

## **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.

May 2, 2013

#### A WORD FROM THE WORD

The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything. John 14:26

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

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

### got scrip?

### **SCRIP office hours:**

Mondays and Fridays 7-9am; Mondays 5-7pm; and Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 1-3pm.

#### "Peddlers:"

Patty Smith (St. Clair) Kelly Glowski (Algonac)

### **Re-Registering for 2013-14**

Your re-registration paperwork for the 2013-14 school year went home a few weeks ago with your oldest (in '13-14) student. Registration for next year is well underway, with the registration and book fees due at the end of this month. (All current and past due obligations to the school must be completed before your registration for next year can be finalized.)

### Thank You!!

...to **Mrs. Patty Smith**, who was honored at last Friday's church service. Mrs. Smith is a super volunteer: she runs our SCRIP program, has helped coach, makes quilts and desserts for our Auction, and never says no: and she doesn't even have kids here! Thanks, Mrs. Smith!

### Pizza Lunch

Tomorrow we're ordering from Hungry Howie's for lunch. Please be sure your order is in the office first thing in the morning so we order enough for you, too!

Mrs. Isrow will also have bake sale items available: bring a few quarters, if you can, to benefit Field Day.

#### **Track**

Our first meet was last Saturday, April 27. It was a great day to be a runner: cool and bright! Team--your coaches (and we spectators) were proud of you!

Our next meet is tomorrow afternoon: team members should be at the track by about 3:30pm.

### Mark Your Calendar:

- May 3: pizza lunch; second track meet (4pm)
- May 9: no East China buses home
- May 11: last track meet (9am)
- May 17-18: eighth graders' class trip
- May 18: nacho lunch
- May 19: Holy Cross Alumni Association annual brunch
- May 23: Field Day
- May 24-27: Memorial Day weekend—no school
- May 28: sports awards dinner
- May 29 Last day for 3 year olds
- May 30: regular school day for all students, K-8
- May 31: 8<sup>th</sup> graders graduate;
- May 31: 4 year olds graduate preschool

### **Sports Awards Dinner**

Our sports awards dinner has been scheduled for Tuesday evening, May 28. All students who participated on Holy Cross sports teams this year, and their families, are invited to attend. The Booster Club will provide everything—they just want all athletes to come and be recognized!

### Field Day!

Field day permissions and payments are due next Tuesday, May 7.

To keep the cost of the day affordable to all our students, we are looking for families with businesses to make a tax deductible donation for Field Day in exchange for some advertising in our "Circus Program." If you can help us out this way, please contact Ringmaster Julie Isrow c/o school or by email (HCfieldday2011@aol.com).

A few adult volunteers are needed as well—if you're interested, please contact Julie to help with the Greatest Show on Earth!

### Our "Love Tree:"



On a glorious
Friday spring
afternoon
Mr. Love helps
nestle the tree in
its new home
while all the
students bless
the tree:



Thank you, again, to the Sengers for their donation of the tree.

### Teacher Appreciation Week

...is next week. Everybody needs an occasional "attaboy:" this is a nice time, if you're so inclined, to drop your child's teachers a note to let them know you appreciate them.

NO EAST CHINA BUSES home next Thursday, May 9

### People Who Work Concessions at the Marine City KofC Bingo:

Please be advised that, effective immediately, it will require two people working to earn two credits at concessions. If two are signed up but only one shows up (or if only one is signed up), one credit will be earned. This is to equalize credits earned among workers at the bingo: a concession worker's 4-hour shift is worth the same credit as a floor worker's 4-hour shift.

### **Help Our Eighth Graders**

Thank you so much for asking friends, neighbors and coworkers for pizza orders and donations in general. Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade earned \$905 profit from pizza kits, and popcorn and cookie sales raised \$278.75. We have raised \$1183.75 total and hope to raise more in future weeks.

"Thank you all the people who bought popcorn to support our class trip! We raised \$278.75 for the trip from the popcorn and cookie sales. But we're not done yet! Popcorn sales will be going for three more weeks. So support our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class and buy more popcorn!

"On Friday, May 3, at 1:30pm we will have a pep assembly! It will take place in the gym where we will have our pie in the face contest. We will also cheer on our wonderful track team, who will have a track meet that afternoon. Wish them good luck!"—from the 8<sup>th</sup> graders

### **Parish Cleanup Days:**

Put on your grubby clothes, grab your garden gloves and head for St. Catherine church grounds this Saturday, May 4, starting at 8am for a "grounds and beds" spring clean up. (Call Marilyn at 810.765.3985 or Jennifer at 810.765.4933 if you can help)

### **TRY US OUT**

The next East China half day is next Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. If your child has a friend who would like to try us out, invite them to spend the afternoon with us that day. We want to share Holy Cross with as many people as possible.

#### **Uniforms**

Just a few reminders: as of May 1, hoodies are NOT allowed in church, and girls should pull out their skirts or jumpers. Dress shorts (to the knee) are permitted between May 1 and September 30 for all students. If your child is wearing shorts for school, hoodies should not be worn at the same time.

