



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 7, 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 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?

"Curbside" SCRIP hours:

Mondays 5-6pm and

Fridays 9-10am

Patty Smith 810.434.9557--

Call or text your order ahead of time to arrange "no-contact" pickup!

Teacher Appreciation Week

This week has been "Teacher Appreciation Week." Holy Cross teachers extend their thanks to the many cards and notes they've received from their students! We love and miss you all!!

Crusaders Heading to CMC This Fall

—A letter detailing the availability of a scholarship you are eligible to apply for was included in the mailing with your report card. Applications are due in the Holy Cross School office **by May 15.**

Applications for Bartone Grants and Other Local Tuition Assistance

...are now available through the school office. **Applications are due May 29.** But remember: the first step is getting your Archdiocesan Grant application in! See the next paragraphs.....

Mark Your Calendar....

- F-M, May 22-25: no school— Memorial Day weekend
- **F May 29: last day of school for 2019-20 school year**

Registration for 2020-21

Hoping to lessen COVID's possible "cash flow" impact to our families, **we are delaying the standard, 10-payment tuition plan by a month.** From 2020-21 on, the first tuition payment will be due by the end of June, and the last by the end of March.

Archdiocesan Grants

Applications for tuition assistance from the Archdiocese of Detroit for 2020-21 are now being accepted. For information go to: detroitcatholicsschools.org/tuition-assistance-scholarships

To apply for the Archdiocesan grant: go to your FACTS account and look for "apply for tuition assistance". Application is done online, and there is a small fee. **You will also need to print the "Pastor's Signature" page and get your (Archdiocese of Detroit parish) pastor's signature as part of your application.** After you have his signature, fax or email the Pastor Signature page to the school office: school@holycrossonline.net.

Your application and all supporting paperwork must be complete and submitted by May 15 in order to qualify for tuition assistance from the Archdiocese of Detroit. **Applying for this grant is required** if you plan to apply for "local" tuition help, as well—**PLEASE APPLY ASAP if you hope for any tuition assistance for 2020-21!**

DTO's Annual Flower Sale

Many thanks to Jodi for taking on this project, especially during these challenging times! Proceeds from the sale will be used to provide teachers with needed classroom supplies for the beginning of the 2020-21 school year.

Delivery is tomorrow. Thanks to all who ordered!

"Box Tops for Education"

Just a reminder about "how to" digitally save those little box tops...download the app, scan the receipt, and you've done it! For details on the new program, please go to:

<https://www.boxtops4education.com/newbtf>

(There's a short you tube video with hints on how to scan: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qWuXDKejVEg&feature=youtu.be>)

As long as you see "Box Tops" on packages, please do continue to clip and send them in--they will be honored until their expiration dates.

Spirit Wear

You can order pullover hoodies, hats and bags with the new crest at <https://holycrosscatholic.itemorder.com/sale>.

Please note that hoodies will NOT be approved as uniform wear for 2020-21.

VG's Receipts

Please keep saving those entire paper VG's receipts, including the "Direct Your Dollars" paragraph. ("E-receipts" are not accepted.) We are almost 3/4 of the way to our next \$1000 award, and 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.

Happy Mothers' Day

...to all our moms!!

Last Day of School

Just a reminder that the last day of school for both Holy Cross and Cardinal Mooney will be Friday, May 29. More info later on report cards and end of year awards!

"Amazon Smile"

Do you shop online? You can designate Holy Cross to receive credit from online shopping through Amazon Smile! We are registered in Amazon Smile as "Holy Cross School Marine City."

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/37-1542098>

What You Can Do to Help!

- ◆ Love each other within your home--we are going to get through this!
- ◆ Keep Holy Cross School and all its members in your prayers.
- ◆ Keep your worship leaders and their staff in your prayers.
- ◆ Mrs. Davenport sends a link to morning prayer every school day around 9am: please join her.
- ◆ We LOVE to see your photos of your

children during their distance learning! Please share!!

- ◆ Please complete a "review" on our Holy Cross School Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/holycrosscatholicmc/>

You can follow us on Instagram: #mholycross--and write a review for our school's Facebook page!

