



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.

June 2, 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 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 until June 10--
Fridays 7-9am
and Mondays 5-6pm
School office: 810.765.3591

After school is out, the SCRIP office will be open **on Fridays**, from **8-10 am** through the month of June (and closed for July). You can also leave messages on the school phone (above) or via email --school@holycrossonline.net.

School Office Summer Hours

From June 13-30, the school office will be open from at least 8am-noon daily; we will be closed (but monitoring phone and email messages) during July.

Congratulations, Dresden!

Congratulations to CMC graduating senior **Dresden Scott** (Crusader alumna Class of 2018), who led CMC's class of 2022 as valedictorian! We are so proud of you--and of all our alumni!!

LOST AND FOUND

...items are spread out by the office. Please come and claim yours!

Mark Your Calendar....

- **M June 6:** return all Chrome-books /chargers & school property to school
- **W June 8:** mass at 9am (church day dress code); 8th graders' graduation after mass
- **Th June 9:** no newsletter--final newsletter of the school year will be on Friday, June 10
- **F June 10:** last day of school!-- dress down; pizza lunch; honors assembly about noon; final report cards will go home with students

Field Day

Thank you to **Mrs. Becky Bryson** for organizing yesterday's fun afternoon! The weather held for most of the activities, and we were able to enjoy the out-of-doors. Thanks, also, to all the parents who helped: **Mrs. Pam Schneider, Ms Gretchen Heinrich, Ms Jeanette Ettin, Ms. Lisa Mackaluso, Mrs. Jenna Tucker, Mrs. Sunshine Olivier, Mrs. Jennifer Wert, Mrs. Jessica Watkins, Mrs. Katie Phelan, Mr. Matthew and Mrs. Marisol Zammit, Mr. Jason Borys, Mrs. Julia Paton, Mrs. Suzy DeVeny, Mrs. Sarah Allan and Mrs. Kristen Algreen.**



Eighth Graders at Mackinac:



Don't Forget Your

"Blue Water Vicariate Active Parishioner Verification" Form!

The form is available at FACTS as part of the registration procedure (and was included in the folder of papers your oldest Crusader received on Friday). Vicariate families need to turn the form in to their pastor and ask them to complete and send the form to us. Without the form, we have to charge you the higher, "out-of-vicariate" tuition rate.

Uniforms and "The Blue Room"

Is your Crusader's school wardrobe showing a little wear after daily use all year? Has s/he outgrown everything? Especially as the end of the year approaches: check out the FREE used clothing in "The Blue Room"! (Call first so we know you're coming.)

Thank You!!

...to the **Holy Cross Educational Fund, Inc.** for its 2022 distributions of over \$26,000 to Holy Cross School! The Educational Fund (a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit) was created by a group of parishioners and other supporters of Catholic education in Marine City. Since its inception in 1984, the Fund has disbursed close to \$600,000 to Holy Cross. We are grateful for the foresight of those folks who started the Fund nearly 40 years ago, and to the people who have kept it going (and donated to the Fund) in the years since!

Lunches for 2022-23

Just a heads up: we've received notice that beginning in the fall, students' school lunches will NO LONGER be free. Prices have not yet been announced.

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 (for 2022-23 service credits)--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.

Service Credits: 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 and throughout the summer, as well as during the school year.

Parents of Student Athletes:

Are your children active in school sports? Or are they just growing into that age, and they are interested in playing on a school team with their classmates next year? Do you have an hour a month to help with the leadership of our sports program?--the Holy Cross Booster Club needs you!

If you're interested, please email Mrs. Davenport for more details.

Last Day of School

...is next Friday, June 10, and it will be a dress down day. The morning is usually for "housekeeping," and NJHS plans for some indoor or outdoor fun for the whole school before lunch. They are planning a pizza lunch (no Chartwell's)--order information went home earlier this week. (Students are also welcome to bring their own lunch, if they prefer!) After lunch will come our awards ceremony in the gym--that will start right after lunch, between 11:30am and noon (and parents will be welcome to join in). Students will be dismissed for the summer after that!

Attention CMC Bus Riders:

NEXT WEEK--CMC will be dismissing early (11:10am) June 7-9 and at 10:40am on Friday, June 10. We will have regular school days June 7-9, and dismiss after awards are presented to students at about noon on Friday.

CMC buses will transport students as usual on the mornings of June 7-10.

To go home on June 7-9, the south bus will be here for Holy Cross riders at 2:50pm. However, **the north bus will NOT return for Holy Cross riders those days.**

For the ride home on Friday, June 10: bus riders may opt to leave Holy Cross at 10:40am, when the CMC buses leave. However, we will not yet have started our awards program at that time; and the buses will not have time to make it back to Marine City for pickup at our dismissal time. **Therefore, all CMC bus riders will need either to leave Holy Cross at 10:40 on Friday, or to come up with their own travel arrangements after the Holy Cross awards program (ending approximately 12:30pm).**

Please let us know how your CMC bus rider will be getting home each day, June 7-10, so we can help them follow your plan!

VG's Receipts

Thanks to everyone who continues to save them for us. Please keep saving the entire VG's receipts, including the "Direct Your Dollars" paragraph. (Sorry--"e-receipts" are not accepted.) We'll continue to collect receipts until the store tells us to stop! Drop off receipts at the school office or at the rectory, or all summer in the box at the river entrance of the church.

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>

Please do continue to clip and send in "Box Tops" with good expiration dates: they are very strict about dates, however, and expired "Box Tops" are not honored.

