

PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

Greetings HFRS Alumni!

I am excited to present to you the latest edition of the HFRS Alumni News.

You may have heard that we are working diligently to connect with our alumni. Our first task was to identify a class representative for each of our graduating classes. We are close to accomplishing this task with just a few classes that still remain without a representative.

We have four goals to accomplish this year in the area of alumni relations:

- Identify a class representative who will serve as a point person for each of our graduate classes.
- Create a database that lists each graduate of HFRS, and when possible, collect current contact information for the graduate.
- Create and disseminate a quarterly newsletter for our alumni.
- Host a few events for our alumni providing opportunities to rekindle friendships and reminisce about the HFRS experience.

I am looking forward to learning more about our HFRS alumni and hope to see you at one of our future events. Yours in Christ,

NOVEMBER 2023

Yearly Themes



2023-2024 Theme

For years, HFRS has developed a yearly theme which drives the mission and goals for the school year. The themes have incorporated different symbols, colors, and music that are used to set the tone and bring unity to the school community.

Our theme this year is meant to draw the children and the entire school community into an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ. It is meant to help each child understand who she/he is as a child of God in this royal, holy family.

This year there has been a continued focus on prayer, the sacraments and what it means to truly participate in Holy Mass. Children are growing in their understanding of the kerygma, which is a Greek word, meaning to proclaim the Gospel through your own experiences and journey.

Our students know what it means, and are called to tell their story of faith, while spreading the Good News of Jesus' death, and resurrection, to save us!

Mr. Jon Myers President

JESUS CHRIST IS THE REASON FOR OUR SCHOOL

[±] ALUMNINEWS

HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL



CLASS OF 2019 HONORED

The Class of 2019 was invited back to the Closing School Mass which was held on the field of South Campus in June. Alumni were asked to wear their high school cap and gowns and participate in a procession at the beginning of the Mass. Alumni joined in the hand motions during Mass and were brought to tears as they watched the annual Rite of Passage and candle passing. A reception followed the Mass where alumni enjoyed hot dogs and sharing stories with old friends.

The Class of 2020 will be invited to the Closing School Mass on June 7, 2024. More information will be forthcoming.



HFRS Students of the Year Reunite at De La Salle

De La Salle has the good fortune of having Holy Family's last four male students of the year all enrolled at their school at the same time. We are confident that they are doing great things for De La Salle just as they did at Holy Family. Once a Wildcat, Always a Wildcat.

Pictured from left to right: Charlie Seip '20, John Tosch '21, Zackary Wagner '22, and Gavin Velicevic '23.

STUDENTS CELEBRATE ALL SAINTS DAY MASS



"Every year, I look forward to seeing this Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton costume at the All Saints Day Mass. It was made by my mother, Rita Bayley, for my daughter, Katie Sucher ('99). Katie wore it at the All Saints Day Mass about 30 years ago when she was a Holy Family student. Family folklore is that we are related to Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton whose maiden name was Bayley!"

Submitted by Karen Sucher Former Parent and North Campus Secretary

Camille Estrellas Third Grade Student

Kate (Sucher) Coogan '99

Elizabeth Ann Seton Award

Do you know of an alumnus who is making a difference in the lives of others through works of charity?

Nominations are now being accepted for the HFRS Elizabeth Ann Seton Award which will be awarded during Catholic Schools Week to an alumnus who exemplifies a life of humility, simplicity, and charitable work.

To nominate an alumnus, submit a written paragraph which includes the name of the alumnus and how they are making an impact through charitable work.

Nominations can be emailed to myers.jon@holyfam.org by January 20, 2024



SAVE THE DATE

2024 BENEFIT EVENING Friday, March 8, 2024 Palazzo Grande

Follow the event on Instagram

Attendees must be 21 and over to attend

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: PAUL BELANGER '14

If you are visiting the halls of Brother Rice High School this year. you may have the pleasure of seeing Paul Belanger from the class 2014. Paul recently began teaching Theology classes at his alma matter after attending Franciscan University and doing graduate work at Ave Maria in Florida.

Paul is grateful for the religious education and spiritual foundation that he received at HFRS and fondly remembers his interactions with

Mrs. Knox and Mrs. Warburton who were instrumental in his faith journey throughout Mr. Belanger '14 with Brother Rice Students,

Nick Hou '23 and Chase Kasab '23

middle school. Paul recalls competing in the Scholastic Olympics, and with some coaching from Mrs. Knox, he brought home the award for Religion.

