



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.

May 26, 2016

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 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)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

- May 27-30: no school—Memorial Day weekend
- Tu May 31: back to class
- W June 1: last day for PK & K / 8th grade graduation 9am at mass: church dress code today
- F June 3: NO MASS today—dress down for last day for students in grades 1-7: games and pizza lunch before noon; report cards, honors assembly in gym after

Thank You!!

...to the Rogus family for books they donated to the library!

NO SCHOOL TOMORROW or MONDAY
Back to class on Tuesday, May 31

Be sure to take some time on Monday to remember our country's service members, past and present.

Congratulations!!

...to **Jessie Barr** and **Ethan Rogus** for each earning a \$500 scholarship to CMC next year! Jessie and Ethan each wrote a winning essay on "What My Catholic Education Has Meant to Me." (The scholarship was funded by an OLR parishioner for this express purpose: we are most grateful to that anonymous donor!)

Both Ethan and Jessie appreciate the small class sizes; Ethan says "you can go one on one with the teachers...and they want to help you with your studies." Both students were impressed with the safe and nurturing environment they've experienced in Catholic schools. Jessie wrote, "We start and end our school day with prayer, asking God for forgiveness and guidance in our day....I want to be somewhere where I can pray and openly talk to my friends about our faith."

Ethan and Jessie: we are proud of you! Congratulations, and best wishes for continued successes at Cardinal Mooney next year.

Holy Cross on Facebook:

find us at

<https://www.facebook.com/holycrosscatholicmc/>

YEARBOOKS

...have gone home. There's still an extra book: if you forgot to order, the first \$15 will take it home!

Dress Down Days

Just a reminder that sweat pants are never acceptable articles of school clothing, even on dress down days. That will remain in effect for next year as well.

Registration for 2016-17

Please send your registration paperwork in as soon as possible so we know your plans for next year—thank you!

Talent Show

...was on Tuesday. So many talented students! We had individual acts as well as groups of two or three students (and the play—an original piece written by 8th grader Jessie Barr!), and our middle schoolers showed off their musical percussion skills with original drumming numbers:



(...featuring Lego robot 'Timmy' as "Toto"!)



Cast Party Announcement

Drama Club members: come celebrate a successful spring performance!***

When: Tuesday, May 31, 2016

Time: 3-3:45pm

Where: Mrs. Rock's room

***Accepting donations towards the cost of pizza, chips, pop and ice cream. Hope to see you there!!

Last Day of School Pizza Lunch

Next Friday, June 3, will be the LAST day of school for students in grades 1-8! Chartwell's will NOT be serving lunch, and NJHS is planning a pizza picnic. Order forms went home with all K-8 students last Thursday. Your whole family can join in the fun, if you like (and you can opt to bring your own lunch, instead, if you prefer not to have the pizza lunch).

We'll start the day out in our classrooms. At 10:00 we'll head to the gym for games, with lunch to follow at about 10:45. After lunch we'll return to the gym for our awards assembly: after which summer begins!

If your family would like to order the pizza lunch, please return the completed form and payment **before the end of the day TODAY.**

Honors Assembly

After games and lunch next Friday, we will have our year-end honors assembly in the gym. It will start some time between 11:30 and noon—whenever we finish lunch! All are welcome to come to see the students receive their awards. After the assembly, students will head back to their classrooms to pick up all their report cards, "summer study packets," and personal belongings, and their year will be complete! Students whose parents are here then will be free to leave—parents: please be sure to tell the teacher you're taking your child.

Lost and Found

Before your student leaves school next Friday, please check out the "Lost and Found" items by the office. While you're here, check out "The Blue Room" for next year's wardrobe!

How Is Your Student's School Wardrobe Holding Out?

Our "Blue Room" is practically bursting with previously-worn school clothes (free to school families)! We'll have the room open after the honors assembly next Friday, June 3, for parents who'd like to get a jump on next year's school clothes.

OLR Parish Directory

Mrs. Theresa Kukawka is looking for anyone interested in helping put together a new pictorial directory—for more info please contact her at shepherdoftheflock@gmail.com

"Labels For Education"

The Campbell's "Labels for Education" program is being phased out!! We can still turn in labels for credit until this summer. Please keep that in mind as you collect them, and turn in all your "Labels for Education" before the end of the school year. (The General Mills "Box Tops for Education" program will not be affected.) Thank you!

SUMMER PACKETS

On the last day of school, we'll send home to each family a packet personalized just for them. It will include general school info, like next year's calendar, supplies lists, sports physical forms and dress code info; it will also contain hints on how to keep "summer slide" at bay. There will be suggestions and activities put together by the teachers and principal for students at each grade level to help them better retain what they've learned this year. Watch for the white envelope going home with your oldest "Crusader" on Friday, June 3!

A website that may offer you some faith-based summer reading options: <http://store.pauline.org/landing-pages/summer-reading-2016#gsc.tab=0>

Another resource we've mentioned before is the "GRASP" summer study program. For more info you may contact them at 616.819.2548 or check their website: www.grps.org/grasp.

Let Out Your Inner Artist!

