

What OLOJ Kindergarten Parents Are Saying . . .

"Our Lady of Joy Kindergarten offers beautiful spacious classrooms, small class sizes and excellent, faith filled teachers. They learn so much and have a great time. My daughter wants to go to school on the weekends! The entire campus is beautiful. The tuition assistance has been extremely helpful and the staff is very warm and caring. It is a family friendly environment with lots of fun activities that allow families to get to know each other and make lasting friendships."



"I appreciate the small student to teacher ratio, as well as the caring, individualized attention that my son receives at Our Lady of Joy Roman Catholic School. Overall, the quality of education is excellent!"

"The Kindergarten program at Our Lady of Joy is incredible. We love the small class size and the personal atmosphere. The classrooms are educational, organized and fun. The curriculum and the teachers are outstanding. Our daughter has learned so much and has really grown. She has really benefited from the one on one attention that she is able to get in this classroom. She loves school and is eager to learn. There is no greater joy for us than knowing that our daughter is getting an A++ education in a faith filled environment. As parents, we are impressed with the close community that we have at Our Lady of Joy. We would highly recommend this Kindergarten program. This truly is a unique and special program."

"The OLOJ kindergarten program is the perfect learning environment for children. The small classroom size has provided an ideal atmosphere for my son; one that encourages creativity, personal growth and exceptional educational instruction. Furthermore, the entire staff is dedicated to fostering Catholic values and helping the children to enhance their faith and relationship with Jesus. I highly recommend the school and kindergarten curriculum."

"I love everything about OLOJ! We really do! What I like best about kindergarten is probably the small class sizes, the interaction with the other kindergarten, all the prayers and religious education, and the way the teachers are so available on whatever subject is an issue for me at anytime. I really appreciate that. The communication is great. They are so open and responsive. I would recommend this program to others because my little boy seems to be thriving from being in this class. He comes home happy EVERY day, he loves school, he practices what he learns at school at home all the time without being prompted. I would also recommend it because it is obvious my child feels safe and comfortable while at school, and is learning so much every day. I really like that the kids can be so creative in their own ways in the classroom. Mostly, I feel very blessed and fortunate my child can attend kindergarten at OLOJ. I am so glad we are here!"

"We can't imagine a better kindergarten program than the one offered at OLOJ! It offers everything we hoped for and so much more: strong academics, wonderful character building and religious programming, small class sizes, state-of-the-art materials and a fun, positive approach to learning. The teachers are warm, caring, creative, organized and in-tune with the needs of each child. We've researched many programs in the valley and we're certain we made the right choice. Our son loves school, and his growth intellectually and spiritually have made us so very proud."



Want to know more???

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OLOJ Kindergarten Rocks!

Our Mission . . . To provide a quality Catholic education in a faith-filled environment, serving the community as one family in the Body of Christ.

Our Vision . . . Students at Our Lady of Joy Catholic School are Active Christians, Life-Long Learners, Effective Communicators, Responsible Citizens, and Self-Aware Individuals.

Our Approach . . . Kindergarten at Our Lady of Joy Catholic School is a faith-based, hands-on, academic program. By providing various learning centers and utilizing several teaching strategies each student has the opportunity to learn in the modality that is most comfortable. The emphasis in each classroom is on children being able to use their hands and being involved and engaged in the goings-on.



Our Curriculum . . . Curriculum design is the result of planning and study by the faculty and administration. The Diocesan School Office provides guidelines that incorporate the requirements as set by the Arizona Department of Public Instruction.

We are truly blessed to have access to some of the best elementary educational tools! We use *Our Heavenly Father* and *Promise: A Liturgical Based Newsletter* as our key religious education curriculum. Our language arts curriculum incorporates both the *MacMillan/McGraw-Hill Treasures* reading program and *Handwriting Without Tears*. We use the Houghton-Mifflin *Math* program, *MacMillan/McGraw-Hill Friends and Neighbors* social studies program, and Harcourt, Inc. *Science* program. In addition, the students utilize *Scholastic Weekly Reader* student newspapers and *National Geographic Young Explorer* newsmagazines.

