



CRUSADER NEWS AND VIEWS

The mission of Holy Cross Catholic School is to educate tomorrow's Christian leaders by fostering academic excellence in a Catholic community.

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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 lunch-room volunteering. (Please call DRE Mr. K at 810.765.8300 if you need help.)

We have just learned that OLR will host the workshop on **Saturday, September 16 2017**. To register, go to

https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_0.cfm?theme=0

All volunteers working with children must have attended a "PGC" workshop.

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

School Summer Office Hours

For the months of June and August (beginning on June 5), the school office will be open daily from 8am-1pm. The office will be closed for the month of July. If you need to reach someone outside of those hours, please feel free to call or email (school@holycrossonline.net or 810.765.3591) and leave a message, and we'll call back to figure out how to meet your need. (Or—if you need us more urgently: contact the parish office—810.765.3568—and leave a message. They know how to find us!)

got SCRIP?

SCRIP office hours
Mondays and Fridays 7-9am
Mondays; 5-7pm; and
Wednesdays 1-3pm
Patty Smith

The SCRIP order form is available now on the Holy Cross website: copy & paste this address into your browser—<http://www.holycrossonline.net/school/scríp-order-form-nov-2016/>

The SCRIP office's summer hours (beginning on June 12): Mondays from 8-10am and 5-7pm, Wednesdays 1-3pm, and Fridays 8-10am. Also, the SCRIP office will be closed July 3 for the July 4 holiday, and July 31-August 6 for vacation.

Mark Your Calendar....

- **Tonight: all sports awards ceremony and dinner (5pm)**
- Tu-Th, May 23-25: 8th graders go to Chicago!
- **W May 24: K-4 field trip**
- Th May 25: Field Day (dress down with field day t-shirt)
- **F-M, May 26-29: NO SCHOOL (Memorial Day weekend)**
- Tu. May 30: back to class
- **Wed. May 31: 8th graders graduate at 9am mass**
- F June 2: last day of school for PK-7; NJHS pizza lunch; awards at noon in the gym

Re-Registration

After you register, you will receive a notice from the school office on registering with FACTS. If you registered but have not received that information, please call Mrs. Steinmetz. Please register with FACTS ASAP to avoid late fees!

Fr. Bartone Scholarship

Applications for 2017-18 are now available at the school office. OLR parish families with students at Holy Cross are eligible to apply. (Remember: you need to print a copy of your Archdiocesan grant application to apply for a Bartone award!) **Applications are due by next Thursday, May 25.**

Congratulations!!

...to eighth graders **Ron Schulte** and **Sophia Goulette**, who have each won a \$500 scholarship to Cardinal Mooney for the 2017-18 school year! Sophia and Ron both entered a scholarship contest by submitting essays on their faith and education. Ron says that his faith and Catholic education have made hard times easier and brought him closer to God. Unlike Ron, who has been at Holy Cross since Kindergarten, Sophia remembers moving to Holy Cross from her prior school, and how she "felt something awaken inside me, like I had finally found my place." Both are excited to meet the challenges they expect to face at Cardinal Mooney. Great job, Sophia and Ron! (And—many thanks to the anonymous OLR parishioner who made these awards possible!)

Track

The team's last meet was on Tuesday. As of "press time," results were not available (will publish next week) but coaches report that our athletes represented Holy Cross well at all their contests.

Holy Cross School extends its thanks to Athletic Director Jim Bellow for covering the ribbons table (in addition to his other duties as AD), and to Mrs. Sherrie DuVall for answering his call for help getting all those awards ready. Thank you, also, to co-coaches Duncan/Chadra/Zammit/Govier, who used real "Team Leadership" to lead our team this season.

Dress Down for St Jude

A group of sixth grade girls sold dress down passes last week to raise money for St Jude Children's Hospital. They were able to send \$100! Thank you, girls, for your concern for people who need help.

Bingo Concessions

...is looking for someone to help (for service credits!) on the Wednesday evenings in May and June. Please contact Sherrie DuVall c/o school (810.765.3591). Thank you!

T Shirts For Sale

The PTO has a few Holy Cross t-shirts for sale (\$10 each): both children's and adult's sizes. Call the office for more info, or stop in to see them.

