

Holy Family, believing that each student is a child of God, challenges each to embrace the Gospel message

through the traditions of the Catholic faith, to achieve academic excellence and to grow as saints.

January 6, 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Happy New Year!

Today we celebrated the Feast of the Epiphany. Our Three Kings joined us at Mass. After Mass, our kings, along with Fr. Joe, Fr. Le, and Dcn. Dan, marked and blessed each door of our school and gymnasium. Families can obtain blessed chalk and the prayer at Holy Family church masses this weekend to bless your home.

May all who come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us;

and may we seek and serve, in everyone we meet,

that same Jesus who is your incarnate Word, now and forever. Amen.



It has been a wonderful week getting back into the groove! We are wrapping up our Second Quarter and are looking forward to more exciting things in the weeks to come! This weekend we will have our Presenting Preschool Presentation for families who are interested in sending their child(ren) to our Preschool. This event will be at 11am on Sunday, January 8th. If you have families you know that are interested in joining our HFS family, please share this news! Remember, you can earn \$500 off your tuition with our Referral Grant.

Our boys' basketball teams began their practices this week. Next week we will begin practices for our annual Talent Show. On Thursday, K-4 students will have practice right after school in the Father Bush Parish Center. This practice is typically short. We do not expect to see "polished" acts, but get a glimpse of their act and record times and props, those that are being brought in and those needed, like a small table, microphone, stool, etc. The following week we will have practices for Grades 5-8 acts. Please have your child(ren) attend the practice for the youngest grade level student in their act.

Just before our Catholic Schools Week begins, our Second Grade students will be making their First Reconciliation. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue preparing to

receive this sacrament. For Catholic Schools Week, a Jotform requesting readers for Masses the weekend of January 28-29 will be sent out. Seventh Grade students will be participating in Powers Catholic's "Friendship Games" on Thursday, January 26th. More information on this should be shared with us soon. Seventh Grade students will need to be picked up from Powers at 3pm. A list of events for our week of celebrating will go home next week.



Our Newest 3rd Grade MILLION word reader...

Mierrei!

Congratulations!

Upcoming events include:

• January 24th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. @ Powers (auditorium)

Protecting Young Eyes Presents "The Digital Culture of Kids: Building a Framework of Trust"

Open to all GCCS School Families Grades K-12

Targeted Audience: (Parents and Caring Adults, 14+) due to the adult topics

Technology can do so much good in the world. But if not used well, it can also do so much harm. Never before in human history have young people had the ability to so radically change the trajectory of each other's lives so quickly.

After 7+ years, over 1,500 presentations, testifying in front of Congress, and countless conversations with parents, students, educators, and officers, PYE has discovered that parental controls alone don't work and instead, there are 5 traits that often determine digital success in many families. We call these 5 traits the Digital Trust Framework. What is Digital Trust? Do you have it? How does it apply to conversations about social media? Pornography? YouTube? TikTok? Our fast-paced talk will use stories, simple examples, and quick tips that will give your family immediate actions.

Our desired outcomes include:

- Knowing the benefits of creating digital trust.
- Greater confidence leading your family in the digital age.
- Awareness of the hardware and software tools that support your digital goals.

Catholic Schools Week: January 29, 2023 - February 3, 2023

*New April 24 - NO SCHOOL (DOL Curriculum Mtg.)

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW IN FAITH AT HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Traveling Prayer Chalice is Back!

We have been praying especially for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. We are continuing our efforts by introducing to you our Traveling Prayer Chalice for

Vocations. This is a special ministry that invites you to reserve a time to take home this special chalice, along with daily short prayers that will be prayed over the course of a week.

For more information, please contact Genevieve Psenski at gpsenskiehfgb.org / 810-694-4891 or Rob Toth at 810-965-7239.

Funeral Luncheon Volunteers

We are very blessed to be able to host funeral luncheons for our families following their loved ones funeral Mass. This is an important opportunity for friends and extended family to support and share with our bereaved. We are looking for volunteers to grow this ministry. Please consider joining this wonderful group which sets up or serves the luncheons. Each luncheon will take approximately 1 to 2 hours of your time. For more information, please contact Genevieve in the parish office at gpsenski@hfgb.org or 810 694-4891.

Noon Mass Ushers

We are in need of some ushers for noon Mass. If you are interested, please contact Genevieve Psenski at gpsenski@hfgb.org or (810) 694-4891, ext. 2252.

SPORTS/EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Girls Competitive Cheer

Boys Basketball began this week!

Have a fabulous weekend!

Mrs. Theresa Purcell, Principal

JANUARY

- 6, Friday All School Mass @ 8am Epiphany
- 8, Sunday Presenting Preschool Open House in the ARC 11am noon
- 9, Monday NJHS Mtg. at 3pm

CASUAL PANTHER (Courtesy of Auction '22 - The Zloto Family)

- 10, Tuesday Athletic Boosters at 8pm
- 11, Wednesday All School Mass @ 8am
- 12, Thursday Talent Show Rehearsal (Grades K-4)
- 13, Friday 2nd Quarter Ends

NO GB BUSES

- 16, Monday NO SCHOOL; Record's Day
- 18, Wednesday All School Mass @ 8am

PTO Mtg. at 6:30pm

Report cards posted at 3pm

- 19, Thursday Talent Show Rehearsal (Grades 5-8)
- 20, Friday CASUAL PANTHER (Courtesy of Auction '22-The Noveloso Family)
- 23, Monday NO GB BUSES

POSITIVITY SHIRT + uniform bottoms

25, Wednesday - All School Mass @ 8am

8th Grade Science Fair 5:30pm - 7pm (Parents invited to 6pm

Mass) FBPC - small hall

26, Thursday - Talent Show Dress Rehearsal for ALL (K-8)

PTO Family Project DUE

- 27, Friday Kindergarten 100th Day of School Celebration
- 28, Saturday First Reconciliation (2nd Grade) at 9am

29, Sunday - Catholic Schools Week Begins!

Open House 11am - noon