



# OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL

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## DECEMBER 19, 2023 WEEKLY E-LETTER

### **PARISH CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**

Sunday envelopes are now ready for pickup at the church entrance. You must pick up your new envelopes as all envelopes have new numbers.

### **DECEMBER 24, 2023 – CHRISTMAS EVE MASS**

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish celebrates a children's Mass at 5:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Children are invited to participate in this Mass with various roles. Please see the attached letter that was sent home today for the details. Please return the permission slip by **Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>** if your child would like to participate in the play. First come first served for the roles. Students must be available for rehearsal on December 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. in the church.

### **DECEMBER 24 & 25, 2022 – CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES**

#### **Christmas Eve - December 24<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 p.m. – Children's Mass – English

8:30 p.m. - Spanish

12:00 Midnight – English

#### **Christmas Day - December 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. – English

10:00 a.m. – Italian

11:30 a.m. – English

1:00 p.m. – Spanish

No Evening Masses

### **DECEMBER 20, 2023 – CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

This year's Christmas Concert will be held in the church. The Matinee is at 1:00 p.m. (doors open at 12:30 p.m.) and the Evening show is at 6:45 p.m. (doors open at 6:15 p.m.). Entrance to the concert will be by donation. More information will be sent home soon.

***COSTUME NEEDS***

Grade	Outfit Description
K	Sunday best.
1	Animals - brown and black colored tops and bottoms.
2	Neutral colored tops and bottoms.
3	Cozy sweaters, toques, and scarves with denim bottoms (no rips)
4	Christmas colors – green and red tops and bottoms.
5	All black tops and bottoms.
6	Angels - white and silver tops and black bottoms.
7	Costumes for play. Everyone else all black.

**DECEMBER 20, 2023 – GR. 7 FUNDRAISING WINE RAFFLE**

Raffle tickets have now been collected and winners will be announced on **Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>** after the Christmas Concert.

**DECEMBER 21, 2023 – PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA & GREEN/RED COLOUR DAY**

An order form for the “*Breakfast with Santa*” was previously sent home with students. All order forms should have been returned by now.

Please note that since this is breakfast, your child will still require a lunch. Following is the schedule by grade:

Grades 1, 2 and 6 at 9:00

Grades 3, 5 and Preschool at 9:45

Grades K, 4 and 7 at 10:30

Students may dress in green, red, or other Christmas colours at no cost!

**DECEMBER 21, 2023 – CHRISTMAS DESK CLEANUP!**

Please have your child bring a large garbage bag to school to clean out their desks.

**DECEMBER 22, 2023 – WINTER PJ DAY - DISMISSAL AT 12 P.M.**

This is the last day of school before Christmas vacation. Students may come dressed in winter PJ's. Dismissal is at 12:00 p.m.

**DECEMBER 31, 2023 – NEW YEAR'S EVE FAMILY CELEBRATION**

This is one party you are not going to want to miss. This event is open to both OLS School Families and Parishioners, but tickets are limited so submit your order form ASAP before it sells out. Ticket order forms have gone home. Please click [here](#) to view the details and click [here](#) to view the ticket order form.

**For those of you that have already ordered admission tickets, the food order forms have been sent home last week. Please click [here](#) to view the details.**

This is a family friendly New Year's Bash starting at 7:00 p.m.! New Years will be celebrated with a balloon party and countdown at 9:30 p.m. for the kids and again at midnight for those who like to stay until the end.

The gym will be decked out with black curtains and decorations and will have a DJ, Lights, Concession, Cash Bar, 50/50 draw, light up surprises and prizes to be won! The lower hall is being transformed into a black light glow party with music, balloons and glow games!

Tickets are \$15/per person (no tickets will be sold at the door).

**Get Ready for the OLS New Year's Eve Glow Up!**

#### **JANUARY 8, 2024 – SCHOOL RE-OPENS**

School resumes on **Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>** at 8:45 am.

### **REMINDERS**

#### **FEDERATION OF LASER MASTER - TERM 2 ENROLMENT**

Laser Master will once again be offered after school at OLS for students in Grades 1-7. Classes will be held on Fridays after school from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. The start date is **Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>** and the term end-date is **Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**. The classes are on a first come first serve basis with a maximum of 14 students. For registration and payment please visit <https://lasermaster.com/> and click on the Our Lady of Sorrows link.

#### **LOST AND FOUND**

Please visit our website to view items in the lost and found.

#### **WEATHER UPDATE**

As the weather gets colder and rainier, **we are asking parents to ensure students come to school wearing proper jackets (with hoods) and appropriate shoes. Please do NOT send students who have gym in the morning wearing only their PE strip! They should be wearing their OLS sweatpants and sweatshirt over their PE strip.** Students **MUST** stay outside until 8:35 a.m. as we must ensure adequate supervision at school while teachers are in staff prayer. Also, students may have to be outside throughout the day for recess or movement between the buildings (Gym and Church) as well as be able to stand in the rain for a minimum of 5 minutes if there is a fire or earthquake drill.