



Friday, October 6, 2023

Issue 8

HFRS Weekly Wrap

Dear Parents,

Thank you for the cans of food that were delivered to both campuses today. I know our friends at Neighborhood House will appreciate the support from us. Students at north campus were so excited to add their cans to the front table today. A few asked where the food was going, and they were happy to know they were feeding a neighbor in need.

This connected to our homily at mass on Thursday with Monsignor Mike at the south campus. Monsignor shared with us the importance of loving our neighbor as ourselves, as Our Lord asks us to do in the commandments. We were made to be in community with each other, and in our togetherness we can find the love of our Lord.

Thank you to the 100+ parents who joined one of our Friendly meetings earlier this week. I took note of your questions, comments, and concerns. At this time, we are pausing our implementation of Friendly. We will take the next week to discern how we should best move forward. I appreciate your patience, support, and prayer as we reflect on this.

This week we inducted 51 new students to our National Junior Honor Society. Thank you to Mrs. Pille for leading our local chapter. This leadership opportunity invites our students to excel in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship.

This afternoon teachers at both campuses spent time learning more about differentiated instruction. Today's conversations included how to engage students with meaningful and in-depth class discussions. Teachers were given templates to use in the classroom for a variety of instructional purposes. I'm excited to see all the ways they are going to engage each student in the classroom.

Next week, students will begin wearing the winter uniform. Boys should be in long pants with school shoes; check the uniform policy if you have questions. It's also a good time to see if any skirts need to be lengthened, or appointments for haircuts need to be made. Thank you for continuing to support our uniform policy. It's great to see our students looking sharp every day.

Lastly, have you signed up to participate in any *Mercy in Action* work? It's a great opportunity to teach your children the importance of volunteering, and participating in servant leadership opportunities. If you are out volunteering, please send your photo to photos@holyfam.org. We would love to showcase our HFRS families participating in *Mercy in Action*.

Your disciple in Christ,

Bridget Hondzinski

LOOKING AHEAD:

Monday, October 9

No Buses to or from school
No Shuttles from South to North

Tuesday, October 10

9:15am PTG Meeting - NC MPR

Thursday, October 12

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

Friday, October 13

9:00am Mass (Gr. Y5-3) at St. Andrew
5th Grade goes to Camp

Saturday, October 14

Mr. Durkin's Wedding

Friday, October 20

End of first quarter

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Hot Lunch Ordering for November.
CLOSES October 7th at noon
No late orders will be accepted.

From the President

October 6, 2023

Advancement
Alumni
Enrollment
Finance
Buildings
Strategic Plan

Dear Parents,

As we move further into the school year, I am recognizing the need to keep our parents informed of the progress that is taking place in the departments that fall under the responsibility of the president. We have many new initiatives taking place and I want to keep you posted on the progression of our goals.

You will see in the green box located at the top of this page the six areas under the responsibility of the president. This week you will notice **Advancement** is highlighted and therefore I want to provide you with some information regarding our fundraising goals for this year.

Our school is blessed to receive generous financial support from a variety of stakeholders. These include parents, alumni, grandparents, members of our supporting parishes, and friends of HFRS. We rely on our two fundraisers (Annual Fund and Benefit Evening) to help support the operating cost of the school. This year we have set a goal to surpass our budgeted projections. The increased amounts in fundraising revenue help us minimize tuition increases in the future.

Therefore, we encourage you to support the Annual Fund.

2023-2024	Budget	Goal
Annual Fund	\$150,000	\$185,000
Benefit Evening	\$140,000	\$175,000

You should have received a donation card in the mail and I encourage every family to make a donation in any amount to help us meet our goal. Donations can also be made on our website or by clicking this link to the [Annual Fund](#).

Last weekend I attended the Masses at St. Mary of the Hills and encouraged the parish members to support Catholic education through the Annual Fund. This weekend I will be attending all of the Masses at St. Andrew Church and will share the same message. Over the weekend I heard many wonderful stories from the HFRS alumni and parents who sought me out after the Mass to talk about their experiences and share their love for our school.

In the first week of the Annual Fund we received over \$15,000 in donations. Many of these donations are from the parish members and friends of our school. While I will be encouraging these groups and others to donate to the Annual Fund, I would also like to see more of our own families support this important fundraiser as well. In the coming weeks I will provide further information regarding the progress toward our goal.

