



# 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.

September 30, 2010

## Words from Jesus

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Luke 10:2

## 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](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 (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.

## got scrip?

**SCRIP office hours:**  
**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)  
 Melanie Heitz (St. Clair)

Do you shop at GFS? In addition to using GFS SCRIP cards, you can earn through their "Fun Funds" program, where certain (changing) items earn rebates. To learn more about "Fun Funds" (or just sign up), go to <http://www.gfs.com/funfunds/home.page?OrgNumber=2048455> and follow the prompts. (You may also pick up a paper application at your favorite GFS store.)

## Thank You!

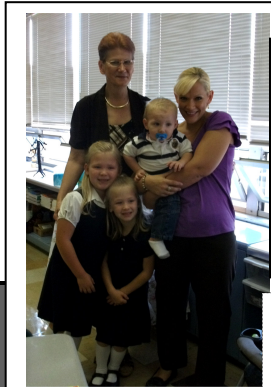
...to **Gary Barr** and the PTO, and everyone who has donated items or cash toward tomorrow evening's Teacher Appreciation spaghetti dinner!

## Please Keep in your Prayers..

...Mrs. Concetta Baty, grandmother of **Calvin (4<sup>th</sup> grade)** and **Jessica (3<sup>rd</sup>)**. Mrs. Baty is in the hospital recovering from surgery Monday.

...Mrs. Judy McConnell, grandmother of **James (1<sup>st</sup> grade)**, as she recovers from knee surgery. ("Oldtimers" will remember Mrs. McConnell as a longtime Holy Cross lunch mom and our first latchkey supervisor!)

## Photos from Special Persons' Day



My special person!



School, preschool, and pre-preschool all in one family!

We all enjoyed being with our Special Persons!!

## Our Most Precious Gift

Our children are our most precious gift. God entrusted their lives to our care. Please remember to drive slowly and carefully around school. Please help each other to remember to drive slowly and carefully when around school. We want all of our children to know that they are safe in their coming and their going.

## Congratulations!!

...to preschooler **Treyse** and his family on their new baby! Treyse's little sister **Madeline** was born on September 20, and mom and baby are doing well.

## Basketball

Our girls hosted St. Mary's on Monday. Our JV girls faced a huge St. Mary's squad, and were able to hold them to an 8-13 win. Scorers included **Alexis** with 6 points and **Abbey** with 2. The Varsity game ended with a score of (HC)13-(SM)21. Scoring were **Lilly** with 6 points, **Annemarie** with 4, **Beki** with 2 and **Rachelle** with 1 point. We hosted MCA last night. Our JV girls scored 3 points to MCA's 12; **Hannah** scored 2 of those points and **Alexis**, 1. The close Varsity game ended in a score of (HC)13, (MCA)16. **Beki** scored 8 Holy Cross points; **Lilly** added 3 and **Rachelle**, 2.

Next week brings our last home game on Monday, as St. Augustine's comes calling; then we visit them on Wednesday, Oct. 6. The worker schedule for our last home game:

Oct. 4 2010	JV game	V game
Admission	Blicharz	Weston
Concession/Hall Monitor	Heitz	Janski
Concession Hall Monitor	LaFontaine	Claeys

All Crusader fans welcome!!

## Pizza Lunch

Tomorrow is our first pizza lunch of the year. (Chartwell's will not be serving.) For \$1.75 you get a drink, chips, and a slice (1/8 of a large pizza) of Hungry Howie's pepperoni pizza (with extra slices available at \$1 each). If you haven't already turned in your order, please be sure it's in the office first thing tomorrow morning so we have enough for you. (If it happens that you must call in sick on the day of any special lunch like this, your order will be pulled and your money returned to you.)

## Accelerated Reader

Students and parents: all Accelerated Reader books are due the Monday after you check them out this year.

## Iowa Testing

Our students in grades 1-7 will be taking standardized testing over the next two weeks, beginning on Monday. A reminder that the best test preparation you can give your children is being sure they're well fed and hydrated and that they've had a good night's sleep.

Roomparents will be coordinating healthy snacks for students during their tests—they may be calling to ask for your help.

## Progress Reports

Next week is mid-term week. (Yes, we really have been in school that long!) The teachers are ready to launch the new *Engrade* internet progress reporting program. (For CMC parents: it is our version of Edline.) As a result, this first progress report will have a different look. By Wednesday of next week, you will receive an envelope with directions on how to set up your connection to *Engrade* along with a written mid-term report that will be entitled "Report Card". This "report card" will show you what your child has achieved up to this point in time. Once your *Engrade* account is set up, you will be able to access updated information about your child's progress **weekly**. Updated information will be available to you on **Tuesday** of each week. (This written report will be the last progress report we'll send you, as you'll be able to access that information weekly with *Engrade*.)

