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Academy of Our Lady of Grace CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK











What is Catholic Schools Week? By: Fatna L. and Skylar G.

Catholic Schools week is very important in the AOLG school. The school offers many fun activities during the week like: games, dress-up, and fun assemblies during the day.

On Monday, the Fairview Mayor Violetta Berisha participated in the cereal domino challenge where she had the honor of knocking the boxes down.

Tuesday, the SCC provided a fun and interactive recess for all of the students. Students enjoyed bouncy houses and played fun games.

Wednesday, the teachers competed as the masked singer. Teachers sang and dressed up in costumes, so the students would not recognize them. The students then tried to guess who the teacher was.

On Thursday, two Harlem Wizard basketball players showed the students amazing tricks.

Finally, on Friday, the 8th Grade students competed in a basketball game against the teachers and coaches during the AOLG Pep Rally.

Everyone agreed that this Catholic Schools Week was extremely fun, and the school did a wonderful job.







During Catholic Schools Week, kindness is spread by collecting boxes of cereal to donate to the Franciscan Food Pantry.



BY ISABELLA FREDA

Aubilee Vear

"THE **PILGRIMS** OF HOPE"

By: Andrea Chucaralao

The Jubilee Year happens every 25 years. It has been 2,025 vears since Christ was born.

As the 2025 New Year approached, the concept of the Jubilee Year took on renewed significance, offering a profound opportunity for reflection, renewal, and hope. Traditionally rooted in ancient traditions. a Jubilee Year is a time for forgiveness of debts. liberation, and fresh beginnings, occurring every 50 years.

This upcoming year invites all to embrace these ideals as one transitions into a new era. The Jubilee Year encourages communities to come together, fostering unity and compassion while addressing past challenges and preparing for future opportunities.

As one celebrates the dawn of 2025, one should let the spirit of the Jubilee Year be carried forward, reminding of the power of renewal and the shared commitment to building a more just and harmonious world. Whether in personal resolutions or collective goals, the intertwining of the **Jubilee Year with the New Year inspires** one to dream boldly and act with intention, setting a hopeful tone for the months ahead.



Father Peter celebrates the Jubilee Year.

With renewed strength, individuals and communities alike can embark on new journeys. seeking not only personal growth, but also the enhancement of society as a whole. The Jubilee Year calls one to re-evaluate priorities, nurture relationships, and extend kindness to those around one. It is an invitation to clear the slate. let go of past resentment and embrace forgiveness as a powerful tool for healing.

As the New Year unfolds, one is encouraged to explore creative solutions to longstanding issues. harness the collective wisdom and creativity of diverse voices. This period of renewal is also a chance to reconnect with nature, honor the environment and commit to sustainable practices that ensure a thriving planet for future generations.

In the spirit of the Jubilee, one should celebrate the achievements of the past while eagerly anticipating the possibilities of the future. By working together, one can create a more advanced and compassionate world, where every individual has the opportunity to flourish. As one celebrates 2025, may everyone's actions reflect the enduring values of love, peace, and unity, setting the stage for a year filled with promise and potential.



By Gia, Vasi, & Luciana

On Wednesday, January 29, the AOLG Seventh Grade received their class rings. This is an important event for the Seventh graders, and all of the students were very excited.

The Ring Ceremony started in the Church at 5:30 p.m. Parents were allowed to come watch and sit in the church. All of the Seventh graders had a part throughout the whole Ring Ceremony.

At 6:00 p.m., the students walked in pairs down the aisle. Then as they sat down, the Ring Ceremony began. Different students read part of the ceremony, and other students presented the gifts.

Father Peter led everyone in prayer, and everyone had communion.

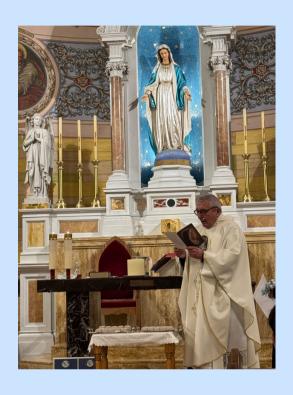
Before the Presentation of the Rings, all the students said the "Pledge of Fidelity." Each student was then called forward by first and last name to receive their ring. They shook hands with Principal D'Amico, Father Peter, and Assistant Principal Cuoco.

After receiving their ring, each student took a photo. Every student also received a rose to give to one of their parents.

The next day after the Ring Ceremony, the Seventh Grade received a delicious breakfast with bagels and light refreshments.

The students enjoyed the wonderful celebration.

