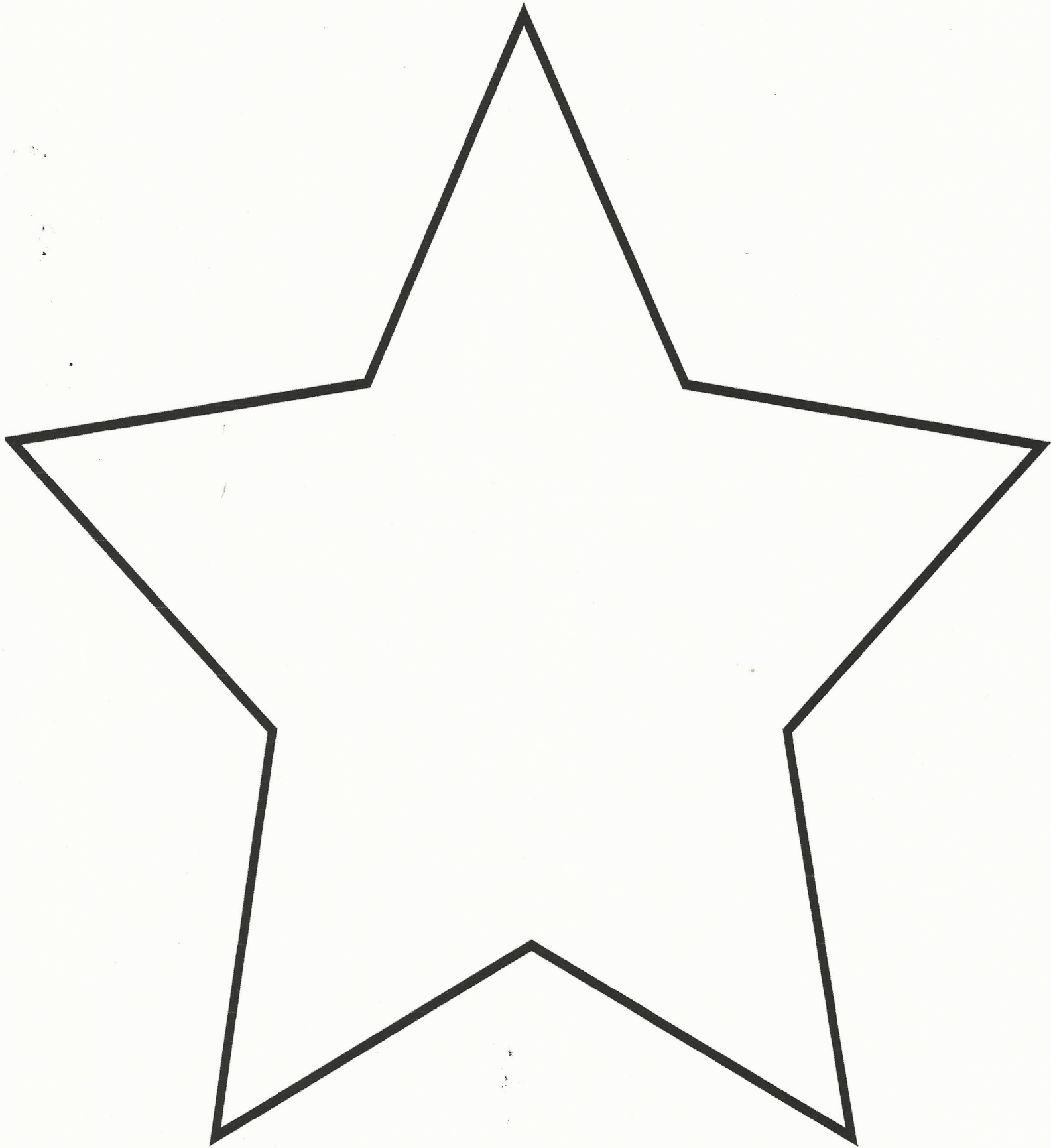


*Show our teachers they are* **SUPERSTARS!**

Below is a template for your child to design and write a message to his/her teachers.

