



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.

April 11, 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

The SCRIP office will be closed Good Friday-Easter Monday (April 19-22), and will re-open on Wednesday, April 24.

Next "Early Release" Day

Wednesday, May 8, is our next (and last) "Early Release" day. **ALL STUDENTS (EXCEPT those who have classes at CMC in the afternoon) will be dismissed at 12:50pm;** East China buses will be here for their usual riders then. **ONLY THOSE STUDENTS** who still have classes at CMC may wait at Holy Cross for those classes; they will be expected in the music room. All other students should be on their way home.

Holy Cross School Featured in Detroit Catholic

--and it is a very nice article! You can find it online at this address: <https://detroitcatholic.com/news/janet-sugameli-biondo/holy-cross-school-in-marine-city-traces-150-year-history-back-to-fr-gabriel-richards-legacy>

A Reminder:
No East China Buses
Home Tomorrow

Mark Your Calendar...

- **Work on your registration and Financial Aid applications!**
- **Tomorrow, April 12: no pm East China buses; NO CHARTWELLS--everyone needs to bring lunch & drink from home**
- Sat April 13: First Communion retreat 9am-noon
- **W April 17: last day before Easter break**
- April 18-28: no school--Easter break
- **M April 29: back to school!**
- W May 1: "Donuts with Dads" 7am cafeteria
- **F May 3: no Chartwells: pizza lunch**
- W May 8: "Muffins with Moms" 7am cafeteria; student "Early Release" dismissal at 12:50pm
- **M May 13: Cyber Safety Initiative presentations grades K-8**
- Tu May 14: all sports awards dinner 5:15 cafeteria; PTO meets 7pm

Lenten Fish Frys

Tomorrow is the last of this year's parish fish frys at St. Catherine activity center.

Volunteers are needed to work at this last fish fry. 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 (810.434.2537) or email lylah-mae528@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. **Student workers are encouraged to wear Holy Cross spiritwear!**

The fish fry team is accepting donations of single-serving-sized desserts (cupcakes, brownies, cookies), which can be dropped off by Friday morning at the school office.

Registration

Complete your registration for 2019-20 before the end of April to take advantage of the "early registration" discount!

FINANCIAL AID FOR 2019-20

Application for the Archdiocesan Grant must be made online: to apply go to: <https://online.factsmgmt.com>. You can log into your existing FACTS account. (or create a new one, if you don't already have one). 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.

We also have "local" help available (such as the Bartone grant): applying for the Archdiocesan Grant **is required** before applying for any "local" assistance. (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.**) Get an application form for this "local" aid at the school office (**they're due in May**): there's a lot of help available: but you have to **APPLY!**

Service Credits Need to Be Completed by the End of April-

For Wednesday Bingo Shifts:

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.

NO CHARTWELLS TOMORROW!

Everyone will need to bring a non-microwaveable lunch and drink (and fork/spoon, if needed).

Calendar Raffle Winners

....for this month are Mary Toellen of Clay Township. L. Ellen Bindek of Harsens Island and Jim Furtah of Marine City.

Sports Awards Dinner

Students who were on any Holy Cross sports team this year, along with their families, are invited to this year's sports awards dinner. It will be held on Tuesday, May 14, in the cafeteria: doors open at 5:15, dinner begins (promptly) at 5:30, and awards come after.

The Booster Club will provide pizza and salad (and tableware): families are asked to bring a dessert and a 2-liter bottle of soda to share.

So that we can order enough pizza for everyone, we need to know how many we'll be feeding! **Please RSVP by May 7 to Mrs Steinmetz in the office with the number in your family who will be attending.**

Track

Practice continues, with eyes on the first track meet on Friday, May 3. Practice time is available every day after school: athletes should attend at least 3 of the 5 practices each week.

Easter Egg Hunt

Children 10 and under are invited to OLR parish's annual Taster egg hunt on Saturday, April 20, at 11am (please arrive by 10:45am) at St. Mark Chapel on Harsens Island. Rain or shine or snow!! First Fr Terrien will bless the Easter foods, as well as all who are gathered there. Then we will have a short Easter lesson and sing some songs with our guest, the Easter Bunny. This will be followed by the hunt.

Children will hunt for little lambs (the Lamb of God) and eggs/Easter bags with Christian prizes and other Easter goodies. Each child will also receive a chocolate cross.

Com and join our celebration! There is no cost to those attending. Please RSVP to Debbie before April 15 (810.748.4455 or email dared@webtv.net). Please leave an adult contact name and phone number, the first name of each child and their ages. This way we can make sure there are plenty of goodies in the hunt for all different age groups.

Looking forward to seeing you there!
--Bill and Debbie (Ms Debbie the "Dream Manager") DeMunnik

VG's Receipts / Box Tops for Education

We're almost halfway to our third \$1000! 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!

Online Tutoring

Parents interested in tutoring for their student may want to check out this lweb-site for online tutoring:

<https://www.etutorworld.com/4th-grade-online-tutoring.html>

Tutoring is available in math, science, English and social studies, and students are assigned a consistent tutor.

Eighth Grade Bakers

The eighth graders learned about baking apple pies this week, under the watchful eye of Mrs Wade. They found their work delicious!



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

Measles

You've probably heard in the news of measles outbreaks in nearby counties. Measles is a highly contagious and serious disease. In the event of an outbreak in a school, students not fully immunized will be excluded for at least 21 days after their last exposure.

The Health Department says that symptoms most often begin with a fever, runny nose and eyes, and cough. A red blotchy rash will develop 3-7 days after the fever starts: first on the face and gradually moving down the body.

The measles vaccine (MMR) is very effective: the recommended two doses are approximately 97% effective at preventing measles.

PTO Flower Sale

Attached is ordering information for the PTO's annual spring flower sale. Orders with payment are due Wednesday, May 1 (be sure to include your name and phone number). Delivery will be in the parking lot on May 10 from 2:45 -3:30pm: just in time for Mothers' Day! Or, if you're not sure what Mom would like, a gift card could be just the thing: just write in the denomination you'd like on your order form.

Too Early!

We love them! And the fact that they are so eager to get to school!--but, parents: please do not drop your students off before 7:10, to give their teachers time to get ready for them. Thank you!



St. Clair Community Singers

Spring Concert

**Sunday May 5, 2019
4pm**

First Congregational Church

**Adams at Third Street
St Clair**

**Free admission
(free will offerings accepted)**

**Director: Jo-Anne Wilkie
Accompanist: Carole Lohr**





Think Spring!
 The Flower Sale Fundraiser is here!!
*Pick from some of the beautiful choices below:**



Black Separtulae



Superbelkanix



Celosia mix



Springtime
 trailing



Vista Superbells



Dark Eyes Trailing Fuscia



Blue Waves



Whisper



Red Geranium



Superbells



Shirley's Marigolds



Geranium mix

See your organization representatives for order forms and sale details.

*pictures are representations and may not match exactly like plants received



Seller Name:

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