

FAITH FORMATION NEWSLETTER

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY PARISH

UPCOMING EVENTS

Holiday Fun Day December 21, 2025

> Take a break in the Activity Center with games, activities, snacks, and friends.

12-3 grades 1-5 5-8 grades 9-11

* Oonfirmation Retreat 9th and 10th grade

January 10, 2026 9:30am Retreat lasts through 4pm mass.

* Confirmation Practice 11th grade

January 18, 2026 4pm

* Confirmation 11th grade

January 21, 2026 7pm

- * Encounter Night January 26, 2026 High school student and parent night. More details to come
 - * Upcoming Class Dates December 22 - January 20 NO CLASS

January 26, 27 -Classes return

We can't fit it all in here. Be sure to visit our <u>website</u> and check the <u>bulletin</u> for additional information each week.

Prayer Leaders

Thank you to our students who helped to lead our Elementary classes in prayer this week.





What's happening

Students have been learning about Christmas.

Third graders posed as Mary and Joseph awaiting Jesus' arrival. Second graders made nativity scene ornaments. Fourth graders roamed the halls seeking a place to for Jesus' birth.





Ways to Pray with your Kids

Talk about how you can help others (each other) this holiday season. Write a letter to baby Jesus together. Include these kind acts in the letter as your gift to him for Christmas.



Middle School Student Focus

In his week's lesson, your son or daughter came to a deeper understanding of intercessory prayer, the importance of asking for prayer, and praying for others. Your child learned more about what intercessory prayer is and how we can ask for those in heaven to pray for us. They also explored the difficulty that feeling like God does not answer our prayers can bring.

- Intercessory prayer leads us to pray as Jesus did — asking the Father with childlike trust for what we need and others' needs.
- Through intercessory prayer, we are connected to the whole Church, both living and dead.
- God hears all our prayers and answers them according to His will.

Scripture:

Matthew 7:7–11; Luke 18:1–8; Acts 12:5; Romans 8:26–27; 2 Corinthians 9:13–14; Ephesians 6:18–20; Philippians 1:3–4; Colossians 1:3–4, 4:2–4; 1 Thessalonians 5:16–18; Thessalonians 1:11–12

Catechism: 2634-2636

High School Student Focus

Students and parents attended our Prayer Around the Crib Advent Service. The night was filled with prayer and peaceful reflection. Important information for our confirmation students is posted on page 3.

Upcoming Important Dates

January 10 9:30am - Retreat for 9th and 10th grades
January 18 4:00pm - Confirmation Practice 11th grade
January 21 7:00pm - 11th grade Confirmation
(Confirmation Candidates arrive by 6pm)
January 26 7:00pm - classes resume (Encounter
Night for parents and students)

Student Challenge

Say an Our Father every night for someone else's special intention(s).

Do something nice for someone else.

Family Reflection Questions

Ask your student:

Middle School:

- What stood out to you the most during class?
- How did y'all connect tossing random items into a box with prayer?
- Who is one person you know you can always ask to pray for you?
- Who is someone you want us to pray for this week as a family?

Highschool:

- How did you feel spending this time in quiet reflection?
- Did anything come to mind that you want to share?
- Share your experience with your student(s) as well.

Resources for individuals and families

Visit our website at www.olohr.com to learn more about upcoming events, find opportunities to serve, read the latest bulletin, and access additional online resources

Diocese of Baton Rouge

Catechism of the Catholic Church

New American Bible via USCCB

formed.org

(lots of videos for kid and adult learning)
Advent resources

Get Involved!

Volunteer for an on-campus ministry at: https://www.olohr.com/ministries or

<u>Service Hours Sign-up</u>





Holiday Fun Day

Sign-up online to kick off winter break with us on Sunday, December 21.

Snack and activities for younger and older students. Its an opportunity for mom and dad to wrap up some last minute tasks.

Register online to allow us to plan properly.



Lenten Mission

Our parish mission is scheduled for March 9-11, 2026.

Regular classes are cancelled on these day to allow our parishioners to participate in the mission together.

No classes on March 9 and 10.

Middle School Mother-Daughter Book Study

Our Lady of Mercy parish is hosting a mother-daughter discussion and prayer focused on the Eucharist! Each session includes a little continental breakfast, pray, read, and grow together using the Blessed is She study "Gift" for adult women, and their teen study. The registration fee is \$15/person to cover the cost of each book.

January 10, 17, 24, 31 and February 7, 2026

RSVP HERE by January 5



