



Our Lady of Mercy School



Parent-Teacher Organization Newsletter

Our Lady of Mercy School, 7 Elmwood Dr., Daly City, CA 94015 - (650) 756-3395 - August 11, 2017



Welcome Back, OLM!

August has arrived and the kids (and us) will be back to school in a few short weeks. Whether you are new to the school or a returning family... Welcome! OLM is a special school because of the children, families, and teachers that make up its community. Thank you for choosing OLM. **On behalf of the PTO Board - We're glad you're here!**

What's the PTO Board?

The PTO Board is made up of parents like you, nominated and approved to carry out two main functions: (1) Raise funds for the school, and (2) Facilitate events and activities that support and enrich our kids and the OLM community.

Why a Newsletter?

The purpose of the PTO Newsletter is to share information from the PTO Board to keep parents informed, connected, and involved.

Informed – Provide dates, details, and other news for the month ahead on our fundraising and community events.

Connected – Written by parents for parents, the newsletter is another way to keep you in touch.

Involved – Encourage participation. Our community is what you make of it, and we need every family to volunteer their time and talents. Together we can make a difference!

Let us remember... It's for the kids! Cheers for a great year ahead!



Your 2017-2018 PTO Board

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| <i>President</i> | Mary Ann Chongco |
| <i>Treasurer</i> | Jessica Arcilla |
| <i>1st VP – PTO Hospitality</i> | To be announced |
| <i>2nd VP – Sacramental Gatherings</i> | Agnes Dayrit |
| <i>Fundraising Director – Mandatory</i> | Angela Quon-Chan |
| <i>Asst. Fund. Director – Mandatory</i> | Abby Bautista |
| <i>Fundraising Director – Social</i> | Arnold Bautista |
| <i>Asst. Fund. Director – Social</i> | Charles Floresca |
| <i>Secretary</i> | Kathleen Reburiano |
| <i>Shepherd Family Coordinator</i> | Tommy Enriquez |
| <i>Room Parent Coordinator</i> | Reggie Mananquil |

A Round of Applause to last year's PTO Board Team and to our outgoing members President Tommy Enriquez, Fundraising Director Kathleen Reburiano, 1st VP Jen Vitug, Secretary Mae Sales and Shepherd Family Coordinator Dana Langley.



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Parent Reception
Monday, Aug 21st
8 – 10 am @ Church Hall

Welcome back! The PTO Board invites you to enjoy some refreshments after the kids go to class. Purchase PE uniforms, submit your name as a Room Parent, and get info or sign up for upcoming PTO events.



Come join us!
Friday, Sept 8th
3 – 4 pm
@ Church Hall

Let's start the school year on a sweet note! Join students, parents, and faculty for some yummy frozen treats and conversation right after school dismissal.

Volunteers and donations needed! Get started on those service points. Please check out our volunteer signup sheet at: <http://signup.com/go/XRRWYKA>



Mark Your Calendar

2017-2018 Fundraising Events

You spoke, we listened!

Kudos to everyone for making it through an ambitious fundraising season last year! We carefully reviewed the costs/benefits for each event and took your survey feedback into account. This helped us narrow the list of events this year. Please mark your calendars! Thanks in advance for your support of these events.

Mandatory Fundraisers

Per the school contract, all OLM families are required to participate in both of these two fundraisers. More details to come!

1. **Chocolate Sale (9/11 – 10/6)**
2. **School Tuition Raffle (11/20 – 1/19/18)**

Social Fundraisers

The main focus of these events is to bring us together as a community. They're also great opportunities to earn service points towards the 50 point minimum per family (or 25 points for single-parent families).

- **Ice Cream Social (9/8)**
- **Saringhimig Singers Concert (Dec 2018)**
- **Online Auction (2/9 – 2/17/18)**
- **Walk-A-thon (3/23/18)**
- **Carnival, 2 Days (5/4 – 5/5/18)**



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PTO Meeting

1st General Meeting for All Parents
Wednesday, Sept 13th
7 pm @ Church Hall

We Want

YOU!

Open Committee & Chair Positions

Looking for ways to get involved?

Have a special skill or talent?

Want to get started on service points?

We have a few full-year positions that need volunteers. Please email Mary Ann Chongco at ptopresident@olmbulldogs.com if interested. We want you!

School Hospitality Shadow (50 pts)

Shadow our current School Hospitality Coordinator with the expectation of taking over the position next school year. Assist in planning the hospitality for certain school events like Open House, Simbang Gabi, and the WASC Visit. Ideal for someone who is creative and likes to set up and host parties or events.

Treasurer Shadow (50 pts)

Shadow our current PTO Treasurer with the expectation of taking over the position next school year. Assist in budgeting, managing, and monitoring the PTO funds and account. Ideal for someone detail-oriented, good with numbers, and with a flexible schedule.

Videographer (50 pts)

Capture and compile video from various PTO events to share with our community. Ideal for someone with experience in, or a passion for, videography or putting together videos.

Venue Specialist (50 pts)

Stock and maintain the PTO closets and supplies. Periodically check the Church Hall, especially after PTO events, to ensure it is clean and orderly. Encourage and help manage recycling efforts during PTO meetings and events. Ideal for someone who likes to organize and keep things neat and tidy.