



Friday December 13, 2024

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HFRS Weekly Wrap

Dear Parents,

This week our south campus students had the opportunity to visit the Santa Shop. Thank you to our PTG for this huge undertaking and providing this opportunity to all our students. We also appreciate the many volunteers who helped students shop for gifts to give the many special people in their lives.

Thank you, again, to the many parents who helped write and have supported our Parent Code of Conduct. Again, it goes into effect January 1, 2025. You will notice the presence of the administration team at school events, who will help ensure the policy is properly implemented. If you have concerns at events, please see the administrator in attendance to report your concerns.

As we have entered the cold/flu (and other illnesses) season, please remember to keep children home when they don't feel well, especially if running a fever. We want the children at school, but we also understand that sometimes they are unable to focus because they don't feel well.

We have also entered the winter season, which brings cold weather and the potential of a school closing. We follow the Rochester Community Schools, which means if they close, then we will also close. Once we are notified of their closing, we call to report ours. This information is available on your local TV news, as well as a call from our school. Please make sure you have the right phone number listed as your primary contact (of your choice) to receive these calls. You can update your parent portal in FACTS to assure you get the call in the most timely fashion. Also, please make sure students are dressed properly for recess. The time to be outside, getting fresh air, and playing with friends is an important part of their development. We take the children outside following our school policy in the handbook.

This will be our last Weekly Wrap of 2024. Our next Wrap will be issued Friday January 10, 2025. As we reflect on the many blessings of this past year, I will especially remember each of you, your families, and your children. The blessing of being able to share our faith with each other is one of my greatest blessings.

When we return in January, it will be time for our middle of the year (MOY) STAR testing. Teachers will communicate directly to let you know when they will be administering both reading and math tests. Many of you have received your progress monitoring reports. As educators, our focus is on 'Student Growth', because we want to see our children are growing in these skills. We frequently talk to the students about a 'Growth Mindset,' which is important in every aspect of life. We may not have mastered a skill 'yet' but in time with the right instruction we will. The growth in each student is something to celebrate. Our collaboration with parents helps us achieve this, and we are grateful for this partnership.

Your disciple in Christ,

Bridget Hondzinski

Looking Ahead:

Tuesday, December 17th

6:00pm— Band Concert (South Campus)

Thursday, December 19th

Students can wear Christmas top & uniform bottoms

Friday, December 20th

All students (Y5-8) report to North Campus

10:00am Christmas Prayer Service (All School)—St. Andrew

Half Day—Christmas break begins after Prayer Service

December 23rd-January 3rd

No School—Christmas Break

Monday, January 6th

Classes Resume

Announcements:

The 2025-2026 Tuition Assistance Application is NOW OPEN.

The application will close February 28, 2025. Please see the school website (holyfam.org) for important information, instructions and deadlines. Tuition assistance information is located under the Admissions tab.

New this year, the Department of Catholic Schools is hosting webinars for parents for the upcoming 2025-2026 Tuition Assistance Application season.

These webinars will be a chance for applicants to fully understand the application requirements and ask any questions they may have. For times and dates, go the <https://www.detroitcatholicschools.org/tuition-assistance-scholarships>.

Parents, thank you for keeping your child home if they are feverish or actively coughing, sneezing, or experiencing a stuffy nose that is oozing. Sharing germs impacts everyone in our buildings and is then brought home to family members.

We appreciate your help in keeping everyone as healthy as possible.

Hot lunch ordering for February opens January 1st and closes January 7th at noon. No late orders can be accepted.

Announcements Continued:

Annual Fund Update

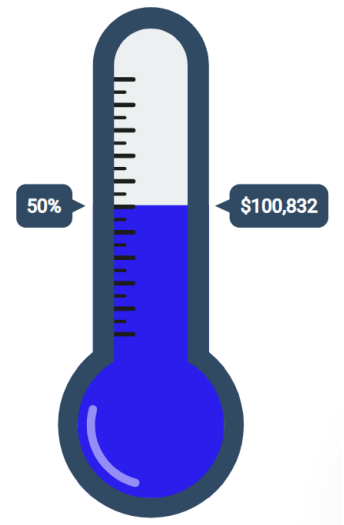
We are half way towards our goal with 14% of our own HFRS families participating.

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.

	Number of Donors	Amount
HFRS Families	81	\$39,350
Other Donors	225	\$61,482
TOTAL	306	\$100,832

* Donations received as of 12.12.24

GOAL: \$200,000





CAMPUS MINISTRY

DECEMBER

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A NOTE FROM MRS. MYERS:

How are you doing this Advent?



