

Our Lady of Hope



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Marching into Spring

March 2025

Calendar Highlights

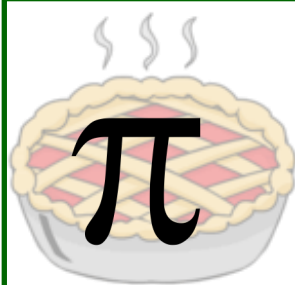
- 3/4 Mardi Gras
- 3/5 Ash Wednesday
- 3/7 Craig Sings
- 3/9 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 3/11 Memorial Service
- 3/14 Drum Circle
- 3/17 St. Patty's Day Social
- 3/17 Kevin Sings the Classics
- 3/20 OLOH Hymn Sing Along
- 3/21 William & Mary

Well, February had us writing love poems, crafting with heart doilies and singing our favorite songs about sweethearts. February also brought several inches of snow and had us shivering in our boots! But we've made it to March where we'll spring ahead with Daylight Savings time and then look forward to the first day of Spring on March 20th.

Now is the time to start thinking about just what you'd like to see in the gardens on the grounds of OLOH! Do you like the smell of an herb garden? Or would you rather a plethora of colorful flowers? Soon we'll start to see the Dogwoods and Cherry Blossoms start to bloom! It's so exciting to think of all the wonderful things Spring has in store!

March is going to be full of fun with Mardi Gras gatherings and St. Patty's Day Socials. We'll also welcome a new-to-us performing group called the Christopher Wren Acapella Singers from William & Mary University. We'll have our first campus-wide Hymn Sing Along and welcome back Terry & Friends and their drum circle fun!





National Pi Day- March 14, 2025

Pi (π) is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. In simpler terms, we divide around a circle by going across it. Pi is an infinite number, meaning the decimals go on and on forever. But, the first three numeric digits of pi are 3.14, meaning that March 14 is the ideal date to host the fun.

We are so excited to welcome the Christopher Wren Singers to OLOH



Founded in 1987, they are the oldest a cappella group at William & Mary, known for our focus in choral repertoire.

March 21 2:00 pm
in Christopher Center B-side



St. Patrick's Day Celebration!

You're invited to enjoy refreshments at our St. Patty's Day social. We'll enjoy time with friends until Kevin comes to sing the Irish Classics for us!



March 17, 2025
3:15 pm
Sullivan Center
Kevin sings at 4:00 pm



We welcome Spring
March 20th!



Let's have some fun! Count how many **Leprechauns** are in this newsletter. See Katie for a prize for the right answer!

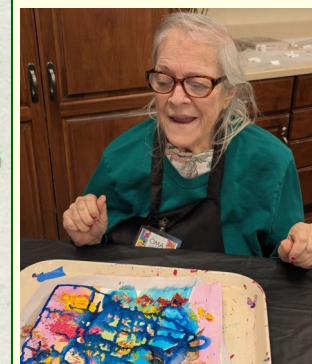


Don't forget!!!

Set your clocks ahead one hour
before you go to bed
Saturday, March 8th



May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
The rains fall soft upon your fields, and
Until we meet again, may God hold you in the Palm of his hand.
An Irish Blessing





Fun Facts about March Babies

- 3/1 Jeanne J.
- 3/2 Jane W.
- 3/8 Mary A.
- 3/12 Catherine S.
- 3/12 Gloria B.
- 3/20 Betty T.
- 3/28 Doris H.
- 3/30 Carol M.
- 3/31 Stephanie G.

- ◆ The Daffodil is the Birth Flower.
- ◆ The Birthstones are March are the aquamarine or blood-stone.
- ◆ Some studies suggest that March babies are more likely to become CEOs.
- ◆ March babies are said to be optimistic, creative, and adaptable.
- ◆ Many famous people have birthdays in March including: Albert Einstein, Aretha Franklin, Dr. Seuss, Fred Rogers, Vincent van Gogh, Elton John and Liza Minnelli.
- ◆ Statically, babies born in March are more likely to become pilots.
- ◆ A study found that babies born at the end of the month are taller than those born at the beginning.



What kind of spells do leprechauns use?



How can we help you?



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March 5, 2025 10:00 AM

Led by Father Larry and Chaplain Bob

In the Chapel

Residents, Family and Staff welcome.

If you know of a resident who is unable to attend the service in the Chapel, but would like to have ashes presented, please let Chaplain Bob or any member of the Life Enrichment team know.

Join us for our first community wide Hymn Sing Along!



March 20, 10:00 am

Sullivan Center

Guest Musician: Cameron Francis



The Eyes of March



MARY KAY

March 17, 10-11:30 am Activity Room

Residents and Daughters are invited to share in some fun with eye make-up provided by a Mary Kay Consultant.

Sign-up in the Lobby

Fat Tuesday

Mardi Gras, or "Fat Tuesday," is the Tuesday before Lent begins



Ash Wednesday

The official start of the Lenten Season is Ash Wednesday



Why 40 Days?

The number is significant throughout Scripture:

- Noah was on the Ark for 40 days
- Moses fasted 40 days before receiving the Ten Commandments
- Jesus spent 40 days fasting in preparation for His work on earth

Lent

The celebration of Lent is not a commandment but an opportunity to renew our faith and edify our spirit



Purple

The liturgical color for Lent is purple, the color of repentance and sorrow for sin



We are looking forward to planning some special events for Jubilee! Let us know if you are interested in helping to plan these activities



Are ye countin'?