



PANTHER PRESS



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.

October 14,
2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

What a beautiful day our entire school and parish staff had together! Our retreat focused on the Trinity and community. It was a wonderful day of prayer, reflection, and fellowship!

Thursday evening was an exciting day for our parish family and 54 students. Students from the HFS Class of 2022 and our parish received Confirmation! Please keep these students in your prayers.



*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of
your faithful; and kindle in them the fire
of your love.*



Last week we celebrated the addition of Lillian Potts to our Kindergarten class. This week, please join me in welcoming Corbin and Emmett Cruz and their family to our HFS Family! Corbin joined our First Grade class and Emmett our Preschool. What a great week to become a Panther!

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW IN FAITH AT HOLY FAMILY PARISH

- Women's Gospel Reflection is held on Thursday mornings in the St. Joseph Hall. This is a Bible study focusing on the upcoming Sunday's Gospel reading. All are welcome to attend. No need to sign up or commit. For more information contact Cathy Szczerba at 810-656-7752.

- Holy Family Parish Adult Choir is looking to add more members to its adult choir. Rehearsals are Tuesdays at 7:00pm in the church. This choir sings at the 10:00 am Sunday Masses. Please contact Dr. Simon Lee at musicdirector@hfgb.org.
- "I Thirst", A Weekend Encounter with Jesus; Men's Retreat, November 5th - 6th, 2022

Not an overnight

Open to all men 18 years and older


\$25 Registration fee; Register at <http://www.hfgb.org>

Saturday 8:30am - 8:30pm Sunday 7:30am - 12:30pm

Questions? Contact Rob Toth at tothrob@hotmail.com

- 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.
- We are looking for occasional help to substitute for our regularly scheduled volunteers in the parish office. For more information, please contact Genevieve Psenski at gpsenski@hfgb.org or (810) 694-4891, ext. 2252.
- Advent by Candlelight SAVE THE DATE! Thursday, December 1, 2022

PTO NEWS

- UM/MSU Canned Food Drive coming soon! October 24 - 27, 2022 
- Trunk-or-Treat, Monday, October 31, 2022 7:25am - 12:15pm
 - Link: <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c0f4aa5a62aa2fccf8-20222023> (You may need to copy and paste the link into a new tab.)
 - Link will also allow you to volunteer for other events like the Shop-n-Sip coming up on November 29th!

EIGHTH GRADE FUNDRAISING FOR DC TRIP

- "Donate Dollars to Decide" Place your vote during lunch October 17th - 21st.

Flyer: [DC Fundraising - Donate Dollars to Decide.pdf](#)

- Wrapping Paper and More!

Flyer: [8th Grade Charleston Wrap Letter.pdf](#)

SAVE THE DATE - NEWLY ADDED TO CALENDAR

Wednesday, October 26, 2022: **PINK OUT**

Flyer: [Wellness Committee_PinkOut_2022.pdf](#)

THE POSITIVITY PROJECT

Parent Connection Link: <https://posproject.org/p2-for-families/>

This week's virtue/characteristic: Forgiveness

Role Models (Saints known for this virtue.): St. Patrick, Bl. Margaret of Castello, St. Josephine Bakhita

Why does forgiveness matter? Forgiveness is the ability to move past being hurt by someone. By forgiving someone, you don't have to say that what the other person did was okay. Forgiveness allows you to let go of the hurt and move forward.

Goal: Think of a friend or classmate with whom you recently had a disagreement. Try to put yourself in their shoes and try to understand their perspective. Understanding someone else's perspective does not give them permission to hurt you. However, it may help you to forgive them and move forward.

Remember, a person can demonstrate forgiveness every single day!

Next week's virtue/characteristic: Honesty/Integrity

Role Models (Saints known for this virtue.): Bls. Jacinta & Francesco Marto, St. Kateri Tekawitha, St. Athanasius

Challenge: Integrity is doing the right thing even when no one is watching. Some simple ways to demonstrate integrity are: walking in the halls, taking turns, and cleaning up after yourself even if no one is watching. Also, make sure to follow through when you make a promise!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you would like to volunteer to help in our cafeteria, or Technology classes or Art classes, please go to our website, click on the "Parent Involvement" tab, and then VIRTUS tab. All volunteers must take the VIRTUS online training, and sign a Code of Conduct Form and a Background Release Form. Please email Mrs. Cindy Jones at cjones@hfs.gb.org and let her know where you can help. With our volunteers we are able to offer and do so much more!

