Our Mother of Consolation Parish School 2020-21 Annual Report



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Our Mission

Established in 1862, Our Mother of Consolation Parish School is dedicated to the mission of educating the children of parishioners as well as others who entrust their children to our care. As an institution of Catholic education, our purpose is to teach Catholic values and to contribute to the formation of educated Christian persons who live and proclaim the message of our Lord Jesus Christ. Through a fully integrated curriculum, a qualified faculty is committed to the teaching of Catholic values that fosters the intellectual, moral and spiritual potential of students. By maintaining a strong identity as a parish school, we create a faith-filled academic community that promotes mutual respect and social responsibility.







7ather Bob Bazzoli, OS7S Pastor

Live + Jesus

Dear Friends of OMC Parish School,

These past few school years have been challenging to say the least. The continued impact of the pandemic, racial injustice, political divisiveness, and climate change has affected all of us, even our children. I am thankful that during this time of uncertainty, under the leadership of our Principal, Mrs. Sheetz, we have continued to provide a place where our children can flourish academically, spiritually, and socially. Through the work of our excellent faculty and dedicated staff, we have been recognized by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia as a 2021 School of Distinguished Instruction, one of only twelve elementary schools in the Archdiocese. Our foundation in our Catholic faith has never been stronger; and in no time in the history of our school have we been more racially, culturally, religiously, and economically diverse. We are truly an example of what our Church calls us to be as the people of God and a community of faith.

It goes without saying that we would be unable to provide such an environment for our children without the support of our parents, our parish, and our extended OMC School family. Thank you for your support.

Our Annual Report provides an overview of the wonderful things that are happening at our school. Please take the time to see the good works, the love of learning, the strength of faith and the diversity of community that you have helped us to create for our children.

Again, I thank you for your continued support our Parish School.

In de Sales, Fr. Bob Bazzoli, OSFS Pastor



Mrs. Patricia Sheetz, Principal

Dear Partners in Education,

Our Mother of Consolation Parish School plays an important role in the formation of our youth. Through the years our students have been accepted into the high schools of their choice.

As I begin my fourth year of Principalship, I am continuing my journey of Doctoral work at Temple University. The aspirations of Educational Leadership guide me to promote 21st century educational skills that leads to a roadmap of success for our students. The authenticity of our mission continues to inspire our school community to "dream big" and "work hard." I am proud to be a part of this mission in creating educational pathways with high expectations for learning goals.

Two new initiatives for the upcoming school year are: A STREAM classroom has been created which will teach 21st century technology skills through project-based learning. An Enrichment program has been designed to give the students the opportunity to try new things and explore areas of interest and strength.

Our teachers have continued to reinforce the core curriculum standards while teaching both platforms to our students. Engagement, creativity, and facilitation have been exciting ways for our faculty to reach our students.

Thank you for your continued support in carrying out our mission of academic excellence and Catholic values.

Be well and safe.

Mrs. Sheetz



Mr. Paul Cillo Campus Minister

We are blessed to have our 8th grade students serve as peer ministers and assist in planning service events, prayer services, and classroom activities. The peer ministers shared written reflections during our opening ice cream social, Thanksgiving prayer service, Ash Wednesday prayer service, and May Procession. During October they also organized animal appreciation week in honor of St. Francis of Assisi.

May is the month when we celebrate the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the May Procession is always a special event for our school. The May Procession recognizes the second graders who received their First Holy Communion, the 7th graders who received their Confirmation, and the May Court. With the Sacraments rescheduled and the inability to gather in person, our May Queen, May Court, and one of our talented cantors helped to create our virtual May Procession. During the Procession, artwork created by our Pre-K 4 students were shared with the community. It was truly an event that brought our community closer together and highlighted the talents of our students.

Whether in person or virtual, our faith remained central to our identity this past school year and served as a vital support system. The 8th grade peer ministers introduced new opportunities and experiences to our students to pray, learn, and serve. We look forward to welcoming a new group of peer ministers, celebrating the Sacraments, and finding new ways to serve our community in the year to come.

Mr. Paul Cillo, Campus Minister

Who Are We

Our Diversity is our strength

Asian	2.39 %	Baptist	13%
Black	46.89 %	Catholic	58%
Mixed Race	3.35%	Christian	15%
White	47.37%	Episcopalian	1%
		Greek Orthodox	1%
		Non Catholic	7%
		Pentecostal	1%
		None	4%

Students come from 29 different zip codes and comprise a variety of socioeconomic, ethnic, and racial backgrounds.



2021 Annual Appeal

DESALES CIRCLE \$1,000 TO \$4,999

James & Diana Cosgrove - Paul & Suzanne Danella
Paul & Andrea Horos - Susan Oleszewski, O.D., M.A., FAAO
John & Denise Quigg, Sr. - Gregory & Katie Schmidt
Richard Smith - Juliana Wood-Snowden

GOLDEN KNIGHTS CIRCLE \$500 TO \$999

Peter & Samantha Angelone - Konstantinos & Ariel Chalakis
Terrence & Rosemary Foley - Michael & Amy Gallagher
William McLaughlin - Jeffrey & Diane Meade
Sean & Chrissy Plover - James & Sheila Purcell
Jason & Amy-Lee Purcell - Frank Schmidt
Leon & Maria Sicat - John & Mary Sprandio



