



# Our Lady of Guadalupe School

## In the MSJ Dominican Tradition



Dear OLG Families,

True confession – I am a news addict. I have been known to turn on the news first thing in the morning (sometimes even if I wake up at 2AM) and go to bed listening to the news. It's the first station I listen to on the car radio. But even this news addict is finding it hard to listen to and follow all the political talk (some call it 'noise') happening, as we are 20 days out from one of the most contentious, polarized elections in our country.

Now as a devout Catholic judge is before the Senate for a seat on our highest court, the Catholic vote, the Catholic view is very much in the news. Keep in mind, the Catholic vote is not is a one issue vote. Here are two sites I highly recommend to you as you navigate these sometimes confusing election waters.

The first is from the United Stated Conference of Catholic Bishops: [usccb.org](http://usccb.org).

### Faithful Citizenship

*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* is our teaching document on the political responsibility of Catholics. This statement represents our guidance for the Catholic faithful in the exercise of their rights and duties as participants in our democracy.

The second is from Busted Halo. This is a unique media resource that utilizes a relevant and accessible voice to help people understand the Catholic faith. [bustedhalo.com](http://bustedhalo.com) "Even though we're not perfect, God loves us." (Busted Halo)

### Faith and Politics: Navigating an Election Season as a Catholic

(<https://bustedhalo.com/ministry-resources/faith-and-politics-navigating-an-election-season-as-a-catholic>)

As I shared with you last week, OLG Families, we are preparing to welcome our students back on campus some time in November. The news that Alameda County has moved to Orange this week is good news. To this end, we need some help with the Beautification of our grounds. Children have not been on campus since March 16, 2020, but nature has. Could you spare a few hours on Saturday morning, October 17, please? Bring your spades, blowers, weed-whackers, outside brooms and gloves. We'll start at 8AM since it's supposed to be hot. Families will do this service in family pods and with our huge grounds, social distancing will not be a problem. Please make sure to wear your masks. Thank you so much for all your support!

Picture day is tomorrow in the Parish Center. Social distancing and mask wearing are required. Neither water fountains nor bathrooms will be available. Families picking up class materials from teachers will find them in the parish hall. It will be so good to see you tomorrow!

Are your Halloween costumes planned? The Student Council will be sponsoring a virtual Halloween Costume Contest with awards for the Most Creative, Cutest, Scariest, Funniest and Coolest.

Here's to this wonderful October with its focus on fun and joy.

S. Janice Therese, O.P.

<b>CALENDAR AT-A-GLANCE</b>		
THUR	Oct 15	<b>School Photo Day</b> – please bring your child/children at your scheduled appointment time. Students are to wear their school uniform shirt & sweater.
SAT	Oct 17	<b>8am – Beautification Day/Work Party (see S. Janice’s letter)</b> <b>Parent volunteers needed!! Please come with your garden tools and earn family Service Hours!</b>
FRI	Oct 30	<b>10:30am – 12:00pm – Drive-through Trunk or Treat</b>
SUN	Nov 1	<b>All Saints Day</b> <b>Daylight Savings Time Ends</b> – turn your clock back 1 hour
MON	Nov 2	<b>All Souls Day</b>

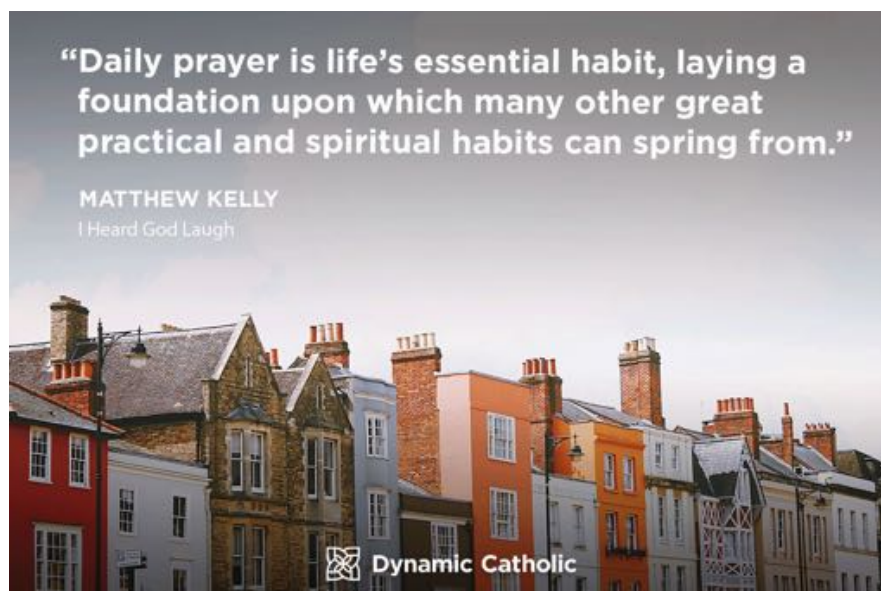
***Let us Pray....***

♥ For the world, that indigenous people throughout the globe, especially those who have suffered generations of rejection or mistreatment, be treated with respect and dignity.

♥ For all humanity, that we may learn the secret of being content in our abundance as well as in our needs, balancing both with discernment toward the greater good.

