



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.

June 3, 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.)

A session of the workshop will be held HERE, at Holy Cross, on Saturday, September 17. All participants must pre-register: go to aod.org, look for the blue box in the upper right hand corner and click on "Protecting God's Children." A new screen will pop up; look for the yellow box on the right about halfway down. Under "Register for Training," select "Protecting God's Children." Another screen will pop up to start the registration process.

Sign-in and a light breakfast will begin at 8am before the workshop starts at 8:30 on Sep. 17. All employees and volunteers working with children must have attended a "PGC" workshop.

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

got SCRIP?

SCRIP SUMMER office hours

Mondays and Fridays, 8-10 am;

Mondays; 5-7pm; and

Wednesdays 1-3pm

"Peddlers:"

Patty Smith (St Clair)

Kelly Glowski (Algonac)

Please note that the SCRIP office will be CLOSED from July 24-31.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

- Friday, August 26: "Crusader Day!"
- Monday, August 29: first day of school!!

YEARBOOKS

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

Thank You!!

...to Mrs. Goulette, Ms. Dezsi, Mrs. Winne and the 7th grade parents for providing refreshments and a nice send-off for our 8th graders on the first!

Congratulations!

We said goodbye to our eighth graders on Wednesday. We enjoyed being part of their childhood—and now wish them all the best as they make the move to high school. Best wishes to **Jessica, Christian and Ethan!**



Wednesday was also the last day in school for our preschoolers and Kindergartners. They began their summer vacation with a trip to the YMCA in Port Huron yesterday. We can't wait to see how much they've all grown when they return in the fall!

School Office Summer Hours

After today, 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 Tuesday, June 7, we will also be closed from about 9-10am for a staff training.

Holy Cross on Facebook:

find us at

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

Lost and Found

Before your student leaves school today, please check out the "Lost and Found" items by the office. Everything not claimed today will be donated to charity.

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 this afternoon for parents who'd like to get a jump on next year's school wardrobe.

SUMMER PACKETS

Today we're sending home to each family a packet personalized just for them. Along with all your children's report cards, it includes general school info, such as next year's calendar, supplies lists, sports physical forms and dress code info. It also contains hints on how to keep "summer slide" at bay, with 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. Shake down your oldest "Crusader" this afternoon for the big white envelope!

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.

"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!

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. Interested?—for more info please email Dr. Wagner (principal@holycrossonline.net).

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 today! (c/o school by phone, or email: tracycarnahan@comcast.net)

"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.

OLR Parish Directory

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

Preschool

We are investigating an all day, 5-day Prekindergarten for next year. If you're interested, please call school before the end of next week.

"FACTS"

Statements will be in the mail next week. We are trying to have everything up and running with FACTS by then, and will include instructions with the statement if all is ready.

If, however, all is NOT ready, please just continue making your monthly payments at the school office. Thanks again for your patience as we learn this new trick!

2016-17 Calendar

...is attached. There is also a hard copy in your "summer study" packet. Please note that the correct date to return to school after the Feb 17-20 winter break will be **Tuesday, Feb. 21**.

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Honor Roll—Fourth Quarter

Kindergarten

Perfect Attendance: Daniel Pelz, Xavier Zammit.

Second Grade

Perfect Attendance: Payten Danneels, Amadeus Rons, Lylah Schaening.

Third Grade

All As: Brennen DeMeulenaere, Allison Kuzera, Olivia Ogden.

Honor Roll: John Bailey, Cole Campbell, Ava DeVeney, Conor Guyor, Angela Winne.

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Fourth Grade

All As: Sofia Neagos, Isaac Zammit.

Honor Roll: Gemma Downey

Perfect Attendance: Wyatt Schulte, Isaac Zammit.

Fifth Grade

All As: Claire Campbell, Matthew Zammit.

Honor Roll: Devin Allam, Rebecca Goulette, Lauren Rosemeck, Scarlett Scott, Anna Winne.

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Sixth Grade

All As: Abbie Cullen, Ava Isrow, Dresden Scott, Michael Wilkinson.

Honor Roll: Julia DuVall, Grace Govier-LaParl, Lauren Isrow, Lydia Kukawka, Nicole Zawadzinski.

Seventh Grade

All As: Charlotte Fajardo, Sophia Goulette, Gabriel Rowland Renaud, Chris Winne.

Honor Roll: Julia Jakubowski, Ron Schulte.

Perfect Attendance: Luke Chadra, Charlotte Fajardo, Gabriel Rowland Renaud, Ron Schulte.

Eighth Grade

All As: Jessica Barr.

Honor Roll: Christian Dahnke.

Wishing all a safe, fun and restful summer—can't wait to see you refreshed and ready to learn in the fall!

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2016-17 CALENDAR

August 26	Friday	"Crusader Day" 9am-3pm in school
August 29	Monday	First day of school—no East China buses 'til Sep. 6
Sep. 2-5	Friday-Monday	Labor Day holiday
September 6	Tuesday	Classes resume / East China buses start
September 7	Wednesday	First day of preschool
September 8	Thursday	"Curriculum Night" 5-7pm
September 23	Friday	Special persons' day
October 3-14	Monday-Friday	Iowa testing window
October 28	Friday	End of first marking period
November 4	Friday	No classes: conferences (parents will be able to pick up report cards at conferences)
November 22-25	Tuesday-Friday	Thanksgiving recess
November 28	Monday	Classes resume
December 15	Thursday	Christmas program
Dec. 19-Jan. 2	Monday-Monday	Christmas recess
January 3	Tuesday	School resumes
January 16	Monday	No school: Martin Luther King day
January 20	Friday	End of second marking period
January 23-27	Monday-Friday	5 th -8 th graders go to camp
January 30	Monday	Report cards go home; 2 nd annual "Blue Water Vicariate Carnival" day
February 17-20	Friday-Monday	Mid-winter break
February 21	Tuesday	Back to class
March 5	Sunday	Joint Open House with Cardinal Mooney 1-3pm
March 24	Friday	End of third marking period
March 31	Friday	Report cards go home
April 14-21	Friday-Friday	Easter recess
April 24	Monday	Classes resume
May 25	Thursday	Field Day
May 26-29	Friday-Monday	Memorial Day break: no classes
May 30	Tuesday	Classes resume
June 2	Friday	Last day of school / honors / report cards

School day 7:30am-2:50pm Lunch 10:45-11:25am

171 student days; 1140 hours