



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.

October 23, 2008

Priesthood Sunday

This weekend we celebrate *Priesthood Sunday*. We ask God to open the hearts of the young men of our faith to His call to serve. We also thank God for the wonderful priests who serve our parish, especially Fr. Jim and Fr. Matt. May they continue to be inspired by God as they share His word.

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; and
5-7pm Mondays & Tuesdays during
RE classes

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

Peddlers:

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

Thrift Sale

"Thank you to all our donors, and and to our workers: Paula Carnaghi, Debbie Mona and Barb Rickerman. Thanks, also, to Sandi Keais who donated her time and put some items on EBay for us. We made over \$900! Also—a big thank you to our faithful customers, old and new. Thanks again!"

--Julie Wolf and Wendy Miodonski

Thank you to Mrs. Wolf and Mrs. Miodonski for their work all year long collecting, sorting and moving the sale items around! Don't forget that uniform clothing at the thrift sale is FREE to school families.

Vision and Hearing Screenings

...will be done tomorrow. Students in grades K, 2 and 4 will receive hearing screenings, and students in grades 1, 3, 5 and 7 will have vision tests. If you'd like your child to be tested and his class isn't scheduled for that screening, please contact the school office first thing in the morning.

East China Bus Riders:

There will be NO afternoon East China buses on Hallowe'en day (next Friday—Oct. 31). Please make other travel-home arrangements for that day.

2008 Holy Cross Holiday Expo

It's that time of year again! We are hoping that you will be able to join us for this year's Holiday Expo. The Expo will be held on Sunday, November 9, from 9am-2pm in the Holy Cross Activity Center. We have room for a few additional vendors: table fee is \$25 plus a donated raffle item. Please stop by the school office to pick up a contract, or contact Pieter or Janine Winne c/o school if interested in renting a table.

Mom-to-Mom Sale

...is Saturday, October 25. \$1 will get you in for a morning of treasure-hunting: bring your friends, too!

There will be a bake sale along with all the moms' tables—we welcome any and all baked goodies! Bake sale donations may be left at the school office tomorrow, or brought early Saturday morning to the gym. (The mom-to-mom sale and the bake sale will benefit our accelerated learning programs.)

JACKET WEATHER!

It is now cold enough for a jacket and the temperatures are heading towards 'winter coat' time. While many children believe that a hoodie is a 'jacket,' it is NOT. Please remind your children to wear their jackets to school. We will be going outside as long as it isn't raining!

Nacho Lunch

Tomorrow we have Mrs. Heitz's famous nachos with cheese, ground beef and assorted toppings for lunch. The cost will be \$1.75 for a regular serving (with extra servings \$1 each). All orders need to be in the school office **FIRST THING** in the morning!

The third and fourth grades are sponsoring a 25¢ goodie sale along with the nacho lunch, to help with the costs of their Lansing trip next spring. They're hoping to see lots of your quarters at their table tomorrow!

Sports News:

Last Saturday our football team came from behind to win their first playoff game, which was against St. Augustine's. Our boys then lost to IC in the championship game: so they tied for first place in league play, and came in second in the tournaments. Congratulations to the boys, and to their coach, Ken Hopton, on a great season!

Our girls played their last regular basketball game of the season on Monday: the JV game score was HC 16, Trinity 8. The JV tournament begins tonight at IC; our first contest is at 7:00 against IC. (If we win, we play 7pm Friday; otherwise, the next game would be 10am Saturday.)

Our Varsity girls begin tournament play at 7pm Wed., Oct. 29 (at St. Ed's gym in Lakeport), as they take on Trinity. (If they win that game, they play at 7pm the next night.) Go, girls!

Koeze Nuts

Don't forget to place your orders for your business, family and friends--Koeze products are delicious and elegant for holiday giving! Extra catalogs and order forms are in the school office, and orders and payment must be in by December 1.

Contact Julie Schultz (c/o school) with any questions. Thank you for supporting the Holy Cross athletic program!

Citrus Sale

The eighth grade class is sponsoring this year's citrus sale. If you or someone you know would like some delicious fruit this holiday season, please contact an eighth grader or the school office.

We expect the fruit to be delivered the week of December 8—we should be able to give you a more precise date as delivery draws nearer.

Election 2008

Our candidates are Barack Obama and Joe Biden and John McCain and Sarah Palin. There are fourteen days 'til the election: so parents, get out and vote! The 7th and 8th graders will be reading about the campaign issues next week.
—Amy McGillis

Fish Fry—Nov. 1

Thank you to the **MacKenzie and Bryer families** for answering the call: can you help with any of the remaining items?:

Items Needed	Quantities
8" Chinet plates	200 more
spoons	1,350
knives	1,350
forks	1,350

HC BUSINESS OWNERS—we have advertising space available for you or the company you work for on our **"Custom Printed Placemats:"**
Business Card Size Ad.....\$50.00

"GAS FOR CASH!!!"—this year we have a raffle for \$1,000.00 in gas cards: tickets are \$5 each. The top seller will win a \$50.00 SCRIP gift card, and 2nd and 3rd place sellers will each receive a \$25.00 SCRIP gift card. Tickets are available in the school office--or contact Lisa Schulte.

Celebrating Hallowe'en

Each teacher will coordinate (with her room parents) her own classroom festivities. Students in grades K-5 may get into costume beginning at noon. Students in grades 6-8 may be out of uniform for the afternoon. We will begin our parade at 12:30—outdoors, if weather permits (or else we will parade through the building). Class parties will be held after the parade, during the last hour or so of the day on the 31st. Please don't feel obligated to send anything in unless you've said "yes" to a teacher / room parent request for goodies.

Drama Club

We've chosen our play and are now ready to begin our try-outs. On Monday (Oct. 27) we'll be having a short session (from 2:30-3:00) where we will give our future stars part of the script, which they will practice and read. (Please bring a snack if you feel the need. Our "snack schedule" will be sent out once our regular practices begin.) The try-outs on Monday will be held in the library; students (third grade and older) will need to be picked up at 3:00.

Please think about upcoming sports practices. If they will interfere with play practice, then you're going to have to make a decision. Play practices will be on Mondays and Thursdays from 2:30-3:45.

--Mrs. Hanna, Miss Morelli and Mrs. Rock

Thank You!!

The faculty would like to thank an anonymous person for the wonderful gift cards that magically appeared in our mail box. God bless you for your thoughtfulness.

Cardinal Mooney High School Open House

this Sunday (Oct. 26), 1-3 pm.

Auction 2009

Don't forget: your item or (early discount:) \$60 donation is due November 30 (after that day, monetary donations only--\$80--will be accepted). Please attach a "donation record" form to each item (keeping the pink copy as your receipt) when you send them in to school (call if you need a form). Please note: if you send a monetary donation instead of an item, you do NOT need to fill out the donation record form.

Hints: vacation stays and time shares always go well. We're also looking for unusual things.

Please call Gretchen Rogus or Jennifer Laster c/o school if you have any questions. Thank you!

Market Day

Orders need to be back at school by next Monday, Oct. 27 (internet orders will be accepted through noon Tuesday, Oct. 28). Items will be delivered on Monday, Nov. 3.

Little Caesar Pizza Kit Sale

A reminder that all orders and payments (payable to "Holy Cross School") must be turned in by next Wednesday, Oct. 29. The kits will be available for pickup here at school on November 13, from 1-7 pm. Be sure to tally your order form across every row and down every column.

Special Persons Day

Friday, November 7, we will be celebrating "Special Persons Day." A paper went home yesterday with all students explaining the day's events. We look forward to meeting your special persons (and to sharing our beautiful school with them!)