

HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL

JESUS CHRIST IS THE REASON FOR OUR SCHOOL

Friday, November 4, 2022

Issue 12

HFRS Weekly Wrap

Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who made our Halloween celebrations fun and enjoyable for our children. The parties, parades and dance were all successful, and I am grateful that our parents and our teachers went above and beyond to make them possible.

Next week, we are providing an important information night on protecting your children in the world of technology. Please plan to join us on Monday, November 7 at 6 pm for *Protecting Young Eyes*. An expert in the area of digital media will help us learn more on digital safety, and introduce a new app that will be available for our parents. We are encouraging all parents to join us for this event.

Also next week, we dedicate time for you to come talk with your child's teacher about their progress at our annual Parent-Teacher Conferences. Our teachers will be sharing the results of the *Star Assessment* and offering ideas on how to help your child improve certain skills in math and reading. Our partnership with you is critical for the continued growth of your child.

We continue our relationship with *Cross Catholic Outreach* and the *Box of Joy*. This is our global outreach. Hopefully you have seen fliers in the *Weekly Wrap* the past few weeks, explaining how children in various countries were touched by gifts given in previous years. We sent boxes home with the youngest child of each family. If you did not receive your box, or need more, please let us know, we have many. Please involve your child in packing the box, praying over it, and asking God to bless the child who will receive your generous gift. We have collected approximately 200 boxes towards our goal of 600.

Finally, I would like to say a word about the upcoming election. We, as Catholic people, know the importance of caring and working for the common good. We have a responsibility to educate ourselves and others on issues in our world, country, and community. We have an obligation to let God's voice be heard through our actions. One action is to participate in the vote on November 8th. We must know the issues and vote accordingly.

In this newsletter you will find other articles on how to be informed on these issues and how to form your conscience and that of your family. While we, as a school, and we as the Church, will not tell you who to vote for, we can and will advise you on the issues. Please watch Archbishop Vigneron's video below to see why we need to defeat Proposal 3. It is grossly misrepresenting a message on the laws regarding abortion and is currently passing in the polls.

[Archbishop Vigneron's Message on Proposal 3](#)

May God continue to care for you and your family! May He rise up leaders who are in line with our Catholic Social teachings.

Wishing you many blessings,



Mr. Jon Myers
Principal

Looking Ahead:

Monday, November 7

6:00pm Parent Presentation: *Protecting Young Eyes*

MPR (SC)

Tuesday, November 8

No School (Y5-8)

Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday, November 10

No School (Grades 6-8)

Day & Evening Parent Teacher Conferences

School In Session for Grades Y5—5

Evening Parent Teacher Conferences

Last Call for Boxes of Joy

Friday, November 11

No School (Y5-8)

Announcements:

The **Scholastic Book Fair** is here! and there is something for everyone.

Adventure, sci-fi, best-selling and even "laugh-out-loud" stories.

Find one book; find 10, and don't forget the school supplies!

Visit the Media Center to find your favorites. Don't miss out!

Hot Lunch Ordering for December is OPEN!

Ordering will close November 7th at 12:00 noon.

No late orders can be accepted.

Field Trips:

December 7th- 7th Grade Field Trip to Meadow Brook

December 9th- 2nd Grade Field Trip.

Do Not Order Hot Lunch if your child has a Field Trip.

If you have any questions or issues PLEASE email piatak-sinclair.caroline@holyfam.org



*Attention All Parents Of
Young 5 - 8th Grade Students*

DON'T MISS THIS PRESENTATION

THE DIGITAL CULTURE OF KIDS



**MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 7TH
6:00- 7:30PM
SOUTH CAMPUS**
[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)

**Learn how to create trust and
a safer digital space for children**

Michele is a mother of four children, ranging in age from early elementary to high school. She sees the digital demands that are placed on our children through social media and constant technology usage. Michele strives to connect with parents who may feel overwhelmed while parenting in this new digital age that is so different from the times many of us grew up in. She wants to give parents the knowledge and tools they need to help guide their children in making these online choices and to help them live their best life!



MICHELE LOTHSCHUTZ



This Week in our Faith

News from Campus Ministry

Participation and the Election

"We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern." - Pope Francis, 9/16/13

Our catholic Social Teaching reminds us that it is our right and it is our responsibility to be aware of what is going on in our world, our country, and our community. As Christian people, as daughters and sons of the almighty God we have the responsibility to help guard what our Father has created. We have so much that has been given us. We must respond to our Father with gratitude and love. We must participate in our community, educate ourselves and help in decision making. This means know what is on the ballot next week, seek answers from trusted people of faith and vote! You may not realize but if someone voted by absentee ballot and wants to change their vote they can...simply visit the County Clerk's office.

Our United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) tells us this, "We are pleased to once again offer to the Catholic faithful *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* ([en Español](#)), our teaching document on the political responsibility of Catholics. This statement represents our guidance for Catholics in the exercise of their rights and duties as participants in our democracy. We want you to use this statement to help form your conscience, and the consciences of your families; to teach to contribute to civil and respectful public dialogue; and to shape political choices in the coming election in light of Catholic teaching.

Upcoming Events and Mass Leadership

- November 9- 8:30AM **Rosary for the Akash Family** (All parents invited) North Campus MPR
- November 17 - 9:00 AM **Mass** (South Campus) St. Mary of the Hills. Leadership: Mrs. McLampy 8th
- November 18- 9:00 AM **Mass** (North Campus) St. Andrew Leadership: Mrs. Finn
- November 22- 10:00 AM **Thanksgiving Mass** (All School) Leadership: Mrs. Warburton 7th
- November 28- **Reconciliation Service** South Campus
- November 29- **Reconciliation Service** 3rd Grade



The statement lifts up our dual heritage as both faithful Catholics and American citizens with rights and duties as participants in the civil order."

Read *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility from the Catholic Bishops of the United States* ([en Español](#)), which provides a framework for Catholics in the United States. ([English PDF](#) | [PDF en Español](#))

Vote No on Proposal 3

<https://www.micatholic.org/advocacy/focus/2022/protect-life-vote-no-on-proposal-3/>

Can You Help?

Support an HFRS Family in Need

One of our families, who prefers to remain anonymous at this time, is facing some hard times. They've been suddenly affected by serious illness and are now balancing significant medical expenses, providing constant care, and managing to keep things as normal as possible for their children (our students). They are struggling financially and we want to help. Please add them to your prayers and consider donating one or more gift cards, in any amount, to help ease this burden. Please send in donations to either school office by November 11 in an envelope labeled Campus Ministry. To Sign Up [Click Here](#)

Thank you for your generosity.

How can we
PRAY
for you
today?

Did you know that the HFRS website has a prayer button where families can submit prayer intentions? These intentions are brought to the Altar during our School Mass so that they can be prayed over. To submit an intention [Click Here](#) We would love to pray with you.



Rosary for Drew Akash

Join us in praying for the Akash Family as their son Drew undergoes Brain Surgery next week.

Date: November 9th

Time: 8:30AM-9:00AM

Place: North Campus MPR (Please enter through the MPR door)

Join Us!

Coming Up in our Family of Parishes

- November 5 & 6- **Holy Face of Jesus Relic** for veneration. After all masses. St. Andrew Chapel
- November 6- **Sunday Social** Hosted by HFRS after 9:45AM and 11:30AM Mass. St. Irenaeus
- November 12- **Fall Celebration of Music** 1:30PM St. Mary of the Hills
- November 19- **"Thankful" Family Event.** After 5PM Mass St. Andrew. Contact Margaret Kozak for more information at margaretkozakym@gmail.com
- November 20- **Self Care Workshop and Lunch** 12:30 PM. Parish Hall. St. Irenaeus

No on Proposal 3 Resources

Archbishop Vigneron has invited all of the Faithful in the Archdiocese of Detroit to Pray, Vote and Give to defeat Proposal 3. The Archdiocese has compiled a list of very helpful resources to help the faithful educate themselves on the harm of this Proposal and also equip themselves to help defeat it. To visit these resources [Click Here.](#)

Catholic Trivia

Did you know.... The incense used during Mass in the Catholic Church symbolizes prayers rising to heaven. It is also used to bless and purify.



Vote No on Proposal 3

September 15, 2022

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

We are less than two months from the November 8 election, during which voters in Michigan will decide on an issue of paramount importance to protecting the inherent, God-given dignity of all people.

Abortion advocates under “Reproductive Freedom For All” seek to amend the state constitution to allow unregulated abortion on-demand through all nine months of pregnancy. This effort, primarily funded by out-of-state dollars, is spearheaded by Planned Parenthood and the ACLU. It will appear on the ballot as Proposal 3.

The implications of this proposal are vast and extreme. If passed, the proposal’s vague wording would result in the elimination of dozens of Michigan laws relating to abortion, including: laws prohibiting partial-birth abortion and taxpayer-funded abortion; laws requiring parental consent and informed consent for abortion; laws protecting the conscience rights of persons who refuse to participate in abortion, and more. The proposal would prohibit lawsuits from being brought against any individual for performing an abortion, even when complications result from the procedure.

Proposal 3 is not about protecting existing rights, but rather about revoking the right to life for an untold number of human beings.

This is a grave offense to the dignity and sanctity of unborn, innocent human life. As people of faith who witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ and His teachings, we fervently oppose this deadly proposal and are taking action to defeat it. On behalf of the Catholic dioceses of Michigan, including the Archdiocese of Detroit, the Michigan Catholic Conference earlier this year partnered with Right to Life Michigan and other pro-life organizations to form a coalition called Citizens to Support MI Women and Children to oppose and, ultimately, to defeat this dangerous proposal.

In support of these efforts, I offer you three invitations to act:

PRAY: As advocates for the sanctity of life and truth, we always begin with prayer. Let us pray that our fellow Catholics and all people of goodwill will reject Proposal 3 in recognition of the danger it poses for women, children, and their families. To assist in our prayer, I will be celebrating Mass at 11 a.m. October 2 at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, in gratitude to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the gift of all human life.

I hope to see you there.

UNLEASH THE GOSPEL

12 State Street, Detroit, MI 48226-1823 | 313-237-5800 | aod.org

VOTE: As faithful citizens, we look forward to casting our votes on November 8. Catholics in the Archdiocese of Detroit are called to uphold the inherent dignity of all people by voting *against* Proposal 3, rejecting its “anything goes” approach to the destruction of human life. To vote in favor of this proposal would be to actively participate in the promotion and expansion of the intrinsic moral evil of abortion.

GIVE: As members of a family of faith, we can spread awareness among Catholics, practicing or otherwise, and others about the true nature of Proposal 3 and its consequences for life, women, families, and children. You can do this in part by discussing it with family, friends, and members of your community, but your reach will grow exponentially through your support of the statewide coalition dedicated to preventing this proposal from distorting our state constitution. **I invite you to visit supportmiwomenandchildren.org to learn more about the amendment, view a list of the dozens of laws it would impact, and consider a financial contribution to these efforts.**

As we protect and defend life from the moment of conception through natural death, we must at the same time accompany and support women experiencing difficult or unintended pregnancies. That is why the pro-life office of the Archdiocese of Detroit is working with our parishes and Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan, the charitable arm of the archdiocese, to redouble efforts to provide assistance and resources to women and families across the region, especially through initiatives like *[Walking With Moms in Need](#)*. We cannot create a world where abortion is unthinkable without also creating a world in which all families receive the support they need. This work of mercy is critical and continuous. Together, we are building a culture of life where vulnerable families are given the help and support they need to choose and sustain life. For more information on these efforts, please visit aod.org/prolife.

Please join me in praying that this destructive proposal is defeated, and that Catholics and others use their votes to uphold the right to life and the inherent dignity of all people. Let us always have confidence in Jesus Christ, who has triumphed over death and invites us to this work of accomplishing God’s will in our midst.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "The Most Reverend Allen H. Vigneron". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

The Most Reverend Allen H. Vigneron
Archbishop of Detroit

Vote No on Proposal 3



Fall 2022 Men's Challenge

On November 8 Michigan voters face a pivotal election for the protection of the unborn with Proposal 3 on the ballot. In the span of this election, Michigan could go from a state with laws protecting the unborn and vulnerable women from abortion to a state that permanently enshrines unlimited, unregulated abortion in the state constitution. Proposal 3 goes far beyond just keeping abortion legal or reinstating the now overturned Roe v. Wade decision. It would allow abortions to be performed by anyone, at any point in pregnancy, and for any reason. It would throw away state laws regulating quality, safety, and inspections for abortion clinics. It would remove parental consent requirement for teens seeking abortions, and teens seeking gender reassignment surgeries.

As Christian men, husbands, and fathers, we know that the battle for the family falls on us, it is our responsibility to protect and defend the family. Our unborn brothers and sisters are under assault. We know that the battle is not against flesh and blood but against the evil “principalities and powers” (Ephesians 6:12) that seek to destroy innocent life.

In a fraternal brotherhood with the men of Arizona, we are asking the men of Michigan to embark on the EXODUS 90 campaign of prayer and asceticism with the specific intention of defeating Proposal 3 and the similar initiative in Arizona. This fraternal effort of brotherhood, prayer and fasting is an outstanding example of friendship and sacrifice. All each man needs is a small band of brothers and to follow the prescribed prayers, scriptures and disciplines. Please see the attached letter for greater detail and information regarding this noble and fraternal challenge.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

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SAVE-THE-DATES

Annual Fund

Kick-off

October 8th & 9th

Families of Parishes

Benefit Evening

February 11, 2023

Palazzo Grande

Golf Outing

May 8, 2023

Great Oaks Country Club

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Garden of Giving Benefit Evening—February 11th

“Experience the Beauty of Catholic Education”

Donations NEEDED

We have so many wonderful families within our school that are always willing to donate and contribute. Specifically, we are looking for families that are interested in sponsorship for the evening, or those interested in donating a product or service.

[CLICK HERE TO DONATE](#)

AMBASSADORS

**BE Ambassadors
Needed!**

**please see next page
for information and
sign-up link**

- Tickets Go On Sale Next Week with Early Bird Raffles
- LIVE Auction Items - Must Attend to Bid
- Silent Auction Items, Class Pottery, Class Baskets
- Cambria Hotel Discounted Rooms and Shuttle Service
- LIVE Band
- NEW Venue—Palazzo Grande

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BENEFIT EVENING



The Benefit Evening is taking place on February 11, 2023. For this to be a successful event we have added a new position on our committee. We are asking for a parent volunteer from each classroom to be a Benefit Evening Ambassador. The "BE Ambassador" will help build excitement and encourage attendance at our Annual Benefit Evening.

- Coordinate classroom/grade table with parents who may be new to the school or do not know many people. Encourage all parents to attend and meet new families.
- Work with BE representatives from the other classrooms in the grade to gather donations for a grade level themed basket to be auctioned off at the Benefit Evening.

More information and a timeline will be provided once we have identified all of the representatives. This is a classroom level volunteer opportunity therefore volunteer credit will not be offered.

If you are interested in being a BE Ambassador please sign up [HERE](#) for your child's classroom. If you have more than one child in the school please only sign up for one child's classroom to provide this opportunity to more parents.

If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to Angela Seip (586) 586-855-3279 or Lisa Vandervord (586) 879-8727.

PTG Connection

Connecting Parents, Teachers and Students



Quick Links

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[Contact Us](#)

Happy November!

As the second quarter continues, the weather stays mild and the events heat up...

Staff Conference Meals

Tues, Nov 8th

On **Nov 8th**, the PTG will provide a delicious lunch for our amazing HFRS staff, in appreciation for their hard work. The main meal will be catered, but there are still a few slots to donate additional items. [Sign-up here](#) to donate. Please bring all items to the appropriate campus on **Nov 7th**.

Next PTG Membership Meeting

11/15 - 9:15 am - North Campus

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Family Skate Night

Fri Dec 2nd

Save the date for a night of rollerskating, **Dec 2nd at The New Rink** in Shelby Township. More details to come...

Christmas Gift Shop

North Campus - Dec 5th-9th
South Campus - Dec 12th-16th

Yes, it's already time to start planning our annual Christmas Gift Shop and we need happy elves to help! Sign up links are below. **Please sign up for only one time slot** at this time, to give all families equal opportunity. We'll inform you when you can sign up for additional time slots!

[South Campus Sign-up](#)
[North Campus Sign-up](#)

Family Dinner Night

Wed Dec 7th

Save the date for Family Dinner Night at City Tavern in Rochester *because who wants to cook in the middle of the week?* Look for a detailed flyer, coming soon...

PTG Executive Board

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Lauren Kochenderfer

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Christina Scollin

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Christina Matway

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Julie Gagliardi

Retail Fundraisers

Kroger Spotlight

It's November and that means time to stock up on Thanksgiving groceries. Why not head to [Kroger](#) and take advantage of our HFRS fundraising partnership? *Only a turkey would skip this opportunity.*

[Amazon Smile](#), [Box Tops](#), [Scrip](#), [Toyology](#)

All year, we participate in retail fundraisers that benefit HFRS. Click on the links above for more info on each program.

"Teamwork makes the DREAM work."



IT'S GAME TIME



WILDCATS VS. EVERYONE

ATHLETIC EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

BASKETBALL ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

Monday, November 7th - Boys:

7th Grade: 6:00 pm - 7:15 pm*

8th Grade: 7:15 pm - 8:30 pm*

*Arrive quietly because there is an online awareness presentation for parents in the MPR.

Tuesday, November 8th - BOYS:

7th Grade: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

8th Grade: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

All players should arrive 15 minutes ahead of their scheduled time.

REMINDER: If you have not yet turned in a physical for your child, he/she will not be able to participate in the assessments until we have it. The physical must be dated on or after April 15, 2022. Turn a copy to the front office or email

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CHEER

UPCOMING EVENT:

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12th:

CYO Championship

@ Holy Family Regional School South

Varsity @ 10:00 am & JV @ 11:45 am

SPIRIT WEAR

SHOP OUR SIDELINE STORE YEAR

ROUND:

SHOP [HERE](#)

Fall Uniform Return:

Fall sports uniform return is now past due. If you have not yet returned your athlete's Fall sports uniform, please do so immediately so that you can avoid being charged a replacement fee via FACTS. Students may place their uniform on the labeled metal rack outside of the gym.