



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.

July 13, 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 AFTER Aug 1--
Fridays 8-10am**
School office: 810.765.3591

The SCRIP office is closed for the month of July but will be open again in August **on Fridays**, from **8-10 am**. After school starts again, the SCRIP office will be open Fridays 7-9am and Mondays 5-6pm. You can also leave messages on the school phone or via email--school@holycrossonline.net.

Congratulations to the 13 Holy Cross families who are sharing **nearly \$4000** in SCRIP credits from their April-June shopping! The credits have been posted to their FACTS accounts.

Not quite sure how SCRIP works?--call the school office for a quick explanation!

School Office Summer Hours

The school office is closed for July, but will re-open in August from at least 8am-noon daily.

Mark Your Calendar....

- M Aug 22: "Crusader Day"
- **M Aug 29: first day of school!**

Welcome, Mrs. Thimmes!

Welcome to Mrs. Thimmes, who will be in the office every day beginning August 3! If you're out, stop in to meet her!

Congratulations to Financial Aid Recipients!

Congratulations to the twelve Crusader families who have received financial aid awards (Archdiocesan, Fr. Bartone and other "local") **totaling nearly \$25,000!** (That's why we encourage you over and over to apply for everything that is offered: it can be VERY worthwhile to apply!) Families receiving "first round" Archdiocesan awards have already been notified by the Archdiocese; "second round" winners should hear from the Archdiocese by the end of July. Holy Cross / Fr. Bartone award notifications were mailed at the end of June, and adjustments have already been made to all of those families' FACTS account payment schedules.

Congratulations Angelina!

Congratulations to **Angelina Taravella** Holy Cross Class of 2022--CMC Class of 2026!) on winning this year's Holy Cross Eighth Grader scholarship to Cardinal Mooney! Angelina's winning essay told how she grew by learning to leave her comfort zone and "adapt to new environments and interact with many people." Angelina also noted that Holy Cross's motto of "making a difference" is encouragement that she will "carry...in the next chapter of (her) life." Best wishes to you as you begin your high school career, Angelina!

...and to Third Grader Matty!

Matty Phelan won first place in St. Clair County Community Mental Health's recent book mark design contest! He won enough book marks of his design to pass around to all of his friends, and to all local schools participating in the contest. Congratulations, Matty!

...and to our "I'm Doing Something Great to Help Someone Else" Scholarship Winners!

Congratulations to second grader **Carson Schneider**, third grader **Theodore Gray**, fifth grader **Grace Heinrich**, seventh grader **Vivian Gray** and eighth grader **Amelia Morgulec!**

Carson helped his grandparents with their garage sale and his parents with gardening. (He says helping "makes you feel 'zuper' great!") Theo also helped with the environment by saving baby birds. Grace helped her grandparents by helping plant and care for their garden. Vivian made memories for a younger cousin by crafting and playing with her, and hosted a piano recital when her teacher was unable to do it. Amelia visited and brought special treats to her grandma, who is in a nursing home, and she helped her older brother put on a wedding reception.

As these five were the only entrants in this scholarship contest, an extra prize has been added and each won a \$500 scholarship for this school year!

Watch for more opportunities to earn scholarships!

Registration for 2022-23

Thanks to all who have completed their registration (by going to FACTS SIS for our first ever online registration, and following up with paper as FACTS hasn't yet worked as we'd hoped....)

If your registration isn't complete, here are the steps to follow: **step 1**--go to factsmgt.com and choose "Family Login", then "family portal" to input your registration info (our code is **HC-MI**, and you'll need to use the email address that your newsletter goes to). After you input your family info, the system should prompt you to pay the registration & chromebook fees through your FACTS tuition payment account (which you'll need to create, if you don't already have one). **Step 2**--please also fill out & return the paperwork we sent home with your oldest "Crusader" before summer vacation started.

We apologize for the redundancy of doing forms 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 **ASAP**. Thanks so much for your patience as we figure out with FACTS how to streamline registration!

“Crusader Day”

Monday, August 22 is “Crusader Day.” From 9am to 2pm, the school photographer will be on hand to take students’ 2022-23 school portraits. Teachers will also be in their classrooms preparing for the first day of class (Monday, August 29). We hope you’ll take advantage of this chance to meet your teachers, get your school picture taken, and gear up for the new school year--see you August 22!

First Day of School

...for students in PK-8 will be **Monday, August 29!** Full day, regular uniform for K-8 students. More info later!

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. We will send pricing information when we receive it.

Raffle Calendar Winners

...for June were Wally and Joyce Street of East China, Violet Abel of Clay Township and Joe Borneman of Marine City; ...for July: Christine Jozefiak of Watton Township (UP), Pat Semaan of Algonac, and Chet Kilanowski of Cottrellville Township. Congratulations to all, and thank you for supporting Holy Cross’s raffle!

