

# 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 18, 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

What an amazing week! So much is happening at HFS that I'm shortening this week's newsletter to bullet points. (Okay, so I thought this would be shorter, but...)

 All four of our First Robotics Explore teams (grades K-3) attended their end of year expo event. This event was a lot of fun filled with engineering and team building activities! The kids participated in several challenges, watched a First Lego Challenge team (grades 4-5) and First Tech teams (grades 6-8) demonstrate their robots and finally our students stood before the judges (AND CROWD) to present their final projects, including engineering solution, programming, poster and Lego builds. The judges asked A LOT of interview questions but our students held up and provided thoughtful answers to each query. Our students were required to handle everything themselves with NO adult assistance. Each team walked away with a trophy!

- Team Blue won the Coding Trophy for demonstrating a solid understanding of how to maximize the programming of their Lego build
- Team Yellow won the Challenge Solution Trophy for providing the most realistic and beneficial solution to the season's challenge
- Team Claw won the Gold Rush Community Impact Trophy for a solution that positively impacts the global environment
- Team Tooth won the Team Model Trophy for having the best project model and using it most efficiently in their presentation

We are very proud of our Explore teams and look forward to next year!

• The month of November is dedicated to vocations. Each class is spending time learning about vocations. Our 8th Grade classes joined Fr. Joe on his Q & A today. Please check out Youtube and watch the show! We learned some interesting facts about vocations and Fr. Joe's journey to priesthood. (Below are excerpts from a book titled "The Vocation to the Priesthood from A to Z" that our Second Grade classes wrote and illustrated for Fr. Le and Fr. Joe.)

chloe is for You. You are so special to us at Family. You said, "yes" to being Holy a priest. Thank you!

Q is for Quantum catechesis. Emily
Father Joe has a web show called Quantum
catechesis He teaches and entertains
us with his show.

- Competitive Cheer Program to begin in December for girls in Grades 6-8. An email was sent out today explaining this program.
- HFS Makers Faire is returning! Mrs. Piper is coordinating this program and leading the students. An email was sent out today with more information. Please read carefully. The students must submit a plan. Their product must be ready to sell in February.
- Registration for the 2023-2024 school year has opened. Registration will be open to the public on January 3, 2023.
- 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.

# STUDENT CHOICE MENU FOR NOVEMBER 21st

The votes are in! Lunch on November 21 will be...WAFFLES with toppings and bacon!

- Snow has arrived! Students in Grades K-4 need to have snow gear for recess: boots, snow pants, hats, gloves/mittens, scarves, etc. We go outside unless the temperature is below 10°F.
- December Lunch Menu: Lunch Menu\_December 2022.pdf
- NEW DATE: Fall Clean-up on SATURDAY, November 26th from 10am noon. Please park in the upper lot and bring your garden gloves and rakes!
- Don't forget to register for: Powers Catholic's Santa's Helpers December 3, 2022 10am - 2pm

Flyer: Powers\_Santa's Helper.pdf





Our amazing 100 Plus Club continues to grow!



Congratulations to Lily, Nora, Lawson, Jonah, and Alice!

Now starts the 200 Plus Club!

Congratulations to Elizabeth for leading the way!

Keep up the fabulous reading Second Grade!



Congratulations to Emma, whose name dons the Multiplication Wall of Fame in 4th Grade!

Upcoming events include:

- Fall Clean-up on SATURDAY, November 26th from 10am noon. Please park in the upper lot and bring your garden gloves and rakes!
- PTO's Shop-n-Sip on TUESDAY, November 29th!
- Powers Catholic's Winter Wonderland Dance for ALL GCCS 7th/8th Grade students

Saturday, December 3, 2022 6pm - 8pm

## **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.
- 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.
- Advent by Candlelight Thursday, December 1, 2022

# PTO NEWS

Fundraiser for

When

# **HFS PTO Dine to Donate**

20% of event sales will be donated

Saturday, November 19, 2022

Time: 10:00 AM to 9:30 PM

Parent and teacher organization whose purpose is to collectively enrich their student's lives.



#### Where

Panda Express located at: 4409 Miller Road Flint MI 48507 (810) 732 - 8388



## THE POSITIVITY PROJECT

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

This week's virtue/characteristic: Gratitude

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

Why does gratitude matter?

Gratitude is feeling and expressing thankfulness and appreciation. It is knowing that there is goodness in other people and the world. Gratitude is not about ignoring the negative in life; it's simply being aware of and thankful for what is good.

Jean Baptiste Massieu: "Gratitude is the memory of the heart."

# SPORTS/EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Girls Volleyball

Schedules were distributed for the season to our athletes.

Have a blessed weekend!

Mrs. Theresa Purcell, Principal

## NOVEMBER

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 - 1/2 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

- 29 PTO Shop-n-Sip FBPC Small and Large Halls
- 30 Wednesday All School Mass @ 8am