

# 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.*

**December 12, 2013**

## A Word from The Word

"This is he of whom it is written, 'Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way before thee.'" Matthew 11:10

## 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 a session 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 or lunchroom volunteering. Contact Mrs. Smith at 810.765.8300 if you need help.

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

## got SCRIP?

SCRIP office hours:  
Mondays and Fridays, 7-9 am;  
Mondays; 5-7pm; and  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and  
Thursdays 1-3pm  
**"Peddlers:"**  
Patty Smith (St Clair)  
Kelly Glowski (Algonac)

Just a week left to get your SCRIP to you do your holiday shopping! For your extra household needs: use SCRIP! When filling your tank: use SCRIP! When gift shopping: use SCRIP! In fact, you can even use SCRIP as gifts: SCRIP certificates and cards are what the retailers use as their gift certificates and gift cards, so they can be given whenever you would give gift cards (and you don't even have to drive to the different stores to get them!). Let your holiday shopping take a bite out of your tuition bill: use SCRIP!

End-of-the-year tuition credits will be calculated after Dec. 31 and will be posted on your January statement.

## Parade

Thanks to everyone who came out for the parade last Friday! It was a great evening for a winter parade. Special thanks go to Mr. Barr for putting together the Holy Cross float (and to the Ward family for loaning us their trees for the float again). Mr. Kelly Smith drove the truck that pulled the float. Mrs. Wade had cocoa and cookies for all our walkers. We all had a lot of fun!



## Camp

Just a reminder that campers' bills will need to be paid in full by Jan. 17.

Don't forget that list of suggested items to pack for camp as you begin your Christmas shopping!

## Hungry Howie Fundraiser Cards

Camp families: all unsold cards must be turned in by Monday to avoid your being charged for them. Please turn in all your Howie's payments ASAP so we can get your camp bill credited!

## Boys' Basketball

Boys' basketball regular season play ended this week with a game on Monday. Many, many thanks to **Mrs. Stacy Goulette** for making sure the concession stand was full and staffed for every home game! The boys' season concludes after the tournament (at St. Mary's) next week. Holy Cross plays St. Mary McCormick at 6:45pm Monday. If they win, they go on to play St. Mary's at 5:30 Tuesday; otherwise, they play at 6:45 Tuesday. Go Crusaders!!

## Dress Down Day!

Students: you can earn your own personal dress down day by simply wearing your uniform to church (Holy Cross site) this Sunday, Dec. 15! (See Mrs. Steinmetz on the 16<sup>th</sup>!)

After church on the 15<sup>th</sup>, stop by the Activity Center for refreshments and community-building!

## Mark Your Calendar...

- Dec. 15: wear your uniform to church at the HC site!
- Dec. 16-18: boys' basketball tournament in St. Clair
- Dec. 18: school Christmas program 6pm in the gym
- Dec. 19: Christmas caroling at River Bend (K-3)
- Dec. 19: PTO fundraiser at Stevi B's
- Dec. 20: last day of classes before Christmas
- Jan. 6: back to school!

## The BIG Raffle Calendar Winner...

...the lucky person who wins the \$1000 grand prize in this year's raffle...is....**Susan Mihalich** of Algonac. Congratulations!! And thank you for supporting Holy Cross School.

Feeling lucky?—your 2014 raffle calendar tickets were mailed to your house a few weeks ago. More are available at the school and church offices, and the first drawing will be on January 13.

## Christmas Program

The Holy Cross Christmas program will be held next Wednesday, December 18 at 6:00. This year's program will be held in the Activity Center and promises to be a memorable event. All students in K-8 are expected to be in attendance. Drama students: be in Mrs. Rock's room by 5:30; everyone else should be in the gym by 5:45pm.

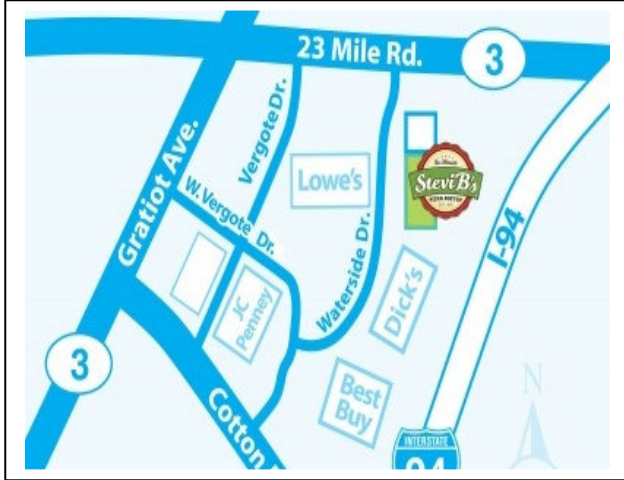
Mrs. Rock and the students at Holy Cross have put forth a lot of effort in preparing for the night. Come and join us in celebration of this holy season!

### Fundraising with Stevi B's Pizzeria

The PTO has made arrangements with Stevi B's in Chesterfield for an easy and tasty fundraiser. Anyone who eats there during the appointed hours can help: they just put their dinner receipt in the Holy Cross box, and we make a percentage of the night's sales.

The fundraiser night will be next Thursday, Dec. 19, from 4-9pm.

Directions to Stevi B's:



### Food Collection

Tomorrow is the second Friday of the month: time for the monthly food drive for the pantry. Please bring a non-perishable food item to mass tomorrow if you can.

**FREE** **YOU ARE INVITED** **FREE**  
**TO COME SEE SANTA**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> 1:00PM**

**Fun, The Story of Christmas,  
Sing-A-Long, Treats, Santa and a Gift**

**FREE** **K of C Banquet & Conference Center** **FREE**  
**6385 King Rd., Marine City**  
For All Children Thru Grade 5  
You Must Provide Your Own Transportation

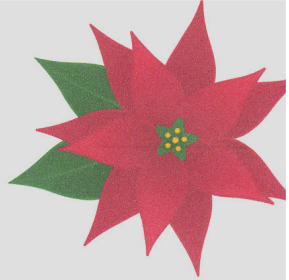
### Decorated Door Contest

Don't forget to cast your "vote" in our decorated door contest! "Like" your favorite on our Facebook page.

Not to sway your vote—here's just a sampling of the awesome choices:



## Holy Cross School Poinsettia Sale



\$10.00 per poinsettia

Your poinsettia will be placed in the church of your choice in memory/honor of a family member or friend.

Please circle the church of your choice.

Holy Cross      St. Catherines      St. Mark

In memory/honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory/honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory/honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

# of plants: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_

Order form **MUST** be turned in December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013.