

Blessed Sacrament School Family Guild

September 2022



A Letter from the President:

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! As we look ahead to a year filled with great potential, I find myself reflecting on the mission and purpose of the Family Guild at Blessed Sacrament School. As defined below from the governing documents handed down from years past, the mission and purpose go hand in hand - all focusing on the students and their spiritual, academic, emotional and social growth. I have defined my own personal mission in the position of President of this organization as fostering a community of respect, unity and service.

I promise my dedication to the Blessed Sacrament community as I will always give my best effort to serve in any way possible with respect and understanding. Things will not be perfect and we will run into challenges on our path; as our world evolves, so will our school. Nothing has better laid the groundwork for adapting to change as the last two years that we have faced. I respectfully ask for your support and understanding as I, along with the wonderful women who are serving on the Board with me, embark on a new path with the return of some beloved traditions and the establishment of some new ones.

Wishing all of our students, faculty, administration, and families a fun, healthy, prosperous school year!

With gratitude,
Erica Salzillo

A Letter from our Principal:

It is with much enthusiasm that we welcome all of our families to a new school year! It has been wonderful seeing the classrooms filled with beautiful, smiling faces no longer hidden behind masks. While we are excited to hopefully have a "normal" year, if there is anything we have learned the last couple of years, it is to never take anything for granted. Our goal for the year is for all of our students and staff to be thankful to God for the blessing of each day and to value every day and live it to the fullest!

Our promise to you is to provide a loving and caring environment where your children will be comfortable and be able to work to the best of their ability. It is our mission to guide them to follow in the footsteps of Jesus and to help them grow academically, spiritually, and socially.

I do have one request: If you ever have a concern of any kind, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher and always know that Mrs. Mincher and I are available to you at any time. I firmly believe that an open line of communication is essential.

In conclusion, thank you for trusting your children to us. I look forward to a wonderful school year!

Mr. Joseph Cocozello

Blessed Sacrament Family Guild Mission

Blessed Sacrament Parish/Regional School Family Guild is dedicated to providing an atmosphere of witness to the Gospel Message. We seek to build community life in the Church and Parish/Regional School by enhancing an environment of love, trust and care among students and staff. In cooperation with Blessed Sacrament Parish/Regional School faculty and staff, we shall work together to provide students with a Christian Foundation to develop spiritually, intellectually, emotionally, physically and socially. We are a family and believe that the family that prays together stays together.

Blessed Sacrament Family Guild Purpose

- To cooperate with the Principal and the faculty of Blessed Sacrament School for the material and spiritual welfare of the children.
- To fulfill the primary purpose of the FAMILY GUILD, the membership must strive for personal spiritual growth.
- To promote sociability, helpfulness and loyalty among members in all things concerning our church and school.



Please join us in supporting a local business as they support our school.



This month we are teaming up with
Ho'Brah: A Taco Joint!
412 Forest Avenue, 10301
on Thursday September 15.

Be sure to tell them that you are participating with Blessed Sacrament and 10% of your bill will be donated back to us!

Dine in, take out AND delivery!

This includes \$5 frozen margaritas and \$6 margaritas on the rocks until 8:00pm.

Can't wait to see you there!



Our monthly bake sales are back!

Please help support our first bake sale of the year on **Monday September 26.**

All items will be \$1.00 and will be sold in the cafeteria during lunch.

If you would like to donate any store-bought treats, please contact Kim Burbano at kimburbano@blessedsacramentsi.com of (917) 282-2984.

Allergy-friendly options will be included so all can participate!

At this time, we can only serve store-bought treats. If more information becomes available on the option to include homemade items, we will let you know! Thank you for your understanding!



TRUNK-OR-TREAT

***Friday October 28
(postponement date Monday October 31)***

Let's kick off the Halloween weekend with
a trunk-or-treat celebration
and
Halloween dress down!

We can't do it without your help!

We are calling for volunteers to decorate cars for our event.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Rhonda Nigido at

rhondanigido@blessedsacramentsi.com or (917) 754-1208 no later than September 30.

