

Information Regarding Fees

Tuition Fee - Category One:

- A family who actively participates at OLM Parish qualifies for the Category One rate. Active participation means that ALL the following conditions are met:
 - The family is registered at OLM and has been for at least one year
 - The family practices their faith and attends Sunday Mass regularly at OLM and
 - The family supports the parish by using envelopes

Any clarification concerning your tuition rate, if you are an OLM registered parishioner, needs to be brought to Father Dias' immediate attention. *Please do not call the school concerning this matter.*

Cancellation Policies

Our Lady of Mercy School deposits tuition through a debit transaction, also known as a direct withdrawal or an EFT (Electronic Fund Transfer). We require a minimum two weeks' notice should you change banks, or decide to withdraw from the school.

Please note:

- The first month's tuition is nonrefundable if written notice of withdrawal for the upcoming school year is not received prior to June 15th.
- Any parent choosing to withdraw their child(ren) from Our Lady of Mercy School must provide written notification to the attention of the school Principal. This notification must be received before the 15th of the month in order to have your next month's automatic tuition withdrawal stopped. *(Funds that have been withdrawn are non-refundable.)*

Outreach Program Fee:

This is a mandatory fee assessed to cover extra-ordinary school events and programs.

Fundraising Commitment Fee:

As a parent, you are asked to help develop the programs that nurture your children. This initiative includes a one-time \$100 commitment per child plus ongoing assistance with fundraising activities. Here's how parent-assisted fundraising works:

During the school year, fundraising activities (including but not limited to; holiday raffles and sales) monies raised offset your \$100.00 commitment. If you raise more than \$100.00, you are not required to top up the \$100.00 the following school year. If you raise less than \$100.00, you are required to bring your commitment total back up to \$100.00. This monetary \$100.00 commitment ensures participation in our school's key fundraising activities, plus you get your \$100.00 back when your child completes OLM School. Your child is enriched by an education supported by the essential running of this program.

Tax Deductible Donation:

We have a tax deductible donation fund in order to promote saving for upgrading within Our Lady of Mercy School. This is a much needed optional donation that benefits every child at Our Lady of Mercy School. This is also tax deductible. Please be as generous as possible in assisting the school and parish in bringing the vision to life. A contribution of \$150.00 is requested from all families.

Absenteeism

Please note that it is mandatory for a pupil to attend Our Lady of Mercy School for no fewer than 135 days from the first day of school until May 15th in order to qualify for the full Government Grant. We require the Government Grant in order to meet our budget. It is therefore **the responsibility of the parents** to ensure that their children meet the above criteria. Should a pupil be forced to miss school due to illness, **it is necessary to submit a note or a doctor's confirmation to the teacher when your child returns to school.** If your child does not meet the requirement of 135 days necessary while registered, you will be asked to make up the difference of the reduced grant.