



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.

July 6, 2009

A Summer Prayer

Long warm days...
The pace of life slows...
A time for picnics and rest in the shade...

Lord,
help me to rest awhile in the cooling shade of your presence.
Slow down my restless heart and fill me with gentle compassion for all your people.

Amen

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

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

Peddlers:

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

Our dedicated SCRIP workers have been hard at it all summer, keeping SCRIP available to help with your tuition; an updated vendor list is attached. Don't forget your SCRIP this summer!!

Congratulations to the 50 Holy Cross school families who are sharing in the over \$4100 that represents this quarter's profits!

Thank You!

...from **Miss Robinson** to all the students and families who planned and put on her farewell party. She thanks everyone for the gifts and good wishes that were sent her way.

Free School Clothes!

Mrs. Wolf will be in the FAB basement Thursday mornings, 9-11 am, during July. Stop in to check out her selection of uniform wear. (Did we mention that they're free to Holy Cross students?)

DESPERATELY NEEDED: FOOTBALL COACH

We're looking for someone to coach Holy Cross's 2009-10 football team..... please ask any interested person(s) to call school! (810.765.3591) (We have an assistant, but will not be able to field a team without a coach.)

Lost: Two Exercise Balls

Remember how much fun we had at Field Day with the two huge balls? Well—they didn't return to school from the park! If anyone knows where the balls went after Field Day, please contact school. (One ball is pink and the other is blue—and their owners really miss them!!)

SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, August 23rd will be our fall Back-to-School Open House. (This is a correction from the calendar sent out at the end of the year.) The teachers and Mrs. Lund will be here to welcome our families back to school. This will take the place of our "back-to-school night." Also, if you know someone who is thinking about Holy Cross, this is a great time to bring them to our school to see what we are all about!

New Families!

Welcome to our new families! If you have completed registration, you will be contacted this month by a "mentor" family to help with any questions you may come up with.

You may hear, during the summer, that someone you know or meet is thinking about a Catholic education for their children. Please encourage them to call Mrs. Lund for a personal appointment. *Remember, YOU are THE BEST marketing tool Holy Cross has!*

That Unpleasant Topic: Tuition & Service Credits

Enclosed is your tuition statement and a copy of your service credit record. Your service credits worked through the end of last month are recorded on this paper—please check to be sure we get all your worked credits recorded.

If your statement does not show charges for 2009-10, that means we have not yet received your re-registration paperwork—please send in ASAP! (SCRIP credits show up after you register.)

Families on the monthly payment plan should have just made their second 10% payment at the end of June, with the next due at the end of July. Families on the quarterly plan have until the end of August to make their first 25% payment, with their next 25% payment due near the end of October.

Help is needed in many areas! The (nonsmoking) Marine City K of C bingo needs a concessions chair; thank you to the workers who've signed up to keep the snack stand open Wednesday nights. We're also looking for someone to chair the Holiday Expo in early November. If you'd like more information about either of these functions (or if you have any other questions about your service credits for 2009-10) please call Mrs. Smith—810.765.8300.

A reminder that you need to sign up for your service credits (in the black book in the school office) by September 15: after that date, families who haven't completed their signups will be placed on "Plan A" (payment plan).

Summer Office Hours

The school office is officially closed for the month of July—but we check messages regularly, so feel free to call or email (school@holycrossonline.net). We will re-open at the beginning of August—you can count on someone being here from at least 9am-noon, then, until school begins.

If you need help outside those hours, please leave a message (with a few days' warning) or contact the church office (810.765.3568): they'll find us!

***Marine City Music Festival
This Weekend—
Come For Credits or Fun!***

July 10-12 brings Marine City its first Music and Arts Festival. The Chamber of Commerce advertises all sorts of fun for this weekend—"Reggae/Caribbean, Blues, Gospel, Celtic and Chamber Music, car & motorcycle show, quilt & textile show, beach party, and more!"

Holy Cross School is sponsoring a snack shop in the cafeteria, on Saturday and Sunday from 11am-3pm. We're looking for a few workers for each day to help sell food. Each shift will be worth one credit, and proceeds from the shop will go toward the school's 2009-10 fundraising obligation. 7th and 8th graders who can help (and would like to earn community service credit time for Confirmation) are also welcome. Please call Mrs. Steinmetz at school if you can help.

Looking to join the fun?—the festival has its own website with a schedule of events and other pertinent info: www.marinecitymusicfestival.com. Come to enjoy some inexpensive fun for all, close to home!

Science Expo

A reminder that the 6-8th grade students will be attending the Michigan Tech Math/Science YES Expo on Thursday, Nov. 5 at Ford Field. Parents: if you want to join them, mark your calendar now! More information will be going home in September.

Lunch Supervisors

Are you interested in joining our lunch parent crew? Please contact the school office if you are interested. This is a paid position. A training session will be held on Monday, August 31st.

Vacation Bible School

...will be held at Holy Cross July 27-31 (9am-noon each day). The week will be filled with crafts, songs, games and treats as the kids learn to shine God's light! Cost is \$20 for the first child in the family, \$15 for the second and \$10 for the 3rd. We still need volunteers; call Stacy or Cathy c/o Holy Cross parish (810.765.3568), or visit our website: <https://groupvbs.com/webtoybox/myvbs/ourladyontheriver>. Registration will also be available following mass starting July 11, 2009. We hope to see you there!