



# 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.*

November 11, 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

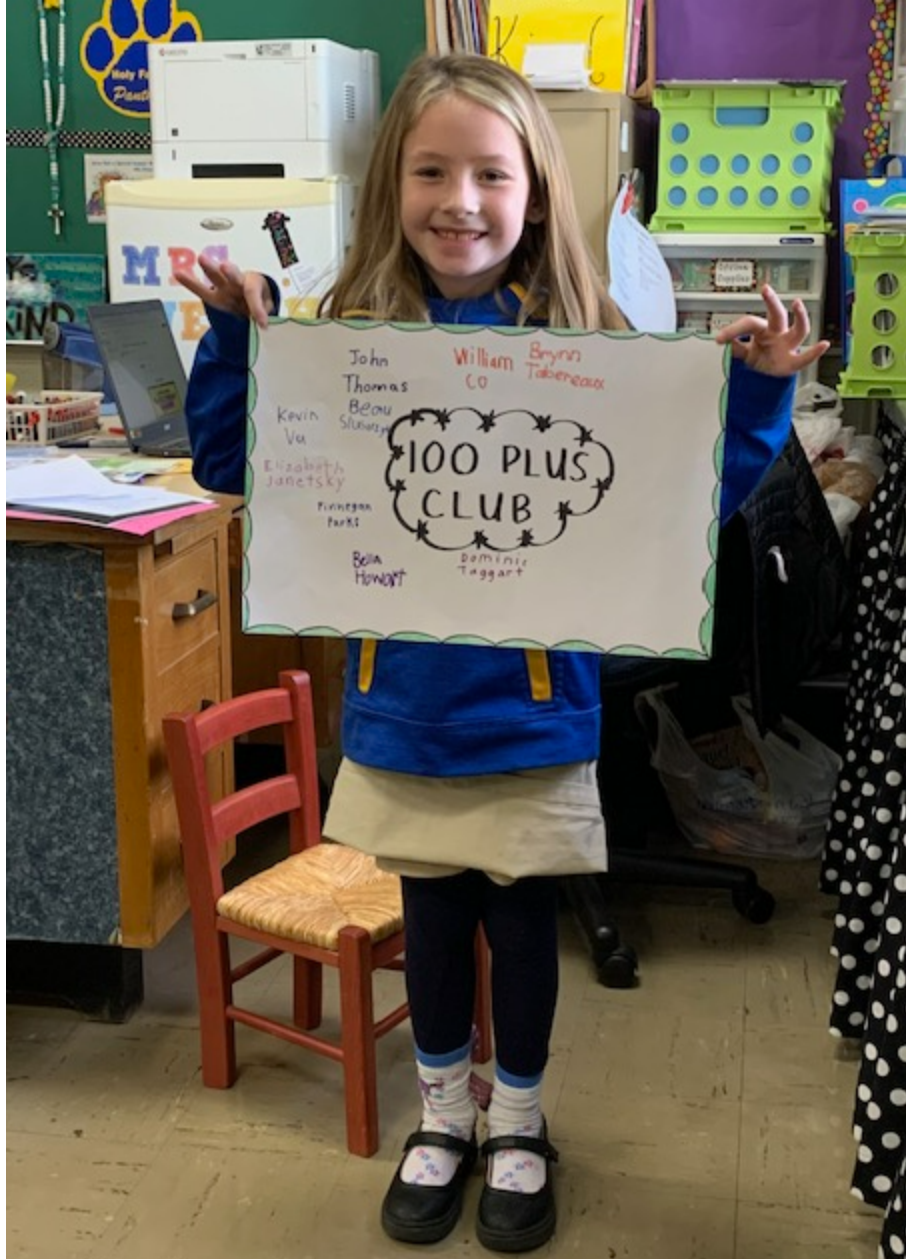


Our Panther Spirit was LOUD and PROUD at today's Pep Rally. It was great to recognize all of our fall sports/extracurricular teams. Honored today were our 5th - 8th Girls Basketball teams, 5th-6th Flag Football teams, 7th-8th Tackle Football team, Cheer team, Cross Country team, and Robotics teams. Our Third Grade and Eighth Grade classes won the "VICTORY" Cheer. Congratulations!

This week's Mass was a little known feast day, the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. This is the church where the Pope is pastor. Fr. Joe shared with us his favorite church and reminded us that there is an even more beautiful temple than that...US! We are the most beautiful thing God has ever made and nothing can compare to what's inside of us. There is a beauty and light in each of us. We are so thankful to God that He chose our heart as His temple.



On Thursday, we were visited by some of our alumni who brought us cookies. It was wonderful to see Abby, Danielle, Ella, and Brody back! They even joined some of us out on the playground! Fun, laughter, and cookies...a delicious combination!



Look who joined the 100 Plus Club! Congratulations, Bella! Keep up the great work!

## **STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS**

School Store will be Monday-Tuesday before Thanksgiving during recess, November 21st, 22nd. Cost of items will be between 25¢-\$2.00.