♥ For our country. That we open our hearts to all those in need during this difficult time due to the coronavirus pandemic, the California wildfires and social injustice in our country.

**Please share any prayer requests you have and we’ll place them in our Prayer Corner.  
The Power of Prayer cannot be underestimated!**



***OCTOBER 15, 2020***

# **Picture Day**

This year's school photos will be taken by Lifetouch on Thursday, October 15. Due to COVID-19 protocols, a specific schedule for student photos has been set up. See video attached to the email with this bulletin.

**Each family was sent an email on Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> with the scheduled time for your child's/children's photo session which will take place at the Parish Center (the brown building across the parking lot from the school). Please contact the school office if you did not see the email. Plan to bring your child/ren to the appointment in his/her/their uniform polo shirt and uniform sweater (not PE sweatshirt).**

Unlike previous years, there will be no picture envelope or form required on Photo Day. Those wishing to pre-order photo packages can do so online, using the information provided in the email that was sent on Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, and those who do not pre-order photos will be provided with a proof so that they can decide if they want to order photos at a later date.

A "retake" day will be scheduled in early December if it's not possible to bring your child to the scheduled Photo Day. If you have questions please contact the school office at 510-657-1674.

## **Also Happening in the Parish Hall on Thursday**

- Drop off and Pick up of MAC K/1 and MAC 2/3 Materials
- 8<sup>th</sup> graders to provide their signature for Class Sweatshirt
- 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade work to be picked up
- Drop off your Halloween candy donation in the available bin

## Mystery Money Envelopes



Those students who sold 10 or more items for our recent Cookie Dough fundraiser are qualified to pick a Mystery Money Envelope. In fact, for every 10 items sold, they will get one envelope.

Here's the plan...on our school photo day, October 15<sup>th</sup>, between **2pm and 6:30pm (new time)**, each qualified student (see list below) is invited to come to put their gloved hand (glove provided) in the "cookie cauldron" to pick their mystery money envelope(s). The cookie cauldron will be in the Parish Hall with a school staff member.

Abejuela, Malia (1)  
Barahona, Amanda (2)  
Bellison Family (2)  
Beteta, Luciano (1)  
Boongaling, Gianna (2)  
Bugarini Family (1)  
Burns, Claire (1)  
Clark, Gina (1)  
Conners, McKayla (2)  
Cortez, Carolina (1)  
Enriquez, Sierra (1)  
Flores Rojas, Elisa (1)  
Florez, Aayden & Elye (2)  
Garcia, Ignacio (1)  
Higares, Isaac (2)  
Huston, Tannon (1)  
Ibarra, Alejandro (1)

Kai, Jason (1)  
Kalawaia, Kekoa (1)  
Lam, Mikaella (1)  
Lee, Ethan (1)  
Marquez, Iliana (3)  
Moran, Abigail (3)  
Niemann, Erik (1)  
Nino, Gabriel (2)  
Olavarria, Joaquin (1)  
Olmedo, Melissa (2)  
Pastores, Jonquil (2)  
Plascencia, Amado (1)  
Raj, Aniya (3)  
Ray, Aaron (2)  
Stallings, Athena (1)  
Topacio, Andrea (1)  
Wood, Holly (1)  
Zamora, Marcia (2)



Now accepting donations of bags of individually wrapped Halloween candy! For those who are willing to contribute, please drop off candy at school during school hours or at the Parish Hall on School Photo Day (10/15). Remember that you can claim 1 service hour for each \$10 spent on donations.

## *OLG's Halloween Celebration*

**Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>**

**8:20am – 9:00am**

In Zoom class - Dress up in your costume!

**10:30am – 12:00pm**

Drive Through Trunk or Treat – come in costume and see your teachers' decorated car trunks. Cars must enter from the Fremont Blvd. driveway onto campus. Please wear your masks when you roll down the windows in your car.



On Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, students are invited to wear a costume to their first Zoom class of the day. Student council members will be checking out all the colorful, creative, crazy, cute costumes and certificates will be awarded in each class for the following categories:



**Most Creative**  
**Cutest**  
**Scariest**  
**Funniest**  
**Coolest**



Please no gruesome costumes, fake blood or weapons of violence. Use your imagination to make us smile, make us laugh, make us go "aahhh" or make us cringe. Certificates will be handed out at the drive-through Trunk or Treat between 10:30 and 12:00pm - wear your costumes!



This year's MSJ Dominican Holiday Boutique is already in full swing, in a new online format! Now through November 14, 2020 you can check out the online catalog of gift items, handmade by the Sisters of Mission San Jose, the olive oil made from the olives harvested on their property, honey from their bee hives, and much more.

Items are selling fast! Go to <https://dsmsj-boutique.myshopify.com/> for more details and to shop. Shipping is available or curbside pickup will be available on November 21 and 22.

Boutique items will be refreshed and replenished every Tuesday, so check back often.



It's time to plan your online visit to the 2020 Dominican Sisters Holiday Boutique!

The Holiday Boutique supports our Motherhouse home and senior Sisters. Each year 90% of proceeds honor and help care for these dedicated Dominican women.

Ten percent of our Boutique sales help global communities rebuild after natural disasters. These funds have been sent to Africa, Mexico, Iraq, the Philippines, and Puerto Rico, helping homeless, earthquake, and hurricane victims. You made that happen!