



# 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 Catholic community.

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## A Word from The Word

"For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ, will by no means lose his reward." Mark 9:41

## Protecting God's Children Workshops

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. (Please call DRE Mr. K at 810.765.8300 if you need help registering.)

**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  
Wednesdays 1-3pm  
"Peddlers:"  
Patty Smith (St Clair)  
Kelly Glowski(Algonac)

Please be advised that Kroger is NO LONGER participating in the SCRIP gift card program. You can still earn some SCRIP credit at Kroger by participating in their "Community Rewards" program; participants must print out their quarterly earning reports and submit them to the SCRIP office to receive their credit.

VG's "Cash for Class" promotion is scheduled for select weeks: the first week this school year is now through Saturday. A portion of purchases made this week by "Yes Rewards" card holders will be credited to Holy Cross. If you already have a "Yes" card, log into your account online at [www.myyesrewards.com](http://www.myyesrewards.com), go to "manage account" and choose "Holy Cross" as your selected organization.

## ROSCO THE CLOWN

...visits tonight! No charge: 6-8pm in the activity center.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

- Fri. Sep. 25: Special Persons' Day
- Tu. Sep. 29: no pm East China buses
- Tu. Sep. 29 5:30pm—Auction meeting
- Fri. Oct. 2: no Chartwell's—nacho lunch
- Oct. 5-16: Iowa test window
- Fri. Oct. 9: food drive for pantry
- Tue. Oct. 13: PTO meets 6pm
- Fri. Oct. 16: "Buddy Day"
- Wed. Oct. 21: school picture retakes
- Th. & Fri. Oct. 22-23: NO SCHOOL (teachers will be gone for professional development)

## Welcome!

Welcome these special people to the Holy Cross community!! Mrs. Lee Ann Brennen will be our aide in Mrs. DeMeulenaere's class, and Mrs. Audrey Stafford will be here on Tuesday and Friday mornings to help with Accelerated Reader and various classrooms. We're glad to have you at Holy Cross, ladies!

## Holy Cross Newsletter is Going Paperless!

In an attempt to lighten our carbon footprint on the earth Holy Cross Catholic will be sending school families only paperless copies of the newsletter beginning **next week**. The newsletter will be sent to families via SchoolSpeak each Thursday. (Preschool families: you'll continue to receive the newsletter in the same format you've been getting them.)

If you would still prefer a hard copy of the newsletter: that can be arranged. Just contact Mrs. Steinmetz and the office will provide your family the newsletter the good old fashioned way.

## Auction 2016

Interested in helping this year's auction be the best ever? There's an organizational meeting scheduled for next **Tuesday, September 29 at 5:30pm** in the cafeteria: everyone interested is invited.

## Girls' Basketball

On Monday IC visited, and on Wednesday we were their guests. Our girls put up a good fight both times.

Next week brings our last two home games: on Monday, against St. Mary and on Wednesday, Trinity.

Stacy Goulette is coordinating workers for the home games—if your child is playing, you will be expected to help with admissions or concessions during at least one game. Feel free to call Stacy to offer your help.

## LIBRARY / ACCELERATED READER

Students: don't forget your Accelerated Reader and library books **ALL FRIDAYS!**

## Service Credits

School families: please remember that if you haven't selected the credits you plan to serve by the end of September, we'll assume you have chosen to pay for your credits and you'll be assigned "Plan A."

## Bingo

Thank you to Tracy Wilson for jumping in to help with bingo scheduling! Tracy says the bingos are fairly well staffed for the year now—with the exception of the **first and fifth week** teams. Also, there are only two set up people and three callers, who must cover all 52 weeks' bingos. Can anyone interested help? Contact Tracy by email: [tracycarnahan@comcast.net](mailto:tracycarnahan@comcast.net) (with BINGO in the subject line), or by phone c/o school. Thank you.

## Nacho Lunch

Next Friday, October 2, Chartwell's will have the day off, and we'll be having Mrs. Isrow's famous nachos! \$2.25 will get you a generous serving of nachos and cheese with your choice of ground beef and other toppings, and a drink; an extra serving may be ordered for \$1. Please send orders ASAP so we prepare enough food for you.