East China School District "Grab and Go Meals"

East China Schools are offering free "meals to go" (breakfasts and lunches) for students under age 18: pickup is on Wednesdays from 11am-1pm at both Marine City Middle/High School and St Clair High School. For more info go to the district's website:

<https://eastchinaschools.org/>

Student Highlights

...for April:

Mackenzie Carty has been a joyful addition to our first grade this year, and she loves being in the Holy Cross family. Mackenzie is a kind friend who sees the good in every situation. She likes to look at the "finished" product and takes pride in her work. Mackenzie's work ethic is a blessing to her teachers. Keep up the GREAT WORK, Mackenzie!

Second grader **Gianna Ringeisen** is a hard worker, and she can make friends wherever she goes. When she's not hard at school work Gia takes dance lessons and loves to listen to music and sing. With her positive attitude and fun-loving disposition, Gianna will go far in life.

Emma Mensen is a hard-working, thoughtful, and helpful third grader! Her favorite subject is handwriting, which she does beautifully. When she is at home, she likes to practice for her Tuesday night dance class or read her library books. Emma has not yet decided what she wants to be when she grows up, but some things is considering include a veterinarian, ballerina, or horse-back rider. Emma has been going above and beyond with her distance learning! **Alex Path** is a caring and creative student. His favorite subject in school is art. When he is home, it's no surprise that he likes to draw and craft (and watch TV)! This year he was the top seller in his Cub Scout troop's popcorn fundraiser. Alex has his future all planned out: on Mondays and Fridays, he will be a "State Farm man;" then Tuesdays-Thursdays he will be a stay-at-home artist. Alex has been doing a lot of projects with his parents at home during our distance learning.

Fourth grader **Alex Ogden** is a talented young man! He is incredibly athletic, and loves to play travel soccer! His favorite special is GYM. Within the classroom, he puts forth his very best effort in all he does. He enjoys all subjects, but does especially well in problem solving and leading others. Aside from school and extracurricular activities, Alex has a tremendous sense of humor, as well as a heart filled with empathy and compassion. At home, Alex enjoys his time with his family, fishing, gaming, and visiting with his grandma. I'm glad I had the opportunity to have Alex for 3rd and 4th grades. **Gavin Remier** joined the Holy Cross family this year! He couldn't

have fit in any better within our community. Gavin has an admirable personality. He treats all students with respect and truly listens attentively when his friends talk to him. Gavin is a wonderful example for other students and does a great job within the classroom. He does very well in math, and is an aspiring writer and artist. Gavin also loves sports--football and basketball. He is also a competitive athlete, and loves gaming outside of school. I am so happy Gavin is part of our Holy Cross family.

Conor Guyor's favorite subject is history and he attends Cardinal Mooney for French. He plays basketball and runs track for the Holy Cross team. Conor's favorite food is Jimmy Johns. He has a passion for cars and his favorite is the Ford GT40. In his spare time, he likes to drive his remote-control Ford GT40 and watch Indy car. When he grows up, he wants to be an Indy car driver. Conor is a hard-working student and we are blessed to have him as a part of our Holy Cross community. **John Bailey's** favorite subject is science. He like to play basketball with his brother. John's favorite food is spaghetti with breadsticks especially from Olive Garden. He loves taking care of and playing with his bunnies. He likes to listen to pop music and he loves to play the violin. When he grows up, he wants to be a pilot. John is a caring student and we are blessed to have him as a part of our Holy Cross community. **Ava DeVeny's** favorite class is gym. She enjoys playing volleyball and was on the Holy Cross team this past season! Ava was also a cheerleader for HC! In her spare time, Ava loves to read fiction and fantasy novels, especially ones about dragons. Her favorite treat is ice cream! One interesting fact about Ava is that she attended her first March for Life in Washington DC this year! We are so proud of her for representing our Catholic youths. Holy Cross is blessed to have Ava as a part of our community.

Eighth grader **Aiden Schocker** puts a smile on my face every day. He has a wonderful sense of humor and loves to joke around with everyone. Aiden is a sensitive, caring young man with a huge heart for others. He strives to please others and is always willing to help out when needed. Aiden enjoys spending time outdoors with his family at their cabin in the U.P.