



OLPH HSA Volunteer Opportunities

Throughout the year, the HSA hosts fundraisers, charitable initiatives, and community events that bring our OLPH families together. Our annual fundraisers raise more than \$100,000 to support our school, while our other events provide meaningful ways to give back and connect. Keep an eye on the school newsletter for upcoming opportunities, events, and ways to get involved!

Cougar Crawl: Held each October, Cougar Crawl is one of Our Lady's largest fundraisers, bringing together our school, families, and community for a fun walk-a-thon around the school grounds. Students look forward to Cougar Crawl each year, making it a wonderful celebration of school spirit and community. Last year we raised over \$60,000! Proceeds go directly to the Annual Fund, supporting important school needs. There are many opportunities for involvement available to parents, at any level of time commitment.

Secret Santa Shop: Held in December, this is an in-school "store" set-up for the children to buy Christmas gifts for family and friends- wrapping included! Proceeds go toward helping parish/school families in need. The last few years we have donated our profits to Olsen's Christmas Wish (OCW) as well as the Make a Wish Foundation and were able to help several local families. There are volunteer opportunities available as hourly sign ups for this event, as well as the planning committee.

Tricky Tray: Held every spring, the weekend before Easter, The OLPH Tricky Tray is one of our longest running fundraisers (over 30 years!). It is a 3-day basket raffle event with hundreds of prizes donated from local businesses and school families. This event is best executed when school families volunteer their time and skills. Last year we raised over \$55,000 and raffled prizes ranging from local high school tuition, \$1000 cash, patio furniture, designer hand bags, toys, and gift cards- just to name a few! Planning for this event begins months in advance, and there are many ways to get involved – from heading a committee, being on a committee, or to signing up for an hourly shift.

Christ in Action: Christ in Action provides services to families in need. The two main functions are the upkeep of the uniform closet (located in the church Gathering Space) and the organization of two Masses: a parent mass which falls on the Friday of Catholic Schools week and a family mass which is the last mass of the school year.

Room Parents: 1-3 parents are chosen per class, *by the teacher*. The number of parents chosen varies based on the needs of the teacher. Duties involve coordinating donations/volunteers for school events, Teacher Appreciation & holiday gifts from the class, and any other special projects the teachers request assistance with. This is year-long and involves email communication and organization. Please look for the room parent form to come home from the teacher within the first two weeks of school that you may return if you are interested. You will be notified if you are selected shortly thereafter. 2 points are offered to the parents who volunteer for this duty upon completion.

Other Events: We also host events "just for fun" that raise school morale and create a sense of community. Our **Daddy Daughter dance & Mother Son night out** do not raise money but we still need volunteers to execute them successfully. These events typically occur in the second half of the school year.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

Interested in volunteering? All are welcome! We're happy to help you through it. Volunteering is a wonderful way to meet fellow families, connect with the OLPH community, and support our school.

To get involved, email **OLPHHSA3221@gmail.com** with "Volunteering" in the subject line, or reach out to any HSA Board member with questions.