



CRUSADER NEWS AND VIEWS

The Mission Statement of Holy Cross Catholic School is to educate tomorrow's Christian Leaders by fostering Academic Excellence in a Christian Community.

April 30, 2009

Prayer

Trials are not enemies of faith, but are opportunities to prove God's faithfulness.

Protecting God's Children Workshops

Visit www.virtus.org and select "Registration." You will be directed to a prompt to search for locations. You will need this to do ANY classroom volunteering! Contact Mrs. Smith or the "virtus" website for more information.

Remember, you need this workshop completed in order to volunteer for field day or camp or chaperone field trips.

got scrip?

SCRIP office hours:

Mondays and Fridays, 7-9am;
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and
Thursdays 1-3pm; and
5-7pm Mondays & Tuesdays during
RE classes

"Peddler" hours: almost 24/7/365!

Peddlers:

Kelly Glowski (Algonac)
Sue Sharpe (Marine City)
Kelly Zichi (East China)

Please note that JCPenney no longer permits the use of SCRIP cards to pay on charge accounts.

First Communicants and Confirmandi

Congratulations to our second and eighth graders on receiving their First Communion and Confirmation this past week. May God bless each of you!

Re-registration!

Packets went home last week—if you can't find yours, please contact the school office. Please return your re-registration paperwork ASAP so we know how to plan for 2009-10. If you know anyone who is thinking about a Holy Cross education for their children, encourage them to call Mrs. Lund for a personal appointment. *Remember, YOU are one of the best marketing tools our school has!*

SPRING HAS SPRUG

Spring is here and the church is warming up. We are back to skirts for the girls on Mass days. We will also NOT wear hoodies or jackets to Mass on Fridays. Your child may wear a uniform sweater.

Pizza & Nacho Lunches

Tomorrow we're having Hungry Howie's pepperoni pizza for lunch. Please be sure your order is in the office first thing in the morning so we get enough for you. Bring an extra quarter: there will be baked goodies available.

Also, next Friday (May 8) we'll be serving Mrs. Heitz's famous nachos and cheese (with ground beef and other toppings); those order slips will go home with all students tomorrow. (Goodies available at this lunch, too, thanks to NJHS!)

Please send your special lunch orders in early, so we prepare enough food—as always, if you need to call in sick on the day of a special lunch we'll pull your order and return your payment.

FIRST FRIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Tomorrow is the first of May as well as the first Friday of May: time for our monthly food collection. If you are able, please bring a canned or boxed nonperishable pantry item to church tomorrow for the Holy Cross St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. Spring flowers are pretty, but warm weather doesn't eradicate hunger. Our local neighbors in need thank you.

School's Out Early Monday!

Remember that **next Monday, May 4, is an "early dismissal" day:** East China's buses will be here and school will let out at 12:30 that day. As there has been no need for latchkey on the other "early" days, no latchkey is planned at this time: **please call tomorrow** if you want to use latchkey on Monday!

End of Year Notes

It doesn't seem possible that our Kindergartners and eighth graders will graduate in a month!! A reminder especially to those families that all tuition, service credits, and all other obligations must be taken care of before those students may participate in their advancement ceremonies (or their records be sent on to their next stops).

Thank you for showing your children the good example of honoring your commitments!

TRACK

Practices are underway (Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 2:30-4pm); the first meet will be this Saturday, May 2, at the Ward-Cottrell track on Ward Street. Holy Cross fans are welcome!—pray for nice weather.

Our turn to provide concessions will be for the last meet (May 16): please call school if you're interested in helping.

Family Skate Day Canceled

"People are so busy this time of year! We'll try again in the winter—PTO"

School Committee Elections

Elections are set for May voting. HCSC open seats will be **voted on by the school families.** We have 4 seats open next year. The position is a 2 year term. If you are interested in serving your school in an **advisory** position to the administration, please pick up a nomination form in the office by ASAP. Complete and return it by May 1. Your bio and any short statement you wish to make will be published.

The School Committee meets monthly on a Monday evening. If you have any questions regarding the function and duties of the School Committee please contact a current member: Bob Goldenbogen, Jacqui MacKenzie, Vicki Ruemenapp, Carrie Dorsey, Al Chaltron, Pat Semaan, Jim DeKoninck, Mrs. Lund, and Fr. Jim. You may also request to review the School Committee By-Laws and Constitution which will be available in the school office.

