



# 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 19, 2013

## A Word from The Word

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or be attached to the first and despise the second. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.' Luke 16:13

## 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)

## Mark Your Calendar...

- Tomorrow, Sep. 20: "Special Persons' Day"
- Sep. 20: pizza lunch
- Sep. 24: no East China buses home

## "Special Persons Day"

Students will meet up with their special persons in the Activity Center about 8:45 tomorrow morning to accompany them to Friday mass. After, they'll escort their special guests to visit their classrooms. We're looking forward to meeting you all tomorrow!

## Pizza Lunch

After your Special Person's visit, we will be enjoying Hungry Howie's pizza for lunch (Chartwell's will NOT be serving tomorrow). Please turn in your order and payment the first thing tomorrow morning to make sure we have enough food for you! (As always, if you call your student in sick on the morning of a special lunch, your order will be pulled and your money returned.)

## Magazine / Cookie Dough Sale

The Booster Club's annual magazine drive concludes tomorrow. Each student's sale packet included information on ordering new and renewal magazine subscriptions and, new this year, cookie dough. (The cookie dough will come in mid October: the exact date will be announced in a few weeks.)

Tomorrow is the final day to turn in orders for points toward prizes. Prizes will arrive in a few weeks.

Children's favorite magazines can encourage a love of reading in them, and magazines also make great gifts. You'll see cookie dough ordering information this year, as well: it's so convenient having an extra tub of dough in your freezer! To order online go to: <http://gaschoolstore.com/2709251>.

The Booster Club makes it possible for Holy Cross students to participate in extracurricular organized sports at no cost, and the annual magazine drive is their major fundraising activity. Thank you for your support of the Booster Club and athletics at Holy Cross!

## Thank You!!

...to Mrs. Rowland Renaud, who helps in Mrs. Rock's room Thursday mornings!

## Books Are Fun!

Every 6 weeks or so, a company called "Books Are Fun" drops off a display of sample books at the school office. The display is here now, and anyone who wishes to place an order may do so at the office before next Thursday, the 26<sup>th</sup>. Items ordered will be here next Friday (Sep. 27) and can go home with your oldest "Crusader" or be held at the office for you to pick up.

Books Are Fun always has a nice selection of good quality items at reasonable prices, and the school earns an item for every 10 sold. Check the table by the office before next Wednesday for good deals on books!

## Assignment Books

...were backordered, but should be here in about a week. (If you'd like to leave your "order" with Mrs. Steinmetz, she'll send your student's assignment book home with him/her as soon as it arrives. Otherwise, it looks like they should be by the end of next week.)

## Marine City "Heritage Days"

Downtown Marine City will be host to "Heritage Days" from 10am-6pm this Saturday, September 21. There is no entrance fee for the festivities, which center on the old City Hall. Tours of the building will be offered, as well as performances (featuring a magician, puppets, Marine City's Interfaith Choir, Dixie Land Group, "Lost Cuzzins," and a speaker on the Underground Railroad) in its second floor ballroom. Outdoors, you'll find horse & buggy rides, petting zoo, children's activities, displays of weaving, woodwork, blacksmith, cello making, boat and rope making, a historic reenactment of a Civil War encampment and more. "Authentic 1880s" food will be offered for sale by Achatz Catering. Come for a fun and educational day celebrating local history!

**NO EAST CHINA BUSES HOME next Tuesday, SEPTEMBER 24**

Please be sure you've made other arrangements to get home!

## Auction 2014

The Holy Cross School Dinner/Auction is our biggest one-day fundraising event: last year's Auction cleared almost \$30,000! This year's will be happening February 8, 2014.

The Auction takes a lot of planning—and a lot of awesome items for guests to bid on. Each school family is required to contribute an item; local (and some not-so-local) families and businesses are also solicited for donations.

Last year, the Holy Cross Car Donation program gave us a car to auction off. Other big items in the "live" auction included a trip to Mackinac Island, a huge (and full!) "gentleman's bar" hutch, a week's stay at Camp Sancta Maria, a bounce house party, a t-shirt quilt, a wine tasting party and a real African safari!

Many smaller items are needed as well: the "silent" auction had all kinds of jewelry, gift certificates, sports items, gardening implements, and all sorts of household items (both practical and decorative).

"What should I give?"—well, what would you bid on? If you'd buy it, someone else probably would, too.

Right now could be a great time to pick up your Auction donation--check out those summer clearance sales! (Clothing / shoes are not accepted as auction items—but just about everything else is!) Maybe you'll find items for a beach picnic & play package; perhaps you'll come upon a great deal on patio furniture, yard tools, or pool supplies. Possibly you'll find sports equipment, or a jersey featuring a famous athlete. Maybe there will be a great sale on tools: everybody needs them! With autumn there will be a shift in sports seasons, and hunting equipment will be in the stores: maybe you'll find something there.

The point is: there isn't just one "good" item—in fact, the greater the diversity, the more fun (and the broader the appeal to our guests). So keep your eyes peeled, and—who knows?—maybe YOUR donation will be the one our guests fight over at the Auction next February!

The Auction Committee is looking for some new ideas, as well. If you're interested in learning more about the Auction, please contact Mrs. Steinmetz in the school office (810.765.3591).

## Iowa Testing

Students will begin taking the IOWA test this year on Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. The IOWA tests are assessments that give us important data on student learning. There is no way to "study" for the IOWA test. However, a good night's sleep, a nutritious breakfast and a positive attitude help in ensuring success.

## Holy Cross Harvest Dinner

Worker signups will be at the river entrance of the Holy Cross site soon—see the notice below for details about the dinner

Sue Tomlanovich has chaired the dining room portion of the dinner for a few years, and plans to continue doing it for a couple more years. However, she's hoping to find someone to help her this year who could learn the ropes and take it over in a few years. If you're interested, please contact Sue c/o school.

# Our Lady on the River Parish

## Holy Cross Church



Invites you to the

42<sup>nd</sup> Annual

# Harvest Dinner

## Sunday, October 13, 2013

12:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

at the Holy Cross Activity Center

610 S. Water Street, Marine City

810-765-3568



Come by and Enjoy  
Farmer's Wagon  
& Bake Sale



*Our Lady* ON THE RIVER PARISH Raffle

Drawing Sunday, October 13, 2013 at 6:00 P.M.

Holy Cross Activity Center

**1st Prize \$5,000.00**

**2nd Prize \$3,000.00**

**3rd Prize \$1,000.00**

**Tickets \$5.00 Each**

**Complete  
Roast Beef &  
Chicken Dinner**

(with all the trimmings)

**Adults \$9.00**

**Children 4-10 yrs \$6.00**

**Children 3 yrs & under Free**

**Carry Outs Available \$9.00**