Studio 1219 in Port Huron invites all to a "Free Day of Art—Hands On Art" this Saturday, May 28 from noon-4pm. The studio is located at 1219 Military Street—call 810.984.2787 for more info.

PTO News--

PTO announces vacancies for next year in the offices of President, Vice President and Secretary (Betsy Davenport returns as Treasurer). If you're interested in more info please contact Laura Bailey. Their next meeting will be at June 14 at Cottrellville Township park (time to be announced later).

School Committee

...is also looking for fresh ideas! The School Committee acts as the principal's advisory group. If you're interested, please email Dr. Wagner (principal@holycrossonline.net) for more info.

Accelerated Reader / Library

If you still have any school library books PLEASE RETURN THEM IMMEDIATELY to avoid being billed for their replacement.

Bingo!

Still need workers for the 1st and 4th weeks of each month (approx. 6-10pm, give or take 15 min.). Can't commit for the entire year? No problem! There are plenty of dates available throughout the 2016-17 service credit year—they're filling on a first-come-first-served basis (and filling fast!). Contact Tracy Wilson (email: tracycarnahan@comcast.net) asap!

"Flashback Friday!"

Are you, or do you know, a Holy Cross alum who would be interested in having your bio featured on "Flashback Friday" on our Facebook page? Please contact Mrs. Leslie DeMeulenaere (mrsd.leslie@gmail.com) for more info or to submit a bio.

"Did You Get My Message?"

We've been experiencing a lot of Internet troubles lately, where we just lose our connection with no warning. When this happens, we're often without Internet for the rest of the day. So—to be sure your messages get through, please phone school (rather than email) your message for your student, especially when it involves travel-home arrangements. Thanks!

School Office Summer Hours

After June 3, the school office will be open throughout the months of June and August from 8am to 1pm, Mondays through Fridays, and closed for the month of July. (However, we will continue to check email and voice messages regularly! You may also leave a message for us at the church office—810.765.3568—if you need something more urgently.)

**NEXT WEEK'S
NEWSLETTER
WILL BE PUBLISHED
ON FRIDAY
(instead of Thursday)**

Garden

Our vegetable garden is on its way! The plot was prepared last week by 4th grader **Daniel Vandenbossche and his dad**, and the 7th and 8th graders used their math skills to plot out the rows:



Mrs. DeMeulenaere is looking for donations of plain newspapers (no glossies, please) and straw to use as mulch: if you can help, please send to school. Summertime laborers will also be needed: do you like to garden? We'd love to help you scratch your green thumb's itch! Contact Mrs. D c/o school: or just feel free to jump in if you have time! Produce will be donated to the parish's food pantry and to anyone else who needs it during the summer, and will be a learning tool at the beginning of the next school year.

Track

Results from the last meet:

Jessie Barr: 1st in long jump, 6th 200m, 4th 4x100 relay;

Ethan Rogus: 1st 100m, 3rd 200m, 6th long jump, 6th shot put, 4th 4x100 relay, 3rd 4x400 relay;

Christian Dahnke: 5th 400m, 3rd 4x400 relay;

Luke Chadra: 4th 4x100 relay;

Sophia Goulette: 3rd 4x400 relay;

Julia DuVall: 1st 100m, 1st 200m, 2nd long jump and 3rd shot put, 4th 4x100 relay;

Lauren Isrow: 5th 100m, 6th 200m and 6th shot put, 3rd 4x400 relay

Matt Zammit: 3rd 800m and 3rd mile;

Michael Wilkinson: 1st 800m, 1st mile, 4th 4x100 relay, 2nd 4x400 relay;

Nicole Zawadzinski: 3rd 400m and 4th shot put, 2nd 4x400 relay;

Abbie Cullen: 2nd 400m; 4th 4x100 relay, 2nd 4x400 relay;

Devin Allam: 2nd long jump, 4th 4x100 relay, 2nd 4x400 relay;

and
Rebecca Goulette: 2nd shot put, 4th 4x100 relay
Thank you to Coach Duncan for guiding us through another season—and congratulations to all our athletes!



A Song of Our Flag

by Wilbur D. Nesbit

Your Flag and my Flag!
And, oh, how much it holds—
Your land and my land—
secure within its folds!

Your heart and my heart
Beat quicker at the sight;
Sun-kissed and wind-tossed,
Red and blue and white.

The one Flag—the great Flag—
The Flag for me and you—
Glorified all else beside—
The red and white and blue!

Your Flag and my Flag!
To every star and stripe
The drums beat as hearts beat
And fifers shrilly pipe!

Your Flag and my Flag--
A blessing in the sky;
Your hope and my hope--
It never hid a lie!

Home land and far land
And half the world around,
Old Glory hears our glad salute
And ripples to the sound!



Meet at base of the bridge at Main St. and Bridge St.

Registration will be 3:30 – 3:50 pm

Registration Fee: \$1/participant

Please join us for this fun event at the Belle River! Participants will choose a duck upon registering for the event. All ducks will be dropped (by the participants) from one side of the LaBuhn Bridge. The swimming ducks will be collected on the other side of the bridge; where winners will be determined! PRIZES will be given!

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