



# 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.

## January 23, 2020

### Protecting God's Children Workshops

The Archdiocese of Detroit's "Protecting God's Children" workshop is held periodically throughout the Archdiocese. EVERY classroom or lunchroom volunteer or employee needs to have attended. To find a session that fits your schedule, go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and select "First Time Registrant." Then choose "view list" of class sites, and choose "Detroit." Scroll through to find your session, then go back to the top of that page to create your login.

When attending a "PGC" workshop, be sure to be on time, as the Archdiocese does not allow latecomers to enter.

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.**

If you have recently attended a "PGC" workshop, please send a copy of your certificate to school ASAP so we have it on file--thank you!

got SCRIP?

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

### Report Cards

...will go home with students TOMORROW.

### Service Credits: Scheduling Bingo Shifts...

The Wednesday night bingo at St Catherine's REALLY needs your help. 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.

You can also see what bingo shifts are available by going to:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tHDtUA2KfrP527QHudAS6gNvLE0OV6XuX770ZHXqFg/edit?ts=5d4c47eb>

**No E China Buses Home  
TOMORROW, Jan 24**

### Mark Your Calendar....

- **F Jan 24: report cards go home; winter sports photos; no East China buses home**
- **M Jan 27: "Carnival Day:" school day today is 8:30am-2:10pm; dress--school pants, Carnival T-shirt (lunch is included unless you need to bring your own)**
- **M-F Jan 27-31: Catholic Schools Week**
- **Sat Feb 1: girls' basketball tournament at IC**
- **Tu Feb 4: School Committee meets 6pm**
- **W Feb 5: "Donuts with Dads" 7-7:30am in cafeteria**
- **Sat. Feb 8: Holy Cross Auction! --get your ticket today!!!**
- **M-Th, Feb 10-13: students in grades 5-8 go to camp**
- **Tu. Feb 11: PTO meets 6:30pm--library**
- **W Feb 12: full day with regular 2:50 dismissal; no East China buses home**
- **Th Feb 13: mass day for grades K-5; campers return to school about 5pm**
- **F-M, Feb 14-17: no school (midwinter break)**

### Girls' Basketball

The girls played against Merritt for an off-league game last week. On Monday they visited St Augustine School, and last night had a "practice game" at St Mary's. Their last game of regular season play will be at home on Monday, January 27: 6:30pm.

The tournament is scheduled for **Saturday, Feb. 1 at Immaculate Conception**. Our girls will take on St Mary McCormick during game 1 at 9am. If they win that game, they go on to game 4 at 1pm; otherwise, they'll play their second game at 12 noon. Go, Lady Crusaders!

### Girls' Basketball Photos

Our photographer will be here TOMORROW, January 24, to take individual and team photos. **Team members: re-member to bring your uniforms to school tomorrow!**

### Parents of All Athletes:

Our Booster Club covers all the expenses of our extracurricular sports program. Parents of athletes are expected to do their part by helping with admissions and concessions at home games at least twice during their child's season, and at least once during the volleyball tournament, which Holy Cross hosts every year. Every sports family owes a debt of gratitude to Janine Winne for taking on the responsibility of organizing workers and concessions: please contact her to offer your help.

### Camp 2020

The 5-8th graders will be away at winter camp the week of Feb. 10-13, 2020. Students' paperwork needs to be completed and turned in, and all payments must be completed, by the end of January.

### Boys' Basketball

The boys' season starts as the girls' season nears its end. We're happy to introduce the Holy Cross boys' coach, **Bill Guyor** and his team, including 5th graders **Micah Arlow, Matthew Bailey, Dylan Davenport** and **Gabe Jacobs**; 6th grader **Kaden Remier**; 7th graders **John Bailey, Brennen DeMeulenaere, Conor Guyor** and **Evan Jacobs**; and 8th graders **Aiden Schocker, Bryce Schocker** and **Isaac Zammit**. Can't wait to see the team in action!

### T-Shirts and Hungry Howie Cards

The \$10 card includes a free large one-item pizza: hard to go wrong! PTO also has a few "vintage" t-shirts (last year's logo) and caps available at the school office: \$5.

### Auction 2020

It's time to make your reservation for the Auction! It will be held on Saturday, Feb. 8 in the Holy Cross Activity Center. Tickets (available at the school and church offices) are \$40/person or 8 for \$300. Lots of raffles and fun items to bid on, hors d'oeuvres, a full meal (catered by Big River BBQ) and open bar: you're sure to have a good time with the finest folks in the world--other Holy Cross supporters!

