7579 or bernardwitek@yahoo.com.



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



FIELD-SIDE FOOD, FUN & FESTIVITIES FOR ALUMNI!



"FOOTBALL FRIDAYS" **ALUMNITENT**

Join your fellow Eaglet alumni in the designated field-side tent for pregame food as well as the perfect seat to watch the BIG GAME!



Sept. 6th • OLSM vs. St. John Jesuit • FUTURE EAGLET NIGHT

Sept. 13th • OLSM vs. Warren De La Salle

Sept. 20th • OLSM vs. Catholic Central • HOMECOMING

Oct. 4th • OLSM vs. Detroit Country Day • SENIOR NIGHT

Contact Alumni Relations Officer Robert Mazur at (248) 830-9711 or rmazur@orchardlakeschools.com

On Homecoming night, a special Football Fridays will start at the BBQ & Corn Roast Talgate

BBQ & Corn Roasi

area outside the Dining Hall. Come pregame with your fellow alums and enjoy the big Chili Cookoff, Corn Roast, BBQ and more at this HOCO pregame tailgate tradition!

COME SEE US BEFORE THE GAME, WE'RE FAMILY!



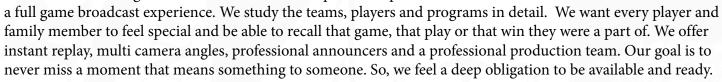
TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY • 6:15 PM SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24th 4:00-8:00 PM • OLSM CAMPUS QUAD

CHAD BUSH (P'94)

When Chad Bush, Prep Class of 1994, was a senior, he had career aspirations of being a sportswriter or reporter for a newspaper. "I was also intrigued and open to the idea of working in sales," said Bush.

When did the former OLSM Alumni Association Board member turn his dreams of sports coverage into reality? "I've had thoughts for decades on how to help add live full game coverage of High School sports in metro Detroit. After the Covid incident in 2021, the state limited the number of fans that could attend a high school contest in person. I figured, this is my chance to explore the possibility of this working. So, we tried it in February 2021 (OLSM vs. Flint Beecher Basketball) and we haven't stopped The Prep 3 sports coverages since. I did not stop my other career in business. I also own and operate a packaging and food distribution company, Jetset Packaging."

Bush and his team are grateful to be entering their 5th season in operation at PreP Sports this fall. "We produced 199 broadcasts last year at The PreP. That includes our high school broadcasts and our partnerships with the with



What stories have they produced that are turning heads? "We have had the honor of covering OLSM athletics along with other notable programs across the state of Michigan. The Eaglets have celebrated some of their finest moments on The PreP during their State Championship Boys Basketball team run this past March. We covered about 10 games for OLSM hoops this past year during their thrilling season. We also covered the OLSM Baseball team, and their National Title stretch over a 2-year span. We covered nearly 25 games during that 2-year span of OLSM being the top team in all of the USA!



How do you tune into "The PreP"? "All our games are broadcast on our YouTube Channel for FREE. Please subscribe for free and enjoy OLSM athletics and our wide array of high school sports coverage: The PreP | Sports Media - YouTube Check them out @ theprep3 on social media!



Upcoming Event Highlights AUGUST 2024

- 1 Polish 1st Sunday
- 2 Labor Day (No School)
- 3 Classes Resume Varsity Soccer vs. De La Salle @ 7:00 PM
- 6 Varsity Football vs. St. John's @ 7:00 PM (Middle School Football & Cheer Night) Girls Varsity Golf @ Farmington Invitational @ Glen Oaks
- 7 Cross Country @ Brett Clements Invitational @ 9:20 AM
- 9 Girls Varsity Golf vs. Divine Child @ Dearborn CC
- 10 Varsity Soccer vs. Fr. Gabriel Richard @ 7:00 PM Girls Varsity Golf vs. NDP @ Links at Crystal Lake
- 11 Varsity Volleyball vs. Shrine Catholic @ 6:30 PM Cross Country @ CHSL Jamboree
- 12 Moms & Dads Club "Welcome Back to School" Parent Night
- 13 Varsity Football vs. De La Salle @ 7:00 PM
 MSU Spartan Invitational @ 11:00 AM
 Girls Varsity Golf @ Oakland Co. Tournament @
 Links at Crystal Lake
- 15 Grotto Brick Paver Order Deadline
- 16 Spirit Week Begins (9/16-9/20)
 Varsity Volleyball vs. Country Day @ 6:30 PM
 Girls Varsity Golf @ Plum Market Invitational @
 Forest Lake