The late Thanksgiving has, for me, put a rush in what should be a beautiful journey to the manger. Slowing down and taking time to be still, knowing that God is present, has helped me refocus when needed.

I have spoken to many of you in the last few days and noticed a range of emotions in our families. Some are baking cookies and already joyfully passing out gifts, some are excited while getting ready for a long travel to be with family, some are saddened by the serious illness of a loved one, some are remembering those who have passed and won't be present this year at Christmas.

Every moment of every day is important and should be regarded as a gift from God. We are gifted with seasons like Advent, Lent, Christmas and Easter while preparing and celebrating our relationship with God. The most powerful things, inside of us and around us, often happen in what may seem insignificant. Many times, we are too busy to notice. We must just slow down, take a breath and recognize God in our midst, and in one another.

May you feel the breath of the Holy Spirit as you wait, prepare and open your heart to Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Help your child learn to be still, be quiet, to wait and to be patient. Contemplation is vital in our relationship with the Divine.

Peace in Christ,

Kim Myers,

Director of Campus Ministry

UPCOMING:

...update from St. Andrew Catholic Church:

Hello Confirmation Families,

The Lions just announced a 4:30PM game this upcoming Sunday (12/15). We think Lions Football is a great way to spend the Lord's day celebrating with family. Therefore, in order to blend our love of faith and football, we are moving Sundays Confirmation

Parent/Teen meeting to 2PM in the AB

(Activity Building aka GYM)

We hope this new time will work better for your schedules as well. Please share this information with friends in case they miss this message.

God Bless Our Lions!!!

DID YOU KNOW?

Why is holly used at Christmas?

The Druids (a druid was a member of the high-ranking priestly class in ancient Celtic cultures.) thought that holly was a sacred plant and could protect against evil spirits. For this reason, they would often wear holly in their hair, occasionally as a wreath upon the head. With Christianity the plant took on a new meaning. The red berries were thought to represent the blood of Christ, and the prickly leaves symbolized the crown of thorns.

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.



FAMILY OF PARISHES UPCOMING EVENTS

ST. MARY OF THE HILLS:

Fair Trade Sales

The final Fair Trade sale for 2024 will be Sunday, December 15, after both Masses. Stop by the gym to purchase Fair Trade Organic items from Equal Exchange. Coffee, tea, cashews, chocolate, and olive oil will be available. Cash only please. These would make great stocking stuffers!

For More Information
[Click HERE](#)

ST. ANDREW:



COUPLES NIGHT: PAINTING WITH PASTA!
Looking for a fun and romantic evening?
Join us for a delightful night of art, food, and music!

WHERE: St. Andrew Gathering Space
DATE: Saturday, January 11th, 2025
TIME: After the 5:00 pm Mass
COST: Just \$25 per couple!

For more info contact Margaret Kozak at Margaret@standrewchurch.org

Indulge in a delicious meal featuring a fresh salad, savory pasta, warm garlic bread, and a sweet dessert—all while unleashing your creativity with paint!

Reserve your spot now & make unforgettable memories together!

Don't miss this perfect opportunity for bonding, laughter, & creativity!
<https://tinyurl.com/4juw5wpz>



For More Information
[Click HERE](#)

ST. IRENAEUS:



COCOA & CAROLS
and Blessing Baby Jesus

PLEASE JOIN US AT THIS BEAUTIFUL ADVENT PRAYER SERVICE AS WE PREPARE TO CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF JESUS. LET US SHARE FROM OUR BURNING DESIRE TO REFLECT ON THE TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS AS WE BLEND THE FLAVORS OF JESUS' LOVE, LIGHT, AND HOPE. EVERYONE IS WELCOME! IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A BABY "JESUS" WE WILL HAVE ONE FOR YOU!

FRIDAY - DECEMBER 13 - 7PM

AFTERWARDS, JOIN US OUTSIDE BY THE NATIVITY FOR CHRISTMAS CAROLS, HOT COCOA, AND CONFECTION. BRING THE SHEL, SWEET, & SPENDING AND SPREAD SOME JOY THIS ADVENT SEASON!
NO RSVP NECESSARY

For More Information
[Click HERE](#)

UPCOMING MASS LEADERSHIP:

12/20:	01/09:	01/10:	01/16:
Christmas Prayer Service 2nd Grade	Mrs. Pipas 7th Grade 5th Hour	Mrs. Marn 1st Grade	Sister Faustina 6th Grade 4th Hour
St. Andrew 10:30a	St. Mary of the Hills 9a	St. Andrew 9a	St. Mary of the Hills 9a

