

HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL

JESUS CHRIST IS THE REASON FOR OUR SCHOOL

Friday, May 19, 2023

Issue 32

HFRS Weekly Wrap

Dear Parents,

The Easter Season will come to a close on Sunday, May 28 with the feast of Pentecost, when we are reminded how the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit. St. Paul lists the fruits of the Holy Spirit as *love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control*. Just as he did at Pentecost, Jesus wants to breathe God's life and the fruits of the Spirit into our hearts every day. When spending time with God in prayer, we feel energized by the Spirit, and we want to be like Jesus. We are moved to work for the kingdom, relying on the Spirit for love, guidance, and direction.

The Holy Spirit is alive at Holy Family Regional School. The school year is quickly coming to a close over the next couple of weeks. On Thursday, May 25, the South Campus faculty and students will gather to celebrate a special Eighth Grade Blessing Mass. This will be the last opportunity for our classes to celebrate the liturgy with our eighth grade. We wish many blessings on our eighth graders as they participate in the culminating events over the next two weeks.

A couple of weeks ago a survey was shared with our families regarding the hiring of security guards for our school. The results of the survey showed overwhelming support (91%) in favor of hiring the guards with an additional \$175 fee per family. The Finance Council and School Advisory Council have endorsed this initiative and will move forward with this for the 23-24 school year. The \$175 one-time fee will be billed to each family's FACTS account in August. In future years, this cost will be absorbed in tuition.

I am grateful for the additional layer of security for our school. The security guards will be retired police officers with specialized training in first response. They will be visible around our campuses, attend the all-school events and Masses, and assist during morning and afternoon pick-up and drop-off. They will be introduced to the children as part of the administrative staff who work together to keep our school safe. Special thanks to the committee for your time and efforts in making this happen for our school.

Once again, thank you to all the wonderful families of Holy Family Regional School for your dedication and support! It is an honor and blessing to serve this outstanding school community. I hold you in my daily prayers!

Wishing you many blessings,



Mr. Jon Myers
Principal

Looking Ahead:

Staff Appreciation Week– May 22-26

Monday, May 22

6:00pm Fine Arts Night (North Campus)

Concert will be held in church with art viewing in the school after the concert.

Tuesday, May 23

Non-Uniform Day for Girls Track CYO Championship

7:00pm Gun Violence Presentation (South Campus)

Wednesday, May 24

6:00pm Fine Arts Night (South Campus)

Band Concert will be held in Cafeteria with art viewing in the school after the concert.

Thursday, May 25

9:00am Eighth Grade Blessing Mass (4-8) at St. Mary of the Hills

Friday, May 26

Non-Uniform for Lacrosse CYO Championship

Announcements:

PARENTS-

As we approach the end of the year, PLEASE check that your child has a lunch, either packed or ordered Hot Lunch.

We are very low on items for a forgotten lunch and will not be replenishing the supply, this may result in your child not having lunch for that day.

FROM ROBOTICS

Registration for the FLL and FTC Robotics fall teams ends Friday 5/26. You can find the sign-up sheet in the Weekly Wrap.

There will be a Robotics demonstration and information available during the Fine Arts Night on Wednesday, May 24th. Come ask questions to any of our coaches!

The door.....the path.....the promise! Please join St. Irenaeus parish in supporting the children of John Paul Secondary School (JPSS) in Uganda. The school was founded in 2007 by 2 current parishioners of St. Irenaeus. It started with just 14 students. It now provides an education to more than 600 young people of Chel-ekura, Uganda which is an area of abject poverty and need. HFRS can help by (1) donating basic supplies such as knee socks, toothbrushes, toothpaste, string backpacks and sports bras, by bringing them in to HFRS **next week** (or sending direct through Walmart) or (2) participating in a virtual 5K walk/run/roll June 3rd -9th wherein \$50 will be donated to JPS by a third party. For more information, see the enclosed flier and/or go to www.johnpaulschool.com

Hello from St. Mary of the Hills Preschool!

Mrs. Judy Laskos is currently wrapping up her 30th year of teaching at our preschool! For three decades, she has touched the lives of many.

To celebrate this milestone, a surprise group ecard that can be virtually signed has been created. This card will be delivered to Mrs. Laskos on our last day of school, MAY 26th.

