



Dear Parents,

This was another unplanned short week. Hopefully the students enjoyed some time outside, breathing in the cold crisp air that God provides us during our winter months in Michigan.

This Sunday kicks-off our celebration of Catholic School's Week! Parents and students will help us welcome potential new families at our Open House this Sunday at our north campus. This is a wonderful opportunity to share many good news stories and to grow our community.

Each day next week, students are invited to wear special clothes, participate in fun events at school, and truly celebrate what it means to attend a Catholic school. When I hear people call us a private or parochial school I feel called to remind them.....no, we are a Catholic school! This makes us uniquely designed for the mission our Lord is calling us to each day. The primary mission of all Catholic Schools is to create joyful missionary disciples.

In 1974, the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA), planned the first celebration of Catholic schools. We have continued the tradition in Catholic Schools ever since. Each day has a theme, Sunday we celebrate our parish(s), and Monday we will celebrate our community. Students will wear their Wildcat apparel, work on a surprise to be released next Saturday, and create cards for two very important groups in our community. Our north campus students will be making cards to send to our neighbors around north campus. We want to thank them for their generosity and being great neighbors! Our south campus students will write notes to our alumni, and hopefully get a few responses of suggestions on how to make the most of their time at HFRS. There are additional details in the weekly wrap of what our plans are for each day. Thank you to our Student Council who takes the lead on helping us plan the events for this day. Their officers will head down, this week, to The Cathedral of The Blessed Sacrament to celebrate mass with students from schools across our Archdiocese. We will have the opportunity to see the newly installed statues and first class relics of all twelve apostles. I'm especially excited to see them for the first time!

As we begin to prepare for our Valentine's parties (2/13/24) for grades K-5, I would like to ask that we no longer bring balloon arches for each classroom. We have people with severe latex allergies, and the quantity of latex in the building at the north campus for Christmas parties proved to be too much. We will continue to have fun and exciting parties for the children, but we will no longer allow the balloon arches in the classrooms. I appreciate everyone's help with this in advance.

Your disciple in Christ,  
Bridget Hondzinski

***Looking Ahead:***

**Friday and Saturday, January 26 & 27**

Home Basketball Games

**Sunday, January 28**

Open House at North Campus

**January 29—February 2**

**Catholic Schools Week**

See daily theme/event schedule in Wrap

**Friday, February 2**

All students (Y5-8) Report to North Campus

10:00 All School Mass at St. Andrew Church

1/2 day for Students

PM Professional Development for Teachers

***Announcements:***



Friendzy Forecast for another short week:

Our message, Teamwork makes the Dream Work, was emphasized throughout the week, especially during a fun memory activity. The students first had to rely on their own memories of random items in a photo and then were instructed to work as a team to recall the same items. Obviously, as a team the students were able to list more of the items in the photo than when they relied on their own memory. Most tasks are "lightened" when performed as a team. We as a staff along with you, the parents, share the awesome task of embracing, raising, and loving your children. We are on a team at Holy Family with you and feel honored that you share your special "ones" with us.

Anne McClain  
HFRS Friendzy Facilitator

**2024-2025 Tuition Assistance Application – Now Open**

The 2024-2025 Tuition Assistance Application is now open. The application will close on Monday, February 19, 2024. Please note that the closing date is earlier than last year. For additional information and forms, please see the school website ([holyfam.org](http://holyfam.org)). Tuition assistance information is located under the Admissions tab.

### **Announcements, cntd.:**

#### **Volunteers Needed**

North and South Campus are in need of recess volunteers for February and March. Recess volunteers are imperative to the safety of our students so please consider signing up if you are available. As an extra incentive, volunteers will receive 2.5 credit hours in school operations for each recess duty this sign-up period. Now is the time to complete your mandatory volunteer credit hours if you haven't already done so. This sign-up period is your last chance to fulfill your mandatory volunteer commitment without being charged.

The links to both sign-ups are below.

