



# News from the Knights

## Virtue: Faith

As we continue to prepare for this school year, we are focussing this month on the virtue of Faith.

The quote from John's gospel reminds us, *"Happy are those who have not seen, yet still believe."* John 20:29

We will encourage our students to continue to put their faith into action by bringing the Gospel spirit into every aspect of their lives. This is how we become true witnesses to Christ, extend the kingdom of God and build a more humane world. During the month of September, how will you practice the virtue of faithfulness?

## Specialty Programs

The Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program (OYAP) allows students to earn cooperative education credits for work experience in an apprenticeship occupation. OYAP students must be at least 16 years of age, have completed 16 high school credits and be enrolled as full-time students during the program.

The Specialist High Skill Major Program (SHSM) is a ministry-approved program that allows students to focus on career sectors while meeting the requirements to graduate high school. O'Gorman High offers the Construction and Justice, Community Safety and Emergency Service SHSMs.

For more information on these two programs, please contact the guidance department today!

## Welcome Back!

Welcome back to the start of another school year. For those students returning to O'Gorman and those new to our school community, we have some great opportunities to get involved. During the lunch hour, we will provide to the students opportunities to participate in activities ranging from clubs to intramurals, to accessing extra help with their homework and more. Tryouts for fall teams begin immediately. Listen for announcements, check the media boards within the school and the O'Gorman newsletter for times and locations. Stay informed and get involved.

Parents, we need you to encourage your son/daughter to get involved. If you are having a hard time finding a connection for them, call a teacher, the guidance counselor or an administrator and ask for ideas. There are many positive ways for students to make connections with our community. We know that these connections will enhance their sense of belonging, positively impact their learning and contribute to what we hope is a great year for each and every one of our students.

The entire staff would like to take this opportunity to thank you for entrusting us with the education of your son/daughter. It is extremely important that both the school and the home work together to ensure your son's/daughter's success. We hope that this partnership will grow throughout the school year.

Finally, on behalf of the staff, we would like to welcome you to the O'Gorman High School family.

Mr. Berthier  
Principal

Mrs. Maisonneuve  
Vice Principal

## Parent Involvement Opportunities

O'Gorman High School is proud to have two parent committees dedicated to supporting our students in and out of our school. O'Gorman Parents For Kids and the Catholic Parent Council, are looking for new members.

Both groups are vital to our school community. Please consider joining these teams by contacting the school today!

## Your Five Keys to Success Here At O'Gorman High

Be here! Be on time! Be prepared!

Be respectful! Be involved!

## Mark Your Calendar!

**September 8**

Bus Fore Us Golf Tournament

**September 9**

P.A. Day—No school

**September 12**

Picture Day

**September 19**

Grade 9 Barbeque

**September 17—20**

Stratford Trip

**September 26**

Terry Fox Walk and Human

Handshake