

CRUSADER NEWS AND VIEWS

The Mission Statement of Holy Cross Catholic School is to educate tomorrow's Christian Leaders by fostering Academic Excellence in a Christian Community.

September 24, 2009

An Apple Prayer

God of all things sweet and juicy:

Thank you for apples. Keep us growing healthy and holy. Keep bopping us on the head until we get your concepts right. Give us that total trust which confident children have in their parents. Give us the courage to take life bite by bite, and to slice it in the "unusual way." Teach us the value of education, that we might continue to learn, especially from those we attempt to teach. Nourish us with an appreciation for the great diversity of creation you have cooked up for us to taste and see. Show us how to deal with the seeds. How to swallow our pride. How to get rid of the garbage. How to accept the pain that leads to new growth. Even the pain that leads to bodily death. Bless us with the humor of Lord Byron, the affection of David and Solomon, the creativity of Granny Smith and Apple Betty. Bless us with surprises. Amen

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Protecting God's Children Workshops for All Volunteers

The Archdiocese of Detroit's "Protecting God's Children" workshop is held periodically throughout the Archdiocese—to find one that fits your schedule: go to www.virtus.org and select "Registration." You will be directed to a prompt to search for locations. You will need this to do ANY classroom volunteering! Contact Mrs. Smith (810.765.8300) or the "virtus" website for more information.

Remember, you need this workshop completed in order to volunteer for field day or camp or chaperone field trips.

Prayer Box

A prayer box has been placed next to the statue of the Blessed Mother in the school entryway. This is a place for our students, families, and parishioners to place their intentions and prayers. Each week during the Friday Mass, the prayer box will be taken to the altar during the offertory. Please feel free to join us in praying to our Lord.

got scrip?

SCRIP office hours:

Mondays and Fridays, 7-9am;
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and
Thursdays 1-3pm

"Peddler" hours: almost 24/7/365!

Peddlers:

Kelly Glowski (Algonac)
Sue Sharpe (Marine City)
Kelly Zichi (East China)

SCRIP credits for this quarter will be calculated at the end of September—watch for your credit to show up on next month's statement!

Magazine Sale

Tomorrow is the last turn in day of the drive—prizes will be based on what's turned in by then.

However, magazines can be ordered or renewed ALL YEAR: contact Mrs. Steinmetz in the office for more info as your renewals come due! (We can accept any manufacturer's offer.)

Study Hall Reminder

There is no study hall on Wednesdays this year due to teacher meetings. If your child is not being picked up after school, please help us by making latchkey arrangements. Thank you!

MARKETDAY

Orders need to be returned to the school office by Monday, September 28 (internet orders: in by 11pmCST on Tuesday, Sep. 29—marketday.com). Food will be AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE between 2-3pm on Monday, October 5 (prepaid orders can be sent home with your student that day, also).

Book Fair

Our annual Book Fair will be held November 19, 20, 23 & 24 this year—just in time for Christmas! We are looking for volunteers to help for 2 or 3 hours each day. The sign up sheet is outside Mrs. Lund's door in the outer office—if you can give a hand, please sign up. Thank you in advance!

Basketball News

Our girls' games on Monday against IC brought two Holy Cross victories! The JV game ended in a score of 25-17 and the Varsity, 20-9. JV stats: **Calista** scored 10 points; **Annemarie**, 6; **Maddie** and **Lilly** each added 4 points and **Becky**, 1.

We hosted Trinity last night and both Holy Cross teams enjoyed victories again. **Calista** scored 10 of Holy Cross's 21 points (Trinity, 7); **Lilly** added 4; **Becky**, **Julia** and **Taylor** got 2 points each, and **Annemarie**, 1. The Varsity score was 23-13.

Next Monday, Sept. 28, we host St. Mary's, then MCA on Wednesday, the 30th.

The worker schedules for those games are:

Sep 28, 2009	JV game	V game
Concession	Sykes	DeGregory
Concession	Schafer	Shepherd
Admiss.-50/50	Miodonski	Rickel
50/50/cleanup	Rickel	Schultz

Sep 30, 2009	JV game	V game
Concession	Miodonski	LaFontaine
Concession	Glowski	DeGregory
Admiss.-50/50	Khalifa	Schafer
50/50/cleanup	Maben	Schultz

Good luck, girls!

