



Black History Month at Our Lady of the Lake

The Catholic Church's Social Justice Teaching articulates the wisdom of building a just society and lays the foundation for living a life worth living. Year round, Catholic Social Teachings, such as "Life and Dignity of the Human Person", "Solidarity," and "Rights and Responsibilities," are reinforced and taught by teachers. These values teach students that we are one human family, and that a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met.

During the month of February, Black History Month, teachers at OLL traditionally set time aside to provide opportunities for students to recognize contributions made to American life by black citizens. This year, Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School staff and its Diversity, Inclusion and Understanding Task Force has worked to plan a unified approach to Black History Month. The goal is for students to learn black history in an inclusive and meaningful way that aligns with the Parish, and is mindful of the sensitive political climate of the times.

At OLL, the teachers will present black history in a way that is age-appropriate, meaningful, in alignment with the Church's Social Justice Teachings. Our community should be a place where all people feel safe, no matter their gender, race, ethnicity or religion. Whether focusing on black American pioneers, historical events, or marginalized communities, the faculty of OLL wants to instill the message that every one of God's children deserves to feel like they belong.

Please join Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School in commemorating Black History Month in February