



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.

September 30, 2021

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. The training is also available online: if you don't find it on the "Virtus" website, call school.

OLR is planning to host the workshop on **Sat. Oct. 16**. Follow the above directions to register.

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?

OFFICE HOURS

Fridays 7-9am

and Mondays 5-6pm

Patty Smith 810.434.9557--

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

SCRIP credits will be calculated after the end of September: so there's still time for you to earn tuition credit before then! For all of your shopping (and for gifts, too!)--THINK SCRIP!

Volleyball

No games to report on from last week...the team plays next at 8pm tomorrow evening at St Thecla. On Monday the 4th (6:30pm) they are at home, hosting St Mary Mt Clemens; and then off to St Augustine on Wednesday the 6th. Go, Lady Crusaders!

Mark Your Calendar....

- **W Oct 6: Walk to School day**
- **Sunday Oct 10: Holy Cross Harvest Dinner**
- **W Oct 13: school picture re-takes; fall sports photos**

Cross Country

The team is eager for its first meet (finally!!) this afternoon at Columbus Park. Run like the wind, Crusaders!

Thank You!!

...to both our returning and new lunch supervisors! We really appreciate the trouble you go to for our kids' health and safety.

Service Credits: Lunch Supervisors

Families can earn one service credit by working as a lunchtime aide 4 times. Lunch aides work from 10:30-11:30 on school days. Aides need to have participated in the "Protecting God's Children" class and submit to a background check.

The online signup page is ready, for returning lunch supervisors--go to

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1tqQWYOy86EdecEz7Sq0dzzPy6NK6SUjTd9zNJXEHIFE/edit#gid=1950180675>

If you are interested (or for more info), please contact the school office.

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 many Wednesdays.

STAR Testing

"STAR" testing happens three times a year at Holy Cross. The first set of tests for this year is underway.

The testing helps us recognize each student's strengths and weaknesses, and also helps us modify our curriculum in general by identifying trends. You will receive your student's test results, too.

The best preparation for any test is a good night's sleep and a good breakfast!

"Principal for a Day"

Last week, Mrs. Davenport enjoyed expert assistance of the winners of our last Auction's "Principal for a Day" bidding. The girls got to pull and supervise a fire drill, confer with maintenance staff, and do principal-y jobs like sort birthday prizes!



Parish Youth Choir

2nd-8th graders interested in joining a parish choir: meet OLR music minister Bea Wassenberg at 6pm next Monday, September 27 in the Fine Arts Building. For more info contact her at 586.216.5101.

Scholarship Winners!

The winners in the latest scholarship contest are 2nd grader **Theodore Gray**, 3rd grader **Theryn Snyder**, 5th grader **Madison Trombley** and 6th grader **Dominic DeVeney**. Madison says her life has been changed by the smaller class sizes and specialized learning attention. Dominic and Theo both say Holy Cross has given them a school family. Dominic remarked on favorite things he's experienced in his 6-going-on-7 years here, and how camp, sports and personalized learning make Holy Cross "home for everyone." Theryn wrote about how learning about her faith and God is changing her life. Congratulations to these four students, who are each receiving a \$500 tuition grant! Thank you, too, to the other students who entered the contest with their interesting perspectives and comments. Keep watching this newsletter for the next scholarship contest!

Please Keep In Your Prayers...

...Kindergarten teacher Ms. Jondron and her family on the recent death of her mom.

Walk to School Day

Parents and students are invited to this nationwide fun, health initiative! We will meet Wednesday, October 6th at 7 am at Marine City beach, begin with brief prayer, take a group picture, then walk down the street together to Holy Cross School, arriving by 7:25am or so. Parents can then walk back to get their cars. Make sure to check the weather and dress appropriately. Any questions please contact Suzy DeVeney 810-434-3454.

Gift From The Parish

Today, the parish's religious education department is sending 1 copy of the book "77 Ways to Pray With Your Kids" home with the oldest student in each K-8 family. We hope you find it inspirational!

A few of our third and fourth graders head to head on the soccer field after school....

Holy Cross Harvest Dinner

...will be Sunday, Oct. 10. Many workers needed!--signup sheets are at the river entrance to the church.

After Hours

Crusader v Crusader:



Artwork by Theryn Snyder.



PTO's Achatz Pie (Coupon) Fundraiser

Info went home yesterday with oldest Crusaders. Orders and payment need to be in by **Oct 15**. They make great gifts, or amazing desserts at home!

Calling In Student Absences

Please call in all student absences to the school office (810.765.3591). Mrs Steinmetz will let the teachers know. Thank you!