7th Grade Coss Rings









THE MATILDA JR. CAST **PARTY**

BY ISABELLA MARIE GAYOMA





























WEAR YOUR OWN DRESS-UP DAY

Wear your own dress-up day is a day where students in AOLG can wear whatever they want.

Kids wore various different kinds of clothes, dressing up like princesses or Disney characters.

Each student went to school looking great in their dress down outfit.



3rd Grade wears their dress-up.



Pre-K 3 wears their dress-up.



7th grade wears their dress-up.

BY: SKYLAR GAYOMA

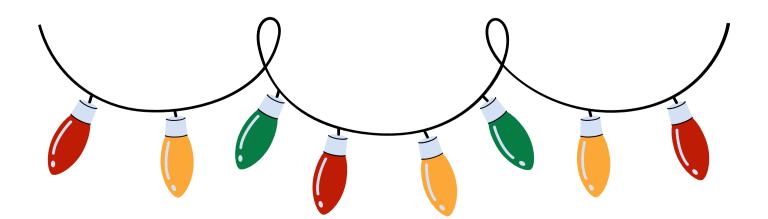


AOLG'S ANNUAL PJ DRESS-UP DAY By Mary Grace Leach

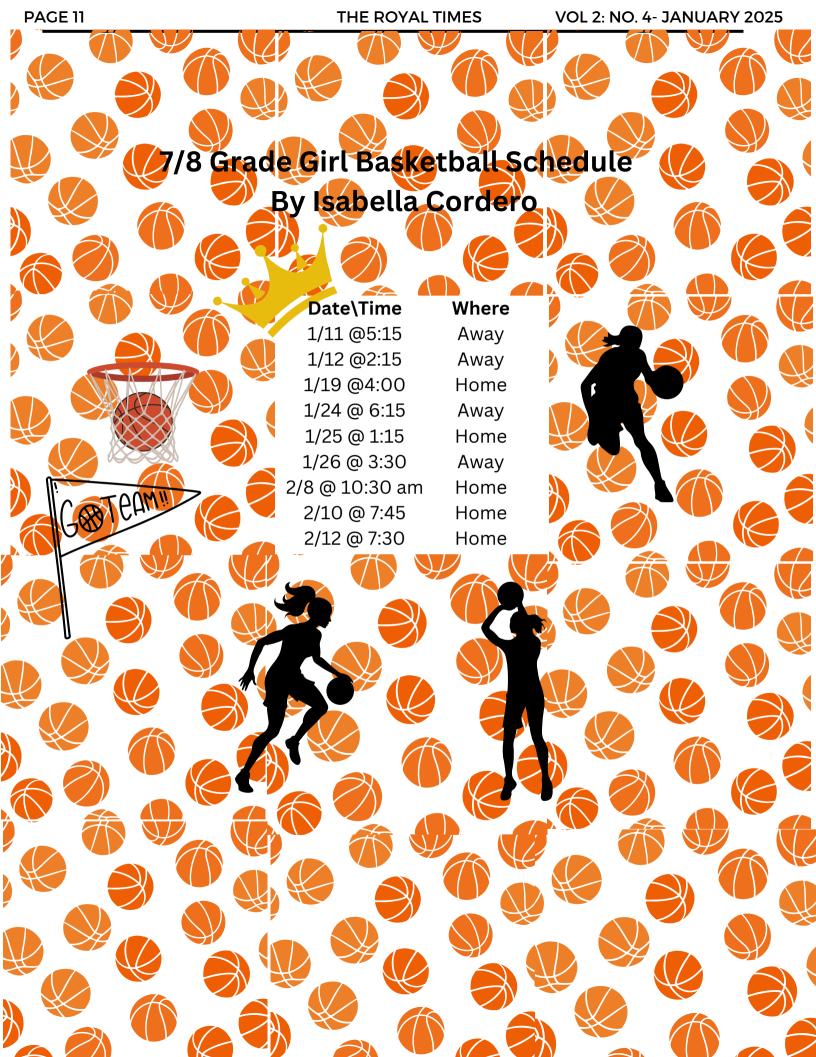
Every year, the AOLG students are allowed to dress-up in their pjs on the last day before winter break. Everyone loves the PJ Dress- up Day. It is a fun way to end school before winter break.





















Members of the "Royal Times Club" diligently prepare their next article.

What Has the 'Royal Times Club" Been Doing? Signora O.

The "Royal Times Club" members continue to faithfully attend meetings and produce articles and photo pages.

They continue to help each other learn new skills, which they have taught themselves, and work well together on projects.

It continues to be a blessing to work with such a refreshing group of diligent youth.

AOLG is blessed to have such a lovely group of students.