



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 a personalized learning culture.

December 20, 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

We owe our SCRIP crew a huge "thank you" for the extra hours they put in over the holidays in addition to the time they so generously give Holy Cross throughout the year! Merry Christmas to **Patty Smith, Julie Wolf and Gretchen Rogus!** They will be taking a well-deserved Christmas vacation (SCRIP will NOT be available) from **Dec. 22-Jan 3**; they'll be back at work on January 4.

PTO / SCRIP NEWS

The SCRIP volunteers are helping PTO by running their Hungry Howie pizza card fundraiser. Each family is challenged to purchase 5 Hungry Howie fundraiser cards at the SCRIP office. At \$10 each, they pay for themselves with the free pizza coupon included, and have \$35 worth of other Hungry Howie's savings on the card. You'll find they make great stocking stuffers or holiday gifts for people like letter carriers, UPS drivers, hair stylists, paper carriers, and other friends (and they can fit inside a Christmas card!). Stop by the SCRIP desk (or send your order with your student).

Mark Your Calendar....

- **F. Dec. 21: dress down in red/green/white: last day before Christmas break!**
- Th. Jan 3: classes resume (no Card. Mooney and no East China buses 'til Jan 7); **bring lunch: NO CHARTWELLS JAN 3 & 4**
- **W. Jan 9: "Early Release" day**
- F. Jan 18: end of 2nd quarter
- **W-F Jan 23-25: no afternoon East China buses**
- Th Jan 24: PTO "Family Game Night" 6-7:30pm
- **F Jan 25: report cards go home**
- M Jan 28: "Blue Water Carnival Day"--wear "Carnival day" T shirt and school pants: arrive at 8:30am and be picked up at 2:10pm (no preschool that day)

"Hat and Mitten Tree"

WOW! What a wonderful outpouring of caring! Your hats, scarves, mittens and socks were delivered to the Marine City Old Newsboys on Saturday. They will distribute them with their Christmas packages to local needy families. **THANK YOU!**



Eighth Graders Teach Newton's Laws!

In their science classes, our eighth graders have been studying Isaac Newton's 3 Laws of Motion. They shared the knowledge with students in grades k-2 by setting up interactive display stations to demonstrate the Laws:



Camp

Camp bills should be 3/4 paid by the end of December and paid in full by the end of January. All of the completed paperwork needs to be back at school by the end of January, too.

Basketball--Girls':

The girls' team has no games now until January 7 (at McCormick). Their tournament will be the weekend of Jan. 18: details after the first of the year!

--and Boys':

Practices started this week. So far we don't have a firm game schedule, but the first game should be the week of Jan 28.

--and Cheer:

The cheer team will have its first practice on January 3, right after school until 4:30pm, in the activity center. (All athletes' physicals need to be complete with form turned in at office before they may attend practices.)

NJHS Students Help Old Newsboys

A great group of our NJHS students worked with the Marine City Old Newsboys to package candy for Christmas deliveries to needy Marine City area children. With Mrs Wade and Mrs Steinmetz "supervising," we all had fun!



Dress Down Day

Tomorrow will be a dress down day for students wearing red / green / white.

VG's Receipts / Box Tops for Education

We did it: we've collected enough receipts to request our second \$1000 reward! But we don't have to stop! Please keep sending in those entire paper receipts, including the "Direct Your Dollars" paragraph. ("E-receipts" are not accepted.) We are also still collecting "Box Tops for Education"--thanks again!

"Santa Shop"

Thank you to Mrs. Bryson, Mrs. Goulette, Mrs. DeVeny, Mrs. Smalley, Mrs. Mensen and Ms. Babel for providing our students with this "secret" shopping experience. The kids enjoyed choosing gifts for their loved ones, and they were even able to wrap their treasures before they left:



(If you discover a problem with any of our "Santa Shop" items, please call 800.772.7587 before Jan. 31 with the item number and description, and damaged or defective items will be replaced.)