CMC Summer Camps

Cardinal Mooney is offering summer camps for boys and girls entering grades 6-9, in boys' basketball, girls' basketball, robotics, mock trial and volleyball. Visit <https://bit.ly/36slvWA>

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>

Vintage T-Shirts & Hungry Howie

Fundraiser Cards

PTO still has a few Hungry Howie fundraiser cards available: for the \$10 cost, you get a free large one-item pizza, along with a number of pizza discounts. There are also a few "vintage" t-shirts (old logo) and caps available for \$5 each: all at the school office.

Spirit Wear Update

As you're preparing for the 2022-23 school year(!)--we have two approved spirit wear vendors: "Screen and Stitch" and "TP Logos."

"Screen and Stitch" also offers custom embroidery on items you personally own (such as sweaters and cardigans). Please contact Deb Callahan with any questions: 810.650.3140.

TP Logo orders may be placed anytime online at: <https://holycrosscatholic.itemorder.com/sale> (Pick up your order in Marysville.)

"The Paper Trail"

Your oldest Crusader received a folder with paper copies of the documents we need paper copies of.

We apologize for the redundancy of doing them both digitally and on paper! We are working with FACTS to straighten this up for next year. But in the mean time, please complete the paper copies (as well as the digital information) and return to school by **June 10**. Thanks so much for your understanding!!

JIF Peanut Butter Recall:

On May 20, the J. M. Smucker Company voluntarily recalled select Jif products sold in the U.S. for potential Salmonella contamination. Recalled products were distributed nationwide to retail stores and other outlets. The FDA and CDC are investigating illnesses linked to recalled product. Fourteen illnesses in 12 states have been reported, with two hospitalizations and no deaths.

ALL CHROMEBOOKS and CHARGERS, LIBRARY BOOKS, SCHOOL BOOKS and EQUIPMENT need to be TURNED IN BY NEXT MONDAY, JUNE 6!



Holy Cross Catholic School 2022-23 Calendar



Aug 22	Monday	"Crusader Day" 9am-2pm in school
Aug 29	Monday	First day of school for PK-8: full day, uniforms (for K-8)! (No East China buses 'til Sep 8)
Sep 2-5	Friday-Monday	Labor Day holiday: no school
Sep 8	Tuesday	Classes resume
Sep 19	Monday	No school: Archdiocesan professional development for teachers
Oct 17	Monday	No school: Archdiocesan professional development for teachers
Oct 28	Friday	End of first quarter
Nov 2	Wednesday	Report cards go home
Nov 3&4	Thurs & Fri	Teachers gone to MANS conference: no school
Nov 10	Thursday	Evening parent/teacher conferences
Nov 11	Friday	No classes: parent/teacher conferences
Nov 23-25	Wed-Friday	Thanksgiving recess
Dec. 16	Friday	Last day of school before Christmas break
Dec 19-Jan 2	Mon-Monday	Christmas break
Jan 3	Tuesday	Classes resume
Jan 27	Friday	End of second quarter
Feb 3	Friday	Report cards go home
Feb 13-16	Mon-Thurs	5 th -8 th graders go to camp
Feb 17-20	Fri- Mon	No school: mid-winter break
Feb 21	Tuesday	Classes resume
March 12	Sunday	Open House (campus-wide: with Cardinal Mooney)
March 13	Monday	No school: teachers' professional development
March 24	Friday	Kindergarten roundup: no Preschool or Kindergarten today
March 31	Friday	End of third quarter
April 5	Wednesday	Report cards go home
April 6-16	Thu-Sunday	Easter break
April 17	Monday	Classes resume
May 26-29	Fri-Monday	Memorial Day weekend: no school
May 30	Tuesday	Classes resume
June 9	Friday	Last day of school; honors assembly, report cards

(Students who ride East China or Cardinal Mooney buses are advised to continually compare their calendars with Holy Cross's, and to stay in close contact with their bus driver and transportation department regarding ECSD / CMC full or half days off and early dismissal days.)

School day 7:30am-2:50pm
Lunch 10:40-11:25am
172 days / 1107.6 hours

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"I'm Doing Something Great to Help Someone Else"
Scholarship Contest and Application

Friends of Holy Cross have provided for a total of four \$500 scholarships* for current Holy Cross students in grades K-8. Up to two awards will be made to applicants in grades K-4, and up to two to students in grades 5-8**.

To apply for the "Something Great" scholarship:

Students will write a composition on 'something great' that they are doing to help someone else this summer. Each student's grade level will be taken into consideration in the assessment of his/her entry/application; younger students especially are encouraged to include drawings in their work. (Only one entry per student, please.)

Students: please do NOT put your name on the front of your entry. Please complete and attach the bottom portion of this page to the back of your entry.

Entry / applications are due in the school office by 12 noon on Monday, July 11.

Awards will be announced in the Thursday, August 4 school newsletter.

*The award for a student receiving the "New to Catholic Schools" discounted tuition will be \$200.

**In the event an insufficient number of students applies in either age grouping, eligibility will be spread out among all applicants. If a winner's tuition is already paid, the award will be held as a credit towards camp or next year's tuition.

I am applying for the "I'm Doing Something Great to Help Someone Else" Scholarship and have attached my work. I did the work myself!

Student signature

grade

As entrant's parent / guardian, I certify that his/her entry is his/her original work, and I understand that it will not be returned. I also certify that my student performed (or is performing) the "something great" s/he writes about. I acknowledge that this entry may be shared in the school newsletter, the parish bulletin or newspapers, displayed at the school, or shared via other communication medium, and I hereby give permission for its publication and for the publication of my child's name as its author / illustrator.

Parent / guardian's signature

Date signed

Parent's printed name