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**PANTHER PRESS**

*Holy Family, believing that each student is a child of God, challenges each to embrace the Gospel message,  
to achieve academic excellence and to make a difference in the world.*

February 25, 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

What a fun week to hear about a saint not commonly known, St. Polycarp, and a wonderful person for us to emulate. St. Polycarp was known for his bravery. Fr. Joe spent time during his homily reminding us how being brave is something Jesus wants us to be. Jesus needs us to stand up for those who are being made fun of. He needs us to do what is right when everyone else is doing what is easy. God honors those who are brave. How will we do this for God? We will take care of and love others. We will comfort those who are hurting. Thank you, God, for St. Polycarp. Help us to be brave. Amen. If you do have the opportunity to join us for an All School Mass, please do! We would love to pray with you!

There are many things happening at our school and our parish at this time. Please be sure to read this newsletter thoroughly.

We had a wonderful Kindergarten Parent Meeting this week! We have 48 students registered for our Kindergarten for next year! Thank you, parents, for being ambassadors for our school! We look forward to welcoming many new students and families in the upcoming school year! Watch for information to share on a NEW HFS Transfer Student Grant with prospective families. Please invite new and prospective families to our Open House on March 13th from 1pm - 3pm. This Open House is designed to highlight what we already know, how special HFS is!

Congratulations to Emmie who earned her place on the 4th Grade "Wall of Fame"

for mastering her multiplication facts! Division facts, here she comes!



Updated Covid Protocol\_Mask Optional: [HFS Covid Protocol- Masks Optional 01\\_31\\_22 - Google Docs.pdf](#)

**Preschool Masking CHANGE:** Masking is strongly recommended in the LARA Guidelines, which is the agency that licenses our Preschool and Extended Care. Therefore, beginning Monday, February 28th, students in Preschool and Extended Care are strongly recommended to wear masks, but are longer required to wear masks.

## HFS AUCTION 2022

Planning Meeting: [Auction Meeting\\_2022.pdf](#)

Have a safe and wonderful weekend!

Mrs. Theresa Purcell, Principal

## PEP RALLY - FRIDAY, MARCH 4 @ 9:45am

Theme: **BLUE OUT**

All students are asked to wear a BLUE shirt with jeans on this day.

Parents are welcome to attend and may stand along the wall.

### Face Painting/Hair Coloring 8th Grade ONLY

8th Grade students: Coloring must be done **BEFORE** you arrive at school.

## PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher Conferences are coming soon! A Sign-Up Genius was sent to parents from your child's teacher on Tuesday, February 22nd. Conferences will be on Tuesday, March 1st from 4pm - 7pm and on Thursday, March 3rd from 1pm - 4pm.

## NEWS FROM OUR 8TH GRADE

THANK YOU!

8th Grade students would like to thank all of you who participated in the Can and Bottle Drive.

Nearly \$2,000 was raised! Watch for photos of their DC adventures on Holy Family School Facebook!

### DC Parent Meeting - Tuesday, March 8th at 6pm in the HFS cafeteria

Please park in the lower lot.

## NEWS FROM OUR HFS STUDENT COUNCIL

Thank you for supporting our School Store this week! Watch for news of future dates!

## HFS ROBOTICS TEAM for 2022-2023 - Looking for Volunteers!

I am very excited and hopeful that we will have a Robotics Team once again at Holy Family for the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Scott Angus (Claire - 1st Grade and Connor - 3rd Grade) has volunteered to be one of the leaders of this club. We will need at least one more, but would like two or three more volunteers to help direct this team. This team would be open to students in Grade 4-6. There is a maximum number of 10 on a team. There is also a good chance that we could have a K-3 team! This program would run from late August through December, if the team makes it to the State Finals. If you are interested, please contact the school office at 810-694-9072. Mrs. Harvey or Mrs. Campbell will take your name and contact information. We will follow up with the volunteers and hold a meeting to explain the program and the time commitment. If we get the volunteers, this will be an exciting program to add to our school. Thank you!

## HFS REGISTRATION FOR 2022-2023 IS NOW OPEN!

Help us grow our HFS Family and earn a \$500 tuition credit! See our website for further details under the "ADMISSIONS" tab.

Financial Aid and Scholarship forms can be found on our website. All forms are due by March 1st.