Uniforms and “The Blue Room”

Here is the URL for the dress code: <https://holycrossonline.net/uniform/>

Is your Crusader’s school wardrobe showing a little wear after daily use all last year? Has s/he outgrown everything? Before you go “back to school shopping,” check out the **FREE** used clothing in “The Blue Room”! (Drop in any morning 8am to noon after the office re-opens in August!)

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.)

Family Directory

It can be very handy to have names and phone numbers for your child’s classmates! We are planning to prepare a directory of Holy Cross families. **If you prefer that your family’s information NOT be included** in such a directory, please contact the school office **before August 15**.

New “Holy Cross Parent Group” on Facebook

Here it is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/holycrossparentgroup>

The group will serve as an online forum for parents / grandparents / guardians to:

- Ask questions;
- Share information (community events, sports tryouts, camps, educational opportunities, etc.);
- Donate items to each other (HC spirit wear, school supplies, etc.);
- Share PTO news and fundraiser information;
- Share other school news, internal pictures, newsletters, etc.;
- Showcase upcoming school events.

This will be a private group, and parents are invited to request admittance.

Service Credits

K-8 families: a copy of your service credit record (with credits worked through June recorded) is being mailed to you this week. Please check to be sure we haven’t missed any of your credits! (**Whenever you work a service credit shift, please be sure to find the “sign in” paper:** ask the supervisor or a co-worker if you don’t see it. We count on those forms to let us know who worked, and when.)

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=2112835498>

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

Supply Lists for 2022-23

...are attached. Please note that all K-8 students need ear buds or headphones. We advise headphones for younger students, who aren’t as adept at volume control, to better protect their hearing. They don’t need to be exorbitantly expensive: we found a reasonably-priced set at “Five Below” stores.

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.

Student Athletes: Sports and Physicals

Signup sheets were sent around before June 10 for fall sports: volleyball for girls in grades 6-8, and coed cross country for 5-8th graders. The coaches (Mr Coomes, for volleyball; and Mr Zammit for cross country) have that info to contact you when it’s time to start practices. It’s not too late, though: contact the school office if you’re a new student interested in joining either team in the fall (or if you don’t remember signing up)!

Students who are planning to participate on any school sports teams this year (5-8th graders, girls’ volleyball and cheer and boys’ and girls’ basketball, cross country and track) will need to have had a sports physical before starting practice. The **sports physical form** can be found at:

<http://holycrossonline.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/athletics-physical-form.pdf>

Please note that it has sections for the student’s parent and doctor to fill out. Summer is a great time to get that taken care of!

Holy Cross on Facebook:

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

Seventh Graders and New Crusaders:

The Health Department assesses immunization records of all new student and all students entering 7th grade.

If your child is in either of those groups, please check with your doctor to see if his/her immunizations are up to date. Parents of students in those categories with immunization waivers will need to update their waiver: call the Health Department (810.987.5300) to make that arrangement.

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.

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.

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.

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>

Congratulations to HC Alums Earning Honors at CMC.

The following Holy Cross alumni received honors for the last quarter of school at Cardinal Mooney:

Principal's Award--All As: **Claire Campbell, Ashton DeMeulenaere, Ava DeVeny, Gemma Downey, Jimmy Downey, Rebecca Goulette, Michael Kiell, Skye Moss, Olivia Ogden, Bryce Schocker, Dresden Scott and Matthew Zammit;**

First honors--Minimum of 3 As and no grade lower than B: **Brennen DeMeulenaere, Conor Guyor, Aiden Schocker, Scarlett Scott, Cole Tite and Isaac Zammit.** Well done, former Crusaders!

Holy Cross alumni earned other honors as well at Cardinal Mooney--**Nicole Zawadzinski** (HC class of 2018) recently won Honorable Mention at St Clair County Community Mental Health's recent art contest. **Jimmy Downey** (HC Class of 2019) was invited by Stanford University to spend the summer there--great representation of the Blue Water Catholic Schools on the Pacific Coast this summer! **Matthew Zammit** (HC Class of 2019) won CMC's Anne Kotchman Memorial Scholarship for having exhibiting excellence in academics and core values, leadership, and community service; Matthew will also be spending time this week and the US Naval Academy. Additionally, Matthew qualified for state finals in cross country, and he and younger brother **Isaac Zammit** (HC Class of 2020) both qualified for state finals in track.

AUCTION 2023

Have you come across any great bargains or really interesting items during your summer shopping trips? It's never too soon to think of your (K-8 family's) Auction donation!

Auction time will be here before we know it--and its success will depend on the items we've been able to gather. Keep the Auction in the back of your mind as you shop clearances, or during your travels this summer. (A great rule of thumb when deciding what to get: if you'd bid on it, chances are good that someone else would, too!)

Changes around School....

You'll hardly recognize the place! Everything is being painted, the restrooms are being updated, and there will be a number of new faces (adults AND students)! It's going to be a GREAT year!

Chrome Books For Sale!

We still have a few used Chrome books for sale. If you're interested, please call the school office. \$25 each (including charger).