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Full Page Ad in School Weekly Newsletter
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Social Media Mention
(6) Tickets

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Half Page Ad in Auction Program
Logo/Name Displayed on Auction Website
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(2) Tickets

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Item Name _____ Value \$ _____

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Please email the ad/photo in high-resolution PDF format to Schmitz.Jennifer@holyfam.org

Please contact Jennifer Schmitz with questions: 248.299.3798 x136

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Attn: Advancement

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December 13, 2024

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FEBRUARY 8, 2025



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**PURCHASE TICKETS
BY NOON on
Friday, December 20th**

***DRAWING IS FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 20TH***

**GAME IS JANUARY 25, 2025
SECTION 107
ROW 9
VS. TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING**

PTG Connection

Connecting Parents, Teachers and Students



Merry Christmas!

Thanks be unto God for this unspeakable gift. -2 Corinthians 9:15

The PTG wishes you all the most blessed Christmas and a wonderful holiday break!!

Family Skate Night

Thank you Melissa Keen for organizing another great skate night! We appreciate all that you do!

Christmas Gift Shop

In the spirit of giving....we would like to give a big thank you to our South Campus Christmas Gift Shop Committee- Tara Tuttle, Christie Whitmer, Sylvia Sheena, and Jessica Cossette! The shop was a huge success! There will be a lot of smiling faces on Christmas morning!



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Next PTG Membership Meeting

1/14/24 - 9 am - South Campus

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FAMILY SKATE NIGHT

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CHRISTMAS GIFT SHOP

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RAISE RIGHT

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TALENT SHOW

Staff Appreciation

The halls continue to have that classic Christmas Magic! Thank you to all the parents who helped decorate both North and South Campus! Thank you too for all the parents who helped create reindeer water bottles and string star ornaments for the children during our Christmas celebration!

Christmas Kindness Countdown

The PTG has been hosting a Christmas Kindness Countdown this week! Several classes have been picked per day to receive a sweet treat and have been tasked to complete an act of kindness. Once their kind act has been completed, each child received a star ornament. They can decorate their star and hang it on the Christmas tree at school. One act of kindness can spread to so much more!

Raise Right

Do you buy gift cards? Would you like to earn tuition credit? Raise Right is a wonderful, convenient way to raise money for our school. Attached is a flyer that explains in more detail or check out this video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BZNu-ftcPKo>
Check out the video to get started <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1jBU1SSEZvE&t=26s>

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Talent Show - Save the Date!

Thursday March 6th

Lights...Camera...Action! Our annual talent show is BACK. Auditions will be held **Feb 12th and 13th** so get your act together. All talents welcome. More info to come...

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Jen H., earns for hockey

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IT'S GAME TIME



WILDCATS VS. EVERYONE

ATHLETIC NEWS FOR THE WEEK

BASKETBALL GAMES

Friday, December 13th @ HOME:

4:45pm: Girls 5/6 - Allington vs St. Lawrence
5:50pm: Boys 7/8 - Felhaber vs St. Thecla
6:55pm: Girls 7/8 - McMahon vs St. Lawrence
8:00pm: Boys 7/8 - Lambert vs St. Lawrence

Saturday, December 14th @ HOME:

9:05am: Boys 5/6 - Martino vs St. Lawrence
10:10am: Boys 5/6 - DiMambro vs WW Christian
11:15am: Boys 5/6 - Abdo vs OLQM
12:20pm: Girls 5/6 - Isho vs St. Lawrence
1:25pm: Boys 5/6 - Knight vs St. Lawrence
2:30pm: Boys 5/6 - Helms vs St. Lawrence
3:35pm: Girls 5/6 - Salach vs OL Star of the Sea
4:40pm: Girls 7/8 - Carrillo vs OL Star of the Sea
5:45pm: Boys 7/8 - Ballor vs OLQM
6:50pm: Boys 7/8 - Pope vs St. Lawrence

Saturday, December 14th @ AWAY:

12:30pm: Girls 7/8 - McMahon @ Everest



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are in need of several volunteers at our home games. Please take a look at the sign up and consider volunteering your time.

We truly appreciate all of your help, many hands make light work!

[2024 2025 Winter Volunteers](#)



**The Athletic Department
wishes you and your
families a very
Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!**

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS Of The Month



November

Congratulations to our Middle School Students of the Month.

Eighth Grade: Joy C. and Valentina S.

Seventh Grade: David M. and Kady L.

Sixth Grade: Teresa S. and Alex D.

Students are chosen by mutual selection of teachers and meet overall school goals of academic excellence, strong character and consistent effort.

We are very proud of these students!





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