



GIVE THE GIFT OF EDUCATION

“God bless you.” This prayer is short and powerful. It can express thanks for a kindness, a concern for good health, or a petition for your immortal soul. It fulfills the two great commandments because it shows love for our neighbor and gives praise to God as the source of all blessings. For 140 years, this prayer has been said countless times at our Catholic school.

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School combines strong academics with a family-like atmosphere. As one student said, “OLL is a fun, small school. Because it’s small, you can always get extra help if you need it. All the teachers are really nice. If you start in kindergarten, you’ll have friends through eighth grade.”

We are facing a \$200,000 shortfall this fiscal year, primarily due to the COVID pandemic. Some of this shortfall has been met and currently leaves us with a need of \$50,000 to finish this school year. If we are to keep our school in its current format of preschool through eighth grade, we need help for this year and into the future. We ask parents of current students to enroll their children for the upcoming school year promptly and contact your friends who might want to enroll their children. Let them know what you love about OLL School. We ask parents who have school age children to find out more about our school and to consider what OLL school can do for your family. Please visit our school website and Facebook page to learn more. If you have any questions, please contact the school office at 715-682-7622, including questions about free tuition through the Wisconsin School Choice Program and Special Needs Speech and Language Program.

We ask that you consider God’s blessings to you and generously support Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School. “You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God” (2 **Corinthians 9:11**). You can contribute through the Church or the School. Both the Church and School have online giving options; please see the website links below. A special fund “School Deficit Reduction” is being set up at Northern State Bank to accept donations. In addition to your own contribution, we ask that you spread the word and encourage others to contribute as well.

OLL School Website: <https://ourladycc.org/>

OLL Parish Website: <https://ourladyashland.faith/>

I wish you peace and prosperity in the coming year. God bless you.

Merry Christmas!!!

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