Thanks again for the many ways you support our school, and know that your family remains in my prayers.

Yours in Christ,



Mr. Jon Myers
President



CAMPUS MINISTRY

SEPTEMBER

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A NOTE FROM MRS. MYERS:



October ~ Month of the Rosary

According to Reverend Matthew R. Mauriello at the University of Dayton, "The Rosary is primarily a scriptural prayer. This can be summarized by the traditional phrase used by Pope Pius XII (papacy: 1939-1958) that the Rosary is a compendium of the entire Gospel" (AAS 38 [1946] p. 419). The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centered on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption."

It became a powerful way to pray back in the Middle Ages. Pope V asked all of Europe to pray the Rosary to stop the invasion of Italy from the Ottoman Empire... and they were stopped! The month of October became a focus of using this devotion in deep prayer. After, October 7th was named the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. It honors the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection she gives the Church when the faithful pray the Rosary.

The Rosary begins with the Apostles' Creed, which states our beliefs and summarizes the great mysteries of the Catholic faith. The Lord's Prayer or the Our Father, introduces each mystery. The first part of the Hail Mary is St. Gabriel, Archangel's words announcing Christ's birth and Elizabeth's greeting to Mary. St. Pius V officially added the second part of the Hail Mary. The Mysteries of the Rosary center on the events of Christ's life.

There are four sets of Mysteries: Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful, and Glorious.

The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer relative to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps enter us into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells. The Rosary can be said privately or with a group. We hope you will join us in saying the Rosary, especially often this month, and ask for the powerful intercession of all angels and saints and especially our Blessed Mother in your prayer. Try this link!

[13 Tips for Praying the Rosary with Children](#)

Peace in Christ,
Kim Myers



FAMILY OF PARISHES UPCOMING EVENTS

SEEKING SERVICE HOURS?

St. Andrew has events coming up (10/21 and 10/22) that require the assistance of middle school students. Opportunities could include set-up, service during an event, as well as break down/ clean up. Contact Margaret Kozak - margaretk@standrewchurch.org

DID YOU KNOW?

There are more than 1 billion Catholics in the world, on all five continents. We are particularly concentrated in southern Europe, the U.S., the Philippines, and the countries of Central and South America. What binds them together is a belief in Jesus Christ and obedience to the papacy.

10 REASONS TO ATTEND MASS

Read [HERE](#)

HOW CAN
WE PRAY
FOR YOU?

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 a prayer intention [CLICK HERE.](#)

We would love to pray with you.



ST. MARY OF THE HILLS

- **Altar Server Training**
Sunday, October 8th
Following 11:00 Mass
- **St. Vincent dePaul Donation Drive**
Following all Masses.
October 7 & 8.

ST. ANDREW

- **Pet Blessing**
Sat, Oct 7th at 11 am
near the bell tower.
- **St. Vincent dePaul Clothing Drive**
Sunday, Oct. 28

ST. IREANEUS

- **Mercy in Action Day of Service** Sat, Oct. 14th,
9 am. See flyer.
- **Trivia Night**
Oct. 21st, 6-9:30 pm
See info on next page.

AoD and Family of Parishes presents

MERCY IN ACTION DAY OF SERVICE



Saturday, October 14

9 am in the St. Irenaeus Parish Hall

Breakfast, Prayer, and Service!

Invite a neighbor, bring a friend! Pour some love and mercy into projects that will bless those who are lonely, hungry, mourning, homeless, or feeling forgotten as we work on Bereavement Bags for those who are mourning...

Care Pax for the homeless... lunches for the hungry... care packages for the lonely, and more!

You can even venture outside with your love and elbow grease for a fall clean up of our parish grounds!

RSVP or donate items:

www.signupgenius.com/go/love



JOIN US!

Help Support our Youth Group attend NCYC & other conferences.



Find some friends and join us for a great night of Trivia on Saturday October 21, from 6 pm to 9:30pm. You can have a table of 8 people or we will build you a team.

TICKETS ON SALE THE WEEKEND OCTOBER 7/8 AND 14/15.