Sports Awards Dinner

...is scheduled for **TONIGHT, May 18, with dinner about 5:15 in the cafeteria. ALL ATHLETES (all sports) and their parents and siblings are invited.** (Doors will open at 5.) Families are asked to bring a dessert to share—everything else will be provided by the Booster Club. (Thank you to **Mrs. Stacy Goulette** for chairing this event!)

We have a guest speaker this year! Mr. Dick Groch, Special Assistant to the General Manager of the Milwaukee Brewers, will join us for the evening.

We hope to have a great turnout for this accolade for our student athletes!

Yearbooks

Still a yearbook available: the first \$15 takes it. Call the office (810.765.3591)!

We've Got Talent!

Our Talent Show is all set for June 1st at noon. If your child will be performing in the show, please make sure to remind him/her to bring costumes and props for the act to school that morning. I'm looking forward to seeing you and another year of Holy Cross talent. —Mrs. Rock

2017/18 Bingo schedule now available online!

Avoid the \$540 service credit fee for the 2017-18 school year. Whether you want to fulfill all 12 of your service credits or you just need a few, the 2017-18 bingo service credit schedule is up and running, and filling up quickly. If you work just 1 bingo a month you satisfy your 12 credit obligation for the school year. The 2017-18 service credit year begins in May and runs through April 2018. To see the schedule go to

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1toQA6nE-y0NjiTDZKYuqIQTlcjurgrqJP-TDBI7FjF8/edit>

If you have any questions, please contact Tracy at hcwedbingo@gmail.com.

Summer Study Packets

Every year we put together packets of ideas to keep your children's brains engaged during the summer. Also included will be next year's calendar, sports physical forms, and dress code information. We have begun working on his year's "summer study packets," and they will go home with your oldest K-7th grader on the last day of school. Ask your oldest Holy Cross student for the big white envelope when s/he gets home on June 2!

Holy Cross Alumni Association

...is planning its annual brunch for Sunday, May 21, after the 9:30 mass at Holy Cross. Our graduating 8th graders will be the Association's newest members, and are invited to attend the brunch as honored guests. Each of the eighth graders should already have received the Association's bulletin in the mail, with instructions on how to make reservations. (If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school office.)

Middle School Science: More Dissections!

Mrs. Wade and her classes continue with their dissections. This week they worked on sheep "plucks"— heart/lung combinations. Here is one of our 7th graders cutting into a lung:



Books Are Fun!

The traveling book display is making its last stop for this school year. "Books Are Fun" offers a nice assortment of high quality items at reasonable prices (samples are displayed on the table near the school office), and the school library earns a book for every ten items sold. Orders and payment need to be in the office by next Tuesday, May 23; your items can go home with your oldest "Crusader" on Thursday (the 25th)—or held (call ahead: 810.765.3591)) at the school office.

Field Day 2017

Field Day will be next Thursday, May 25, beginning with lunch. (Morning classes will run as usual on that day.) It will be a dress down day (wear your Field Day shirt). Can't wait to see what Mrs. Isrow and crew have planned!!

"Box Tops for Education" and VG's Receipts

Yep—we're still saving them! Please keep saving them throughout the summer as well. (You can drop them off at church in the box at the front door, or at school, or hang onto them 'til your next visit or fall: just keep saving them!) Thank you.

Last Day Pizza Lunch

On the last day of school, National Junior Honor Society will sponsor a pizza lunch. For \$2.50 you can order a large slice of pizza (1/8 of a large pizza) with chips, cookies and drink (\$1 each for extra slices) for each of your family members who would like to come. (For your convenience, you can order for all under your family name on one order form, which is attached to this newsletter.) Orders and payment must be in NO LATER THAN next Thursday, May 25 (Field Day) so that we have time to plan and get enough food for everyone.

Holy Cross on Facebook:

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

Last Day Pizza Lunch Order Form

Family name _____

Number of lunches ordered _____ @\$2.50 each = \$ _____

(lunch includes a slice of pizza (1/8 of a large Hungry Howie pepperoni pizza) with chips, cookies and a drink)

Plus _____ extra slices @\$1 each = \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

—Orders due in school by Thursday, May 25 (before Memorial Day weekend)—