FRIENDS OF OMC Up to \$499

Peter & Colleen Amuso - Nancy Ferraro Anderson Alexander Angelone - Francis Angelone Sharon Baldwin - Bob Bazzoli, OSFS Mr. & Mrs. William Benzing - Al & Carmella Bofinger Glenn and Marion Bozzaco - Kathy McGee Burns Catherine Byron - Patricia Canning Ruth Cilio - MaryCoady - Michael & Hannah Cummings Russell & Patricia Davenport - Peter & Ellen Day Don & Sherri DeCleene - Ann Marie DiLauro Charles Durkin - John & Antonia Ferraro James & Carol Fitzgerald - Michael Fitzpatrick Matthew & Christie Foley - Ted & Regina Forrence Madeline Franze, SSJ, CFRE - Bruce & Chris Hagy Dan Hawthorne - Edward Hughes - Dominic Jacquinto Judy Jarvis McCabe - Michael & Frances Jones Joseph Kohler - Peter Lehu - Joseph & Kristen Manning Annamarie Matteucci - Sean-Tamba & Elizabeth Matthew Michael & Anna McAleer - Edward McCann Teresa McClafferty - John & Rosemary McGee William McLaughlin - Mary McNichol Frank & Theresa Miller - Robert & Eileen Morano Francis & Eileen Mullin - Darryl & Donna Palmer Dennis Pickeral - Charles Roller Romulad & Yolanda Roman - Michael Scullin Peter & Patricia Sheetz - Andrew & Theresa Sislo Harvey & Crystal Swiggett - Mark & Liz Vogelbacker Antonia White - Barry & Kathy Wilkins - Tiffani Wilson

Thank you for your generous support of Our Mother of Consolation Parish School

^{*}Our Mother of Consolation Parish School does our best to provide an accurate annual report. We apologize for any errors. Please contact Mrs. Samantha Angelone at sangelone@omcschool.com or (215)247 – 1060 for any corrections.

Thank you to our supporters of our brick fundraiser

Kimberly Ali - Karen Allen - The Amons Family
Peter & Colleen Amuso - Rich Ansel
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Chiodo/Duffy Family - The Conran Family - Michael & Hannah Cummings
Paul & Suzanne Danella - The Dobbins Family - Jean Ettelt
The Foley Family - The Grant Family
The Harbour Family - Carol Hawkins - Robert Hughes - The Laurito Family
Aisa Lopez - The Morano Family - Paul Meiers - Susan Oleszewski
Rose Pascuzzi - The Pavelsky Family - The Plover Family
Jeremy & Kathleen Powell - The Purcell Family - Chris & Hannah Roberts
The Roller Family - Ann E. Scanlan
Peter & Patricia Sheetz - Sisters of St. Joseph - Staff at OMC
Lesa Sulimay - Michael Vergare - Patricia Wilson

*Due to the Covid pandemic there is a delay in the brick installation, we look forward to installing them in Spring, 2022.









Class of 2021

Carli Amo-Gwynedd Mercy Academy Charles Amuso-St. Joseph Preparatory Monae Jael Bigelow-Academy of the New Church Jacob Bischoff-St. Joseph Preparatory Di'Yore D. Davis- The Mathematics/Civics/Science Charter Summer Delli Carpini-Mount St. Joseph Academy Gabriel Dumenigo-St. Joseph Preparatory Nadia Eyring-Mount St. Joseph Academy Ava Figuera-Springside Chestnut Hill Academy Jadyn Johnson-Roman Catholic High School Eve Laurito-Merion Mercy Academy Abigail Leckrone-Mount St. Joseph Academy Andrew Luckey-LaSalle College High School Caitlyn Plover-Little Flower High School Sean Powell-Springfield Township High School Ethan Ravasco-Roman Catholic High School Grace Remus-Mount St. Joseph Academy Jaylah Robinson-Little Flower High School Ezana Sileshi-Abington Friends High School Blake Welch-Plymouth Whitemarsh High School





Congratulations to the Class of 2021 who were awarded over \$240,000 in high school scholarships

What if I told you there is a way to redirect your State taxes to help a student attend OMC?

Are you a Pennsylvania resident who owes \$1,000.00 or more in Pennsylvania State taxes annually?

You could be eligible for the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program.

Participating in this program allow both individuals and businesses to redirect the monies paid to the State of Pennsylvania to OMC to provide financial aid to our students. If you make a two-year commitment, you will receive a tax credit for 90% of your total contribution.

Any questions or if you would like more information, please contact Mrs. Samantha Angelone at (215) 247-1060 or sangelone@omcschool.com

Scholarships & Financial Aid

- Maguire Scholars \$18,000
- BLOCS Grants \$42,900
- Foundation for Catholic Education \$11,000
- Henkels Scholarship \$5,000
- Heritage (HFVH) \$4,400
- OMC Scholarship \$10,000
- Other Scholarships/Subsidies. \$12,000
- Total \$182,255





Faculty & Staff

The faculty and staff work hard daily to educate, engage, and enlighten our students. Our educational background:

- Nine with graduate degrees
- Six in graduate programs
- Principal in doctoral program

At OMC

- We are a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence.
- OMC is Middle States Accredited.
- We have a State of the Art STREAM Classroom.
- Our students participate in the Rosetta Stone language program.
- We incorporate cross-curricular instruction into our teachings.
- We have an ELA novel enrichment program.
- OMC pairs with La Salle University in an International Writers Matters program.
- Our robotics program is partnered with La Salle College High School and came in 4th place in the 2022 competition.





Our Mother of Consolation Parish School Alumni





Calling all OMC Alumni!

Update your information and stay connected with alumni updates.

Visit https://www.omcschool.com/alumni/