[North Campus Recess February-March 2024](#)

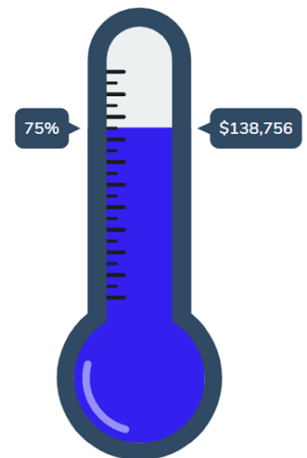
[South Campus Recess February-March 2024](#)

#### **Annual Fund Update**

Thank you to the many families who have made a contributions to the Annual Fund. We really appreciate your support!

We encourage **every** family to make a donation **in any amount** to help us meet our goal. Donations can be made on our website or by clicking the link to the [Annual Fund](#).

**GOAL: \$185,000**



	Number of Donors	Amount
HFRS Families	134	\$66,600
Other Donors	255	\$72,156
TOTAL	389	\$138,756

\*Donations received as of 1.25.24



# CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK SCHEDULE

**Sunday**  
1/28



**Celebrate Our Parish**  
**Holy Family Regional School**  
**Open House for Prospective Families**  
11:00 am -1:00 pm  
North Campus



*Teachers and students will bring up the gifts in uniform at all parish Masses*

**Monday**  
1/29



**Celebrate Our Community**  
Students dress up in HFRS Spirit Wear  
Students will send cards to neighbors and alumni  
Students thank their parents for sending them to HFRS!



*We were made to THRIVE!*

**Tuesday**  
1/30

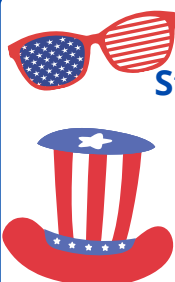


**Celebrate Our Students**  
Students wear Comfy Clothes  
Pajamas, sweatpants, or comfortable clothing  
No Quizzes or Tests  
Movies, Games and Popcorn in the afternoon



*Jesus Christ is the reason for our school*

**Wednesday**  
1/31



**Celebrate Our Nation**  
Students wear Red, White and Blue or Patriotic Attire  
Students write thank you letters to the Military  
Bagel Day \$5.00 Donation

Includes a bagel and cream cheese. Profits from the sale will be donated to  
The Corewell Beaumont Children's Pediatric Cancer Survivors Scholarship Program

*We are one nation under God*



**Thursday**  
2/1



**Celebrate Vocations**  
Students wear career attire and share why they chose the career



*Students will pray the rosary together*



**Friday**  
2/2



**Celebrate Our School**  
Students wear their school Mass uniform  
All students arrive at North Campus

**Food Friday - Donate a canned good to Neighborhood House**  
10:00 AM All School Mass at St. Andrew  
11:00 AM Early Dismissal from Church  
**No Homework Weekend - Celebrating Families**







## **A Parent's Guide to STAR Assessments – The Role of Progress Monitoring, January, 2024**

The middle of year (MOY) Star Assessments have been completed by HFRS students. Depending on a student's grade level, assessment scores will reflect learning progress in the subject areas of early literacy, reading, and math.

### **What is done with data received from student Star Assessments?**

Teachers and administrators are members of Professional Learning Communities for the students, grade(s), subject(s), and campuses they represent. Using multiple Star Assessment Reports, teachers are analyzing recently completed MOY student assessment data to compare and plot individual, class, and grade level growth that has taken place from the beginning of year (BOY) assessments. This analysis of growth and proficiency is referred to as Progress Monitoring. The process is on-going and will be facilitated again as students complete the end of year (EOY) Star Assessments.

### **What is the value of Progress Monitoring?**

Analyzing Star assessment results through multiple reports enables administrators and teachers to monitor student growth, to realize the value of instructional practices, and determine the best course of action to ensure all HFRS students are mastering grade level standards. In addition to Star assessments, teachers in Support Service PLC's can provide math and literacy skill assessment opportunities so that data gleaned can endorse student eligibility for educational services.

### **What is the value of monitoring student progress on a daily basis?**

Different from the process of Progress Monitoring when analyzing Star assessment data, all teachers consistently monitor the progress of their students. On a daily basis teachers look for evidence of student understanding during instruction. Teachers observe and evaluate students as they work. They listen as students ask and answer questions and they look for evidence of homework completion and understanding. Monitoring student progress can be informal, such as scanning the room to see who is on task and who is not, or it can be formal, such as examining quiz, project, and test scores.

