



# 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.

**March 10, 2022**

## 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!

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### 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!

## NO TUTORING Mondays March 14 or 21

### Open House

Our annual Open House will be THIS 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 questions answered. (Cardinal Mooney has rescheduled their open house to March 20.)

## Registration for 2022-23

We are working on school (PK-12) online re-registration procedures, and will have that info soon. Re-registration will be offered to current families before it is extended to the public.

## Mark Your Calendar....

- F Mar 11: Grades K-8 go to "Aladdin Kids" 9am
- **Su March 13: Open House 1-3pm**
- M March 14: no school (Archdiocesan teachers' professional development); **NO AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING**
- **M Mar 21: no CMC north bus; NO AFTERSCHOOL TUTORING**
- Tu Mar 22: spring pictures and spring sports pictures
- **F Mar 25: end of third quarter**
- Sat Mar 26: Academic Olympics (middle schoolers) at St Augustine in Richmond beginning 9am; **Holy Cross School Auction--doors open at 5:30pm**
- **F April 1: report cards go home**

## Tuition Assistance for 2022-3

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

<https://www.detroitcatholicsschools.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 GET YOUR PASTOR'S SIGNATURE on the "Pastor Signature Form" and turn it in to your school's office: your application WILL BE VOID without it!**

## Service Credits

A reminder to K-8 families: all service credits for this school year need to be worked by 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. A copy of your service credit record (with credits worked through the end of February recorded) was mailed to you last week.

## 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/1tqQWXOy86EdecEz7Sq0dzzPy6NK6SUJtD9zNJXEHIFE/edit#gid=1950180675>

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

## AUCTION 2022

...will be held at Holy Cross Activity Center in just two weeks: on Saturday, 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 may order beef tenderloin, mahi mahi or chicken--tickets (\$60 each/\$120 couple or \$460 for table of 8) are available online (see page 4) or at the school office.

Do you have a few service credits left to work? Work shifts may still be available for Auction night or cleanup on Sunday. 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](mailto:msherman954@gmail.com).

## AUCTION "DESSERT DASH"!

Calling all amateur or professional bakers and confectioners: the Auction is seeking sweet donations for the "Dessert Dash" at this year's Auction. Each table places secret bids on desserts, and the highest bidding table wins first choice from among the desserts donated (so "looks" are important!). Each dessert has to serve eight, and businesses are welcome to include business cards.

Home or professional bakers: please contact Martine if you have a specialty dessert you can share for this event--586.872.8887 phone or text, or via email: [msherman954@gmail.com](mailto:msherman954@gmail.com).

**Drama Club's Production of "Aladdin"**

A reminder that we will take K-8 students to tomorrow (March 11) morning's show at the East China Performing Arts Center. We'll leave Holy Cross at 9am and be back in time for lunch. There is NO cost to students or drivers (but the Drama Club will gratefully accept any donations). We are planning for ALL students to ride the bus.

**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. (Please note that all families' service credits need to be completed by the end of April.)

**VG's Receipts**

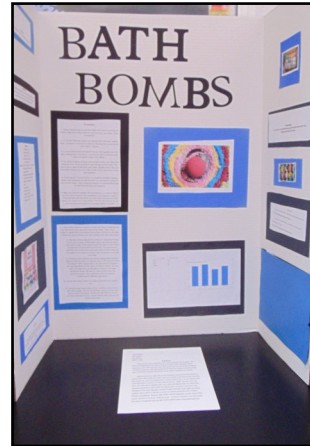
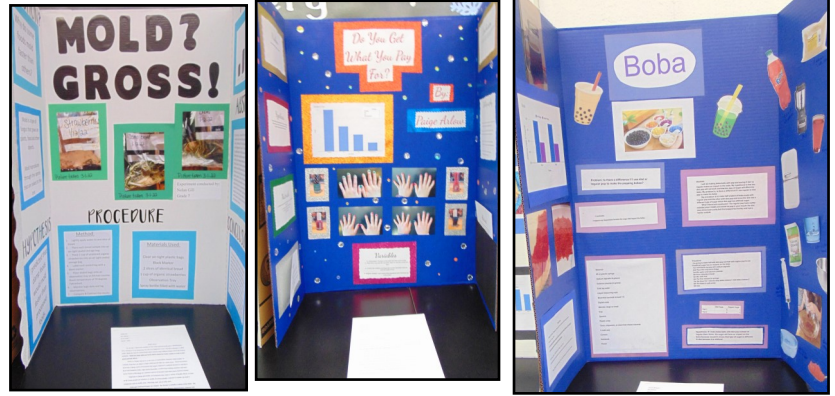
Thanks to everyone who continues to save them for us--we're 3/4 of the way to our next \$1000 reward! Please keep saving the entire VG's receipts, including the "Direct Your Dollars" paragraph. (Sorry--their "e-receipts" are not accepted.) We will continue to collect receipts until the store tells us 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.

