

CRUSADER NEWS AND VIEWS

The mission of Holy Cross Catholic School is to provide a setting that ignites a joyful spirit of Christian discipleship in collaboration with families, staff, and the parish in personalizing our learning culture.

September 27, 2018

Protecting God's Children Workshops

The Archdiocese of Detroit's "Protecting God's Children" workshop is held periodically throughout the Archdiocese. To find a session 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 or lunchroom volunteering.

When you go to a "PGC" workshop, please be sure to be on time, as the Archdiocese does not allow admittance to latecomers.

All volunteers working with children must have attended a "PGC" workshop.

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

got SCRIP?

SCRIP office hours:
Mondays and Fridays 7-9am
Mondays; 5-7pm; and
Wednesdays 1-3pm
Patty Smith

"Special Persons' Day"



Mrs Wade took this picture after church on Friday, while Bishop Fisher was still here. A few students who were absent or at their Cardinal Mooney classes were not able to be in the picture, but it's still a nice memory of Special Persons' Day 2018! A few more Special People--

Mark Your Calendar....

- M Oct 1: Iowa testing begins; no CMC for dual-enrolled students; "Catholic High Schools Night" from 6-7:30pm at IC
- W Oct 10: "Walk to School Day:" meet at the beach at 7am to walk in; "Early Release" dismissal at 12:50pm
- Sunday Oct 14: Holy Cross Harvest Dinner 12:30-6pm
- W Oct 17: picture retakes
- W Oct 24: no CMC for dual-enrolled students
- Th. Oct 25: no CMC for dual-enrolled students; no afternoon East China buses
- F Oct 26: end of first quarter; no CMC; no Chartwell's: pizza lunch; "Trunk or Treat" 6-8pm

Student Absences

If your student is out sick, please call school before 8am (you can even call in the middle of the night!). If your student is dual-enrolled at CMC, please call them as well: 810.765.8825.

Cross Country

The first meet was last Thursday; Coach Zammit reports our team members did a great job for having had only a week's worth of practices, and 8th grader **Matthew Zammit** placed 2nd in the 7-8th grade boys' division. The next meet is tonight at Columbus Park in Columbus Township (1670 Bauman Road). Athletes need to be at the park at 5:30pm; the race will start at 6pm. Run like the wind, Crusaders!

Volleyball

Our girls have been enjoying a great season! On Monday they hosted McCormick; last night found them on the road to IC: the Lady Crusaders remain undefeated so far this season! Their next game is at home on Monday, against St Augustine School. The game starts at 6:30 and promises to be exciting: Crusader fans welcome!

Looking ahead a few weeks: the volleyball tournament will be held here at Holy Cross on Oct. 16&17. The only tournament hosted by Holy Cross all year, income from this tournament will benefit ALL of our sports. Therefore, **parents of athletes from ALL SPORTS (not just volleyball) are asked to help at the tournament--**please contact **Stacy Goulette** to offer to work a game. Thank you!

Iowa Tests

Students throughout the Archdiocese of Detroit's schools will be taking the Iowa tests of Basic Skills in early October. Results of these tests help us gauge each individual child's progress, as well as our curriculum.

All students in grades 1-8 will be taking the Iowa Complete Battery of tests. Students in **odd-numbered** grades (oops: said it wrong last week!) also take Cognitive Abilities tests. The testing is spread out over two weeks; students will have no more than one test on each testing day.

Classes have become familiar with the idea and mechanics of testing this week. Students: to do your best on any test, be sure you're eating properly (including a nutritious breakfast before school) and get a good night's sleep.



VG's Receipts / Box Tops for Education

We are already almost 3/4 of the way to our second \$1000 reward! Please keep sending in those entire receipts, including the "Direct Your Dollars" paragraph. (Please note that "e-receipts" are not accepted.) Thank you!

We are also still collecting "Box Tops for Education"--thank you again!

SERVICE CREDITS

The tuition contract spells out the service credit requirement of working 12 credits / family (for families with students in grades K-8). Families who hadn't yet selected their credits by September 15 have been assigned to "Plan A" (which is to pay for the credits). Service credit notices will be in the mail next week.

3D Printing

Mr. Michael Path and I have been talking about a project proposal involving elementary level 3D printing and renewable energy competitions. Our initial thoughts are to offer schools a chance to earn a 3D printer that is user-friendly for elementary school by submitting proposals to teach elementary age students how to use a 3D printer to design and produce model ships that can be powered by non-fossil fuels such as hydrogen, solar, wind, muscle, water, or other sources of energy that are not reliant solely on fossil fuel. If any of our Holy Cross families have connections or interests in the 3D printing, please let Mike Path or myself know.

Fr. Terrien's Installation

...will take place at the 9:30am mass on Sunday, October 7, at the Holy Cross site, presided over by Bishop Fisher. All parishioners and friends are invited to "officially" welcome our new pastor!

"Rosary Coast to Coast"

Metro Detroit Catholics will join Americans across the country in praying the rosary "coast to coast" on October 7 at 4pm EST. Detroiters on the Riverwalk side of the Renaissance Center will join like minded Americans to pray the rosary, together at the same time, along the coasts and borders of the US; in front of state capitols; in other public areas, in parish churches, or as families. Join Catholics from across our nation as we pray to heaven to intercede for America. For more information: call 313.320.7887 or website fatimashrinedetroit.org.

