

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.

February 24, 2022

Protecting God's Children Workshops

Detroit's The Archdiocese of "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?

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!

Spring Sports: Track

Think spring!! Holy Cross plans to offer a co-ed track team (for students in grades 5-8) this spring. As for all sports, athletes will need to have had a sports physical first--so if you're waiting for track season, you can prepare by getting that physical done now!

Open House

Our annual Open House will be on Sunday, March 13, from 1-3pm. We will be open for visitors to come and see our facilities, meet the teachers and families, and get their guestions answered. (Cardinal Mooney will also be having an open house that day, so your friends with children in elementary through high school can learn about our entire campus in one day!)

Mark Your Calendar....

- THIS EVENING (Feb 24) 6pm "State of the School" meeting --Activity Center
- F Feb 25: "Cocoa & Chat" 2:30dismissal today in front of school
- W March 2: Ash Wednesday-mass at 9am (church day dress code)
- F March 4: regular Friday mass
- Su March 13: campus-wide Open House 1-3pm
- M March 14: no school (Archdiocesan teachers' professional development)
- Sat March 26: Academic Olympics (middle schoolers) at St Augustine in Richmond beginning 9am; Holy Cross School Auction-doors open at 5:30pm

AUCTION Donations--

The annual Dinner Auction is Holy Cross School's single largest event to raise money for our school "fundraising" budget. (Other events include the weekly bingos, SCRIP, the Lenten fish frys, and the calendar raffle, and the school "Pastor Signature Form" and turn it in counts on those funds raised in order to to your school's office: your applicakeep tuition as low possible for all fami- tion will NOT be valid without that lies.) At registration, each K-8 family form. agrees to donate an item (or make a cash donation) for the auction. A number of families have yet to complete their donation. With the Auction just a month away, those donations are needed NOW! If you haven't made your payment yet, please take care of it before the end of February next week. Thank you!

The Auction crew is also looking for donations or loans of pedestalled glass cake stands. Please contact Martine Carty (586.872.8887 phone or text, or via email: msherman954@gmail.com) if you can help. (We'd be happy to return yours after the Auction, if we may borrow it!)

Registration for 2022-23

We are working on re-registration procedures, and will have that info soon. fo), please contact the school office. Registration for current families will be offered a week before it is extended to the public.

Registration for K-8 will be done online (for the first time!) through FACTS Student Information System (which is different than FACTS Tuition Management).

Mrs. Davenport will host a meeting at 6pm THIS EVENING, February 24 to explain (among other things) the new reregistration procedures. At least one adult from each K-8 household should attend, so every family understands new procedures.

Tuition Assistance for 2022-3

Aid is available from the Archdiocese of Detroit on a financial need basis for active Catholic families (with children in grades K-12) in the Archdiocese. Families apply for the assistance via their FACTS accounts: for more information go to

https://www.detroitcatholicschools.org/ tuition-assistance-scholarships

Applications for "local" tuition help will be available in mid-March: eligible families must have applied for the Archdiocese's tuition assistance to qualify for Holy Cross's other scholarships.

Please note: YOU MUST HAVE YOUR PASTOR'S SIGNATURE on the

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 taken the "Protecting God's Children" class and submit to a background check.

The online signup page is ready and active for current lunch supervisors to use--go to:

https://docs.google.com/ spreadsheets/ d/1tqQWXOy86EdecEz7Sq0dzzPy 6NK6SUjTd9zNJXEHIFE/ edit#aid=1950180675

If you are interested (or for more in-

Holv Cross on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/ holycrosscatholicmc/

Service Credits

A reminder that all service credits for this school year need to be worked by Cross Activity Center on Saturday, April 30. Bingo and lunch supervision are two service credit areas that need a lot of workers! The Auction is coming up (March 26), too.

To Schedule Bingo Shifts...

credits at Wednesday bingos (at St Catherine activity center in Algonac): Paul Burger please contact at 734.837.5807. Help is needed many left to work?--the Auction needs you! Wednesdays. (Please note that all families' service credits need to be com- fice for workers: pleted by the end of April.)

VG's Receipts

Thanks to everyone who continues to save them for us--we're over halfway to our next \$1000 reward! Please keep saving the entire VG's receipts, including the "Direct Your Dollars" paragraph. (Sorry--their "e-receipts" are not accepted.) We will continue to collect receipts until the store tells us to stop! Receipts can be dropped off at the school office. or turned in at the rectory, or in the box at the river entrance of the church.

"Hot Chocolate and Chat"

They're trying again!--PTO invites all HC parents/guardians for hot cocoa and visiting--tomorrow, from 2:30pm to the end of the school day, in front of school. Come to meet new friends, or just visit with 'old' ones.

AUCTION 2022

The Auction will be help at Holy March 26. Chairpersons Dave and Martine Carty have been hard at work getting everything ready: it promises to be an elegant and fun night for all.