**Spring Pictures**

On Tuesday, March 22, your student will have the opportunity to pose for a "fun" portrait! Our school photographer will be here to take those pictures. More details will go home with students next week.

**Science Fair**

It's Science Fair time! The halls are lined with our middle schoolers' projects. Here are a few views from our 2022 Science Fair halls:



**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--**

## Student Highlights

,,,for February:

Kindergartner **Eli Phelan** is the third of three siblings in his family attending Holy Cross. He also just had his seventh birthday--happy birthday, Eli! When asked what his favorite thing to eat is, he replied, "Lasagna that my Mom makes." Eli enjoys playing hockey and plays on the Little Red Wings hockey team. When he grows up Eli would like to be an astronaut. He has visited New York City and, while there, was able to take in some of the stage plays on Broadway. Eli has also taken part in a few local performances. His favorite color is blue, and elephants are his favorite animals. If Eli had just one wish, he would wish for 101 Dalmatians. If you get your wish, Eli, I hope you like to pooper-scoop!

**Stella Paton** is a new addition to our Holy Cross family! Her favorite food is grilled cheese. Her favorite subject is Math. At home, Stella likes to play with her brother, Blake. When she grows up, Stella wants to be a veterinarian. She has a caring nature and a love of animals. Stella may be one of the few children who likes going to the dentist - she says her dad is always gentle! **Nolan Dixon** has a keen interest in the world around him. His favorite food is fried chicken from Meijer. His favorite thing about school is when we do science experiments. At home, Nolan likes to play video games. Nolan has several ideas in mind for his future career, but he thinks he'd most like to be a chiropractor like his dad! Nolan often has a unique perspective on things.

**Lauren Jaracz-Pisarski** is in the second grade. Lauren is a big helper in the classroom. Her favorite colors are black and red. Her favorite food is sushi. Lauren has four pets, two dogs and two cats. Her favorite school subject is Art. She likes to color the coloring pages. Lauren's favorite family vacation was going to Disney World. Her favorite part about the trip was going on all the rides. I'm so proud of Lauren, keep up the good work. **Lucas Mayea** enjoys coming to school and spending time with his classmates. His favorite color is blue. His favorite foods are French fries, popcorn and macaroni and cheese. At recess Lucas likes to play tag with his friends. His favorite family vacation is when Lucas went to Mackinac Island. His favorite part about his trip was going to all the different restaurants on the island. Lucas is very friendly with his classmates and very willing to help. I'm so proud of Lucas, keep up the good work!

Third grader **Mackenzie Carty** wants to be a veterinarian when she grows up because she has a passion for animals. She has two dogs at home that she helps take care of already! Her favorite subject is math. Mackenzie's favorite snack is super

healthy...she LOVES watermelon. She is a part of the HC Drama Club and enjoyed being a part of Aladdin! Mackenzie is very good at art and her favorite color is blue. Mrs. Korotko is very lucky to have her in class this year and Holy Cross is lucky to have her as a part of our community!

**Liam Guyor** is a fourth grade boy who loves adventure! He and his family-mom, dad, Conor (brother), and Callie (dog) enjoy visiting state parks, where they can hike and sightsee. Not only does he love the outdoors, but he also loves running Cross Country, basketball and watching the Indy car races. During school, Liam enjoys math and reading! He's inquisitive and always engages in classroom discussions. One fun fact about Liam is that he loves marshmallow frosting!

