# HIF HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL JESUS CHRIST IS THE REASON FOR OUR SCHOOL

Friday, September 15, 2023

Issue 5

Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe we have celebrated our All School Mass, and we head into another beautiful weekend. Raffle tickets were due today. If you have not returned them, please bring them to the office **Tuesday** morning. Thank you to those who have returned their tickets AND have removed all staples —so helpful!

Our Fall Festival is next weekend at South campus. If we sell 800 tickets, then we will have a non-uniform day on Wednesday September 20th. The wrist bands cover bounce houses, games, and prizes. It's a great way to spend the day with your Holy Family, family.

This week students' completed their initial Friendzy assessments. We, like you, recognize the significance of providing <u>life skills</u> to students as it directly correlates to success and happiness later in life. Click on the life skills link for an overview of what Friendzy is and the positive impact it can have on our students and our community. I've added a section to the Wrap for Friendzy information to be shared each week moving forward.

This weekend we celebrate Catechetical Sunday, which is followed by Archbishop Vigneron's Catechetical day on Monday. We would like to honor our staff this weekend. Each person who works at Holy Family Regional School is considered a catechist. They bring Jesus to life each day for our children, and they are witnesses of faith, courage, and discipleship. Thank you for your Yes to Catholic education!

Our staff will gather Monday to continue our training from Ruah Wood's, which we began last year. Once we have completed this, we will meet our Friendzy Facilitator. I am happy to share we have brought Anne McClain, our former school counselor, back to facilitate the implementation of this program with us. We are blessed to have her, along with our two school counselors, help us provide important support to our community.

I pray you have a wonderful weekend with your family. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school Tuesday.

Your disciple in Christ,

Mrs. Bridget Hondzinski

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#### Looking Ahead:

#### Monday, September 18th

No School for Students—Professional Development

#### Thursday, September 21

9:00 Mass (Gr. 4-8) at St. Mary of the Hills

#### Friday, September 22

9:00 Mass (Gr. Y5—3) at St. Andrew

#### Saturday, September 23

12pm—6pm Fall Festival at South Campus



## SOCIAL · EMOTIONAL & CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

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## 5 core

competencies
make up
social
emotional
character
development

**01** Self-Awareness

02 Self-Management

**03** Responsible Decision-Making

**04** Social Awareness

**05** Relationship Skills

The **Friendzy** Units are rooted in these five core competencies and corresponding skills





#### 9 out of 10

teachers believe social and emotional skills can be taught, benefiting students.<sup>1</sup>

#### 4 in 5

teachers want more support to address students' social and emotional development.<sup>1</sup>



#### 75%

of the words students use to describe how they feel at school are negative. Common words are tired, stressed, and bored.<sup>2</sup>



Integrating social and emotional development improves students' attitudes and engagement.<sup>3</sup>

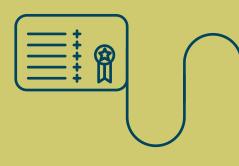


Growth in occupations that require the mastery of social and emotional skills has outpaced growth of all other occupations.4



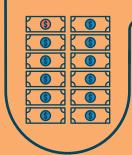
8 in 10

employers say social and emotional skills are the most important to success and yet are also the hardest



Social and emotional competency is at least as predictive of academic and career achievement as is IQ.6

Supporting students' social and emotional development produces an 11% point gain in grades and test scores.3



Integrating social and emotional development with academic learning returns \$11 for every \$1 invested.° Attention to social and emotional development is not only valuable in early childhood, but also is crucial for improving achievement and outcomes beyond school.8

Decreases dropout rates, school and classroom behavior issues, drug use, teen pregnancy, mental health problems, and criminal behavior.<sup>10</sup>

Social and emotional skills help to build cognitive skills.
They help students learn academic content and apply their knowledge.

Increases
high school
graduation rates,
postsecondary
enrollment and
completion,
employment rates,
and average
wages.<sup>10</sup>



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## Campus Ministry



### **Forgiveness**

This week's Gospel on forgiveness should really strike our hearts. A servant who owed his master a large debt was forgiven, after the servant pleaded with the master. The servant on the other hand, when asked by someone in his life to be forgiven a smaller debt, treated the person badly and did not forgive...the consequence...the master the took back his promise and made the servant work for the debt forgiveness.

How do you see this playing out in your life...certainly we may recognize the master as our Father in Heaven...if we ask for forgiveness, He will have mercy upon us and forgive us and give us grace. However, if we do not forgive others, will God forgive us? Why would He, why should He? I think Jesus is telling us in this Gospel that we will not be forgiven if we do not forgive. We have been told that if we ask the Father to forgive us, there is nothing we can do, that we would deny us forgiveness...except when we do not forgive.