### May Crowning

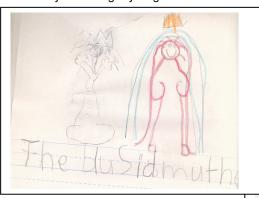
On Wednesday morning, May 1<sup>st</sup>, we held a May Crowning ceremony in the courtyard with the whole student body in attendance:



.... Captured by Kindergartners:



"May Crowning" by Angie Winne



"The Blessed Mother" by John Bailey

### MiChild and Healthy Kids Health Insurance for Children

The State of Michigan offers two health insurance programs for children who qualify up to their 19th birthday: MIChild and Healthy Kids. The cost if \$10 per family per month or no cost, depending on the child's eligibility. The health comprehensive insurance coverage includes: ambulance, dental care, doctor visits and health checkups, hearing and speech therapy, hospital care, immunizations, laboratory / x-ray tests, medical supplies, medicine / pharmacy, mental health services. physical therapy, substance abuse services, surgery, vision care and wellvisits. MIChild/Healthy applications are available through the St. Clair County Health Department Program Dutreach (810.987.5300). amilies can also apply online at ww.healthcare4mi.com.

### **Last Days of School:**

For 3 year old preschool: Wednesday, May 29;

for 4 year old preschool: Friday, May 31;

for 8<sup>th</sup> grade: Friday, May 31 (after graduation ceremony and reception;

for the rest of us—Thursday, June 6 (after awards ceremony in the early afternoon).

Please note that Thursday, May 30 will be a normal day for all students in grades K-8.

# 3 in 1 Concert



The East China Community Band The St. Clair Community Singers The Marine City Interfaith Choir

Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> 7:30 p.m.

at the
East China Performing Arts Center
On Meisner Road

Donations accepted at the door



### **Student Highlights**

...for the month of April:

preschoolers Micah Arlow, Jaxon Shafer, Emma Lomasney, Lylah Schaening and Aydin Schulte. Micah and Jaxon are two of the 3-year-olds in the class, while Lylah, Emma and Aydin are 4 years old, and will be going on to Kindergarten in the fall. Micah is an inquisitive, sensitive boy who is well liked by his preschool friends. He has blossomed this year, forming friendships with both the girls and the other boys in class. He is always willing to participate in the activities going on in the room. Jaxon is very energetic and always ready to share stories about himself and his family. He enjoys playing with the other children, especially if it involves building or playing with the cars and trucks. Lylah, a budding "rock star," loves to sing and dance. She is lively and enjoys doing things with others. She also shows a special interest in animals and spends time playing with the many toy creatures we have in the classroom. Aydin joined our class in mid-April, and was an instant fit to the mix. Aydin is very social and adjusted quickly to a new school. He is anxious to learn and enjoys playing with his new friends. Lastly, but not least, Emma is a proud "big sister" of two younger siblings. Emma is a quiet, loving child who enjoys the interaction with the other girls in the room. She revels in playing dress-up and dolls. Emma also likes coloring and being creative with glue and scissors. All five of these children have added their own special "spice" to the flavor and environment the preschool of classroom.

**Gavin Isrow** loves the color black and also likes to build with Legos or blocks. His favorite types of books to read are <u>Go Diego</u> books. Gavin's favorite part of school is when we get to paint. It's such a pleasure having you in kindergarten Gavin!

**Joey Fajardo** is a great addition to the second grade classroom. From the first day at Holy Cross the boys and girls have welcomed him as a new friend. Joey's strengths are math and science. Keep up the good work!

Jackson Moody is a joy to have in our third grade class. He is very kind to all students and is willing to let anyone join him when at free time. He has steadily shown growth throughout the year. We are glad that he decided to return to Holy Cross this year.

Fourth grader **Charlotte Fajardo** has made a great addition to our classroom. She has fit right in and has been sharing her knowledge with others. She loves to participate in every classroom activity. We are happy that Charlotte has joined our Holy Cross family. **Josh Babel** has made great progress in his academics throughout the year. He has been working hard to memorize his basic math facts. He is very helpful to other students and is willing to participate in class discussions.

Fifth grader **Hannah Schultz** is a very intelligent young lady with a neat sense of humor. Her inquisitive nature has her asking a lot of pertinent questions and she is always willing to contribute during class. Her active extracurricular schedule has no effect on her willingness to always do her best in class.

Eighth grader **Lilly Wolf** is a model student! She works hard and focuses on the task at hand. Lilly is able to juggle her after-school athletics (basketball, volleyball, soccer and track) and academics, which makes her an excellent all-around student.

### Our Lady on the River Parish Golf Outing 19 Monday, June 10, 2013 St. Clair River Country Club Proper Golf Attire 1714 North River Road St. Clair. MI 48079 Enforced 810-329-7300 per golfer Door Prizes Contests 18 holes w/cart, lunch and dinner four person scramble Tee Off 11:30 am Call 810-765-3568 for info or to register proceeds to benefit Our Lady on the River Parish and Holy Cross School 610 S. Water Street, Ma Thank You For Y

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