Fifth grader **Noah Phelan** is a very bright and energetic young man with a positive attitude and a friendly demeanor. He has the ability to go with the flow and is always willing to help others. He has a ready smile and a great sense of humor, which shine through every day in class. **Paige Arlow** is a wonderful young lady with an easy manner and a quiet disposition. While she may seem serious, she breaks loose sometimes, laughing and having fun with her friends. She works very hard to do her best at whatever task is at hand. **Madison Trombley** is an intelligent young lady with a contagious smile and bright personality. She is always willing to help when needed and often steps up without being asked. She works very hard to do her best and shows true leadership ability.

Seventh grader **Anna Coomes** is very considerate, kind, empathetic, and helpful. Anna always helps in the classroom and is very perceptive when it comes to knowing if someone is having a bad day. Anna's favorite quality about herself is her confidence. Outside of school, Anna enjoys acting. In school, Anna enjoys science. She likes to play volleyball and basketball. She also can play guitar. As a career choice, Anna would like to become an actress. Her favorite book is *Holes* and her favorite color is purple.

**Erin Wilson** is very witty, caring, humorous and helpful. Erin is very creative when it comes to making people laugh. When we were at camp, Erin really made it a great experience. Erin's favorite qualities are her hair and her eyes. Music is something that interests Erin. Erin's favorite eighth grade subject is history because she likes learning about the past. Outside of school, Erin likes hanging out with her buddy, Lylah Mae. Erin has a rabbit, 2 dogs and a cat, but her favorite animal is an opossum. Lastly, Erin's favorite food is sushi and her favorite color is sage green.

# HOLY CROSS SCHOOL TUITION CONTRACT

## Tuition Policy

### TUITION

The budgeted cost of educating a child in the school for this year is over \$7000. The tuition a family pays covers only about half of that amount; the rest comes from Our Lady on the River parish's support and from school fundraising.

Tuition is rated as "In Vicariate" or "Out of Vicariate." Parishioners at any of the Blue Water Vicariate parishes may request the "In Vicariate" discounted rate by completing the "Active Parishioner Verification" form (which is included in the registration packet) and returning the form to their parish office. If granted, "In Vicariate" eligibility will be subject to yearly review and may be withdrawn if families don't attend weekly mass or don't actively support their parish.

### SCHOOL TUITION and FEES

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$150/student, with \$50/student discount if completely registered and fee paid by April 30, 2022.**

<u>Number of students in family</u>	<u>Invicariate Tuition</u>	<u>Out-of-Vicariate Tuition</u>
1	\$4,300.00	\$5,600.00
2	7,350.00	9,600.00
each additional student	2,550.00	4,000.00

**CHROMEBOOK INSURANCE/TECHNOLOGY FEE: \$50/year for each student issued a Chromebook (students in grades 1-8).**

### PRESCHOOL TUITION and FEES

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$150/student, with \$50/student discount if completely registered and fee paid by April 30, 2022.**

### TUITION

# sessions / week	half day sessions	full day sessions
2	\$1325	\$2225
3	1625	2925
5	2525	4525

Registration fees are due at the time of registration. The standard tuition payment plan calls for 10 equal monthly payments with one due at the end of each month from June through March. (If you wish to request a different payment plan you must send your written plan to the principal. S/he will review your plan and contact you to let you know if your plan is approved.) You are expected to honor your commitment to Holy Cross as faithfully as you want Holy Cross to honor its commitment to your child.

Physical distancing mandated by COVID pandemic has necessarily limited class sizes. Current families will be offered their spots before they are offered to the public, but must register in a timely manner to be assured their spots are reserved. (All obligations of the prior year must be met before registration for the next year will be finalized.)

**Holy Cross Catholic School  
33<sup>rd</sup> Annual**

**Dinner & Auction Gala**

**Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 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 19<sup>th</sup> \$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**