<https://recocards.com/greeting-card/congratulations-card-mrs.-laskos-52335460407>

Mrs. Laskos is not retiring! She will be back in the fall to start her 31st year at St. Mary's.

Join **Be SMART For Kids** at HFRS for a presentation on gun safety.

7:00 Tuesday May 23rd

**Holy Family Regional School South Campus, Multi-Purpose Room
2633 John R Road, Rochester Hills**

Join parents, caregivers and other adults to learn about the important reasons for safe gun storage in homes and vehicles to protect our children, teens and at-risk individuals. HFRS Principal Mr. Myers will also provide an update on what HFRS is doing to keep our community safe.

Even if you are not a firearm owning family, there are steps you can take to protect your children from unsecured firearms.

This presentation supports the 2nd Amendment & is designed for **ADULTS only**. Plan for a 30 minute presentation with Q&A after.

SIGN UP for May 23rd 7:00

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca9ac2aa4fa7-gunsafety>

For more information, please visit <https://besmartforkids.org/>





This Week in our Faith

News from Campus Ministry

On Our Blessed Mother Mary

This month I have been sharing a timeline of the life of our Blessed Mother Mary. Last week I ended with the birth of our Savior Jesus. The next event we celebrate is the feast of The Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd .

After Jesus was born, Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the Temple forty days after birth to follow the Jewish tradition. They were to make a sacrifice and while many made the sacrifice of a lamb in the Temple, Mary and Joseph made the sacrifice of two turtledoves...since they were poor.

While in the Temple an old man named Simeon saw Jesus and exclaimed, "Lord now I may die in peace because I have seen our savior." He was told by the Holy Spirit that he would not die until he saw the face of the Messiah.

How incredible that the Holy Spirit was spreading the news in such an interesting way about Jesus' arrival to earth.

Twelve year old Jesus in the Temple (not a feast day but is the Fifth Joyful Mystery of the Rosary Luke 2:41-47)

Another interesting event in Mary's life was when she and Joseph traveled to Jerusalem for Passover. They went each year to celebrate this feast but one year, when Jesus was twelve years old, Mary and Joseph began their long way back to Nazareth and thought Jesus was with them. They were traveling in a caravan with many people and thought Jesus was among the group. They continued to travel for another day and looked among the crowd of relatives... but when they couldn't find him they went back to look for him along the way.

Can you imagine how Mary and Joseph must have felt when they realized Jesus was missing?

Upcoming Events and Mass Leadership

- May 25- **South Campus Mass 8th Grade Blessing**
9:00AM St. Mary of the Hills Leadership: 7th Grade
- June 7- **Closing Mass South Campus Field** 10:00AM
Leadership: Mrs. Polansky and 7th Grade Choir



After three days of traveling and then searching, they found Jesus in the Temple talking to the Elders (or teachers). He was listening to them and asking questions. The teachers around him were amazed at his understanding and Jesus' own answers to scripture and their teachings.

When Mary and Joseph reached the Temple and saw Jesus there, they were astonished (as the Bible tells us). Mary said, "Son why have you done this to us! Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." But Jesus said to his parents, "Why were you looking for me? Didn't you realize I would be in my Father's house?"

The Bible tells us Mary and Joseph did not understand. They all returned to Nazareth and Mary kept all of this in her heart. Jesus continued to grow stronger in his devotion to, and his wisdom of, God. God and many people saw this.

More to come next week...

God bless you,

Kim Myers

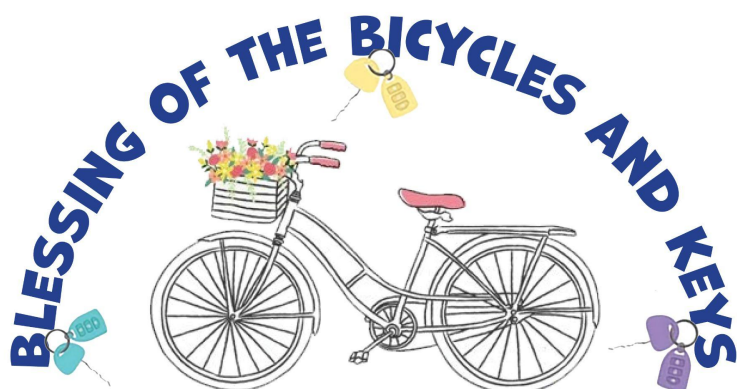


8th Grade Blessing Mass

Join us Next Thursday, May 25th as we offer a special Blessing upon our 8th Graders as they say farewell to HFRS and prepare for their next chapter in High School.