- 17 Varsity Volleyball vs. Cranbrook @ 6:30 PM Varsity Soccer vs. Ann Arbor Greenhills @ 7:00 PM
- 19 Varsity Soccer vs. Macomb Lutheran North @ 7:00 PM Girls Varsity Golf vs. Lumen Christi @ Cascades Golf Course
- 20 Auction Early Bird Raffle Drawing
 Homecoming BBQ & Corn Roast Tailgate and 2nd
 Annual Homecoming Chili Cookoff @ 4:00-7:00 PM
 Varsity Football vs. Catholic Central (Homecoming Game) @ 7:00 PM
- 21 Crew Tri-Meet @ Orchard Lake Homecoming Dance Freshman Dance
- 7th Annual Homecoming Golf Outing @ Oakhurst Golf & Country Club

Girls Varsity Golf vs. Mercy @ Shenandoah

- 24 Varsity Soccer vs. Divine Child @ 7:00 PM Girls Varsity Golf vs. NDP @ Links at Crystal Lake
- 25 Cross Country CHSL Jamboree Girls Varsity Golf vs. Shrine HS @ Links at Crystal Lake
- 27 Varsity Football vs. Waterford Kettering @ 7:00 PM
- 28 Cross Country @ 24 Legends Classic @ 9:30 AM

Check www.olsmathletics.com for more information on MHSAA playoffs, and check for results on Instagram and Facebook.

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 July. Prayers are offered at every mass at the Archdiocesan Shrine of St. John Paul II for those names enrolled. For more enrollment information, please contact Lisa Gray at lgray@orchardlakeschools.com.

EDDIE CASSAR, JR. E. PHILLIP MEGGE (P'65) CHRISTOPHER SZOSTEK AMELLO FEDRIGO PHIL MEGGE EARL THOMAS AUDREY FUSINSKI LILLIAN XANTHOPOULOS NERI STEVE, STEPHANIE SIDNEY MCCOMB, SR. DAVID C. REED, JR. & LUCIAN WARDA

SEPTEMBER 2024





9:00 AM	Fr. WITEK • POLISH*	SEMINARY CHAPEL
9:00 AM	Fr. McDonell • Latin	St. John Paul II Shrine
11:00 AM	Fr. WITEK • ENGLISH	St. John Paul II Shrine
1:00 PM	Fr. Witek • Polish* Polish 1st Sunday	St. John Paul II Shrine

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

9:00 AM	Fr. WITEK • POLISH*	SEMINARY CHAPEL
9:00 AM	Fr. Nguyen • Latin	St. John Paul II Shrine
11:00 AM	Fr. WITEK • ENGLISH	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

9:00 AM	Fr. Witek • Polish*	SEMINARY CHAPEL
9:00 AM	Fr. Nguyen • Latin	St. John Paul II Shrine
11:00 AM	Fr. WITEK • ENGLISH	St. John Paul II Shrine

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

9:00 AM	Fr. WITEK • POLISH*	SEMINARY CHAPEL
9:00 AM	Fr. Ward • Latin	St. John Paul II Shrine
11:00 AM	Fr. WITEK • ENGLISH	St. John Paul II Shrine

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

9:00 AM	Fr. WITEK • POLISH*	SEMINARY CHAPEL
9:00 AM	Fr. McDonell • Latin	St. John Paul II Shrine
11:00 AM	Fr. WITEK • ENGLISH	St. John Paul II Shrine

^{*} Feed for the Live stream of the Polish Masses: <u>www.facebook.com/olsnews</u>

EXTRA-LITURGICAL DEVOTIONS

1 ST THURSDAY 9/5	Mass at 7:00 pm then Devotions • Fr. Witek	St. John Paul II Shrine
1 ST FRIDAY 9/6	Mass at 7:00 pm then Devotions • Fr. Witek	St. John Paul II Shrine
1 ST SATURDAY 9/7	Mass at 9:00 am then Devotions • Fr. Witek	St. John Paul II Shrine
THURSDAY 9/19	BIBLE STUDY AFTER MASS AT 7:45 PM	SEMINARY CHAPEL
FRIDAY 9/20	DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS AT 7:45 PM	St. John Paul II Shrine
	Krąg Biblijny at 8:00 pm	SEMINARY CHAPEL

CONFESSIONS

MONDAY-FRIDAY	6:00 рм - 6:55 рм	St. John Paul II Shrine
SATURDAYS	8:00 am - 8:55 am	St. John Paul II Shrine