

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.

December 21, 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Today the statue of Blessed Solanus Casey, a gift from The Hall Family, was blessed by Fr. Joe after Mass. Fr. Joe told us that Blessed Solanus lived only an hour away from us and that his parents met him! We are so fortunate to have this statue in our church. Blessed Solanus was a beautiful example of kindness. Let us be reminded to work hard at being kind every day and work less at complaining.

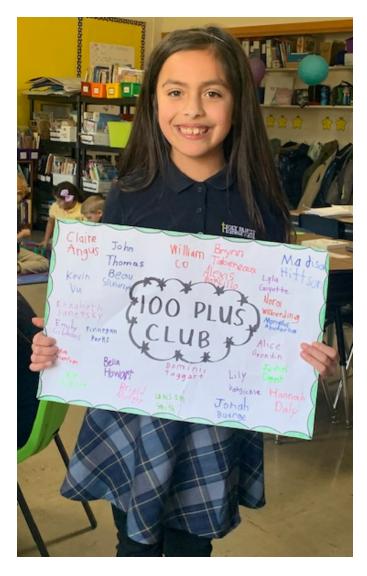
In this last week of Advent, let us look for Jesus in the lives and gifts of one another, and that share the gift of Christ within us with everyone. May the miracle of Christmas fill your heart with peace and joy.



Knights of Columbus Essay Winners: Stella G. (not pictured), Silas B. and Kyra K.

Congratulations!

Topic: How Young Catholics Evangelize Family and Friends Who Have Left the Church



Second Grade 100 Plus Club

Congratulations, Alexis!

# **Upcoming events include:**

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

\*Watch for an email on Tuesday, Jan. 3rd with the schedule of events!

\*Start planning your act and getting your music prepared for the HFS Talent Show on Friday, February 3rd! All K-8th Grade students are encouraged to participate!

#### Save the Date

January 24th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. @ Powers (auditorium0

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.

### 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 <a href="mailto:qpsenski@hfqb.org">qpsenski@hfqb.org</a> or (810) 694-4891, ext. 2252.

#### THE POSITIVITY PROJECT

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

This week's virtue/characteristic: Temperance (Self Control)

Role Models (Saints known for this virtue.):

St. Teresa of Avila

St. Camillus de Lellis

Ven. Matt Talbot
Why does temperance matter?
Self-Control is the act of managing your own behavior in a positive way.
Those with self-control are able to think before they act even when they are excited or
faced with a difficult situation.
SPORTS/EXTRA-CURRICULAR
Girls Volleyball
Girls Competitive Cheer
Days Backethall will start the first week of January
Boys Basketball will start the first week of January.

Merry Christmas!

Mrs. Theresa Purcell, Principal

## **DECEMBER**

22 - January 2 - CHRISTMAS BREAK

## **JANUARY**

2, Monday - Registration opens for 2023-2024 School Year for ALL

#### NO SCHOOL

3, Tuesday - School Resumes

PTO Family Project for CSW Announced

- 4, Wednesday No All School Mass @ 8am
- 5, Thursday SPIRIT DAY
- 6, Friday All School Mass @ 8am Epiphany
- 8, Sunday Presenting Preschool Open House 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)

27, Friday - PTO Family Project DUE

Kindergarten 100th Day of School Celebration

28, Saturday - First Reconciliation (2nd Grade) at 9am

29, Sunday - Catholic Schools Week Begins!

Open House 11am - noon