What is the gift of forgiveness to you? What does your mercy and forgiveness mean to others in your life? This is something to examine in your own life and something to help your children learn and practice. First to recognize our sins and go to the Father and ask, then accept forgiveness.

When someone comes to you and asks to be forgiven ... if it is hard, pray for the Holy Spirit to be with you, to give you strength and courage. Ask the Spirit to give you the words and actions to grant the person mercy and forgiveness. May God continue to bless you, and may you clearly see all that He is doing in your life!

Peace in Christ, Kim Myers, *Kimberly Myers*, HFRS Director of Campus Ministry

#### **Medics Needed**

We need Meical Personnel to help volunteer at our School Masses. If you are available (even for one of our Masses) and would like to help, please contact Campus Ministry Assistant, *Christina Scollin* at <a href="mailto:Scollin.christina@holyfam.org">Scollin.christina@holyfam.org</a>

## **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Altar Server Training**

Please know the Altar Server Training on Monday 9/18 is for St. Andrew parishioners only, who will serve at the weekend Masses as well. It will be run by Worship Director *Nikki Zakrzewski*.

### Tour of the Relics of St. Jude



From September 2023 to May 2024, the arm of Saint Jude Thaddeus, venerated in Rome from ancient times, will be on pilgrimage in the United States, making stops in 100 cities. Come and experience his transformative presence. Come and receive what he desires to give you.

The Relic of St. Jude will be on Tour in the Archdiocese of Detroit from Friday, October 13 - Tuesday, October 17.

- Friday, October 13:
   National Shrine of the Little
   Flower Basilica, Royal Oak
- Saturday, October 14:
   Immaculate Conception,
   Lapeer
- Sunday, October 15: St.
   Andrew, Rochester

- Monday, October 16:
   Cathedral of the Most
   Blessed Sacrament, Detroit
- Tuesday, October 17:
   Divine Child, Dearborn



## Protecting God's Children Workshops (For all who have not attended)

Online Option (Register at <u>virtus.org</u> as First Time Registrant)

- September 20 at 5:30 p.m.
- September 27 at 5:30 p.m.

#### In-person:

September 22 at 1:00 p.m. - Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit

As the AOD Office of Child and Youth Protection will rely on the Virtus platform for their communication needs, all users should ensure their account information in the Virtus platform is accurate. Individuals can update their information by logging into their accounts at <u>virtus.org</u>.

For updates from Msgr. Bugarin regarding <u>AOD Safe Environment Training At a Glance</u>, click the link for training specifics.

#### **Recertification Process**

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Should you have any questions, please contact the Office of Child and Youth Protection at protectchildren@aod.org or 313-237-5826.

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## **PTG Connection**

**Connecting Parents, Teachers and Students** 



#### Let's get ready for FALL!

Changing leaves, pumpkin spice, and our annual events to kick off the season. Sip your lattes and read on...

#### Fall Festival

#### Sat, Sept 23rd

Everyone and their mascot is talking about Fall Fest. Face painting, bounce houses, dessert trucks, live fish...of course they are. Don't be left out. Order your wristbands\* by this Tuesday, Sept. 19th to help us reach our goal of 800 wristbands sold. What's in for you? A non-uniform day! We can do this.

Volunteers are still needed for the afternoon. Sign up here to work the festival.

\*Wristbands are required for entry.



#### **Quick Links**

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#### Next PTG Membership Meeting

10/10 - 9:15 am - North Campus

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FALL FESTIVAL

FALL FLOWER SALE

TRUNK OR TREAT

4 MARTIAL ARTS

**EVENT DATES** 

JOIN THE TEAM

RETAIL FUNDRAISERS

#### **Fall Flower Sale**

#### Pick up Sept 25th

The fall flower sale is now closed. Pick up is September 25th, near the bell tower at St. Andrew. Volunteers are needed to sort and distribute pots. Sign-up here!

#### **Trunk or Treat**

#### Fri, Oct 20th

Lookin for something FANGtastic to do next month? The HFRS Trunk or Treat has you covered. Watch for the flyer with all the deets, coming next week...

#### **Martial Arts**

#### October 5th-26th

The Fifth Circle martial arts program at HFRS is now full. Class kick off October 5th...so *start* waxing the car.

#### **Event Dates!**

Looking for them? Head to our <u>PTG Events</u> <u>page</u> and start marking your calendars.

Pro Tip: This link can always be found on the top right column of this newsletter.