## Upcoming events include:

- Fall Clean-up on SATURDAY, November 19th from 10am - noon. Please park in the upper lot and bring your garden gloves and rakes!
- GCCS Ski/Snowboard Club

Flyer: [Genesee County Catholic Schools Ski and Snowboard Club 2023.pdf](#)

Flyer: [student-patch-ski.pdf](#)

Flyer: [student-patch-snowboard.pdf](#)

- PTO's Shop-n-Sip on TUESDAY, November 29th!
- PTO's Santa's Workshop

Santa's Workshop will be held this year from Monday, December 5 - Thursday, December 8 in the St. Joe's Hall. In order to make it a success for our students, we are in need of many volunteers. Please see the link below to sign up to help. Thank you in advance!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4AA9A62BA5F85-santas>

- Powers Catholic's Winter Wonderland Dance for ALL GCCS 7th/8th Grade students  
Saturday, December 3, 2022 6pm - 8pm

Flyer: [Powers Catholic\\_Winter Wonderland Dance\\_Dec3\\_2022.pdf](#)

- Powers Catholic's Santa's Helpers December 3, 2022 10am - 2pm

Flyer: [Powers Catholic\\_Santa's Helpers\\_2022 \(1\).pdf](#)

## OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW IN FAITH AT HOLY FAMILY PARISH

- NEW!! Altar Server Training for students in Grades 4th - 8th, both CURRENT & New

PDF: [HF Altar Server Training.pdf](#)

- 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](mailto:musicdirector@hfgb.org).

- 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](mailto: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](mailto:gpsenski@hfgb.org) or (810) 694-4891, ext. 2252.
- Advent by Candlelight      SAVE THE DATE! Thursday, December 1, 2022

## **EIGHTH GRADE FUNDRAISING FOR DC TRIP**

Wrapping Paper and More!

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

## **THE POSITIVITY PROJECT**

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

This week's virtue/characteristic: Fortitude (Bravery)

Role Models (Saints known for this virtue.): Sts. Paul Miki & Companions, St. Bernadette, St. Joan of Arc

Why does fortitude matter?

Being brave is very important and can come in many forms. Firefighters demonstrate bravery when they run toward danger to save lives. But not all acts of courage are so dramatic. Learning new things and standing up for what is right even when those around you are making a different choice are ways everyone can demonstrate bravery.

What does it look like?

Finding the courage to try new things takes Bravery. Learning to ride a bike or play a new sport are perfect examples! Bravery is also finding the strength to say no to something that you know is wrong. Standing up for what is right even when those around you are making a different choice is an act of bravery.

## **SPORTS/EXTRACURRICULAR**

Girls Volleyball games begin TOMORROW, November 11th @ Powers!

6th/7th/8th Cheer - Watch for news about Competitive Cheer for the winter season!

Good luck to our Robotics teams - Blue, Yellow, Claw, and Tooth. These teams will compete TOMORROW! Good luck!

Team Panther will compete on December 3!

Looking forward to hearing about your competition on Monday!

**Robotics team members, please wear your team shirts with uniform bottoms to school on MONDAY, November 14th. We will be taking team pictures for the yearbook. Thank you!**

Happy Veterans Day! Today, we honor all military members for their service to our country.

One of the Pope's mission societies shared a Veterans Day prayer for us.

*Dear Lord, today we honor our veterans, worthy men and women who gave their best when they were called upon to serve and protect their country. We pray that you will bless them for their unselfish service in the continual struggle to preserve our freedoms, our safety and our country's heritage, for all of us. Amen. Remember also in prayer children and families in the Pope's missions affected by war. Amen.*

Have a blessed weekend!

Mrs. Theresa Purcell, Principal

## NOVEMBER

**NEW DATE: Book Fair: Online shopping opened through Nov.13!!**

Link: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/holyfamilyschool29>

11, Friday - ½ Day (Dismissal at 11:20am)

SPIRIT DAY

FALL PEP RALLY begins at 10:00am; Parents are welcome to join us!

NO afternoon GB BUSES (11:20am dismissal)

14, Monday - NJHS Mtg. at 3pm

POSITIVITY SHIRT + uniform bottoms

Robotics teams wear your team shirt with uniform bottoms.

16 - 18 - Powers Fall Play

16, Wednesday - PTO Mtg. at 6:30pm

All School Mass @ 8am

8th Grade Parent Meeting (2023-2024 Incoming Freshmen)

6pm @ Powers Catholic HS

18, Friday - Junior High Dance 7pm - 9:30pm in the cafeteria

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

21, Monday - POSITIVITY SHIRT + uniform bottoms

K Thanksgiving Feast SJC

23, Wednesday - ½ Day (Dismissal @ 11:20am)

All School Mass @ 8am (Good will offering for HF Outreach)

NO GB BUSES

24, Thursday - NO SCHOOL; HAPPY THANKSGIVING

25, Friday - NO SCHOOL

28 - POSITIVITY SHIRT + uniform bottoms

PTO Shop-n-Sip FBPC Small and Large Halls set up

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30 - Wednesday - All School Mass @ 8am

