



CRUSADER NEWS AND VIEWS

The Mission Statement of Holy Cross Catholic School is to partner with its families in the education of tomorrow's Christian Leaders by fostering academic excellence in a Christian community.

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Prayer

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth John 14:15-17

got scrip?

SCRIP office hours ('til summer):
Mondays and Fridays 7-9am;
Mondays 5-7pm; and
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and
Thursdays 1-3pm
"Peddler" hours: almost 24/7/365!
Peddlers:
Kelly Glowski (Algonac)
Sue Sharpe (Marine City)

By shopping with scrip gift certificates all summer long, two people will be paying your tuition, you and the place you shop.

Protecting God's Children Workshops for All Volunteers

The Archdiocese of Detroit's "Protecting God's Children" workshop is held periodically throughout the Archdiocese—to find one that fits your schedule: go to 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 (810.765.8300) 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.

Congratulations, Preschoolers!

Today is the last day of our preschoolers' school year! We enjoyed watching all these little ones grow and learn this year. We look forward to seeing the younger students returning to preschool next fall, and the five-year-olds in Kindergarten!

Please Keep in Your Prayers...

...the Dorsey family on the death of their great-grandpa Paull.

GET INSTANT TUITION HELP

Holy Cross is a very good school. Share the "wealth" that is Holy Cross with a new family starting in K-8 and earn a **\$250.00 credit** toward your tuition. If possible, use the card that we gave you in March. If you need more, let us know.

Mark Your Calendar:

A reminder of a few upcoming items of interest:

- **Field Day—tomorrow! 9am-noon--no latchkey after. It is a Dress Down Day for everyone. Students and adult helpers: wear field day shirts. (Due to inclement weather, Field Day will be HELD AT SCHOOL!)**
- Memorial Day weekend May 27-30: no school (back to class on Tuesday, May 31).
- **Kindergarten graduation June 6 (9am).**
- Last day of school June 9: full day, with awards ceremony in the gym about noon. **A CHANGE: NO CHARTWELL'S LUNCH FOR HOLY CROSS STUDENTS June 9—instead, NJHS will be cooking hot dogs--please send in your lunch order form if your family wants to participate.**

LUNCH SUPERVISION

Mrs. Pavlov wants to thank the parents who have served as lunchtime supervisors this year. She loves the dedication and spunkiness of all the supervisors—you have been a great group to work with. For next year we have at least 20 spots to fill for lunchtimes. By doing that, we would have 2 inside supervisors and 2 outside supervisors each day, the bare minimum. Lunch goes from 10:50-11:30. If you can donate one day per week, your service would be noticed and appreciated. AND, as a school benefactor, you would be prayed for daily. Mrs. Tabatha McConnell has offered to be the lunchtime coordinator for us. To offer your services, please call school.

"Summer Study Guide"

On the last day of school your oldest Crusader will take home a large envelope labeled "Summer Study Guide." It will contain suggestions to help you come up with learning and information-retaining experiences for your children throughout the summer months, and specific hints from the teacher of the grade(s) your student(s) will be entering. Also in the packet will be information about SCRIP, school clothes for next year, fall sports & sports physicals, and other things to help you and your family prepare for the fall. Watch for it, and take some time to look it over. We think it will contain something of interest to everyone!

Registration for Next Year

All tuition should be paid and all service credits should be completed by now. If your financial accounts are satisfied, please **register right away**. If not yet complete, please contact Mrs. Pavlov with your intentions. She would like all registrations in by June 1.

Mrs. Pavlov is currently formulating plans for the 2011-12 year. Enrollment is critical information from which all other decisions flow: class configurations, teacher hiring, textbook purchases are all based on enrollment. That means that if you want to be part of the plan, your registration must be turned in. Please turn your registration in at the school office by June 1st. If you want to talk to Mrs. Pavlov about a special circumstance, feel free to call her. She wants you and your child to be part of the resurgence of Holy Cross as we continue our growth.

Texas Hold 'Em

Thank you to the parents, grandparents, teachers and friends who worked this last tournament! Special thanks go to Randy Bryer for all his work and dedication chairing these four Texas Hold 'Em fundraising events!—he reports that Holy Cross/OLR parish made a total of almost \$10,800 from the May 19-22 tournament.

Square Foot Gardening

Mrs. Marge Nicaise is planning the "square foot" gardens and still needs a few things: please contact her c/o school if you just happen to have any of these just lying around waiting to be used:

Nails Chicken wire
Dirt Compost bin
Mulch Stakes
Composite wood timbers (such as "Trex") or PVC pipe

Gardening supplies such as trowels, gloves, watering cans,...

And, of course, plants! (tomatoes, carrots, cucumbers, lettuce, radishes)

Any monetary donations will be welcome, too. "Let's get growing!"

Library/Accelerated Reader Books

...were all due this week! If you still have a book out, BE SURE to find it over the weekend and bring it back Tuesday.

Knights of Columbus Squires

Gary Barr and the Marine City Knights of Columbus are starting a Squires Circle. Open to boys ages 10-18, the Squires program offers lots of wholesome fun as well as opportunities to serve the community. Mr. Barr says the Knights have already begun to plan outings including canoeing and archery, and he expects to have service opportunities such as working at a soup kitchen and helping elderly parishioners with yard work. The induction was held on Sunday—but new members may be welcome. For more information contact Mr. Barr c/o school or Knight Tom Cook c/o 810.765.5555. (Boys: ask either of the Calvins to tell you more about Squires!)

June 3 Mass

Friday, June 3 will be our last school mass together this school year. Every student in the school, grades K-7, will participate in this mass. We will also initiate what we hope to be an annual "Ceremony of Presenting the Light of Leadership" to our seventh graders as they move into the place of eighth grade for 2011-2012. **Please join us** for this wonderful final celebration of the mass—9am, Friday June 3. Let's make this Mass the Grand Finale of a grand school year.

Dissections!

Mrs. Steinmetz's favorite part of the school year: Mrs. Wade's science classes have been dissecting (lab specimen) sheep hearts, lungs, livers, eyes and brains this week! This year's classes are full of eager scientists:



What does the inside of a lung look like?



Getting "behind the lens"!

Lost & Found

Found: a pair of glasses....are you missing any? They were found about 2 weeks ago.

Our "lost & found" barrel is filling—please stop in when you can and check to see if any of your kids' things have made their way there. (Anything left after June 9 will be given to the rummage sale.)

Loose Change and Bottle & Can Drive to Benefit Altar Servers' Trip to Cedar Point

Save your returnable bottles & cans, we will be collecting following the 9:30 & 11:30 Masses on the 28th & 29th.

Watch for receptacles in church, for your loose change. (All servers going to Cedar Point should have a signed permission slip turned in. If not, contact the parish office.)

Last Day of School:

Please note that there is a change in lunch plans that day: **Chartwell's will NOT be serving lunch for Holy Cross on June 9.** Instead, our National Junior Honor Society members will prepare hot dogs. Kindergarten children will have already graduated, but they (with their families) are invited to join the rest of the school on the 9th: be sure to send in your family's order if you want NJHS to prepare your lunch that day.

Drama Club Performance

On Monday, May 23, the Drama Club performed its spring play, "The Miller's Mistake." Thank you to Mrs. Rock for mentoring our actors!! Here's the cast:

