



# 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.*

**October 19, 2017**

## 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.)

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.**

got SCRIP?

### SCRIP office hours:

Mondays and Fridays 7-9am

Mondays; 5-7pm; and

Wednesdays 1-3pm

Patty Smith

Could it already be time to start thinking about the holidays?—the SCRIP office will be closed in honor of Thanksgiving on Friday, November 24.

## Calling All Holy Cross Thespians

Drama Club started up this week, and they will be practicing every week 'til "show time." This year's production of "A Christmas To Believe In" will be performed during our annual school Christmas program on December 18 (at 6pm).

## End of First Quarter

...is next Friday (Oct. 27)! You will be able to pick up your child's report card at conferences on Friday, Nov. 10. Next week's newsletter will have more info on scheduling conferences.

## Girls' Basketball

On Monday, our girls played their last game, at St Mary McCormick. The tournament will be on Saturday, Oct. 21, at Immaculate Conception. Our first game is at 10am. If our team wins that game, they play again at noon; otherwise, their second game will be at 11am. Go, Lady Crusaders!

## Mark Your Calendar....

- **M Oct. 23: PK-4 field trip to Blake's Orchard**
- **W Oct. 25: no East China buses home**
- **F. Oct. 27: end of first quarter of school!; pizza lunch; indoor "Trunk or Treat" 6-8pm**
- **T Oct 31: Hallowe'en; no East China buses home**
- **W. Nov 1: mass 9am (church dress code)**
- **F. Nov. 3: mass 9 am as usual (church dress code)**
- **F. Nov 10: no school—conferences**

## Cross Country

The team's final meet of the 2017 season was held last Thursday evening. The rain held off long enough for the runners to finish the course. Our team was small in numbers but big in heart! Eighth grader **Michael Wilkinson** came in 2nd in the 8th grade boys' division, and **Matthew Zammit**, 1st among 7th graders.

A million thanks to **Betsy and Steve Davenport** for organizing the runners and records! (They don't even have a child old enough to participate!!) Thank you, also, to Holy Cross Coach **Matthew Zammit** (and his wife, Mrs. Marisol Zammit) for again guiding our runners and making sure everything was ready for the meets. We are blessed to have these wonderful adult mentors for our students.

## Bingo

**Wednesday night bingo is looking for two workers**, November to April, for its 2nd and 4th week teams. (Two couples could fulfill their service credit work requirements by taking these jobs!) They also need a few helpers on "5th weeks" Nov 29 and Jan 31. To see what's available copy this URL into your browser:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1toQA6nE-y0NjiTDZKYuqIQIcjurqrqJP-TDBI7FjF8/edit>

## Cheer and Boys' Basketball

Practices will begin soon! **Ms. Samantha Duncan** is returning as our cheer coach; the girls' first practice will be on Tuesday, Oct. 24, right after school until 4:30pm.

**Mr. Jim Downey** will be coaching our boys' basketball team this year. Their first practice will be on Tuesday, Oct. 24, after school until 4:30pm.

**Athletes are reminded that they need to have their sports physicals and get the completed forms to school before they may participate!**

## Pizza Lunch

Next Friday, Oct. 27, Chartwells will not be serving lunch. Instead, we'll have Hungry Howie's pepperoni pizza. For \$2.50 you can order a large slice (1/8 of a large pizza) with fruit or salad and a beverage; extra slices can be ordered for \$1 each. Order slips are going home today with all K-8 students. Please turn in your order ASAP (by Tuesday Oct. 24) so we're sure to have enough food for everyone. As always, if you call your student in sick on the day of a "special" lunch, his order will be pulled and your payment returned.

## Camp 2018

Bills will soon be in the mail to families who indicated their 5-8th graders would be attending camp this year. Camp bills will need to be paid in full before Jan. 16, 2018.

Included with camp bills will be our list of suggested equipment for camp. You probably already have much/most of it—but we wanted to give you as much time as possible to get it all together. (With Christmas two months away, and just a month before camp, perhaps you'll discover some hints for Grandma and Grandpa, who always wonder what the grandchildren need....)

## Do You Have The Blues?

Or the tan khakis? How is your school wardrobe holding out? Don't forget, as your students grow, and outgrow their clothes: we have a roomful of used school clothing, free to school families.

### **Spirit Wear**

We have a few extra items for sale: T-shirts (\$10 each), "sparkly" T-shirts (\$13), and men's and women's caps (\$20 each). Contact Mrs. Steinmetz in the school office.

### **Holy Cross on Facebook:**

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

### **Attention Photographers:**

Mrs. Steinmetz will be looking for photos for the yearbook. If you've taken some great shots (at any student events!) and are willing to share, please email ([school@holycrossonline.net](mailto:school@holycrossonline.net)). Thanks!

### **VG's Receipts**

We are 3/4 of the way to the \$1000 reward in our VG's receipts collection! Please keep sending in those receipts—entire receipts, please, with the "Direct Your Dollars" paragraph—thank you!

**NO EAST CHINA  
BUSES HOME  
next Wednesday,  
Oct. 25**

### **Auction 2018**

A reminder that families' auction donations are due by the end of November: so there's just over a month to put together something that will leave your mark on the Auction!

What kind of item?—a good rule of thumb: if YOU would bid on, so would someone else! Some of last year's clever family ideas were a fire pit with s'mores fixings, a cooler with camp gear, and a tiny "theater" with gift cards for performances and student acting classes.

Are you a mechanic? Maybe you could offer a gift certificate for a tune up and oil change. A family with an attorney might be able to offer a gift certificate for a will or trust, or other estate planning documents.

Travel is also very popular: if you have a family cottage by a lake, say, or a hunting cabin—a week at such a spot will no doubt have many competing bidders.

So be creative! And remember: if you would bid on it, in all likelihood: **SO WOULD SOMEONE ELSE!**

**Oct 27, 6-8 PM**  
**In the school gym**  
618 S Water St, Marine City, MI 48039 · (810) 765-3591  
There will be games and fun for all!!!

**TRUNK <sup>OR</sup> TREAT**

**Holy Cross PTO**

**We are proud to announce our forth annual indoor trunk or treat for the blue water community. This is a FREE family event!**

 **Our Lady On The River's Parish School** 