



# 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.

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## Thank You!

We take for granted  
The refuse collectors  
And road sweepers,  
The delivery of letters  
And of milk bottles,  
The corner shop  
And the supermarket,  
The street lights  
And telephone lines,  
The seats and the bridges,  
And you, Lord.  
So I stop on this busy corner  
To do nothing more  
Than simply take it in,  
And say a very heartfelt  
"Thank you, Lord!"

--Martin Wallace

## Protecting God's Children Workshops

Visit [www.virtus.org](http://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)

## LANSING TRIP

Our third and fourth graders will be traveling to Lansing next Tuesday to experience something of Michigan's government. Have a safe trip and learn lots!

## Financial Aid for Next Year

**Your "PSAS" application for the Archdiocesan grant must be postmarked by April 10!!** If you don't already have a copy, call the school office to have an application sent home with your child, or stop in to pick one up. You may also download the form from the Archdiocese's website: go to [www.aodonline.org](http://www.aodonline.org); "Catholic Schools" from the left, then "Tuition Assistance" under "Parents and Students," "Archdiocesan Endowment Tuition Assistance Programs," then select the form and instruction letter.

Application forms are also available for the "Father Bartone / Blue Water Vicariate" scholarship. Call if you need one.

## Registration!

We are currently working on finalizing tuition figures for next year: we're waiting to hear from as many families as possible so our numbers are right...registration info WILL be out soon! Do 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!*

## Read to Your Student's Class!

Would you like to? Please contact your child's teacher for info or to make arrangements.

## A Reminder...

All 2008-09 school tuition is due March 31.

## Read In Day

Monday, March 30 will be our annual March is Reading Month "Read-In Day." Students may dress down in comfy flannel or jammies. They may bring blankets, etc., but must be able to carry what they bring on their own. Your child's teacher will be sending home any particular directions for the day in regards to snacks and other needs.

## HUNGER MEAL

Thank you to all who provided food items for last week's "Hunger Meal." Holy Cross's share of the proceeds of the meal will be sent to Holy Cross's conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help local needy people.

## Uniforms!

We need YOUR help! More and more, our students are forgetting our dress code, and we as educators often overlook it as we try to focus more on the educational aspects of our school. We will be monitoring the dress code much more closely and those students who are following it will be able to take part in our bi-monthly dress down days. Thank you for your support in this matter.

## FIRST FRIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Next Friday will be the first Friday of April—time for our monthly canned food collection! The Holy Cross St. Vincent de Paul Society will use all nonperishable food (or money) donated to help local needy families. Remember the words of the Lord: "As often as you helped the least of My brothers, you helped Me." Thank you!

## Little Ones Entering Preschool or Kindergarten in September:

St. Clair County Health Department's "Back to School Immunization Week" ends tomorrow. Avoid the summer rush, and get your immunizations early! As an incentive to come early, each vaccinated child will be eligible to win a one night family stay at the Hampton Inn of Port Huron (room with pool and exercise room access). Call 810.987.8216 to make your appointment.

## VOLLEYBALL

Last Thursday we enjoyed a victory over St. Mary St. Clair! Our last match of the season will be Monday March 30, hosting IC, before tournaments begin on April 3. Holy Cross fans: come out to cheer us on!

**From the Library/Accelerated Reader:**

All books are due back in the library next Friday, April 3.

**It's Delicious!**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders have one more "popcorn Friday" tomorrow to help pay for their trip to Lansing: 25¢ / bag.

**Wanted: Gently Used Books**

Students: please clean off your bookshelves and donate books to "Safe Horizons" shelter. These books are for children who need our love and support. We are collecting until Easter break. Thank you!

**FISH FRY**

Please join us at St. Catherine's in Algonac from 4-8 pm tomorrow for our last 2009 fish fry!

Scheduled to work this week:

Setup (right after school Thursday): Lisa Bryer, Monika Rittner and Vicki Fisher & friend; and working on Friday (March 27) are:

9am Donna Oliphant

10am "Trish"

11am "Barb & Edward"

am Chris Ludwig

12-4 pm shift	2-6pm shift
Fidler (12-2)	Abraam
Guyette (2-4)	Nizza
	Salvador
	Salvador
	Decker
	Oliphant (4-6)

4-8 pm shift	Cleanup 8pm-end
Steinmetz	MacKenzie
Tripi	MacKenzie
Tripi	Keais
Ankowiak (6-8)	
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Fisher	
Batton	

**Market Day**

Orders need to be turned in by Monday, March 30.

**CYO Summer Camps**

CYO summer camp information is available in the school office—stop in or call for a flyer if you're interested.

**We Still Need Pictures**

We are in need of your pictures from our various sporting events, performances, and every day school life for our yearbook and website. We can accept digital files or we can scan your originals and return them to you. Please help us share the joy of Holy Cross with others!

**BASKETBALL CAMP**

St. Mary's in St. Clair will be running a basketball camp the week of June 29-July 3. Boys and girls in grades 1-8 (for school year 2009-2010) who wish to work on their basketball skills are invited to attend. Cost for the week-long camp is \$50/student if registered before June 15 (\$60/student after that). Registration forms are available at the school office.

**Spring is in the Air!**

Hopefully, spring is around the corner. However, it is still chilly in the morning. Please remind your child to come to school prepared.

**CMC Play**

Tomorrow our middle schoolers will be among the first theatergoers to see CMC's spring 2009 production, "Flyin'." (Interested in seeing the play yourself?--showtimes this weekend will be 7pm Friday & Saturday, and 2pm on Sunday, March 29. Tickets are \$8/adults and \$5/students and seniors.)

**Eighth Grade Parents:**

We're trying to put the finishing touches on this year's yearbook, and are hoping to have a page on the eighth graders "way back when." We need baby pictures of them for that spread. Do you have any that you can share? (Extra copies would be great, or we can scan and return you photos.) We have to finish this next week, though; so we need the photos to come in by Monday. Thank you!

**Holy Cross Sweatshirts**

Last call! The last order will be placed tomorrow—contact Vicki Ruemenapp c/o school (810.765.3591) if you're interested in ordering a shirt.

**Family Skate**

The PTO is planning a family skate event at Skateport (on Wadhams in Port Huron). It will be from noon-2pm on Sunday, May 3. More info will follow.

**"Fifth Sunday at Five" at Holy Cross**

"2 Protestants and a Catholic," a unique cornucopia of musical talent with random humor, consisting of Elizabeth Anderson (Holy Cross Class of 2005), vocals, Katrina Dunker, clarinet, and Grace Haskin, violin, is the featured guest ensemble as part of the FIFTH SUNDAY AT FIVE Vespers and Concert Series at Holy Cross Church, 610 S. Water St., Marine City, Michigan, this Sunday, March 30, 5 pm. The concert follows Vespers, a short service of Psalms and prayers. Free and open to the public. Call the church office at 810.765.3568 for more info.