Paul enjoys teaching the high school students from HFRS who attend Brother Rice. He is impressed with the knowledge and religious formation that he sees in our recent graduates. Paul explains how HFRS had an impact on his formation in faith, "Middle school is an opportunity for students to use critical thinking and being placed in an environment that supports religion, made a big difference in my education at HFRS."

HFRS Annual Fund

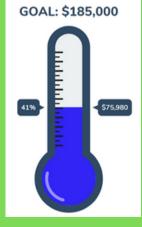
We are grateful to all who have made contributions to the Annual Fund.

This year the actual cost of educating one child at HFRS is \$8,296. The difference between the actual cost and the cost of tuition and fees will be made up through our fundraising efforts. We ask that you prayerfully consider a tax-deductible donation to the school that will help us fill the gap. A contribution in any amount is welcomed, appreciated, and is considered an affirmation of our ministry in providing a Catholic education.

Click on this link to make an online contribution or use the QR code.

Thank you for supporting HFRS!









TEACHERS AND STAFF RECOGNIZED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

The Office of Catholic Schools recognized many of our faculty and staff members for their years of service to Catholic schools at the annual Prep Bowl at Ford Field. These employees, who have served at Holy Family Regional School and in other Catholic schools in the AOD, have made an invaluable contribution to our faith, our community and our students. Congratulations to the following employees for their dedication and commitment to Catholic education. Twenty Five Years: Donna Blankenburg and Taryn Sabo. Twenty Years: Laura Abbott and Melissa Flasck. Fifteen Years: Alex Brown. Ten Years: Kristin Cangemi, Claudia Garcia, Krystin Kennedy, Sara Peterson, Christine Whitley. Five Years: Alexandra Ehms, Maria Montez and Danielle Moselev.

Twenty Five Years





MRS. DONNA BLANKBURG

MRS. TARYN SABO



MRS. LAURA ABBOTT



MRS. MELISSA FLASCK

Fifteen Years



Ten Years



MS. KRISTIN CANGEMI

Five Years



MS. ALEXANDRA EHMS '08



MRS. CLAUDIA GARCIA



MRS. KRYSTIN KENNEDY



MRS. SARA PETERSON '96



MRS. CHRIS WHITLEY





MRS. MARIA MONTEZ

MRS. DANIELLE MOSELEY





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REGISTER TO RECEIVE AN ALUMNI CARD



BENEFITS INCLUDE

- Priority Enrollment
- Quarterly Newsletter
- Event Alerts
- HFRS Swag
- Discount Tickets to Fundraising Events
- Free Admittance to Sporting Events









HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FIND CLASS REPRESENTATIVES FOR 36 OF OUR 41 GRADUATING CLASSES. WE ARE STILL SEEKING CLASS Representation from the class of '85, '86, '87, '88, and '90. If you know of an HFRS graduate from any of these years, please have them contact the advancement department. We would love to speak with them about connecting their classmates to our events. Also, please encourage all HFRS alumni to register on our website to receive alumni communications.

2023 GAVIN VELICEVIC 2022 STELLA BABAJAN 2021 MARIA SAAD 2020 CHARLIE SEIP 2019 LILYANA ISHO 2018 CHRIS GALLE 2017 DREW SANDS 2016 SERGIO GUERRA 2015 EVARISTO GARCIA 2014 LAUREN NEIHEISAL 2013 MARINA (IZZI) DUBOIS 2012 SHAWN POTWARDOWSKI 2011 JENNA (SASSACK) BUR 2010 MARIA (REDOUTEY) HUA

2009 MARISSA DIMAMBRO 2008 ALEX EHMS 2007 MICHAEL BOUNDY 2006 SALVATORE MUNACO 2005 MAGGIE (KLOSTERMAN) DECKER 2004 CHRIS MALTESE 2003 ANTHONY STEWART 2002 JOHN VANDERCRUYSSEN 2001 MELISSA (MCMAHON) MCINTOSH 2000 LAURA (VANDERCRUYSSEN) NAZIONE 1999 SCOTT DOYLE 1998 DAVID DONOUGHE 1997 MARTY MACKOWSKI 1996 TRACY (CAREY) LOGAN 1995 ALDO SALERNO 1994 RENAE (PLACINSKI) GODISH 1993 ELIZABETH (DUDEK) KENNEDY 1992 COLLEEN (DOYLE) MCCABE 1991 ANDREA (BURNS) THOMAS 1990 1989 AMY (KOMENDERA) BERRY 1988 1987 1988 1987 1986 1985 1985 1984 JOHN PAUL BELANGER 1983 KATIE (BABCOCK) MASON

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