We will continue to issue quarterly report cards. We will be holding parent-teacher conferences on November 23<sup>rd</sup> and, as always, you can contact your child's teacher and set up a one-on-one appointment to discuss your child's progress at school.

## Teacher Appreciation Dinner

The PTO's Teacher Appreciation Spaghetti Dinner is tomorrow evening, from 5-8pm in the Holy Cross Activity Center. All are invited to show our teachers how much they mean to us while enjoying a delicious spaghetti dinner, complete with salad, bread and dessert. We will also be featuring a 50/50 raffle and bake sale. The cost of this dinner is: adults-\$7; kids 10 and under-\$5; and seniors--\$6, with all proceeds going directly to the teachers.

## Women's Conference

**Discover God's Call For Your Life**  
**Friday & Saturday, Nov. 12&13, 2010**  
Go to [www.aodwomensministry.org](http://www.aodwomensministry.org) for conference pricing and registration. For more information, call 313.237.5806.

## Preschool News

Our preschoolers are taking their first field trip of the school year next Monday! They will be going to Blake's Apple Orchard in Armada. (We're praying for good weather!) We hope you learn lots and have fun!!

## Food Pantry

Tomorrow is the first Friday of the month: time for our monthly nonperishable food drive to restock our St. Vincent de Paul pantry. Can you bring something to mass tomorrow to give? The pantry is in special need of breakfast foods (cereals, pancake mix and syrup, breakfast bars,...) and pasta and sauces/macaroni and cheese; they always need canned protein foods like tuna, peanut butter, hash, or canned ham or chicken, as well as canned fruits. Our hungry neighbors thank you.

## HOW'S YOUR STUDENT'S WARDROBE HOLDING UP?

Do those new pants already have holes in the knees? The new white polo took a splash from a juice box? Fear not--the Holy Cross "Thrift Sale" has hundreds of schoolwear items, FREE to school families! Contact Mrs. Wolf or the school office if you're interested in taking a look.

## "Spiritwear" Sweatshirts

Many have been asking! We are working hard to get quotes for a "spiritwear" order. (This order will focus on the Holy Cross logo, not on sports-specific logos as in the past). Thank you to Carrie Dorsey for researching—she plans to have choices such as hoodie, crewneck sweatshirt, zip-up fleece and polo-style shirts—all with the logo embroidered (not screen printed) and in youth as well as adult sizes. Please start thinking about what you'll need, and watch for order information (via the weekly newsletter) soon! (If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Carrie c/o school.)

## ENTHRONEMENT TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Holy Cross Catholic School will celebrate an Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus during the month of October. We have chosen the Enthronement because it brings countless blessings to all of our undertakings. By the Enthronement we proclaim Jesus as King who rules over us with love like a loving parent or counselor would do.

## Dress Down Day

The first dress down day of the school year will be held on **Thursday, October 14, 2010**. This day was chosen to honor the memory of Dennis and Barbara Love. Many of you will recall how dedicated Mr. and Mrs. Love were to Holy Cross, especially the Thrift Sale. It will cost your child \$1.00 to be out of uniform that day. Have your child bring the dollar to their teacher on October 14<sup>th</sup>. Money collected will be used to purchase one square for the 200<sup>2</sup> Club in the Loves' memory, so if you can afford to send more than \$1.00, you can do that too.

## Macy's "Shop for a Cause"

Saturday, October 16, Macy's is partnering with our PTO in their annual "Shop For a Cause" event. Passes (\$5 each) are available at the SCRIP, school and Holy Cross church offices. (For more info, contact Gary Barr c/o school.)

## Holy Cross Harvest Dinner

The Harvest Dinner is nearly upon us—it will be held on Sunday, October 10. Lots of help is needed on Sunday and for several days preceding the event. Signup sheets are available in church, or contact Mrs. Smith (810.765.8300) for more info.

## Holy Cross 200<sup>2</sup> Club Update

Thank you to all who have donated to the 200<sup>2</sup> fund! So far the fund has received \$14,850 from these generous people. Thank you to these new donors: Ralph & Joan Barnowski  
Michael Hrydziusko  
St. Isidore Catholic Community  
Andrew J. Markel in honor of Mary Anne Markel  
Pat Goldenbogen  
In memory of Huey Kessel  
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Thank you to all our generous benefactors!!!