**DOL Scholarships & Financial Aid:** Check [www.dioceseoflansing.org](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org)

\*NEW: The Saint Jose Luis Sanchez del Rio Scholarship (Grades K-12 \$500.00)

### **HFS-Catholic High School Tuition Assistance**

Holy Family Parish offers a tuition subsidy to students of active and participating Holy Family parishioners that attend a Catholic High School. An active and participating parishioner is defined as someone who regularly attends Sunday Mass, volunteers in parish/school functions, and gives joyfully, spiritually and sacrificially to the needs of our Church and School.

This form is due March 1st. No exceptions will be granted.

Forms can be found on our website at [hfsgb.org](http://hfsgb.org) under "Scholarship & Tuition Assistance Holy Family/High School/College

## **NEWS FROM OUR PARISH**

**Eucharistic Adoration** every Tuesday from 2:00pm - 6:00pm and every Friday from 12:00pm - 4:00pm

### **Rosary for Peace**

Every Wednesday at 4:00pm in the church

### **Pray the Patriotic Rosary**

Every Thursday at 4:00pm in the church

**Our Lenten Journey:** [Holy Family 2022 Lenten Journey.pdf](#)

## **NEWS FROM OUR PTO**

Mother/Son Dodgeball is TONIGHT! Have fun!

## **HFS SPORTS NEWS**

Boys' Basketball continues! Watch for a **TEXT** message regarding practice times for next week due to the 1/2 days.

## **NEWS FROM POWERS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS**

**Powers Bowling Coach**, Mr. Matthew Wheeler

Powers Catholic Bowling Coach, Mr. Matthew Wheeler, would like to promote the Middle school bowling season. He is trying to build a sustained program at Powers Catholic and needs to have students start bowling before their freshman

year. Here are a few points Coach Wheeler wants to share with our parents and students in **Grades 6-8**:

- The number of bowlers at the high school level has increased and Powers is able to field their first JV boys team in program history this year! We want to continue with that success. After next season the program will lose 3 girls (half the team) and 4 boys.
- There are more opportunities for kids to earn scholarship money in bowling, ESPECIALLY for girls, than there is in any other sport.
- We are lucky enough to bowl in the most highly recruited state in the country, thanks to the successful bowling programs around us. Michigan is the number one state for putting out collegiate bowlers.
- We just had one of our girls win the program's first state title!

For more information, please contact Coach Wheeler at (810)447-2140.

## 2021-2022 HFS Calendar

### February

25 - PTO Dodgeball 6pm - 8pm - Have a GREAT time ducking, dodging and laughing!

### March

**March Reading Month Calendar:** [March Reading Month Calendar 2022.pdf](#) (ALL Grades are encouraged to participate!)

Tuesday, 1 - P/T Conferences 4pm - 7pm

2 - ½ day, Ash Wednesday

All School Mass @ 8am

3 - ½ day, P/T Conf. 1pm - 4pm

HFS Auction Planning meeting 7pm - 8pm

4 - ½ day

NO PRESCHOOL

Pep Rally @ 9:45am - NOTE DATE CHANGE

8 - Boosters Mtg. 8pm

Lenten Retreat for all grades

DC Parent Meeting at 6pm in the HFS Cafeteria (Please park in the lower lot.)

9 - PTO Mtg @ 6:30 in ARC (school library)

NO MORNING BUSES (GB last start)

All School Mass @ 8am

10 - 8th Grade Science Fair for Parents (more details to follow)

11- 8th Grade Science Fair for students

13 - Daylight Savings

Prospective and New Students and Families: OPEN HOUSE 1:00pm - 3:00pm

14 - NO SCHOOL; DOL PD Day for ALL Teachers

## April

7 - 8th Grade Stations of the Cross (more details to follow)

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### Lunch Menu

Feb. 25 popcorn chicken/buttered noodles/fruit/salad

Feb. 28 cheeseburgers/fries/fruit/ salad

March 1 cook choice

Mar 2-4 1/2 days

Mar 7 chicken noodle soup/ garlic cheese bread/fruit/salad

Mar 8 cheese quesadilla/Spanish rice/fruit/salad

Mar 9 French toast/ sausage/ fruit/ salad

Mar 10 hot dogs/ potato triangles/ fruit/ salad

Mar 11 spaghetti/ garlic bread/ fruit/ salad (Spaghetti does not have meat.)

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