



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.

May 16, 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.

OLR will host a "PGC" workshop on **Saturday, September 21**, from 8:30am-noon in the Holy Cross activity center.

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

Beginning on June 10, the SCRIP office's hours and schedule will be: open on Mondays from 5-7pm and Fridays from 8-10am. The office will be closed August 1-10. (Regular school time hours will resume on August 26.)

School Office Summer Hours

The school office will be open for reduced hours during the summer. From June 10-28 and August 1-16, the office will be open from 8am-1pm. During the month of July the school office is closed for cleaning--but we will be checking messages.

Volunteer Appreciation Reception

Thank you to Mrs. Gryszkiewicz for her work organizing a "thank you" to our school volunteers last week. Thanks, too, to the NJHS students who helped at the reception for our honored guests. We are so lucky to have so many wonderful people in our "family"!!

Mark Your Calendar...

- **Local financial aid applications are due May 31**
- Tu-Th, May 21-23: 8th grade class trip to Chicago
- **W May 22: after lunch, PTO's "Field Day"**
- F-M May 24-27: Memorial Day weekend--no school
- **Tu May 28: back to class**
- Sunday June 2: Holy Cross-Cardinal Mooney Alumni Association annual brunch
- **Tu June 4: (after noon) Talent Show and Drama production**
- W June 5: last day for preschool; 8th grade graduation at 9am mass
- **F June 7: last day of school for K-7 (dress down); NJHS pizza lunch; awards about 11:45am with dismissal after**

Thank You!!

The teachers extend their thanks to the PTO for "love letters," flowers (and other little treats all week), and for the luncheon they provided on Thursday last week, during Teacher Appreciation week. Special thanks to **Tiffany Mensen, Becky Bryson** and **Trish Babel** for coordinating the lunch, and to **Jackie Marshall, Mike Shmina, Brigitte Pennington, Jamie Guyor** and (Ms Johnson's mom) **Carrie Fleischer** for helping.

FINANCIAL AID FOR 2019-20

We are fortunate in having local financial aid 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 May 31**): there's a lot of help available: but you have to **APPLY!**

Calendar Raffle Winners

...for May are: Jeannette Matyn and the Dornoffs, all of East China, and Debbie Beier of Algonac. Congratulations--and thank you for supporting Holy Cross!

Track

Quick season: today is the team's last practice ('til 4pm) and the last meet will be held tomorrow (5pm at the track between the high school and the Lions Club).

HC scorers at the second meet (on May 10) were:

Rebecca Goulette, who was 1st in shot; **Joe Fajardo** took 1st in shot, 2nd in long jump and 2nd in 100m; **David Marshall** with 3rd in shot, 1st in long jump and 1st in 100m; **Maggie Bartholomew**: 3rd in 100m; **Matthew Zammit**--2nd in 800m and 3rd in mile; **Cole Tite**--3rd in 800m and 2nd in mile; **Audrina Guldemand** with 4th in long jump; **Isaac Zammit** 4th in both 800m and mile; **Olivia Ogden**--1st in each 100m, 200m, 400m and 800m; **Conor Guyor** with 4th in 200m; 5&6 4x100 relay team of **Olivia, Gabe Jacobs, Micah Arlow** and **Conor**, 3rd; 7&8 4x100 relay team of **Maggie, Audrina, Gemma Downey** and **Aiden Schocker** in 4th; and 7&8 4x400 relay team of **Olivia, Gemma, Conor** and **Isaac** finished 2nd. Additions to last week's results were **Conor** with 4th place in shot and **Brennen DeMeulenaere**, 3rd in long jump.

Each of the participating schools has an assigned duty at the meets. Holy Cross will staff and maintain the long jump pit. No experience needed!--please contact **Coach Guldemand** to offer a hand! Many thanks to **Christine** and **Analise Schocker, Laura Bailey, Joe Somma** and **Michele Bartholomew** for their help at the meets!!