9:00AM

St. Mary of the Hills



Saturday, May 20th by the Bell Tower at 11:00 a.m.

St. Andrew Church



Four doctors from our community offer their wisdom on faith and health.

ST. ANDREW GATHERING SPACE
MAY 30TH @ 7PM

How can we
PRAY
for you
today?

Coming up in our Family of Parishes

- May 20, 10:30AM **Blessing of the Bicycles and Keys.** St. Andrew Bell Tower
- May 23, 6:00PM **Holy Hour** St. Andrew Chapel
- May 23, 7:15PM **Mass of Hope.** St. Andrew Church
- June 10 12PM **Altar Server Training** St. Irenaeus. For students 4th Grade and up. For further information, or to sign up, please contact Patrick Barkey, Worship Coordinator at pbarkey@stirenaeus.org.

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.

Catholic Trivia

Did you know.... the Catholic Church holds 4 Marian Dogmas (infallible teachings) about our Blessed Mother? They are Mary's Immaculate Conception, her Divine Maternity, her Perpetual Virginity and her Assumption into heaven.

Thank You for joining us today! Please see below for more ways to help our students.

Friends of John Paul School
2023 Virtual
THIRST 5K
OF LEARNING

DATE: Anytime June 3 – 9, 2023
(the 5K can be done over multiple days)

REGISTRATION FEE:

Individual: \$25, Family: \$50,
Student: \$10
for limited-edition FOJPS t-shirt(s) and a
chance to win some great prizes.

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**REGISTER OR
DONATE NOW!**



May 10th is the last day to register
and guarantee receipt of our custom
race shirts so please don't delay!

NEW FOR 2023 ONLY!!

A Friend of John Paul School has
pledged to donate \$50 for each and
every 5K participant! Grab your family,
your friends, your coworkers,



EVERYONE you know! **walk, run, or roll, each
5k'er brings us \$50**



Family of 5? You're
making a \$250 impact!



**BRING YOUR COWORKERS AND RAISE
hundreds of dollars for clean water!**

Please help us bring
ESSENTIALS
to our students in Uganda



In July 2023, we'll be returning to the JPSS campus and hope to
bring the following items for our 600+ students:

- Sports bras - all sizes (white or lt. gray colors please)
- White knee-high socks, brown men's dress socks
- String backpacks
- Toothbrushes
- Full-sized toothpaste tubes



**Drop off
donations in the
baskets at HFRS**

SHOP NOW:
Buy from our Walmart
charity registry and have the
items shipped directly to us!



Visit us at
www.johnpaulschool.com

PTG Connection

Connecting Parents, Teachers and Students



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Next PTG Meeting

September

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Two week notice!

That's right. The PTG Connection will self destruct in two issues. Better start reading!

Join the Team

Love event planning? We need YOU!

We have over 30 event committees at HFRS. [Sign up here](#) to add to one and help plan a fabulous event! We know some of you were BORN to do this.

Interested in joining the PTG Board? Spots periodically become available. [Contact us for more info!](#)

Mothers' Dinner

Thursday May 11th

The 40th Annual Mothers' Dinner was one for the books. Great job to all the spirited 8th graders and their parents. You were a joy to watch on the runway! Thank you to Angie Avripas, Tara Haener, Maria Paljusaj, Diana Ujkaj and Stella Actis Aldo for creating such a beautiful event.

Fine Arts

North - May 22nd / South - May 24th

Next week we celebrate the arts at both campuses! See attached flyers for details.

Donations are needed for these two special nights. To donate refreshments, use the links below:

[North Campus Donations](#)

[South Campus Donations](#)

Field Day

North - Jun 5th / South - Jun 6th

Start stretching... "Wildcat Games 2023" is almost here! **Donations are needed to help our kids stay hydrated and nourished throughout the day.** [Sign up here to donate refreshments.](#) Want to attend? [Volunteer here.](#)

The following classes still need additional coaches:

- ❖ McKeehan
- ❖ MeLampy
- ❖ Pipas

PTG Executive Board

Presidents:

Lauren Kochenderfer
Kristen Baradihi

Vice Presidents:

Jamie Corsetti
Christina Scollin

Secretary:

Christina Matway

Treasurer:

Julie Gagliardi

Staff Appreciation

We're closing the year with a sunny outlook!

