

Since August 2020 when OLV re-opened, students, faculty and staff have been happy and healthy operating with a hybrid model for all grades. In-person learning for students is offered 2 days a week and virtual learning 3 days a week. Students are assigned to a team (Blue or White- our school colors) and have in-person learning on either Tuesday/Thursday or Wednesday/Friday, while Monday is an all virtual learning day. Go Victory!

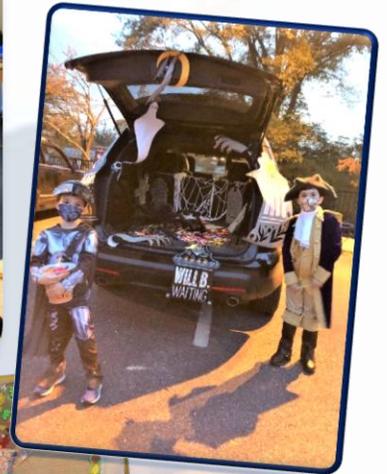
During Catholic Schools Week, students expressed their appreciation for OLV being opened by writing OLV Anthems!

We are OLV, we are Victory.
We reach for the sky so happy we cry,
We break through all odds, and believe in our God,
We shoot past the stars, way faster than cars,
And when we leave we won't grieve,
For we're all friends forever, we're always together,
We are OLV, it's just you and me.

OLV our school, it is very fun.
OLV our school, I don't want the school day to be done.
We learn and play games, it is really cool.
We read and experiment, that's why I love my school!
We are a community. We are a family.
We are Blue Hawks!

OLV has brought me many friends.
Happiness is a message this school sends.
At OLV we are family.
Watch our CYO games, we all take this victory.
OLV is the definition of fun.
One day OLV will rise to the sun.

OLV is our family, it is our beautiful community!
We are Catholic, we are faithful!
OLV comes together and we learn about our society!
We make friends, we make happy memories!
The teachers, the students, we all have fun!
No matter the day, we shine like the sun!
OLV is wonderful, we are great,
We don't let anything stop us!
We are OLV the almighty!

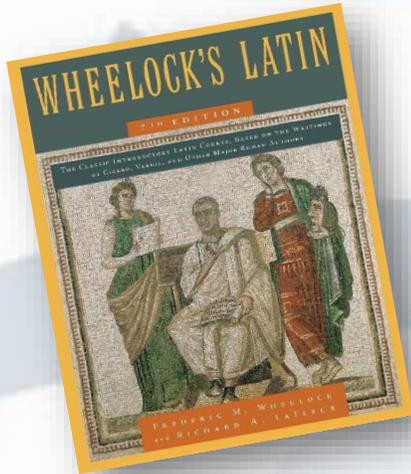


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Latin finds a home at OLV



“Vini, vidi, vici.”

If one were to walk by the classroom of veteran OLV teacher Mr. Devin Hochhausler (known as Mr. H), one might hear these words from Julius Caesar, from a letter he wrote to the Roman Senate in 47 BC, describing his quick victory in the Battle of Zela: “I came, I saw, I conquered.”

For the past seven years, Mr. H, the middle school Math teacher, has also been teaching Latin. He instructs eighth graders in Latin as a foreign language, and a group of middle school students take one of his three weekly Latin classes as an elective class. In addition to being a language class where students learn vocabulary, syntax, and grammar, Mr. H’s Latin class is about culture and history. “The authors and texts are themselves historical and cultural artifacts,” he said.

In addition to being the language of the Roman Catholic Church, Latin is also a foundation for the romance languages and an invaluable tool for those interested in studying the classics. Although it is a written, “dead” language not spoken in the contemporary world, knowledge of Latin is helpful in many professions such as law and medicine.

Mr. H minored in Latin as an undergraduate and took two Latin classes in graduate school, pursuing a degree in classical philosophy.

“One thing I think that appeals to the students is that, unlike in math, there is no one right translation,” he said. “There are wrong translations, of course, but the meaning of a Latin text can be expressed, in English, in different ways.” Teaching Latin is also different from Math in that the instructor has more of a free hand in combining content, practice exercises, and assessments into each year’s curriculum.

Latin has truly found a home at OLV!



**Congratulations to our 8th graders
accepted at the following
Catholic high schools:**

Academy of the Holy Cross, Bishop
O’Connell, Bishop Ireton, DeMatha,
Georgetown Preparatory School,
Georgetown Visitation, Gonzaga, Holy
Child, Holy Cross, St. Anselm’s & St. John’s
College High School, Stone Ridge

EASTER MASS

**Sunday, April 4th, 10:30am
@ Our Lady of Victory Church**

All are welcome!