Protecting God's Children Workshop

KEEPING OUR PROMISE
TO PROTECT
Child and Youth Protection



Attendance is required for anyone who may interact with minors, the elderly, or the handicapped. This free three-hour workshop is mandated through the Archdiocese of Detroit and is for persons 18 years of age and older. This workshop builds awareness and empowers attendees to intervene and prevent potentially harmful situations or behavior. Participants are taught to identify situations that could leave a child, the elderly or the handicapped vulnerable.

All participants must register online at www.virtusonline.org. Be sure to select the Diocese of Detroit and the location that you will be attending- Our Lady on the River Parish-Marine City.

Seating is limited so register now! No late arrivals will be admitted.

Saturday, October 16th, 2021

9:30AM Refreshments

Workshop 10:00AM-1:00PM

Holy Cross Activity Center

610 South Water Street

Marine City MI 48039

All participants must register online at www.virtusonline.org Be sure to select the Diocese of Detroit and the location that you will be attending is Our Lady on the River Parish-Marine City.



If you do not have online access, please contact Cassidy Johnson at 810-765-8300.

October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sep 26	27	28	29	30	Oct 1	2
3 Volleyball games-- most start at 6:30pm:	4 STM MC @ HC 6:30pm	5 School Committee 6pm	6 PTO Walk to School day: meet at MC beach 7am "Count day" HC @ St A 6:30pm	7 Cross country meet	8 Nonperishable food drive for parish pan- try	9 HC @ StPaul 10:15am
10 Holy Cross Harvest Festival	11 HC @ IC 6:30pm	12 PTO ZOOM meeting 6:30pm	13 School pictures re- takes; fall sports pictures St A @ HC 6:30pm	14 Cross country meet	15 Bishop Fisher visiting today	16
17	18 NO SCHOOL-- teachers' profession- al development	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 End of first quarter	30
31 Halloween!	New 1 All Saints Day	2	3	4	5 Report cards go home	6

What's on the Menu?

Holy Cross Lunch Menu: October 2021
LUNCH IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FOR ALL STUDENTS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4 Cereal Fruit Lunch Baby Carrots Sliced Cucumbers Fresh Apple	5 Chicken Nuggets w/Breadstick Baked Beans Romaine & Spinach Salad Diced Peas	6 Ham & Cheese Sub Baby Carrots Fresh Broccoli Diced Peaches	7 Mini Corn Dogs Golden Corn Romaine & Spinach Salad Fresh Watermelon Chunks	8 Lasagna Roll-Up w/Garlic Breadstick Beans Baby Carrots Hot Applesauce
11 Chicken Drumstick w/Cinnamon Breadstick Baked Beans Sliced Cucumbers Fresh Orange	12 Hot Dog on a Bun Baked Tots Baby Carrots Sweet Peaches	13 Homemade Macaroni & Cheese w/Dinner Roll Steamed Broccoli Caesar Salad Fresh Banana Treat w/Lunch	14 Popcorn Chicken w/Dinner Roll Baby Carrots Cinnamon Applesauce Brown Sugar Baked Acorn Squash	15 Bosco Sticks w/Sauce Spinach & Cranberry Salad Cucumber Slices Apple
18	19 Meat & Cheese Nachos Refried Beans Baby Carrots Roasted Cinnamon Pineapple Chunks	20 Chicken Nuggets Mini Soft Pretzel Steamed Broccoli Romaine & Spinach Salad Diced Peas	21 Cheese Pizza Curry Fries Power Pops Fresh Grapes	22 Grilled Cheese w/Dinner Roll Tomato Soup Fresh Broccoli Applesauce
25 Cheeseburger Roasted Carrot Fries Cucumber Slices Orange Wedges	26 Walking Tacos Refried Beans Baby Carrots Chilled Peas	27 Pasta with Meat Sauce & Breadstick Roasted Fresh Green Beans Romaine & Spinach Salad Sweet Peaches Lucky Lunch Day	28 Popcorn Chicken w/Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Baby Carrots Fresh Strawberries	29 Mini Pancakes String Cheese Yogurt Cup Fresh Carrots & Broccoli Applesauce Treat w/Lunch
Menus Will Be Changing As We Manage the National Supply Chain Challenges	<div>  Vegetarian  Locally Grown </div> <p> Questions or Comments? Please contact Julie Humphrey @ 810.675.1112 or jhumphrey@ecsd.us </p>			
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East China Food Service department is experiencing supply-chain interruptions due to limited product availability, nation-wide transportation challenges and supplier's labor shortages. Please know our department is working diligently to minimize the effect this may have on our customers. Menu changes are highly likely during this time; however, all students will continue to be offered meals that meet menu requirements and nutrition standards.