Christmas Program

We audience members were delighted with the opening number, "The Special Night," performed by the PK-grade 2 "Cherub Chorus." After that came the play about Christmas night, with musical interludes provided by grade 3-8 "The Angel Choir." The students provided us with a thoughtful reminder to "Keep Christ in Christmas;" thank you for that. Thank you, also, to **Trish Babel**, the PTO, and all the folks who donated the yummy refreshments, and to the wonderful people who stayed to clean up after: another reminder of what this season is all about.



Holy Cross on Facebook:

[https://](https://www.facebook.com/holycrosscatholicmc/)

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Help with "Carnival Day"

Staff Lunch

Thank you to **Ms. Trish Babel** who will be coordinating this lunch with Cardinal Mooney's rep! They will be feeding the teachers from all the participating schools--about 70 people. They plan to have a soup, sandwich and salad bar set up in the CMC faculty area. CMC parents are covering the soup, sandwiches, beverages, half of the desserts and all paper products. HC is being asked to cover the items for a buffet salad bar: lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, onions, green peppers, black olives, cheese (cheddar and feta), crumbled bacon, chunked ham and turkey, boiled eggs, croutons, sunflower seeds and dried cherries, as well as a pasta salad, two other salads (e.g. potato, mac, coleslaw), cottage cheese, canned chopped peaches, canned chunk pineapples, two dozen cupcakes, two dozen brownies, and two dozen cookies. Please review the list, and if there is an item you are able to donate please let Trish know by phone c/o school or by email: trishhurt@hotmail.com.

Donated food items will need to be dropped off the morning of "Carnival Day" (Jan.28). Trish will have other details when you talk to her. Thank you in advance for your help!

NO CHARTWELLS

JAN. 3&4, 2019

Everyone will need

to bring

aa lunch and drink

both of those days!



"Angels" (above) and the entire cast (below).



Parents of Eighth Graders:

In the yearbook every year we include a "match game," using our eighth graders' "graduation" pictures and photos of them as little ones that their parents have submitted. Here's the call for this year's baby pictures!

Parents of eighth graders: please send a photo (digital preferred, but we can scan and return a hard copy) of your 8th grader as a wee one. Please email to school@holycrossonline.net (attention Mrs Steinmetz). We'll need them by the end of February (but if you find the perfect photo during family reminiscings over Christmas break, please send now while you know where it is!) Thank you for helping continue this fun tradition.

Attention: Photographers...

.....If you come up with any great photos of students at school functions that you'd be willing to share (and have published in the newsletter and/or the yearbook), please email to Mrs Steinmetz at school@holycrossonline.net. Thanks!

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.

To Schedule Bingo Shifts:

You are NEEDED! To see what days and shifts are available go to:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tHdtUA2KfrP527QHudAS6gNvLE0OV6XuX770ZHXqFg/edit?ts=5b2c13ed>

Please Keep In Your Prayers...

....Mr. Mensen (dad of 3rd grader Ava and 2nd grader Emma), Mrs. Earl (2nd grader Andrew's mom) and Mr. Smith (husband of Mrs. Patty Smith and grandpa of 5th grader Lylah), who are all either looking ahead to or recovering from surgeries. We're praying for a speedy return to blessed good health for each of you!

We wish you and your family a very merry Christmas--may the love and joy of this season rest on you and remain with you throughout the new year.

January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <i>(Happy new year!)</i>	2	3 Back to class! No East China buses 'til Jan. 7 NO CHARTWELLS 'til Jan 7· BRING LUNCH AND DRINK	4 No East China buses 'til Jan. 7 NO CHARTWELLS 'til Jan 7· BRING LUNCH AND DRINK	5
6 Confirmation classes 1-4pm Basketball games start at 6:30pm:	7 East China buses re- sume their runs HC @ MCA	8 PTO meets 6:30pm in faculty room	9 EARLY RELEASE-- students dismissed at 12:50pm St A @ HC	10	11	12
13	14 St A @ HC	15	16 PTO "Muffins with Mom" 7am cafeteria	17	18 End of 2nd quarter	19
20	21	22	23 No afternoon East China buses	24 No afternoon East China buses PTO "Family Game Night" 6-7:30pm	25 No afternoon East China buses Report cards go home	26
27 Confirmation classes 1-4pm	28 Bluewater Vicariate Schools' "Carnival Day": arrive at 8:30 and leave at 2:10	29	30	31	Feb. 1	



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HOLY CROSS 30TH ANNUAL DINNER & AUCTION

Please join us for a fabulous evening out with family, friends, and neighbors while showing your support for Holy Cross Catholic School.