Holy Cross Harvest Dinner

On Sunday, October 14, Holy Cross will put on its annual "Harvest Dinner." Serving 1100 meals requires LOTS of preparation: please sign up in church or with Jennifer Kuzera to do what you can do to help. (Work shifts are available to prepare food on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, and to serve/clean up on Sunday: see the sign up sheets at the river entrance to Holy Cross church.)

The dinner will feature roast beef and chicken "with all the trimmings," and be served in the Activity Center from 12:30-6pm. There's also a farmers' wagon and about a million calories to choose from at the bake sale. Come see what other fun is on tap!

"TRUNK OR TREAT"

The PTO is beginning to plan its annual "Trunk or Treat" Hallowe'en activity. It will be held in the cafeteria/gym from 6-8pm on Friday, October 26.

They will be looking for helpers for setup (from after school 'til about 5:30 that afternoon) and cleanup after the event (7:45-9ish). Are you "into" decorating?--there will be tables to decorate for the 300-some "beggars" to stop at, and people manning those tables will be welcome to bring their own candy--and other donated candy will be welcome, as well, even if you choose not to decorate your own table.

"Walk to School Day"

Wednesday, October 10, is national "Walk to School Day." Students and parents who want to participate: please meet at the Marine City beach at 7am for a walk along the beautiful St Clair River ending at school.

Next "Early Release" Day

Wednesday, October 10, is also our next "Early Release" day. Students will be dismissed at 12:50pm; East China buses will be here for their usual riders then.

Help Pay For Camp 2019: Bingo Concessions

5-8th grade parents: selling concessions at the Wednesday bingo will help you pay your camp bill. Earnings from concessions will be prorated among concessions workers (by the number of bingos worked) and applied to their camp bills at the end of December 2018.

One worker per Wednesday bingo will be needed. If you are interested or for more information please contact Jennifer c/o school.

To Schedule Bingo For 2018-19

To see what days and shifts are available go to:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tHDtUA2KfrP527QHudAS6gNvLE0OV6XuX770ZHXqFg/edit?ts=5b2c13ed>

Immaculate Conception, Holy Cross, St. A's, & St. Mary/McCormick CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT

**Monday, October 1st
6:00-7:30pm**

**Immaculate Conception Catholic
Grade School**

**We invite you to come gather information and meet
admissions representatives from 4 Catholic high
schools in metro Detroit**

De La Salle Collegiate

Cardinal Mooney Catholic

Austin Catholic

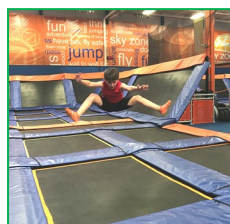
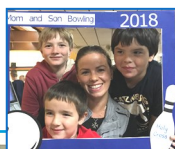
Regina High School

October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 No CMC Iowa testing begins 6pm "Catholic High Schools" night at IC Volleyball game: St A @ HC 6:30pm	2 School Comm meets 6pm	3 HC @ MCA	4 Blessing of animals Cross country meet 5pm at Columbus Park Men's group 7pm at Holy Cross	5	6 Confirmation class fundraiser dinner at St Catherine activity center 5-8pm
7	8 5pm youth choir practice IC @ HC	9 PTO meets 6:30pm 8th graders shadow at CMC all day	10 Walk to school day--meet at beach at 7am EARLY RELEASE--students dismissed at 12:50pm HC @ St A	11 Cross country meet 5pm at Columbus Park	12 Cook squash for harvest dinner Iowa testing concludes	13 Harvest dinner prep 8:30am-noon
14 Holy Cross Harvest Dinner 12-6pm	15	16 Volleyball tournament begins this evening	17 Picture retakes and fall sports photos Volleyball tournament concludes	18	19	20
21 Confirmation meeting 11:30-1	22 Youth choir 5pm	23	24 CMC dismisses at 12:15 for conferences--no CMC today for dual-enrolled students	25 No CMC today for dual-enrolled students No afternoon East China buses	26 NO CMC today End of first quarter Pizza lunch "Trunk or Treat" 6-8pm	27
28 HC/CMC Campus-wide Open House 11:30am-3pm Confirmation meeting	29	30	31 Hallowe'en celebrations end of day No afternoon East China buses Vigil mass 7pm	NOV 1 Mass with CMC at 9am	NOV 2 Regular 9am mass Report cards go home	NOV 3

Bowling

PTO's "Mom & Son" bowling was enjoyed by the 40-some bowlers in attendance! Thank you to **Mrs. Amanda Smalley** for chairing the event and seeing to all its details. A few pix....:



...and "Skyzone"

PTO and teacher appreciation night at Skyzone was also lots of fun:

Chromebook Issues

To facilitate repairs on your student's school-issued Chromebooks, please send a "help ticket" describing the problem to:

help@holycrossonline.on.spiceworks.com

This early notice from you will alert our IT people to the problem, so repairs should come more quickly.

Drama Club

Calling all Holy Cross Thespians...

Drama Club is starting on Tuesday, October 16 from 3-4pm. We'll be practicing each Tuesday until the Christmas play on December 18. If you are in 3rd-8th grade and think you'd like to be in this year's production of "A Night in Bethlehem," **please see Mrs Rock for a schedule and a permission slip.**

Holy Cross on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/holycrosscatholicmc/>