#### **PTG** Executive Board

#### **Presidents:**

Lauren Kochenderfer Kristen Baradihi

#### Vice Presidents:

Christina Scollin

Chelsea George

#### Secretary:

Christina Matway

#### **Treasurer:**

Dena Premo

#### Join the PTG Board!

Our PTG Executive Board is looking for a Vice President and Secretary to join our team. Ideal candidates are assertive, organized and have strong leadership skills. *Sound like you?* Contact us to request an application, but hurry - the last day to submit is this Sunday, Sept 17th.

#### **Retail Fundraisers**

Box Tops, Busch's, Kroger, RaiseRight, Toyology All year, we participate in retail fundraisers that benefit HFRS. These are easy ways to contribute. By simply continuing to shop as normal, but attaching a link or scanning the top of a box. Click on the links above for more info! Want to get involved? We are currently looking for 2 co-chairs to run these programs.

"Teamwork makes the DREAM work."

<sup>\*</sup>Dates are tentative and subject to change.





2633 JOHN R RD - ROCHESTET HILLS, MI 48307

Wristband includes all activities!

\$18 PRESALE (UNTIL SEPT. 19) / \$20 AT DOOR

(Wristbands required for entry. Ages 2 & under are free.)

CARNIVAL GAMES - PRIZES - FACEPAINTING LIVE MUSIC - DONUT EATING CONTEST

**ENTERTAINMENT - BALLOON TWISTERS & MORE!** 

Bring Cash for food / Dessert Trucks / Beer Tent



BUY Wristbands Here

**VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP HERE** 

Questions? susanleroy9@gmail.com





## IT'S GAME TIME

H F R S

#### **WILDCATS VS. EVERYONE**

### ATHLETIC EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

## SOCCER

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th

GV vs. St. Mary MC - 6:00pm @ HOME

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th**

GJV vs. Everest - 10:00am @ HOME GV vs. Everest - 11:15am @ HOME BJV vs. Everest - 12:30pm @ HOME BV vs. Everest - 1:45pm @ HOME

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th**

GJV vs. St. Hugo #2 - 5:00pm @ HOME GV vs. Everest - 6:15pm @ HOME

#### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th**

BJV vs. St. Patrick WL - 5:00pm @ HOME BV vs. St. Patrick WL - 6:15pm @ HOME

## CROSS

### COUNTRY

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th**

Old Skool Classic @ Wolcott Mill 10:00am Start

#### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th**

@ Camp Agawam 6:00pm Start

### FOOTBALL

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th**

7th: 9:00am @ U of D Jesuit 7/8 4th: 11:00am @ St. Regis 4th 5th: 11:00am @ St. Hugo 5/6 6th: 1:00pm @ St. Regis 5/6 8th: 3:00pm @ St. Regis 7/8

### VOLLEYBALL

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th**

V1 vs. Holy Name #1 - 3:00pm @ HOME V2 vs. Holy Name #2 - 1:00pm @ HOME JV1 vs. Holy Name #1 - 12:00pm @ HOME JV2 vs. St. Hugo #2 - 10:00am @ HOME

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th**

JV1 @ St. Regis #1 - 5:00pm JV2 @ St. Regis #2 - 6:00pm

#### **TUESDAY. SEPTEMBER 20th**

JV3 @ ND Marist #2 - 6:15pm

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST**

V2 @ St. Regis #2 - 6:00pm V1 @ St. Regis #1 - 7:00pm

### **GO WILDCATS!!**













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#### ATHLETIC EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

# WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION

September 16th - September 30th

Late Period: October 1st - October 6th \*Fee Incurred\*

Offering: Basketball, Bowling & Cheer

2022/23 Winter Sports Registration

# BASKETBALL ASSESSMENTS:

5/6 Boys & Girls: Monday, 11/6 & Tuesday, 11/7

7/8 Boys & Girls: Wednesday, 11/8, Thursday, 11/9 & Friday, 11/10 \*Times TBA

\*If the athlete is unable to attend assessment days they will be placed on a team with open slots. No refunds if you do not like team placement.

## **WINTER SPORTS SPIRIT WEAR:**

Basketball: My Team Shop (bsnteamsports.com)
Bowling: My Team Shop (bsnteamsports.com)
Cheer: My Team Shop (bsnteamsports.com)

These shops will remain open through September 25<sup>th</sup> and there will be NO late ordering period.











## MIDDLE SCHOOL FAMILY NIGHT Wednesday, September 20



6:00pm Varsity Swim Meet



6:30pm Varsity Volleyball



7:00pm Spirit Week Bonfire

Free admission. Wear your school shirt and receive a Mercy gift! Please check-in upon entry.