Yearbooks

Still one left--\$15 takes it!

Annual Sports Awards Dinner

Thank you to the Holy Cross Booster Club for getting all of our athletes and their families together with their coaches for an evening focused on the students and their sports team work this year. The annual all-sports awards dinner was on Tuesday: athletes received certificates and medals, and acknowledgment of their accomplishments in the sport(s) they participated in. A million thanks to the dedicated folks who served as their coaches this year!

VG's Receipts / Box Tops for Education

We're OVER 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!

Eighth Graders and the Alumni Association's Annual Brunch June 2

Our soon-to-be alumni have all been invited (by mail) to the Holy Cross/Cardinal Mooney Alumni Association to their annual brunch, which will be held on Sunday, June 2. Information on the cost and making your reservation were included in the mailing.

Online Tutoring

Parents interested in tutoring for their student may want to check out this website 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.

Field Day

PTO's "Field Day" is NEXT WEEK, on Wednesday, May 22. They are looking for volunteers! Please call or text Becky Bryson for more info or to offer to help. In addition to helpers, they are looking for Dixie cups, full-size candy bars, ice pops (popsicles in plastic tubes) and a large crawl-through tube. If you can help in any of these areas, please contact Becky.

Registration

Registrations are being accepted for the 2019-20 school year. Fees (and Chromebook insurance) are due at registration; the first 10% tuition payment is due at the end of May.

Exams for Seventh & Eighth Graders

Dual Enrolled at Cardinal Mooney:

A letter from CMC went home with your student on Tuesday detailing their schedule at CMC for June 3-13. Please ask your student for the letter so you'll have their last two weeks' class and exam schedule!

To Schedule Bingo Shifts...

Families opting to work their service credits at Wednesday bingos (at St Catherine activity center in Algonac): please contact **Paul Burger at 734.837.5807**. Help is needed most Wednesdays: one

should fit your schedule!

School Chromebook Repair Ticket
For repairs: send a "help ticket" to--
help@holycrossonline.on.spiceworks.com

Dear Parents,

It's that time of year again... As we approach the end of the school year, the PTO here at HC is excited to host our annual Field Day! We will be holding this event rain or shine. If we do happen to experience inclement weather, we will simply move the fun indoors. Here are the details:

When: Wed., May 22nd, following lunch (app. 11:45am).

Where: Around the playground, in back of the school. Inclement weather location will be the gym.

What to wear: Field Day is a dress down day, but we encourage the kids to wear a shirt that can be signed, such as their Carnival Day shirts. Sturdy shoes and pants/shorts that may get dirty are recommended.

Lunch?: We will not serve lunch, so normal lunch procedures should be followed.

Preschoolers attending will need a lunch to eat at school, and an adult to stay with them throughout Field Day festivities.

We are seeking donations of the following items to complete our Field Day fun:

- > (Lots) Cones
- > (2 dozen) Eggs
- > (2) Sacks
- > (Lots) Hula hoops
- > (300) Dixie cups
- > (4) Large bags of ice
- > (2) Large "crawl through" tubes
- > (75) Candy bars
- > (100 pack) Paper bracelets, such as those found at festivals or carnivals

Thank you so much for allowing your child(ren) to participate in this event! We hope to continue this tradition of FUN every year!

Please contact me with any questions or if you would like to VOLUNTEER!!

Becky Bryson (757) 334-9662 or beckybryson123@gmail.com

Financial Aid.....

Important things to remember when you are applying for Holy Cross financial aid...

1. you must have applied for the Archdiocese of Detroit's grant first;
2. you can get the Holy Cross financial aid application at the school office;
3. you must work your 12 "service credits" (and not opt to pay for them);
4. you must attach a copy of your Archdiocesan grant application;
5. you must attach a copy of your 2018 US 1040 tax return; and
6. your application must be completed and in the school office **by May 31**.

If you have any questions about financial aid (or any other school matter!), please contact the school office (810.765.3591).