



OMPH School Scene

Spanish at OMPH School

Students in Kindergarten through eighth grade have the opportunity to learn Spanish. Each Spanish class begins with the sign of the cross followed by either the Glory Be, Hail Mary, or Our Father prayer in Spanish. Kindergarten through second grade also sing a hello song in Spanish at the beginning of each class and a goodbye song at the end.

Each year we build upon the previous one. Students begin learning simple nouns, which then build into learning how to write sentences. I will also read various sentences in Spanish related to the days lesson and have the students translate the meaning into English.

As holidays approach, students will learn terminology for that particular holiday in Spanish. We also take the time to learn how different Spanish speaking countries celebrate particular holidays and compare them to how we celebrate here in the United States. Most recently, we learned how Spain and Mexico celebrate the Holy Week and Easter.

Middle school students learn how to conjugate present tense verbs to make them correctly fit into sentences. They also begin to



learn how to tell time, learn articles and grammar rules and how they can be different from English. Once students reach seventh and eighth grade, they receive a Spanish textbook. Each chapter they are responsible for learning vocabulary and completing homework, quizzes and tests.

The second half of this year gave us all new challenges. Students in middle school have been working hard while engaging in distance learning for Spanish class. They have been doing a great job following online lesson directions, completing assignments and emailing questions as needed. Kudos to them!

Mrs. Kiefer
Spanish Teacher



Special Ceremony to Crown Mary During Coronavirus

On Wednesday, May 13th, we honored our Blessed Virgin Mary in a special crowning ceremony. OMPH School second grade student Mary Beier crowned Mary during a ceremony led by Fr. John.



A heartfelt thank you to the Beier family, to Regina Shappella for the beautiful crown of roses for the statue of the Blessed Mother, and to our "Friends of OMPH School" gardeners who prepared our flower beds for this special event!

We pray that Mary, Our Mother of Perpetual Help, will watch over our families, our school, and our parish, especially during these challenging times.



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