Be creative - and competitive! Prizes will be awarded for the top 3 favorite cars as voted on by the students and staff!

We will also ask for each student to contribute \$5 or donate a bag of candy for the event. Please see the attached flyer for the collection slip to send in with your contribution.



SAVE THE DATE

6th, 7th and 8th Graders

***We invite you to join us
for our Ghostly Gala on
Friday October 28!***

More information,
including time and cost, yet to come!

***We need volunteers! If you are interested in
being part of the planning committee or
volunteering for the event, please reach out
to the Family Guild Board as soon as
possible.***

New Family Mixer

We welcome all of our new families who have joined our Blessed Sacrament School community since the start of the 2020-2021 school year to a mixer event on Tuesday October 4 at 7:00PM in the PCMR.



*Please join us to meet
some other new families,
ask questions of some
veteran families and let us
get to know you!*

We ask that you please RSVP via Google Forms using this URL to confirm your attendance so we can gather an estimate of attendance:

<https://forms.gle/FuKrgLMjWbyennbp9>

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Let's work together to give our school community a wonderful, unforgettable school year!

We welcome **ALL** volunteers to participate! Please let us know if you are interested!

There are many ways to be involved - not just during the school day.

- Have an idea for a new event or fundraiser?
- Want to chair an event?
- Want to volunteer for an event or committee?
- Have a suggestion?
- Know of or own a business that would be a great partner with our school?

Let us know! Tell us your ideas!

New to our school? Reach out to any of the Family Guild Board Members or your class parents to find out about all of the opportunities to get involved!

We **NEED** your feedback in order to keep growing and serving our school community!

Send us an email with any ideas for events, strategies and feedback. We know we have many talented, creative and dedicated families - let's work together to make it the best year yet!



Upcoming Events:

- Monday - Sept 19: Back to School Night
- Friday - Sept 23: Lifetouch Class Pictures
- Monday - Sept 26: Lifetouch Individual Pictures
- Monday - Sept 26: Bake Sale
- Tuesday - Sept 27: Family Guild Evening Meeting
- Wednesday - Sept 28: Family Guild Morning Morning
- Tuesday - Oct 4: New Parent Mixer
- Monday - Oct 10: School Closed - Columbus Day
- Friday - Oct 28: Halloween Trunk-or-Treat and Dress Down (*postponement date Monday Oct 31*)
- Friday - Oct 28: Ghostly Gala (6th, 7th and 8th graders)



Show your school spirit!



We are proud to announce that we will be partnering with local business

Wicked Stitches on Castleton Avenue to present an online school spirit store!

More information is coming soon!



If you are interested in becoming a class parent for the 2022-2023 school year, please see the list of responsibilities and eligibility requirements as listed on the hand out and on the Family Guild webpage.

If you qualify and are interested, please complete and return the information slip in an envelope marked with your family name and child's class to "Attn: Family Guild Class Parent" **no later than September 16.**

Some Notes from Our Treasurers:

- Please complete a collection slip with any monetary submissions for our records; flyers can be found on the Family Guild webpage and will be sent via GroupMe.

-*Can't print the flyer?* Just use one of the blank collection slips provided at the start of the year.

-*Don't have any collection slips?* Download and print from the Family Guild website, email the Board requesting some be sent home with your child via backpack or pick some up at a meeting.

-*Stuck in a pinch?* You can also simply include any piece of paper complete with all necessary information as copied from the collection slip.

-**BE SURE** to include your name, child(ren)'s name(s) and class(es) on **ALL** checks **AND/OR** collection slips submitted.

-Checks may take up to four weeks to deposit once submitted.

-Working on an event or fundraiser? All reimbursement forms are available on the Family Guild webpage as fillable PDF documents. Just type in your information, print, and submit! Please note that reimbursements may take up to six weeks to receive due to the updated Archdiocesan guidelines for submission.





The Guild's Great Gift Card Giveaway is back!

For \$10 per entry you can enter our monthly raffle for a **\$100 Amazon.com gift card**! Winners will be selected on the first Friday of each month beginning in November and announced via GroupMe - so be sure to sign up!

