Red Russian Kale Soup with Italian Sausage



Ingredients:

1 lb. spicy Italian sausage (Johnsonville's Hot Italian sausage) or favorite

1 medium white or yellow onion, diced

2-3 garlic cloves, minced

3 medium carrots, diced

2 32-oz. cartons chicken stock

1 to 2 lbs. red potatoes or favorite, cut into 2-inch pieces

1 bunch kale, ribs removed and sliced into 1-inch ribbons

1 cup whole milk

parsley, chopped to taste

parmesan cheese, grated to taste

Method: Remove the casings from the sausage, crumble into a large skillet, and cook over medium heat until brown. Put the sausage on a paper towel-lined plate to drain. In same pot add a little oil and onions. Cook 1-2 minutes. Add carrots, garlic and season to taste. Cook 3-4 minutes. Add kale and stir. Add chicken stock, potatoes and sausage. Cover and bring to a boil. Once boiling reduce heat to a low simmer and cook 25 minutes or until the potatoes are tender. Add whole milk and taste for seasoning. Place soup in a bowl and drizzle with extra virgin olive oil. Finish with parmesan cheese and fresh parsley.