AFTER SCHOOL CHILDREN'S CHOIR (Grades 3 - 8)

Choir practices will be on Mondays after school until 4pm in the Music Room beginning.

Please park in the Father Bush Parish Lot. Students will exit by the Music Room door.

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

JOIN NOW ... Membership Opportunity Ends: October 30th, 2022

Our HFS Athletic Boosters provide:

- The opportunity to offer a no cut, no fee Athletic Program for our HFS students!
- Playground equipment and maintenance for all grades Preschool – 8th.
- Physical Education equipment for students in all grades Preschool – 8th.
- 11 different athletic opportunities for students in grades 4th – 8th.
- A fall & winter Basketball program for students in grade Kindergarten – 4th (team entry fees support our school).

Link: <https://hfsboosters.pushpayevents.com/>

SPORTS

		2022 SPORTS - Practice Schedule				
		Final Schedule for October 2022				
MONDAY 17	TUESDAY 18	WEDNESDAY 19	THURSDAY 20	FRIDAY 21		
3:00 - 4:15 TRACK Last Run  3:00 - 4:30 CHEER / Gym GAMES @ St. Roberts Babiasz @ 5 pm LeBeau @ 7 pm	3:00 - 4:30 Team LeBEAU (Team BABIASZ <i>Moved to Wednesday</i>) 4:30 - 6:00 Team ROBERTS Team MAZUR	3:00 - 4:30 Team Mr. Q Team Babiasz (was Tuesday) NO 7th & 8th Practice Due to 7th Grade Camp	GAMES @ Holy Family Gym Mazur @ 5 pm Mr. Q @ 6 pm	4:30 - 6:00 Team ROBERTS ?? GAMES @ POWERS SATURDAY, OCT. 22 Roberts @ 9 am LeBeau @ 10 am <i>Come support their last game of the season!</i>		
MONDAY 24						
3:00 - 4:30 CHEER / Gym GAMES @ St. John Babiasz @ 5 pm Mazur @ 6 pm						

Good luck to our XC Runners tomorrow!

Have a blessed weekend!

Mrs. Theresa Purcell, Principal

OCTOBER

14, Friday - NO SCHOOL (All Staff Retreat with Fr. Joe)

17, Monday - POSITIVITY SHIRT + uniform bottoms

19, Wednesday - All School Mass @ 8am

Fall Picture Retakes (+ Preschool 4's)

20, Thursday - Vocations Mass (6th Grade) @ Lansing Catholic HS

19 - 21 - 7th Grade Camp

22, Saturday - Powers Trunk or Treat for all GCCS families 4pm - 6pm, Powers HS

24 - 27 - UM/MSU Canned Food Competition for HF Outreach

24, Monday - POSITIVITY SHIRT + uniform bottoms

8th Grade "Donate Dollars to Decide" Fundraising RESULTS!

26, Wednesday - All School Mass @ 8am

Wellness Committee's PINK OUT; Dress in pink shirt, hat, shoes, or socks with uniform bottoms to support Breast Cancer Awareness. Donations of small hand lotions will be accepted and be distributed to local cancer institutes.

27, Thursday - CASUAL PANTHER

(Courtesy of Auction '22-The Psenski Family)

First Quarter Ends (10 weeks)

Wellness Committee - Fall Color Run at 7am (Meet in SJC parking)

lot; run Jewitt Trail; healthy snacks in SJC before school bell
rings)

28, Friday - Records' Day; NO SCHOOL

29, Saturday - UM/MSU Football Game

30, Sunday - Powers Catholic Open House 12:00pm - 3:00pm

31, Monday - ALL Halloween parties/PTO Trunk-or-Treat FBPC Parking Lot

Report cards posted at 3pm

NO GB BUSES

31 - Nov 2 - Book Fair ARC