

July 10, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

*What beautiful weather we have had again this week! I hope you had some time to enjoy it. I continued to work on the details for our return on August 31, 2020. Our GCCS region will be meeting with our Superintendent, Mr. Tom Maloney, next week on our return to school. The following week, our GCCS group of principals along with our Director, Mrs. Kasey Cronin, will meet to finalize the plans for reopening per our Governor's guidelines and those from the Diocese of Lansing. I know these times are filled with a variety of emotions. I am right there with you! I have truly appreciated the prayers and emails of encouragement. These emails continue to keep me fueled, along with the fact that I know God will take care of us.*

*I held interviews for our open art teacher position. I hope to introduce this new teacher to you next week! I also hope to complete the painting of one more classroom. :)*

*Please continue to keep all of our Holy Family School and Parish family in your prayers. We have an AWESOME family and I am so proud to be a member!*

*Please read below for other happenings in our Parish and our Diocese!*



### ***Garden Club Now Forming!!***

*We need your help! We are looking to form a Garden Club this year to prepare to re-establish our Community Garden for next year (no experience necessary). We are starting from scratch as we are moving the garden to the other side of Orchard St. and this club would act as a planning committee so we can have a successful garden next year. This project would coordinate with school student participation and the produce goes to support our Outreach food pantry, our neighbors in need as well as our school lunch salad bar.*

*Meetings will be once a month (initially via Zoom). If you are interested in joining this Club or have questions, please email the parish office at [holyfamily@hfgb.org](mailto:holyfamily@hfgb.org).*

### ***Memo from Bishop Boyea received today:***

*Yesterday, the Diocese of Lansing announced that 39 African-American students will become the first recipients of the new school scholarship named after Father Tolton.*

*The Venerable Augustus Tolton Scholarship was launched in October 2019 by Bishop Earl boyea. It is aimed at increasing the number of Catholic African American students in the diocese's 32 schools. It provides needs-based tuition assistance of \$500 per student.*

*Also, Bishop Boyea included the following:*

*Hooray for summer! Ice cream, swimming pools and bike rides are familiar things on the summer to-do list, but a few things will look a little different this summer. Since there may be no Vacation Bible School (VBS) at your parish, why not try an at-home VBS with your children on the all-important sacraments of initiation? Sheri Wohlfert explains how in this month's edition of FAITH Magazine, the official publication of the Diocese of Lansing. Click [here](#) to read.*

*A Reminder that Tommy Hilfiger Sale begins next week. The flyer is attached below.*

*Flyer: [July3 07.13 07.19 Summer Promotion Save the Date – 10% Off + Free Shipping!.pdf](#)*

*God bless,*

*Mrs. Theresa Purcell*

*Principal*

*Holy Family Catholic School*

*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.*