



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.

March 14, 2019

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

Hungry Howie fundraiser cards are still available. If every HC family were to sell or purchase 3 cards, the PTO would earn about \$1200! You can get your cards during your next visit to the SCRIP desk; Mrs Steinmetz also has a small supply of them at the school office.

Re-registration Packets

A re-registration packet for 2019-20 was prepared for your family and sent home a couple weeks ago with your oldest 2019-20 "Crusader." Remember: if you complete your registration before the end of April, there is a discount (\$75/student) in the registration fee!

End of the Third Quarter

...is next Friday, March 22. Report cards will go home with students on March 29.

"Read In" Day!

Next Thursday, March 21, will be our annual "Read In" day! Students may dress down in jammies or comfy clothes and spend the day with their favorite books. (Students: remember that you must be able to carry whatever you choose to bring!)

Mark Your Calendar...

- Th March 21: NO CAFETERIA service: everyone needs to bring lunch and drink from home; "Read In" day!
- **F March 22: end of 3rd quarter**
- M-F, March 25-29: no East China buses
- **F March 29: report cards go home**
- M April 1: East China buses resume their runs
- **W April 10: PLC Early Release day (students will be dismissed at 12:50pm)**
- F April 12: no pm East China buses
- **W April 17: last day before Easter break**
- April 18-28: no school--Easter break

FINANCIAL AID for 2019-20

The Archdiocesan Grant application is ready: go to <https://online.factsmgt.com> and create an account or log into your existing FACTS account. You must be Catholic to be eligible for this grant.

Directions for applying for the grant are on the Holy Cross School website (under the "documents" tab) at <http://holycrossonline.net/2019/01/29/2019-20-archd-grant-application-information/>

Please note that you must also have your pastor's signature on the "Pastor's Signature Form" (which you'll find at the above address on the school website).

Archdiocesan grant applications need to be submitted and complete before the end of April.

Application for the Archdiocesan Grant **is required** before applying for any "local" assistance (such as the Bartone grant). (Note: you don't necessarily have to **receive** the Archdiocesan grant to apply for Bartone assistance, but **you need to have applied for the Aod grant to be eligible for all other local help.**)

Application forms for local assistance are ready and available at the school office.

Lenten Fish Frys

Join your family and friends for a good Lenten meal at tomorrow's fish fry! Meals (fried OR baked fish, baked potatoes or French fries, mac & cheese, and sides and dessert) will be served from 4-7pm (or until they run out of food) and the St. Catherine (Algonac) activity center.

Volunteers are needed to work at the remaining fish frys. If you still need service credits for the 2018-19 school year, only fish frys and bingos are left. To sign up to work, please text Jessica Smith email lylahmae528@gmail.com.

Students who would like to help are encouraged to contact Ms Smith to be scheduled. Students in 4th grade or younger who would like to help will need to be accompanied by a parent or other adult.

The fish fry team is hoping the parish's bakers will help with desserts. They are accepting donations of single-serving-sized desserts (cupcakes, brownies, cookies), which can be dropped off by Friday mornings at the school office.

Yearbook

LAST CALL FOR ORDERS for your 2018-19 Holy Cross yearbook! The yearbook will be soft-bound and contain 28 full-color pages (very similar to yearbooks from the past few years). Cost remains \$15/book **by pre-order only--** you'll find an order form on the reverse. **Orders need to be in the school office by TOMORROW--Friday, March 15.**

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To Schedule Wednesday Bingo Shifts:

You are **NEEDED!** To see what days and shifts are available through the end of April, go to:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tHDtUA2KfrP527QHudAS6gNvLE0OV6XuX770ZHxqFg/edit?ts=5b2c13ed>

Wednesday bingos are now at St Catherine's Activity Center.

Raffle Calendar Winners

...for this month are: John Szurpicki of St. Clair, Cora Plummer of Clay Twp and Fr Bodde (of East China). Congratulations! Thank you for supporting Holy Cross School's raffle.

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 year-book), please email to Mrs Steinmetz at school@holycrossonline.net. Thanks!

8th Graders' "Save "Sex" Retreat

Our eighth graders will be spending Monday, March 25 at St Augustine School at a retreat encouraging them to "Save Sex" for marriage.

A parent presentation is planned for Thursday, March 21 at St Augustine library: parents planning to attend should RSVP to the school at 586.727.9365.

Parents--please watch your email for an important survey!

VG's Receipts / Box Tops for Education

Please keep sending in those entire paper VG's receipts, including the "Direct Your Dollars" paragraph. ("E-receipts" are not accepted.) We are also still collecting "Box Tops for Education"--thanks much!

Chromebook Issues

To facilitate repairs on your student's school-issued Chromebooks, send a "help ticket" describing the problem to: help@holycrossonline.on.spiceworks.com

Thank You!!

...to Mrs. Jamie Guyor and her mom, Mrs. Deb Callahan, for spiffing up our bulletin boards for last week's Open House!

Holy Cross on Facebook:

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

Middle School Anatomists

Last week, there was something fishy going on in Mrs. Wade's 5th and 6th grade science classes...REALLY fishy: the students dissected perch! We were excited to see all the fishes' insides, and how they all fit together. The skin was really tough and hard to cut:



Boys' Basketball

"Jimmy Downey converted both ends of a one-and-one and Kyle Miotke added a basket in the final minute to secure a dramatic 47-41 home victory over MCA last Thursday. Devin Allam scored nine points, grabbed 17 rebounds, and had five blocked shots for the Crusaders. Miotke led all scorers with 33; Downey added five. Bryce Schocker, Wyatt Schulte, and Matt Zammit limited the Cardinals' scoring opportunities with excellent defense and rebounding. The team fell 34-20 to St. Augustine on Monday. Aiden Schocker, Bryce Schocker, Elliott Zech, Wyatt Schulte, and Isaac Zammit led a strong defensive effort against the Saints. Kyle Miotke led the way with 14 points. Matt Zammit, David Marshall, and Jimmy Downey closed out the scoring for the Crusaders. Our Lady of Immaculate Conception spoiled "Senior Night" with yesterday's 30-22 victory over the Crusaders. Kyle Miotke paced the team with 15 points. Bryce Schocker provided a big spark with four points, excellent rebounding, and typically stout defense. Conor Guyor buried a deep three-pointer to ignite a second-half charge for the Crusaders. The team returns to action Monday night at Holy Family in Memphis against league-leading St. Augustine. Tip-off is at 7:30 pm. All Crusader fans are welcome!" --Coach Downey