The Progress Monitoring of Star Assessment data and the daily monitoring of student progress provides a comprehensive and valuable picture of student growth, student need, and direction for curriculum planning.

### **Why is it important we take standardized assessments like Star?**

It is important to have a variety of progress monitoring tools like Star so that we ensure we're collecting a wide range of results to support our students. This allows us to find trends within the data and adjust our instruction and support appropriately. Similarly, teachers review homework and assessments in class to determine how they instruct moving forward. Star is another assessment tool that guides our instruction.

If you have any questions, Mr. Durkin or Mrs. Vandercuyssen will be happy to assist you.



# CAMPUS MINISTRY

## JANUARY

ISSUE 15 | 01/26/2024

*A NOTE FROM MRS. MYERS:*

### ***The Words We Say ...Do they Hurt or Build Up?***

In this weekend's Sunday Gospel, we will hear Jesus rebuke the devil who is in a man in the synagogue and drive out the demon who lives within him. The demon made the man make snide comments that challenged Jesus and most likely made the man live in a negative frame of mind among his family and friends.

I'm certain there are times we may do the same. We get caught up in the world and lose perspective and act and speak in negative ways that end up hurting others. When this happens, the words we speak and the actions we take are not those of God.

As people of the Almighty, as children of God, we have a responsibility to stop and think before we speak, write, or act. We must discern if our words or actions will build up, or hurt, our brothers and sisters. Sometimes we can't help ourselves and must take the time to pray and ask the Holy Spirit to form our words and responses. As we take part in building the Kingdom, we must take care of those around us. We must check in daily on our perspective, our attitude, and make sure we are always spreading the Gospel and not get stuck in our own little world.

*Dear Lord Jesus, please help us to have a clean spirit so we can walk with you and spread your love.*

Peace in Christ Jesus,

*Kim Myers*



## *Empowering God's Children*

Dear Parents,

The Catholic Church teaches that God has created each of us as unique and special. *Genesis 1:27* tells us that we are “created male and female in God’s image” and that God saw this as “very good.” In that goodness we are meant to respect ourselves and everyone else as persons created and loved by God.

God intends our relationships with one another to be experiences of divine love. A respectful, nurturing, and loving relationship increases our understanding of our own values and helps us love others. It is important to help children understand how special they are and how their relationships with others are sacred. Understanding this will help them protect the special person they are as well as be respectful to others.

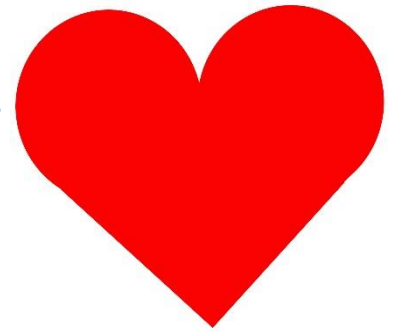
We will be introducing our *safe environment program* called *Empowering God's Children* in the next couple weeks. This program comes to us from our Archdiocese and is the child portion of *Protecting God's Children*. It is endorsed by the U.S. Bishops and *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*. It is a supplement integrated into our school’s curriculum. It will provide our children with essential knowledge and skills grounded in the richness of our faith to stay safe and healthy. Our teachers will assist children in understanding that we all have holy bodies and the space around our bodies is sacred.

Many protective programs focus only on stranger danger. *Empowering God's Children* goes beyond just protection by helping children understand the holiness of who they are and how to seek help through their relationships with trusted adults.

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



# Mandatory Service



As you know the deadline for all families to complete their expected service hours for HFRS is coming due in March. Campus Ministry has partnered with Administration to help families struggling with hardship to complete these hours. The help will come from you...if you have completed your hours and have extra hours available to share, will have the opportunity to donate when you report the hours.

If you are one who is struggling to complete your service, you may contact Kim Myers in Campus Ministry [myers.kimberly@holyfam.org](mailto:myers.kimberly@holyfam.org) or Jennifer Engel, Volunteer Coordinator [engel.jennifer@holyfam.org](mailto:engel.jennifer@holyfam.org) . There is a chance that you may be granted some hours to assist your family.