M.C. JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Students currently in grades 3-6 are eligible for this full contact, tackle league. Registration will be held in the MHS activities area on April 29 from 6-8pm; cost is \$100/student. Contact Tony Scarcelli (810.676.1975) or Gary Griffin (676.1237) for more info.

Calling ALL Crusader Athletes:

Ms. Ward is organizing a group of athletes to walk in the Marine City Memorial Day parade. Students who participated in a school sport this year are invited to be a part of the parade! It will be on Monday, May 25 at 10am.

This is a chance for Holy Cross to show we are a part of the Marine City community and, most importantly, to show respect and support for the US veterans and troops who have served at home and abroad!

Please let Ms. Ward know if you are able to participate by Friday, May 8. Also, please list what team you will be representing in the parade, so that your jersey will be ready to be worn in the parade!

National Immunization Week

This is "National Immunization Week." St. Clair County Health Department is celebrating by offering entry into a prize drawing for all children receiving immunizations by May 1. Michigan requires that school-age immunization assessments be done at Kindergarten entry and again when the student enters 6th grade; if your student falls into either group, this would be a good time to take a look at his shot record! Contact the Health Department (810.987.8216) or the Teen Health Center (810.987.1311) for more info.

(Need a sports physical?—the Teen Health Center may be able to help you there, too!)

MARKET DAY

Orders need to be in the school office by next Monday, May 4.

Thrift Sale

"Thank you to all of our workers: Paula Carnaghi, Barb Rickerman and Debbie Mona. Thanks, also, to all who donated, shopped or stopped in to say "good luck." The sale made close to \$1300 for our school!

"Still have items to donate?—the White Elephant sale is coming in May! Thanks again—Wendy and Julie"

(Thank you to Mrs. Julie Wolf and Mrs. Wendy Miodonski for their ongoing, year-long labors at the sales!)

' Thank You.'

"Thank you to everyone who made the benefit for our family a success. The organizers, donors, workers, cooks and supporters made it better than we could have expected. It was a wonderful event.

"Thank you again for your time and generosity.

"We also want to thank Wally and Jenifer Drzewiecki for opening their home and hearts to us and our pets. I don't know where we would be without their kindness."--Karen Sobczak and Daniel Greathouse

Kindergarten Announcement:

There will NOT be class for Kindergartners on Monday, May 11. Ms Ward will be hosting "A Day in the Life of a Kindergartner" for next year's class. (If you know of anyone interested in coming, please give them our number—810.765.3591—and ask them to call school!--reservations are required.)

Holy Cross on YouTube!

Mr. Susan recorded a Friday Mass a few weeks back he edited and posted some of it on YouTube. It is available through his YouTube site: <http://www.youtube.com/user/Dbsusan> or through this direct link: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NcdGm8QHs_8

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

The Port Huron Figure Skating Club is putting on spaghetti dinner at the Fogcutter in Port Huron from 3-6pm on Sunday, May 3. Tickets are \$10 per person. Contact the Heitz family for more info.

Thank You!

...to the **Semaan, Knotts and Patrick families** for their donations of wipes, and to the **Templeton family** for plates, for the lunch room.

...to **Mrs. Frances Zech** (who clips, sorts and bundles all those receipts and labels) and to everyone who saves labels, "Box Tops for Education" and VG's receipts for us: we've just received a check for \$283 from the Box Tops program!

Library

There are over 30 books overdue! Please return the books you borrow, on time! --Mrs. Smith

Arrrrr, Mateys!

Marine City High School's drama group is presenting "Treasure Island" tomorrow and Saturday, 7pm, and Saturday at 1 at the East China PAC. (For more information and pricing, call 810.676.1992.) Christopher Winne (K) is proud to announce his sister, Andrea, is among the lead performers—joined by Holy Cross alumnus (Class of 2005) Zack Ostin. "Break a leg!"

Please keep in your prayers...

...the Moody family on the recent death of their grandma.

Babysitting Course

St. John River District Hospital is offering its babysitting course starting June 16. Registration (\$15 each) is open to the first 25 paid students 12 years and older. Flyers available in the school office (or call 810.329.5373).