For more information contact: melanieavila@yahoo.com





HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL

ANNUAL FUND

Kicks off this weekend
at our
Family of Parishes

Click [HERE](#) to view
the Annual Fund Video

Click [HERE](#) to donate
to this year's Annual Fund
or use the QR Code below



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Director of Advancement
248-218-4562 | schmitz.jennifer@holyfam.org





HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL

SAVE-THE-DATES

NEW
DATES

Annual Fund
October Kick-off
Family of Parishes

Benefit Evening
March 8, 2024
Palazzo Grande



Golf Outing
May 20, 2024
Great Oaks Country Club

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JESUS CHRIST IS THE REASON FOR OUR SCHOOL

PTG Connection

Connecting Parents, Teachers and Students



Quick Links

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Next PTG Membership Meeting

10/10 - 9:15 am - North Campus

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Take a breath.

Now look around. God gave us a gorgeous fall backdrop for portraits and memories. So slow down and let the little things go. *Sigh.*

Okay now back to business...

Events! Events! Events!

[Find them all here.](#) Mark your calendars now while you can...

It's the calm before the storm.

Trunk or Treat

Fri, Oct 20th

Don't be scared...it's getting closer. Take a break from sewing your Disco Barbie costume and order your [tickets!](#) All sales close **October 16th.** Brave volunteers can [sign up here.](#) See attached flyer for more details.

Staff Appreciation

We have a fabulous Staff Appreciation team (*aka the A-Team*) that works tirelessly throughout the school year to support our HFRS staff. We decided just one "Staff Appreciation Week" in May wasn't enough to truly celebrate these individuals, so our team came up with creative, fun ways to shower them all year! Stay tuned for event recaps and ways you can contribute.

Family Skate Night

Fri, Nov 3rd

Save the date for a night of rollerskating, **Nov 3rd at The New Rink** in Shelby Township. More details to come...*but you may want to dig out your leg warmers and spandex now.*

Information OVERLOAD?

Yea, we get it. The weeks are long...and the newsletters are *even longer.* The good news? *We'll never give up on you.* This page will still be here, and so will [our site](#)...week after week after week after week after...*you get it.*

PTG Executive Board

Presidents:

Lauren Kochenderfer

Kristen Baradihi

Vice Presidents:

Christina Scollin

Chelsea George

Secretary:

Christina Matway

Treasurer:

Dena Premo

Retail Fundraisers

Toyology Spotlight

It's never a bad time to buy toys for your kids (*said no mom ever*)...but for those of you who play with your kids' toys while they're at school, (*please say I'm not the only one*), check out our [Toyology](#) partnership. You can raise dollars for HFRS by simply shopping!

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

Click on the links above for more info on our other programs! *Want to get involved?* **We are currently looking for 2 co-chairs to run these programs.**

"Teamwork makes the DREAM work."



Holy Family's 8th Annual Pre-Halloween Party for the Whole Family

Friday October 20, 2023

4:45-7:30pm

Holy Family **South Campus** Parking Lot

- **\$25.00** per car (Includes treat bags for each child attending)
- Only Holy Family children and siblings are eligible to participate. You must pre-register. The deadline to register is **Monday October 16th**.
- Students should come dressed in costumes (*no gory costumes, please*).
- An option to pre order a large pizza for **\$13.00 per pizza** will be available.
- Limited spots available! **No Late registrations or walk-ins will be accepted.** For the safety of our children, please remember this is a family event. **No alcohol will be allowed.**
- All cars must remain parked until completion of event.

PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR OWN CANDY TO DISTRIBUTE TO TRUNK-OR TREATERS.
BE CREATIVE!! CARS CAN BE DECORATED AND ENTERED INTO THE CONTEST, BUT THIS IS NOT REQUIRED.

Festivities will include: A fun and interactive DJ, photo booth, and loads of fun!



4:45-5:45 - Cars Arrive
5:45-7:00 - Trunk-or-Treating
7:00-7:30 - Best Trunk Award/Clean up
7:30 - Safe Departure



Register and pay [here](#).
Volunteer for the event [here](#).

Questions? Feel free to contact Amy Hamama ahamama807@gmail.com
or Eva Samano evasamano710@gmail.com.



HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL

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IT'S GAME TIME



WILDCATS VS. EVERYONE

ATHLETIC EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

VOLLEYBALL

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6th

6:15pm - JV3 @ St. Hugo #2

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7th

1:00pm - V3 @ St. Patrick WL #3
1:45pm - JV3 - HOME vs. ND Marist #2
2:45pm - JV2 - HOME vs. St. Regis #2
3:45pm - JV1 - HOME vs. St. Regis #1
4:45pm - V2 - HOME vs. St. Regis #2
5:45pm - V1 - HOME vs. St. Regis #1

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9th

5:00pm - V3 - HOME vs. Shrine #3
6:00pm - V2 - HOME vs. Shrine #2
7:00pm - V1 - HOME vs. Shrine #1

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11th

5:00pm - JV3 - HOME vs. OL Refuge #2
6:00pm - JV1 - HOME vs. Everest #1
7:00pm - V3 - HOME vs. OL St. Paul #3

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12th

6:00pm - JV2 - HOME vs. Shrine #2
7:00pm - JV1 - HOME vs. Shrine #1

FOOTBALL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7th

5th: 8:30am - HOME vs. NOC 5/6 #2
7th: 10:15am - HOME vs. St. Francis Cabrini 7/8
4TH, 6TH & 8th: BYE

CROSS COUNTRY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7th

Jamboree @ Stony Creek MetroPark
Eastwood Beach

10:00 am - JV Start
10:30 am - Varsity Start

SOCCER

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9th

5:30pm Boys Varsity @ St. Annes
6:00pm Boys JV @ St. Patrick WL #1

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10th

4:30pm Girls JV - HOME vs. Sacred Heart
5:45pm Girls V - HOME vs. St. Isaac Jogues

SAVE THE DATES!

Fall Sports Pep Rally

Friday, October 20th

@ HF South Gym - Time: 2:30pm

Uniform Return:

Football: Tuesday, October 24th

All Others: Friday, October 27th

Times: 8:00am-12:00pm



CUB SCOUTS



PACK 83 FALL FAMILY PICNIC & SCOUT RECRUITING EVENT



Anyone interested in Cub Scouts is invited to join us for our Pack 83 Fall Family Picnic.

Event: Pack 83 Fall Family Picnic

Date: Saturday October 14

Time: 4:00pm

Location: Bear Creek Nature Park



#ADVENTUREON

JOIN TODAY AT BEASCOUT.ORG



For more information, please contact John Showalter at jshowalt22@gmail.com or 248-703-9644

If you are ready to Join the Pack, you can sign up using the QR code or link below!



<https://my.scouting.org/VES/OnlineReg/1.0.0/?tu=UF-MB-780paa0083>



DE LA SALLE WRESTLING CLUB

**Registration Online starting September 30th & in person
Sunday October 22nd
3:30pm – 5pm**

www.DELASALLEWC.com

Boys & Girls Grades K – 8th

Beginner and Experienced Wrestlers

Season Starts October 24th – March 24th

Cost

Novice \$175 / Advance \$200

Sibling Discount \$25

T-shirt included.

Practices & Registration held at
Brother Robert Activity Center
8777 Common Road, Warren, MI 48088

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Novice Practice 6-7:15pm	Advance Practice 6-8pm	Novice Practice 6-7:15pm
Advance Practice 6:30-8:15pm		Advance Practice 6:30-8:15pm

For additional information contact

delasallewc@gmail.com

or

**Dennis Parks
(586) 738-1188**



DE LA SALLE WRESTLING CLUB

****Registration for the upcoming wrestling season at delasallewc.com****

Registration opens September 30th

For those that have never tried wrestling before we will have a

FREE Wrestling Camp!!!

The De La Salle Wrestling Club coaching staff will be hosting a FREE wrestling camp for anyone in grades K-8th that would like try wrestling before joining a club!

- Wrestling is a great sport for all ages & is often a springboard in developing young athletes into competitors in any sport!
- Wrestling builds **strength, stamina, balance, control, endurance, & perseverance.**
- Wrestling develops a great mental attitude, and we train wrestlers with **respect, intensity, & discipline.**
- We stress the basics and admire hard work, listening skills and effort.

When: Sunday October 22nd
3-4pm

Where: Brother Robert Activity Center (Wrestling Room)
8777 Common Rd, Warren, MI 48093

What to wear: T-shirt, shorts and tennis/wrestling shoes (No buttons/zippers please)

How: Email delasallewc@gmail.com to reserve a spot.
Bring a friend!