"Summer Challenge"

Students are reminded about the Holy Cross "Summer Challenge!" (You can find all the details at <http://holycrossonline.net/summer-challenge/>)

There will be a pizza party (including a dress down pass) for students who participates, as well as a number of really cool prizes that lucky participants will take home. All that--and the fun of the challenge activities!

Has your child complained yet of "being bored"? Check out the "Summer Challenge"--have fun, and good luck!

Looking forward to seeing everyone for their school picture on August 22!

Regular weekly newsletters will resume at the beginning of August.

We hope you've been enjoying a wonderful, restful, and FUN summer. See you all soon!

**Holy Cross Catholic School—Marine City
Student Supplies Needed 2022-23**

*** Replenish as needed--PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING!!**

	K	Grade 1	Grade 2	Acad Suc
ZIPPING pencil bag (no boxes, please)	--	1	1	---
Set of 24 crayons (not "Twistables")	2 sets *	1 set	1 set	Yes
Set (8-10) washable markers	1 (8/pk)	1	1	Yes
1 ruler (12 inches / 30 cm)	--	--	1	---
# glue sticks *	24 *	4 *	4 *	Yes
# bottles of glue (8 ounce)	1	1	1	Yes
Fiskars scissors, short blade	1	1	1	---
# boxes #2 pencils *	3 boxes *	3 boxes *	3 boxes *	Yes
# pink erasers *	2 *	1 pkg *	1 pkg *	---
Pencil tip erasers *	--	1 pkg *	1 pkg *	---
# dry erase markers	--	4	4	Yes
# boxes tissues	4	3	3	Yes
# rolls paper towels	4	3	3	Yes
# pocket folders (bottom pockets)	4 (solid color)	2 (1 w / holes)	2 (1 w / holes)	Yes
Hand sanitizer	1 bottle	1 bottle	1 bottle	Yes
Antibacterial wipes for desks	4 pkgs	4 pkgs	4 pkgs	Yes
Gym shoes (plain w / non-marking soles)	1 pr (labeled)	1 pr	1 pr	---
Composition notebook for writing	--	1	1	---
3-ring binder w/clear view pockets	1 (1" thick)	1 (1" thick)	1 (1" thick)	Yes
Post it notes	--	1 sm pkg	1 pkg	---
"Ziploc" bags (quart / gallon)	1	1 box (qt.)	1 box (qt)	---
Plastic page protectors	---	1 pkg / 25	1 pkg / 25	---
Index cards	---	---	---	Yes

Donations of supplies listed above for "Acad Suc" will be gratefully accepted for our "Academic Success" room—thank you!

- In addition, ALL STUDENTS NEED:**
- ❖ Book bag no larger than 15"x16"x8" (no rolling bags, please)
 - ❖ Water bottle, if desired (18 ounces or smaller, spillproof, for plain, UNFLAVORED water only.
 - ❖ A set of earbuds or headphones (we encourage headphones for younger students to better protect their hearing; a reasonably priced headphone set is available at "FiveBelow" stores)

	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grs 5-8
ZIPPING pencil bag (no boxes, please)	1	1	1
Set of colored pencils	1	1	1
Set of washable markers	--	1	1
Crayola crayons (pack of 24)	1 pkg	1 pkg	1
# glue sticks *	4 *	4 *	3 *
Fiskars scissors, short blade, pointed	1	1	1
# boxes #2 pencils * (not foil-wrapped)	3 *	--	3 *
Mechanical pencils	--	3 pkg *	--
# pink erasers *	1 *	1 *	--
# red marking pens (non clicking) or pencils *	1 pkg *	1 *	2 *
Highlighters, different colors *	1 *	2 *	4 *
Black "Sharpie" marker, fine point	--	1 *	4 *
# pkgs. blue or black erasable pens *	--	--	1 *
Dry erase markers, set of 4	1 *	2 *	1 *
Ruler (12 in/30 cm)	1	--	--
# rolls paper towels	1	1	2
Pocket folders w/ holes	1 blue / 1 yellow	--	3
white, wide ruled lined paper (not spiral bound)	1 pkg	--	3 pkgs *
Spiral notebook for math	1 green	--	1 (3 subject)
Spiral notebook for science (1 subject)	--	--	1
Spiral notebook for ELA (1 subject)	--	--	1
Composition notebook	2	--	2 religion
Wireless mouse, optional	1	1	1
3x5 index cards for SS	--	--	2 pks
Pkg (lemon) Clorox wipes for desks	5	5	3
3-ring binder (gr 3. with clear view pocket)	1 1" thick	1 1" thick	1 2" thick
Books covers	--	--	3
Post it notes (colored)	--	--	1 pkg
Hand sanitizer	1	1	1 bottle
Boxes of tissues	2	2	2
Zipper bags, pkg, STORAGE / SANDWICH size	1 STOR	1 each	--
Plastic page protectors, pkg of 25	1	---	---
For gym: dark shorts, T shirt, gym shoes w/ non-marking soles	shoes only	shoes only	1 set



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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