[Click here to view next week's festivities.](#)

School Supplies

2023-2024

Don't scramble for school supplies in August! [Order your premade kits here](#) and let us do the leg work. The full school supply requirement list, by grade, [can be found here.](#)

*Order deadline is July 10th. Order by **June 2nd** for discounted pricing and the option to customize your kit and ship it to school for free.*

Retail Fundraisers

[Box Tops](#), [Busch's](#), [Kroger](#), [RaiseRight](#), [Toyology](#)

Only a few more weeks left to participate in retail fundraisers that benefit HFRS. Click on the links above for more info!

"Teamwork makes the DREAM work."



HFRS North Campus Presents:
Fine Arts Evening



“Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus During Spring”

Join us for a Music Concert at St. Andrew Church followed by a strolling Student Art Work display in the North Campus hallways

Monday, May 22, 2023

6:00 - 7:00 pm

*students must be in their classrooms at 5:45pm

Please RSVP using this link whether your student is attending or not.

<https://tinyurl.com/easpw4uf>



Hope

Faith

Love

For more information please contact the co-chairs:
Capri Hiovich - hiovichcp@gmail.com
Michelle Staton - mitch1@live.com

Holy Family Regional School Presents

ART & MUSIC EVENING



5.24.23 | 6 - 7:30PM
South Campus

FEATURING AN EVENING FILLED WITH FUN!
BAND PERFORMANCES, STUDENT
ARTWORK, ART ACTIVITIES INCLUDING A
"IMPRESSIONIST ART" SCAVENGER HUNT
*PARTICIPATE FOR THE CHANCE TO WIN A
PRIZE!

STOP BY THE ART ROOM TO MAKE A CRAFT
TO TAKE HOME. THEN LEAVE AN
IMPRESSION ON THE "COMMUNITY
CURTAIN" LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE
PROVIDED. ALL HFRS FAMILIES ARE
WELCOME!

ITS GOING TO BE
AWESOME!
NOW GET IN YOUR
VAN AND LETS GOGH!



Please contact Capri Hiovoch at hiovichcp@gmail.com with questions.



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wildcat games 2023



KONA ICE

WILDCAT CONCESSIONS

DJ ENTERTAINMENT

RELAY RACES



INFLATABLES

POTATO SACK RACES

OBSTACLE COURSES

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SOUTH CAMPUS

JUNE 5TH



JUNE 6TH



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ENDING
SOON!**



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2. Select your child's kit for next school year & enter their information.
3. Check Out! - Sit back, relax and enjoy your summer.

OUR PROMOTIONAL SALE ENDS:



Student Name _____

Grade in 2023-2024 _____

First Lego League/ First Technical Challenge Registration Form

- FIRST Lego League: Grades 4, 5** Teams will be assigned in May of the current school year **only** if we have volunteer team coaches. Maximum 8 students on a team. **The last day for team registration is May 26th, 2023.** Your coach will have the option of meeting during the summer months. Program officially runs from September through November, with the state competition shortly thereafter. (Additional costs for competitions) **Fee is \$125.00.** Additional fees may apply if a team qualifies for state.

- FIRST Technical Challenge: Grades 6,7,8** Teams will be assigned in May **only** if we have volunteer team coaches. Maximum 15 students on a team. **The last day for team registration is May 26th, 2023.** Program officially runs from September – December. **Fee is \$125.00.** Additional fees (hotel, food, transportation) may apply if they qualify for state competition.

****If you volunteer as a new team coach, your child will automatically be placed on your team. All other new team members will be selected by a lottery. If there are openings on an existing team, the spot will be filled by lottery by June 9th, 2023.**

Lego registration fee will be billed on your school account. No checks or cash.

**Parents, we need your help to make these programs possible!
Please consider coaching or assisting and circle your choice below:**

Training/Mentoring is available

First Lego League Coach

First Technical Challenge

Coach

Helper as needed

Parent Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

I have received and understand the criteria for admission to the Robotics program

Student Signature

Parent Signature

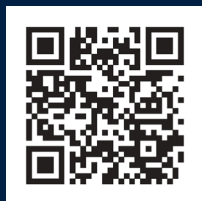
RETURN this form to Mrs. Hayward in the Library by Friday, May 26th



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