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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK NOTICE

## HELP!

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OF TWO  
SPONSORSHIPS FOR  
OUR STAFF TO ATTEND  
THE BENEFIT EVENING!

OPEN:  
PLEASE  
FILL!

STILL  
OPEN

THANK YOU!



THANK YOU!



Contact: [schmitz.jennifer@holyfam.org](mailto:schmitz.jennifer@holyfam.org)





Extended: Turn in by January 26!



HOLY FAMILY  
REGIONAL SCHOOL

# COVER DESIGN CONTEST

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## Contest Rules

- The school name must be included
- This year's school theme must be included
- The school year (2023-2024) must be included
- Hard copy drawing must be submitted on plain white (no lines), 8.5 x 11 paper—portrait orientation
- Please keep a border of 1/2 inch to ensure that nothing is cut off (coloring can go to the edges, but designs may get cut off)
- Submit to either school office to Mrs. Fernandez by January 16, 2024





# PTG Connection

Connecting Parents, Teachers and Students



### Quick Links

- [About Us](#)
- [Volunteer](#)
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### Next PTG Membership Meeting

2/13/24 - 9:15 am - North Campus

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## January is SNOW Much Fun!

*'Tis the season to be freezin'!*

### Family Skate Night

Friday, February 2

Come out and enjoy a night of fun at The New Rink! Spend the evening skating and bouncing to your heart's content with your family and friends. See flyer for more information.

### Save the Date...

April 7 - Daddy/Daughter Dance

## Talent Show

Thursday, February 15 - 6:30 PM., South Campus

Auditions for all acts and emcees are next week (January 31st and February 1st). [Reserve your audition time](#) and download an [official entry form](#). \* Can't make the audition? Today is the last day to submit a video.

**We need stage hands and other positions filled.** Parent and student volunteers: [use this link to join the fun!](#) (*Just in time for 3rd quarter credit!*)

*\*Entry form is required. Please read through all guidelines before preparing act.*

## Mother Son Bowling Event

Sunday, March 3

Come out to Escape in Troy for tons of fun for moms and sons! See flyer for more details on what will be a fun outing for moms and their favorite guy!

## SEEKING: Communication Chair

The PTG is looking for a Communication Chair! If you're organized, have a way with words, and want to get involved, please apply for this new position. You'll be working alongside our Secretary to help craft Tuesday Tidbits and Weekly Wraps. Knowledge of Pages and Dropbox and creating flyers is a plus, but not required. If you've been wanting to learn something new, get involved, AND earn volunteer hours, this is your opportunity! Please send an email to [hfrsptgpres@gmail.com](mailto:hfrsptgpres@gmail.com) and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

## PTG Executive Board

### **Presidents:**

Lauren Kochenderfer

Kristen Baradihi

### **Vice Presidents:**

Tricia Dennis

Chelsea George

### **Secretary:**

Suzanne Bilodeau

### **Treasurer:**

Dena Premo

*"Teamwork makes the DREAM work."*



HFRS PRESENTS...

# WILD

*about talent*

FEB 15 | 6:30 PM

**ALL TALENTS WELCOME!**

AUDITIONS

JAN 31 | FEB 7

AUDITION SIGN UP

DOWNLOAD ENTRY FORM

QUESTIONS?

[HFRSTALENTSHOW@GMAIL.COM](mailto:HFRSTALENTSHOW@GMAIL.COM)

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HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL PRESENTS...

# Family Skate Night



**\$10 Admission**

**Includes Skating & Bouncing**

**Skate/Blade Rental \$2.00**

# friday

**February 2nd**

**5:00pm - 7:00pm**



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# *Holy Family Regional School PTG*

## *Mother Son Bowling Event*



**Date:** Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

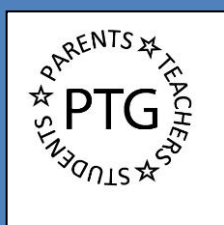
**Location:** Escape in Troy

**Cost:** \$30 per person ➤ Price Includes bowling, one game of laser tag, 2 slices of pizza and unlimited soda! The Arcade is an added cost so please plan to bring money if your son wants to play there. Please note all those attending need their own ticket, even if you are not eating or bowling.