Our pre-sale package is now available through October 7! For \$80 now, you will get **DOUBLE ENTRIES** in **EACH** of the monthly drawings. *That's 16 entries for the price of 8!*

You can also enter on a month-by-month basis as many times as you'd like!

If you'd like to take part in our pre-sale package, please fill out a collection slip and include it with payment (***checks may take up to 4 weeks to deposit**) in an envelope marked with your family name, child(ren)'s class(es), and "Attn: Family Guild Giveaway Presale" no later than **October 7**.

Good luck to all those who enter!



We wish all of our Titans a fun and successful year as we kick off the 2022-2023 year with our fall sports.

The Titan League Board has worked hard this summer to upgrade the gym with new bleachers, redo the floor and have a Titan mural painted on the wall. They will continue to do whatever they can to help the kids of our school and our parish to have the best experience possible.

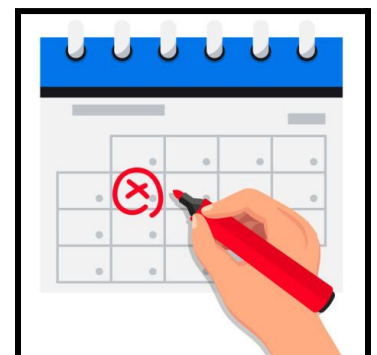
For information on the Titan League, you can visit their website at <http://www.titanleague.com> or email the Board, led by President Billy Althoff, at board@titanleague.com. Go Titans!

Our first monthly Family Guild meeting will be held on **Tuesday September 27** at 7:30PM in the PCMR. Light refreshments will be served.

We will also hold a recap meeting on **Wednesday September 28** immediately after drop-off in the cafeteria for anyone who cannot attend the previous evening's meeting.

Please come join us to stay informed, join the conversation, ask your questions, meet new families and show your support of Blessed Sacrament School!

We look forward to seeing you there!





THANK YOU!

As we look ahead to the 2022-2023 school year, we'd like to take the opportunity to thank the previous 2020-2022 Family Guild Board Members for all of their hard work over the past two years.

We'd also like to thank our faculty, staff, administration and parish for their dedication to our students and community through unprecedented times.

We thank our families for their support and encouragement as we move forward toward a new year with great potential!

We are going paperless!

The Family Guild will be utilizing GroupMe for all of our future communications.

The URL to sign up for our GroupMe group is:

https://groupme.com/join_group/89135492/aHqN53kl

Blessed Sacrament School - Family Guild



You can also find information on joining GroupMe on the Family Guild page of the Blessed Sacrament website.

Family Guild Dues:

Dues for the 2022-2023 school year are being collected on a continuous basis.

We ask for \$25 for an individual membership and \$35 for household membership.

We cannot host events and experiences for our community without your support, both spiritually and financially.

Please return your cash or check payment along with a submission slip that includes your name, child(ren)'s name(s) and class(es), phone number, email address, type of membership, method of payment and amount in an envelope marked "ATTN: FAMILY GUILD - DUES". (*Checks may take up to 4 weeks to deposit.)

As always, THANK YOU for your continued SUPPORT!



Contact Us

Visit our Family Guild page for forms, information on our standing committees, fundraising events and future monthly newsletters online at www.blessedsacramentsi.com or email us at theguild@blessedsacrament.com

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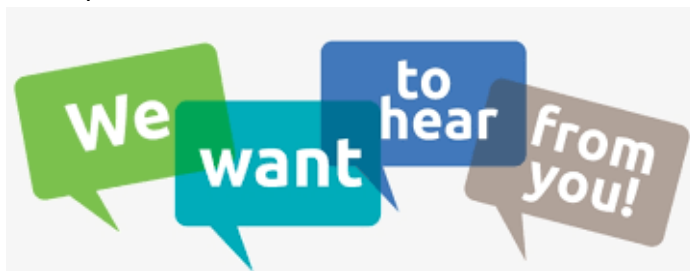
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Feel free to contact us with any questions or suggestions regarding Guild functions. We are always open to ideas that will enhance our efforts.



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