Diners are able to select beef tenderloin, mahi mahi or chicken--tickets (\$60 Families opting to work their service each/\$120 couple/\$460 for table of 8) are available online (see page 4) or at the school office.

Signups are available in the school of-

- workers are still needed on Friday, March 25 (10am-2:30pm)
- times around 5pm
- 4-5 more "cleanup" workers needed on Sunday, March 27 from 10am to about 2pm

Many hands make light work--and make it more fun, too! Please feel free to stop in at the school office to sign up (adults only for all shifts, please)--or contact Martine 586.872.8887 phone or text, or via email: msherman954@gmail.com.

March is Reading Month

The teachers are making fun plans for Reading Month! They will invite quest readers to their classrooms, have poetry day," and even a themed inschool "field trip".

Reading Month will conclude with our traditional "Read In" day on March 31, where students will be able to bring in books and snuggies and read all day.

March 1 dress code will be uniform bottoms and t-shirts with appropriate, READABLE phrases.

Drama Club's Production of "Aladdin"

The Drama Club has been rehears-Do you have a few service credits ing for its March performances of to work?--the Auction needs you! "Aladdin." (Thank you to Mrs. Bryson and Mrs. Phelan for mentoring the group!)

We are planning to take all K-8 students to the March 11 show at the East 10 or so work shifts are still availa- China Performing Arts Center. We'll ble for Saturday, March 26 with start leave Holy Cross at 9am and be back in time for lunch. There will be NO cost to students or drivers (but the Drama Club will gratefully accept any donations). However, we do need parent drivers.

Permission forms and letters of explanation went home with all students on Tuesday. Signed forms need to be back by Monday, March 7. Please let your child's teacher know if you are able to help with driving, and how many passengers you can take.

Drama club members will not arrive at school until after the show. Drama parents: please sign and return the permission form anyway, and note that you will take your actor directly to the PAC that morning (instead of school) so that his/her teacher knows. Thank you!

ORDER YOUR 2021-22 YEARBOOK!

This year's yearbook will be 32 pages long (4 pages longer than last year's) and filled with full-color photos and memories. The books will be here by mid-May and will be available by pre-order only-reserve your copy today! Cost is still just \$15 per book.

Family name

Students' names _____

of yearbooks ordered X \$15 each = \$ enclosed

Checks can be made out to "OLR." When they arrive, your yearbooks will be delivered to the student(s) you have named above.

---Orders need to be in the school office by Friday, March 25--

MET MINISTRIES Coming Soon!

What would the world be like if we took these 40 days of Lent to truly grow closer to God? Let's explore the ways God can transform our life when we seek him consistently in prayer.

During the retreat, young people will experience large group activities, talks, dramas, skits, small group discussions, prayer, and

music,

Retreat information: Who' s invited? 7th-12th Grade When? Friday, March 4th, 2022 What time? 5:00PM-8:00PM Where? Holy Cross Catholic Church 610 S. Water Street, Marine City Mi 48039 Cost: Free to all participants!

Contact Cassidy Johnson (oloryouthministry@gmail.com or 810765-8300) to register!





Pictures from 02.22.2022--"Twin Day" and "Everybody's Dancing" day!







March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Feb 27	28	March 1 Reading Month	2 Ash Wednesdaymass at 9am	ĸ	4 Regular Friday mass at 9am	μ
U	7	8 PTO ZOOM meeting 7:30am	5	10 Mass 9am today in- stead of tomorrow; nonperishable food drive for parish pantry	11 "Aladdin Kids" 9am	12
13 Open House 1-3pm	14 NO SCHOOL teachers professional development	15	16	17 St Patrick's Day dress down in green and white	18	19
20	21 CMC "virtual" day: no north bus; south bus will run for HC stu- dents am and 2:50pm	22 Spring pictures / spring sports pictures today	23	24	25 End of third quarter	26 Academic Olympics at St Augustine School Holy Cross Auction 5:30pm
27	28	29	30	31 "Read In Day"	April 1 Report cards go home	2

What's on the Menu?

Holy Cross Lunch Menu: March 2022 LUNCH IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FOR ALL STUDENTS



Holy Cross Catholic School 33rd Annual

Dinner & Auction Gala

Saturday, March 26^{th,} 2022 Location: Holy Cross Activity Center 618 S. Water St. Marine City MI 48039 5:30 P.M Doors Open 7:00 P.M ~ Dinner

Registration/Cocktails/ Hors d'oeuvres Tickets Include: Formal Dinner - Open Bar - D.J - Raffles Silent and Live Auction

> Pre-Sale Tickets \$65 p/p ~ Couple \$120 Table (8 tickets) \$460 Tickets sold after March 19th \$75.00 (no discounts)

* No ticket sales day of event* *21& Over Only* Tickets can be purchased: Online Using the QR Code Below, Holy Cross School Office or Contact an Auction Volunteer by calling:

586-872-8887 or 810-748-7912