EVENT DETAILS

Date: February 9th, 2019
Location: Holy Cross School
Time: 6:00PM Doors Open

- Live Entertainment with Dancing!
- 50/50 Pre-Sale Tickets
- Live and Silent Auction!
- Keeping the tradition "Dessert Dash"
- Catered by Big River BBQ



TICKETS

2019 Auction tickets are available through Tiffany Mensen our Auction Chair and Online.

- \$35 per person *(checks payable to OLR)*
- \$240 for a table of 8

Auction Chair – tmensen@holvcrossonline.net

Online – ourladyontheriver.weshareonline.org

Please click on the Holy Cross School Auction Event



Holy Cross Lunch Menu

January 2019

Lunch Price: \$2.40 Reduced Price: \$.40

Ala Carte Milk, Juice & Water: \$.50/Snack: \$.25, \$.50 or \$.75 Adult Lunch: \$3.75

A full student lunch includes a choice of entrée supplying protein, milk, grain, and vegetable and fruit side dishes. Milk Choices include: 1% White and Chocolate Skim Milk. A cold vegetable and fruit bar is available daily on which we feature the vegetables and fruit listed below, additional fruit and vegetable choices may be available in the bar.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Meatless Monday ⁷  Stuffed Crust Cheese Pizza Golden Corn	Taco Tuesday ⁸ Beef Soft Shell Tacos Seasoned Refried Beans	Fun Lunch ⁹  Cinnamon Toast Cereal, Yogurt & String Cheese Steamed Sliced Carrots	Chef Salad ¹⁰ Garlic Bread Stick Steamed Broccoli Lucky Lunch- Hot Chocolate Cone	Beef Hot Dog w/Bun ¹¹ BBQ Baked Beans
Meatless Monday ¹⁴  Bosco Sticks w/Dipping Sauce Steamed Green Beans	Walking Tacos ¹⁵ W/Cinnamon Breadstick Seasoned Refried Beans	Triple Cheese Panini ¹⁶ w/Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup Baby Carrots	Rotini Pasta with ¹⁷ Meat Sauce Roasted Carrot "Fries"	Ham & Cheese on a ¹⁸ Pretzel Bun w/Tomato Soup
Meatless Monday ²¹  Warm Pretzel Sticks w/Cheddar Cheese Sauce Roasted Broccoli	Beef & Cheese Nachos ²² Seasoned Refried Beans	Warm Pancakes ²³ Turkey Sausage Patties Apple Juice	Homemade Creamy ²⁴ Macaroni & Cheese w/ Pretzel Rod Potato Wedges Birthday Treat- Mini Ice Cream Sandwich	Crispy Chicken Sandwich ²⁵ on a WG Bun Oven Fries
²⁸	Classic Cheeseburger ²⁹ Potato Wedges	French Toast Sticks ³⁰ Turkey Sausage Patty Apple Juice	 Strawberry Yogurt ³¹ Parfait w/Homemade Granola Seasoned Broccoli	Breaded Chicken ¹ Drumstick w/Fresh Baked Biscuit Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 French Toast Sticks w/Scrambled Eggs	Chicken Nuggets w/Dinner Roll	 Stuffed Crust Cheese Pizza	Popcorn Chicken w/Dinner Roll	 Grilled Cheese w/Tomato Soup
Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Bar Available Daily				
Fresh Cherry Tomatoes Romaine & Spinach Salad Fresh Apple Pineapple Chunks	Sliced Cucumbers Romaine & Spinach Salad Apple Slices Chilled Peaches	Fresh Cauliflower Romaine & Spinach Salad Red Grapes Chilled Fruit Cocktail	Fresh Baby Carrots Romaine & Spinach Salad Fresh Cut Orange Wedges Chilled Applesauce	Power Peas Romaine & Spinach Salad Fresh Banana Chilled Diced Pears

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 Vegetarian Item