**Time:** 11:00am - 1:00pm or 1:30pm - 3:30pm ➤ This year there will be 2 time slots to allow for more people to attend. You will be able to select the time slot you want to attend! Please note each time slot will be limited to 240 people.

*Registration information will come out in the Weekly Wrap on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.*

**If you are interested in volunteering or donating an item for this event please look for the sign up next week.**



**Have questions? Please email Kristen Faure, [KLFaure@gmail.com](mailto:KLFaure@gmail.com)**





# IT'S GAME TIME



## ATHLETIC NEWS FOR THE WEEK

### BASKETBALL GAMES

#### Friday, January 26th (HOME):

- 4:45pm: Girls 6th - Carrillo vs. St. Hugo #1
- 5:50pm: Boys 5th - Dimambro vs. St. Pats WL
- 6:55pm: Boys 7th - Lambert vs. St. Hugo #2
- 8:00pm: Boys 8th - Kejbou vs. St. Hugo #1

#### Saturday, January 27th (HOME):

- 8:00am: Boys 6th - Knight vs. WW Christian
- 9:05am: Boys 5th - Helms vs. St. Hugo #2
- 10:10am: Girls 5th - Isho vs. Hugo #3
- 11:15am: Girls 5th - Olender vs. St. Hugo #2
- 12:20pm: Boys 6th - Looney vs. St. Regis #3
- 1:25pm: Boys 6th - Page vs. St. Mary MC #1
- 2:30pm: Boys 6th - Fabian vs. St. Hugo #1
- 3:35pm: Boys 7/8 - Schmidt vs. Shrine #3
- 4:40pm: Boys 7th - Olijnyk vs. St. Pats WL
- 5:45pm: Girls 7/8 - Ballor vs. St. Hugo #1
- 6:50pm: Boys 8th - Jesue vs. St. Mary MC #1

### BOWLING

#### Saturday, January 27th

Competition @ 1:00 pm

Bowl One Lanes:

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### FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

#### Saturday, February 3rd

Knights of Columbus

Free Throw Championship

Fr. Strain Gym @ St. Mary's

10:00am-2:00pm

Boys & Girls, Ages 9-14

### PEP RALLY

Save the date!

#### Friday, February 16th

Holy Family South Campus Gym

@ 2:30pm

Parents and coaches are welcome to come cheer on our Wildcats.

LET'S GO WILDCATS!







# ***IT'S GAME TIME***



## ***ATHLETIC NEWS FOR THE WEEK***

# **SPRING SPORT REGISTRATION**

Spring Sports Registration will be open from Saturday, January 20th - Sunday, February 4th. Late registration open from February 5th—11th.

We will be offering the following sports:

- Boys Lacrosse - Grades 5-8
- Boys & Girls Track - Grades 4-8

Register Here: [Lacrosse and Track Registration Link](#)

Please note: There will be a separate registration for summer camps coming soon!

# **SPRING SPIRIT WEAR**

**Our Spring Spirit Wear Stores are OPEN now until Monday, February 5th.**

Don't miss out on the chance to show your Wildcat spirit. Order NOW:

LACROSSE Spirit Wear Store: [Lacrosse Spirit Wear Link](#)

TRACK Spirit Wear Store: [Track Spirit Wear Link](#)

We also have several Wildcat T-shirts and hoodies in stock.

Contact Melissa Morphew to place your order: [morphew.melissa@holyfam.org](mailto:morphew.melissa@holyfam.org)



NATIONAL  
**Eucharistic  
Congress**

**Pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress**

Tens of thousands of Catholics will gather at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, IN, from July 17-21, 2024, for the National Eucharistic Congress. The Archdiocese of Detroit has partnered with Corporate Travel, an official travel sponsor of the NEC, to coordinate transportation, hotel accommodations, and discounted Congress admission. We would love to have representation from each Family of Parishes as part of the delegation. Registration is now open.

- [Day passes are now available for the National Eucharistic Congress](#)