Feel free to use this template or have your child design his/her own card  
to decorate the room!





We are rolling out the *Red Carpet* for our  
**SUPERSTAR TEACHERS**



Each year our wonderful teachers and staff celebrate a special **APPRECIATION DAY** where they enjoy a luncheon and a special gift from the OLG school community. Although the luncheon has been cancelled, it doesn't mean we can't still show our gratitude! Now more than ever we need to let our teachers know how much we appreciate them!

We ask each family to contribute \$30 (or whatever you feel comfortable with) to the teachers' gift fund. Each student is asked to make a *Thank You* card for the teachers (please put your child's name and class on the card).

Please send all cards and cash (or check made payable to the IHM League) into school by **JUNE 9<sup>TH</sup>** -  
labeled *Teacher Appreciation*.

Please contact Christina Potter (christinapotter9@gmail.com) or Birute Rosequist (brosequist@gmail.com) with any questions.

*Thank You!*



Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we are coming to the end of the month of May. So much has happened in such a short period of time. We have all tried to adjust to a different way of being, and it has stretched us in ways that we never thought would be possible three months ago. We have zoomed, provided academic content and tried our best to keep your children learning and engaged. We have been very successful in many ways and have missed the mark in others. While none of us expected this to go on for so long, we have tried to be creative while being away from the materials that are at our fingertips on a daily basis. As we come to the end of the year, I want you to know that we will be taking the time over the next several months to assess what has worked and what has not worked. We will be planning for the future in whatever way it comes. If we are teaching virtually, we will have plans in place that we will share with you before school begins. We will send an initial draft prior to the end of the school year. It is our hope and prayer that come September our school will be opening wide its doors. As I said last week, we are blessed with large spaces that can be used creatively; we will take full advantage of all that we have and use it wisely.

The last day of school for the year will be Tuesday, June 16th. Unfortunately, we will not be having our summer camp this year due to the virus.

I have attached an excellent video for you to share with your children. Thank you to Angela Jung for recommending it and sending it our way. Please find Sr. Ann Barbara's weekly reflection attached.

Please stay safe and be well!

All the best,  
Sister Kelly

**"The protagonist, named after Meehan's five-year-old daughter, Sophie, questions why this virus is different than other viruses that children have. It offers children a chance to see that although things are different now, everything will be alright. "**

<https://youtu.be/0AhG0ocpM3w>

In last Sunday's readings we see the apostles in a new moment. Jesus has left them to ascend to his father and they gather in the upper room to pray with Mary and the other faithful women who followed Jesus. They are once again on the edge of rebirth-caught between what was and what is yet to be- which is the great gift of God's own spirit. But they do not yet know this. They, as we, are living in the great unknown, and in this period of confusion and prayer, they are slowly being transformed for the gifts God is about to bestow on them.

These gifts include a deep awareness of their own spiritual life, a new depth of gratitude, an appreciation for stillness and prayer, a passionate awareness of the value of relationships, a keen desire to reach out to the vulnerable and needy, our understanding that less can be more than enough, and a deeper desire to love with the compassionate heart of Jesus.

This is what is being birthed in them and it is what is being birthed in us, in our longings, our grief and even our doubts. God is asking us to make room for greater vulnerability, grace and humility. If we can do that in this time of testing, then we are readying ourselves for the great rebirth we will receive when the Holy Spirit is given once again at Pentecost.

Give sometime this week to reflect on the moments of rebirth you have experienced throughout your life. Name the moments or memories that for you were 'before and after' moments-life changing experiences that enabled you to grow, to rise up, to overcome, to accept and be at peace. Understand that God has always carried you from darkness to light, and that even the most devastating scourge cannot stop the resurrection he is calling us to undertake. Be still. Be brave. Be love.

Gratefully,

Sr. Ann Barbara, IHM