### “Thanksgiving Feast”

Every November Holy Cross School celebrates the feast of Thanksgiving with its own “feast.” This year the meal is scheduled for lunchtime on Friday, November 20. A crew of veterans is ready to help, and to “pass the baton” to the next in command. If you are interested in helping with the feast (and maybe even learning the chairperson’s job from the current crew), please contact school.

A million thanks to **Jennifer Laster**, **Gretchen Rogus** (and their new and long-time helpers) for organizing past feasts and offering to help with this year’s!!

### Booster Club Magazine and Cookie Dough Sale

The Boosters thank all who supported this year’s drive: you’ve just helped each of our student-athletes!

Last Friday was the final turn-in day for prizes: cookie dough and prizes (including the Minion key chains) will arrive in a few weeks.

Keep in mind that the Boosters can process magazine orders and renewals of existing subscriptions all year long. Please contact Mrs. Steinmetz in the office for more info as your subscriptions come up for renewal.

### Special Persons’ Day

...will be celebrated tomorrow! Students will receive more information in their classes. They’ll invite their “special persons” to attend Friday mass with them (meeting up with them in the Activity Center about 8:50am), after which they’ll escort their guests around the building and to any special activities they’ve planned for them. Students will bid farewell to their guests before lunch.

We’re looking forward to welcoming all of these folks who are important to our students!

### Drama Club

Calling all Holy Cross thespians: Drama Club is starting on Tuesday, Oct. 6! We’ll be practicing each Tuesday, from 3-4pm, until the Christmas play on December 9. If you think you’d like to be in this year’s production of “A New Home for Christmas,” please see Mrs. Rock for a schedule and a permission slip.

### Iowa Testing

...begins next week. Standardized tests are a great tool for educators to help assess not only individual students’ educational growth and needs, but to identify the school programs’ strengths and weaknesses.

In order to do their best work, students should be sure to get a good night’s sleep and have a hearty and nutritious breakfast.

### Didja know....

...that you can buy lunch tickets in advance? \$2.35 each, for as many as you like (checks need to be made out to “Chartwell’s”).

...that zip-lock baggies make great “envelopes” for lunch money, lunch tickets and notes from home? Mark your child’s name on the bag with a “Sharpie” type marker, and it can go back and forth between home and school dozens of times.

**Our Lady on the River Parish  
Holy Cross Church**

**Invites you to the  
44th Annual  
Harvest Dinner  
Sunday, October 11, 2015**

**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 11, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.

Holy Cross Activity Center	
<b>1st Prize</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>
<b>2nd Prize</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>
<b>3rd Prize</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<b>Tickets</b>	<b>\$5.00 Each</b>

**Complete  
Roast Beef &  
Chicken Dinner**  
(with all the trimmings)

<b>Adults</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>Children 4-10 yrs</b>	<b>\$6.00</b>
<b>Children 3 yrs &amp; under</b>	<b>Free</b>
<b>Carry Outs Available</b>	<b>\$9.00</b>

**No East China buses home next Tuesday,  
September 29!**

# October

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Confessions Nacho lunch	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> Basketball games begin 6:30pm:	<b>5</b> Iowa testing window opens HC @ SMMCA	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> HC @ St A	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Nonperishable food drive for parish pantry	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> Holy Cross Harvest Festival	<b>12</b> Calendar raffle winners drawn HC @ Trin	<b>13</b> PTO meets 6pm	<b>14</b> HC @ St. M	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> End of Iowa testing "Buddy Day"	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Photo retakes / fall sports pictures	<b>22</b> No school—teacher prof. development (MANS conference)	<b>23</b> No school—teacher prof. development	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> End of 1 <sup>st</sup> quarter No East China buses home	<b>29</b> No East China buses home	<b>30</b> Hallowe'en parties in afternoon No East China buses home "Trunk or Treat" 6-8pm at Holy Cross Junior high dance 6-8pm at St Mary St Clair	<b>31</b>

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