

Catholic Identity within the Walls of OLSS

When you walk through our school you can identify that we are a Catholic school by the religious statues and pictures that are displayed throughout the school. Our history tells all that we are a Catholic school. The Sisters of Charity taught for many years at OLSS helping to establish an outstanding reputation and empowering the current staff to instill in our children a strong Catholic faith with a philosophy that always strives for excellence. Today, as the school comes alive with children, and parents, and staff, Catholic identity is interwoven within everything we do. Our day begins as we pray together each morning in O'Mara Hall for global, national, local, school, class, and individual needs. In October and May, each morning we pray a decade of the rosary. At lunch we pray for what we are about to receive and at the end of the day we give thanks for the day. Together we attend holyday Masses, First Friday Masses and Liturgies, class Masses, and during Lent the Stations of the Cross. We celebrate the sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation. Religion is not only taught in Religion class. Our faith is taught in many different ways in all our classes from Religion to math to science and yes even spelling! Our faith is alive in all that we do. It can be in the form of resolving differences among students or analyzing a situation from a religious perspective. It is alive in the classroom, in the lunchroom, and in the school yard. It is alive when coming together to pray for and help a loved one, when collecting food and coats for the needy, pennies for the Seton Foundation and supplies for our soldiers. Catholic identity is a key component in the education of our children- a component which is priceless!

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