

# Our Lady of the Assumption School

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## *With Hands to Serve and Hearts to Love*

I hope to see you tomorrow night at our Fall Gathering social where our auction class projects and Gerald McGaughlin's always-entertaining video preview of the auction will be shown. Come for the food and stay for the entertainment. It is always a very nice event.

Our auction is only eleven days away, and the gears of auction planning are in full motion. Thanks go out to all of the families who are working overtime planning the big event, and thanks to all of you who have donated items for bidding and have sold raffle tickets. Speaking of raffle tickets, this year we are behind on sales. Now that we no longer have Joe Lagomarsino and Mrs. Walsh, it is someone else's turn to step up and make a big splash in that department. Who will it be? Maybe we all pull together to pick up the slack. If every child sales at least two books, we'll do great. Now there's a goal!

Our Liturgical and Bell Choirs performed at our 5:30 Mass last Saturday. Thank you Ms. Cibotar for working with our students this fall to prepare them for their first Mass.

Today Mrs. Gilmour's 7<sup>th</sup> Grade class had a special Mass and luncheon. Thank you Mrs. Gilmour, Mrs. Madden, and Mrs. Walsh for helping prepare our seventh graders for this special event. And thank you Fr. Brendan for celebrating the Mass. Mrs. Gilmour has not yet gotten the green light from her doctor to return to school. She is doing fine, but recovery from knee replacement surgery takes time. Her substitute, Mrs. Madden, will continue to teach our seventh graders until Mrs. Gilmour's doctor clears her to return. In the meantime, we pray for Mrs. Gilmour as she recovers and rehabilitates her knee.

God bless,

*Robert Love*

## This Week at OLA

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| Eye Screening      | Students in grades 1, 3, 5, and 7 and new students will have their vision tested on Wednesday, October 8. If an additional screening is recommended, a note will be sent home with your child. If you would like your child to be tested and your child is not in one of the grades listed above, please call Mrs. Albers in the office. |
| PTG Fall Gathering | Tomorrow night, October 8, is the big event. See you there at 6:00 p.m.  |
| Field Trip         | Grade 3 will enjoy a performance at the B Street Theatre on Friday, October 10.  |

OLA Varsity Football The OLA Varsity Football team beat St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 46-12 this past weekend and now is in the Northern Division of the PAL with a perfect 3-0 record. The boys have two remaining regular season games before the playoffs. Please come out to Jesuit High School and support the team this coming weekend when they will play both Friday, October 10, at 5:30 p.m. against St. Mary and again on Sunday, October 12, at 3:00 p.m. against St. Rose.

## Next Week at OLA

Sly Park Week It's finally here. The 6th grade class will be enjoying the great outdoors at Sly Park from Monday, October 13, through Friday, October 17. Have a wonderful time!

Field Trips This is a busy field trip week at OLA. Grade 2 gets to visit the Pumpkin Farm on Tuesday, October 14, while grade 5 visits the Forest Center. Then, on Wednesday, October 15, the kindergarten class will go to the Pumpkin Patch and first grade will visit Fire Station #109.

## Bits and Pieces

Oops! Updated October Calendar There is a new October calendar page enclosed. How did I miss a day off? There is no school on Monday, October 27, due to a teacher inservice.

HELP! The auction decorating committee needs your help. If you still need service hours or would just like to help out, please join us this evening, Tuesday, October 7, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., in the Art Room. We'll also be meeting on Tuesday, October 14. Same time, same place!

FYI A plumbing crew will be working on the water main in the center of the Walnut Avenue parking lot beginning after school on Friday, October 10, and probably throughout the weekend. The work should be completed by Monday morning.

OLA Service Hours Enclosed is an OLA Service Hour Timesheet for your convenience. It is easy and more accurate to complete the form as you complete the service hours. Rather than reporting hours quarterly, we request that you hold on to your timesheet and turn them in monthly. A new timesheet will be enclosed in the bulletin envelope at the beginning of each month.

Box Tops for Education Get your kids clipping! Collect Box Tops and earn money for our school. Many schools earn thousands of dollars annually through BoxTops for Education. Let's include OLA among the list. Use those Ziploc bags to store your Box Tops at home. Have your children return the Box Tops to their classroom, and place them in the "Box Top" box. We will collect each class room's collection twice during the school year, and a prize will be given to the class that collects the most. Winning classes will be awarded in January and May.

Halloween Party Save the Date! Saturday, October 25, in the annual Halloween Part and Trunk-or-Treat for all OLA families in the hall/gym immediately following 5:30 p.m. Mass through 8:30 p.m. Children can enjoy games, candy, and prizes and meet the new Pumpkin Princess. Need PTG hours or just want to have some Halloween fun? Call chairs Mark and Ruth Holewinski at 359-2274 to volunteer. More details coming soon.

Christmas Tree Lane This year's Christmas Tree Lane, **MAGI MAGIC**, is the 52nd annual event sponsored by the Loyola Guild of Jesuit High school that benefits **the Scholarship and Building Funds** of JHS. It is a two-day event in early December where Jesuit seniors and their moms perform in a holiday fashion show at the Radisson Hotel. This year's Gala Dinner will be on December 1 and the Holiday Breakfast and Madonna Luncheon will occur on December 2. There is an opportunity to purchase holiday gifts, wreaths, centerpieces, decorative items, gourmet foods, and much more. It is such a wonderful way to herald in the Christmas season and allows for those unfamiliar with the Jesuit Community to become better acquainted. If you are interested in receiving an **invitation**, please contact Betsy Myers [jbmyers@surewest.net](mailto:jbmyers@surewest.net) or at 359-6102. For **sponsorship** questions and requests, please contact Patrice Labine [plabine56@comcast.net](mailto:plabine56@comcast.net) or at 966-3930. Refer to our website at

Open House **St. Francis High School** will be hosting their annual Open House on Sunday, October 12, 2008, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at St. Francis High School, 5900 Elvas Avenue, Sacramento. The open house is for all prospective students and their families. No reservations needed. For more information, please contact the Admissions Office at 452-3641, ext. 240. Please join us for an informative and entertaining afternoon!

**Loretto High School** warmly invites you to our annual Open House on Sunday, October 19, 2008, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Meet current students, faculty, coaches and administrators; visit classrooms and experience outstanding student art and performances in choir, dance, and drama. For further information contact the Director of Admission at (916) 482-7793, ext. 103.

Parish Renewal Coming soon to OLA. . . A photo directory!!! Our new parish directory will tell the story of our parish: our members, leaders, activities and ministries. This important tool will strengthen the bond we share in our parish. Please note our parish photo sessions are October 21 through November 1. Tuesdays-Fridays from noon until 8:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. It is a simple click away to register for a Lifetouch photo session at [www.olaparish.net](http://www.olaparish.net). All photos will be taken at OLA in Seaton Hall. If you can help volunteer for a few hours, please contact Susanne Burns at (916) 487-6365.

We would like everyone to participate! Here are some questions that we have received:

Q: We have regularly attended Mass at OLA for years, but have not registered in the parish. Can we be in the Directory?

A: Of course. You are a part of our faith community.

Q: I am Catholic, my kids are Catholic, my spouse is not. Can he be in the directory:

A: Of course, you are all part of our faith community

This is an inclusive, not exclusive, effort. Show others that you are a part of our community by registering for a photo session!