## Catholic Schools Week

Next week is nation-wide "Catholic Schools Week!" We'll be starting the week out along with our friends from all the other local Catholic schools at the "Carnival" on Monday. But we also have special activities planned for the rest of the week to celebrate!

Tuesday will be "Pajama Day--" students may wear appropriate pjs with tennis or school shoes (no slippers, blankets or stuffed animals, please).

Wednesday will be "Hat / Uniform Hoodie Day" with movie and popcorn. You may wear a hat or, if you are wearing a uniform hoodie, you may have your hood up. (School uniform required this day.)

Thursday will be "Twin / Triplet / Backward / Wild Dress Day." You may dress down as twins, triplets, wear your clothes backward or wear wild patterns and/or colors. You may wear tennis shoes (no wild hair or hats).

Friday is our usual mass day, and "Dress Up Day--" dress up or regular church dress code today. (Boys still need to wear ties and girls' dresses may not be sleeveless--see dress code for "Dress Up" days.) PTO is providing an ice cream treat after lunch.

(IF one of these days turns out to be a "snow day," the special activity will be eliminated along with school attendance that day, and we'll continue on schedule.) It should be a fun week!

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## "Carnival"

The Blue Water Catholic schools' "Carnival" will be here at the Holy Cross / Cardinal Mooney campus next Monday, January 27.

We will have a late start that day. The other schools will be arriving in time for 9am mass. Holy Cross students will be expected to be here **by 8:30am** that day.

Dress for the day will be uniform pants and Carnival day t-shirt. (Shirts went home last Friday with those students who requested them.)

The day will begin with mass at Holy Cross church. Students will divide into groups afterward to enjoy all the fun activities planned for the day.

Lunch was included in the cost. However, if your child has special dietary needs please send his/her lunch, just to be safe.

Students will be ready for pick up at **2:10pm**. There will be NO East China buses that day--all students will need their own rides.

We're looking forward to a fun day with old and new friends from the area Catholic schools.

## Academic Olympics

This annual academic competition among our local Catholic schools will be held on Saturday, February 22, at St. Augustine School in Richmond. Competitions are open to 5-8th graders in the areas of math, forensics (humorous and serious prose and poetry), problem solving, and religion quiz bowl.

5th-8th grade students interested in entering: please contact your teacher. All events are individual except problem solving, which requires a team of 3-5 students.

## VG's Receipts

Please keep sending in those **entire** paper VG's receipts, including the "Direct Your Dollars" paragraph. ("E-receipts" are not accepted.) We will continue to collect those receipts until the store tells us to stop! Receipts can be dropped off at the school office (or SCRIP office) when you're out and about, or turned in at the rectory, or in the box at the river entrance at church.

## KofC "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest

Congratulations to 4th grader **Xavier Zammit**, whose entry won in the 8-10 year olds' group, and to 3rd grader **Alex Path**, who was the runnerup in 5-7 year old group! Each won a medal and a Meijer gift card. Way to go, guys!

## Auction Items in the Spotlight:

Our classes are working on Auction donations, too. Here's the super-sized "Jenga" game the big kids are making:

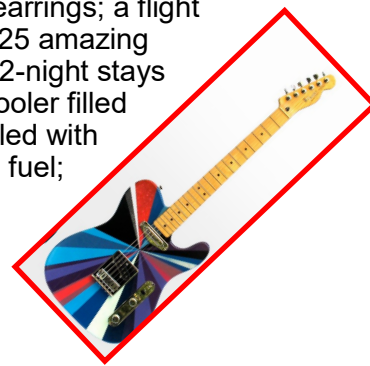
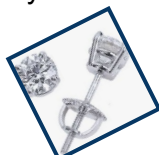


## Auction: Saturday, February 8!

Come have a great night of fun as we take it back to the 80s! Tickets are \$40/person or table of 8 for \$300. (Online purchasing available for this event at <http://ourladyontheriver.weshareonline.org>.) Your ticket includes appetizers, a full dinner catered by Big River BBQ and--oh, yes: a fully stocked open bar.



Tons of fun--all while you are supporting your children's school. Hope to see you there--get your tickets today!



--not to mention all the raffles and great items to win such as Black-stone griddle station; 4 Detroit Red Wing tickets with parking; a car detailing package; 1/2 carat diamond earrings; a flight with Marine City Aviation; 50-50 raffle; over 25 amazing baskets in the basket raffle that include two 2-night stays at Forrester Park in Sanilac County with a cooler filled with goodies; win the guitar display that is filled with a variety of gift cards for shopping, food and fuel; and many more items.