Lee Denim Dress Down Reminder

Please remember that on Thursday (Oct. 1) the students will be participating in the national Lee Jeans breast cancer awareness campaign. Stickers (\$1 donation) and pins (\$2 or more) will be handed out on Friday so that the children can wear them proudly on their uniform to let everyone know they participated. Please help us help the doctors and scientists find a cure!

Mark Your Calendar...

Next Tuesday, September 29, will be a FULL day of school, but there will be **NO PM EAST CHINA BUSES** that day. Please be sure you've made alternate transportation arrangements.

Notes from Booster Club

September 15, 2009 meeting

1. Ordering more paint for football field.
2. Principal's report: Mrs. Lund thanks Boosters and coaches for their hard work. Provided draft of letter to send to athletes' families to encourage their involvement with Boosters; all in favor.
3. Fall sports: football and girls' basketball going well. Eligibility going well so far.
4. Sports Banquet: cafeteria & gym are reserved for May 18 (track season will have ended on May 15).
5. Magazine sale: kicked off on Sep. 14. Kim Chaltron and Laurie Hopton chairing; thanks to Julie Wolf for offering to help.
6. Next meeting: Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2009, 6:30 pm at Riviera Restaurant.
--respectfully submitted,
Kim Chaltron, Secretary

Sample Magazines

Going home with each newsletter today is a sample copy of "Catholic Digest" magazine. Hope you enjoy! (It's item #A041 in our magazine drive booklet, \$24 for 11 issues, if you're interested!)

Congratulations!!

...to former "Crusaders" **Alexandra MacKenzie, Staci Shackett and Annika Peterson**, current CMC students (Holy Cross Class of 2009), who won three of this year's five League of Catholic Women's scholarships to CMC! Hooray, ladies—we're proud of you!!

Special Persons' Day

Mark your calendar: Special Persons' Day is Friday, October 23. Students may invite one adult guest to spend the morning with on that day. Students and their guests will sit together at Mass, have special activities in their classes, and then enjoy a Hungry Howie pizza lunch together. (We'll be looking for a few adults to help serve everyone at lunch—please contact Ms. Ward if you are available to help. Lunch on Oct. 23 will be from 10:45-11:25 am.) Thank you!

Football News

Our next game is this Saturday, Sep. 26, at 10:30 am against MCA. Go, Crusaders! Since the boys didn't have a "real" game this past Saturday:

Football: Boys v Dads!



Dads—you should be worried!



Fighting for their teams.

On Saturday, as our boys had a "bye," they took on their dads in a scrimmage! It was a perfect day for football—and our scout reports that the dads just barely won (and worked HARD for their points:) 13-12. We hear everyone had fun!

Free Women's Health Care

No insurance?--Huron County Health Department offers free tests for qualifying women ages 40-64. Clinics are located in Bay, Huron, Saginaw, Sanilac, St. Clair & Tuscola counties. To learn more, call 877.269.0822.

Science Classes: Plant Part Soup...

Our Kindergartners are learning about plants. They've learned that we can eat some plant parts—yesterday they made soup from some of the plant parts they've learned about! It had broccoli tops, peppers, onions, leeks and potatoes in it.



"DELICIOUS!"



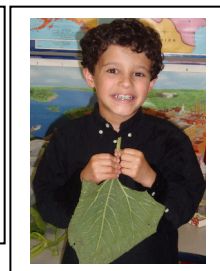
...Dissections...

Peeling back the worm's skin to see what's underneath.

Our sixth graders got to see what's inside worms this week in science class. It was very interesting to see that many parts that worms have can also be found inside us!

...and Plant Processes

Our second graders have also been studying plant processes. They have been using their observation skills and discussing the differences in various types of plants.



Please Keep in your Prayers...

...the Goldenbogen family on the death of their great grandma Brenner.
...the Tomlanovich and Cullen families and their grandparents.

Blessing of Pets

...will take place at 2pm next Friday, Oct. 2, in front of Holy Cross church. Please meet us with your critter near the river entrance.