



OLLY NEWS

What's New???

What a Summer! I don't know about you...but I find myself asking "where'd it go"? During the summer, I treat myself and wear Capri's and Flip Flops to work and here I am back to dress shoes and slacks....yuck!

I'm sad for some reasons, but...at the same time I'm excited. Sad, because some of our group graduated and have gone away to college. Of course, we wish them the very best and look forward to their visits when they are on break!

Excited, because I spent a great deal of time working on a new schedule for us and searched for new service opportunities. Check out pg 4.

Notice our newsletter title? "OLLY NEWS"... Stands for Our Lady of the Lake Youth News and will be published monthly.

Our year kicks off with a

senior high retreat called "Encounter" on September 10, 11, & 12th at St. Leonard Youth Retreat Center in Avon, Ohio. (yeah!)

During the weekend, we'll discover our top 5 strengths and explore how to use them to encounter God and throughout our lives. Taking a "strength finder test" before the retreat is required. You will receive your book and instructions when I receive your registration form. Don't worry, this is not like any test you have taken in school. It's fun and it's easy. I guarantee this will be our best retreat ever! So, get your registration in as soon as you can!

Our youth group meetings will continue twice a month on Sunday from 6:30 to 8:30p in the church hall.

Check out the schedule for dates.

You'll notice on our schedule of events, that Junior High will now have monthly youth group meetings. If you would like to help, please let me know.

Wednesday, September 29th is the 8th grade retreat. If you would like to be one of the team leaders, call me now! You will need to miss school that day, however, it will be an excused absence. BUT...you are responsible for making up any work you missed. (Couldn't get you out of that one!!!)

I hope everyone has a great start to the new school year and look forward to seeing you at youth group.

Mrs. Testa

P.s. Do you know someone who would like to receive our newsletter, send me their email address.

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Special points of interest:

Lake Farmpark Haunted Halloween Hayrides will be Friday, October 15, 2010

Senior High retreat set for September 10-12th!

Monthly Junior High youth group begin in September!

Celebrations and Congratulations



Don't forget this space is reserved for any celebrations and/or news you would like to share with each other. Email me the information by the 25th of each month!

Congratulations to Melissa Brodsky for passing her driving test.

ENCOUNTER RETREAT

Where are you in your life?

Do you know what your strengths are?
How can you use them?

WHERE AND
HOW DO YOU
ENCOUNTER
GOD?

DISCOVER THE ANSWERS
TO THESE QUESTIONS
AND MORE AT
RETREAT!

Our retreat will be on September 10, 11, & 12th, at St. Leonard Retreat Center in Avon, Ohio. The cost of the retreat is \$50 which includes all meals, retreat materials, and lodging for two nights.

Registration forms are available on our parish website at www.ourladyofthelakeoh.org (under youth ministry) or in the Kiosk in Church.

Please note: you will be required to complete the strength finder test before you come to the retreat. Register early!

SEPTEMBER 10, 11, & 12, 2010



Must be 12 years old to participate.

Rita's Rap

Need some extra resource sites for your school projects?
Check out:

www.factmonster.com
www.awesomelibrary.com
www.homeworkspot.com

Need to Contact Mrs. Testa?

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CALLED TO SERVE

One of the most powerful experiences in the Christian life is knowing that God did something amazing through you!

Shore Cultural Center: A variety of service opportunities are available. If you would like more information, please contact Mrs. Testa at the rectory.

Hospice of Western Reserve: Teen volunteers are needed to help provide friendly visits with hospice patients, caregivers and families, shadow nurse assistants and assist in tasks, implement activities for visiting children, bake cookies, and assist staff in various clerical capacities. If interested, plan on attending the teen education session on November 6 & 13, from 1-4:30 pm at Hospice House/Headquarters, 300 E. 185th St.

Cleveland Food Bank: We will once again travel to the Cleveland Food Bank each month. Our first visit will be on Wednesday, September 22, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. There are 8 slots available. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Testa.

L.I.F.T. is our new name for Generations of Faith. This year sessions will be held once a month on a Monday evening. If you would like to help, please contact Sr. Kathleen at the rectory.