



# 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.*

December 9,  
2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This week we celebrated our Blessed Mother, modeling for us that a “Yes!” to God opens us to do God’s Will. Our students gave us many examples of their “Yes!” this week, including our Student Council visiting the senior living facility, American House. They had great conversations while making Christmas bracelets and delivering presents.



HFS Student Council members assisting seniors make holiday bracelets.



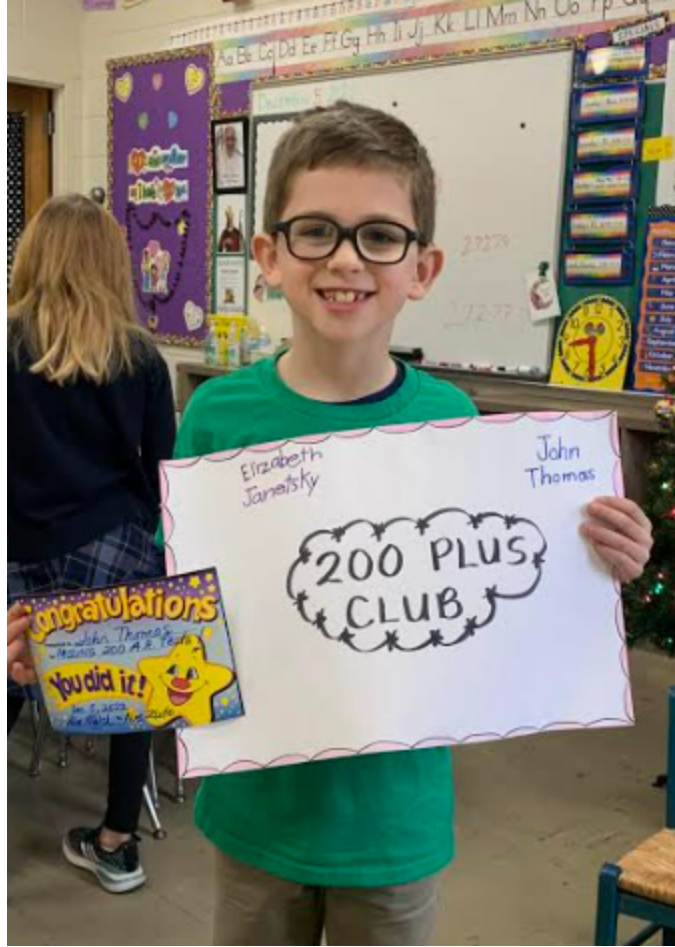
We say "Yes, my Lord!"

Holy Family's NJHS (National Junior Honor Society)

took time this week to spread Christmas cheer!

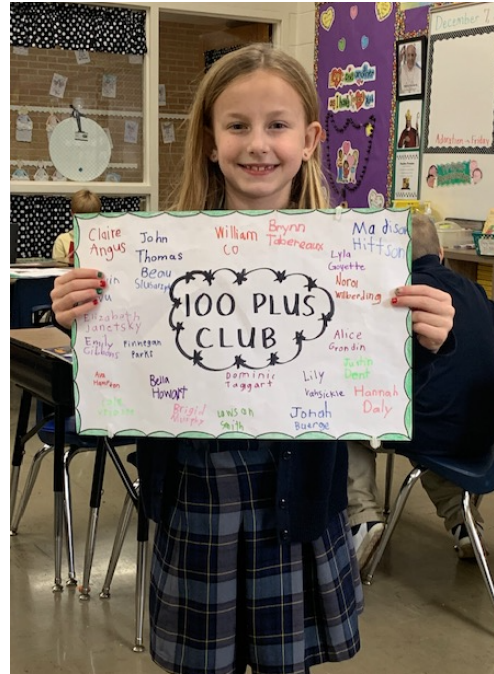
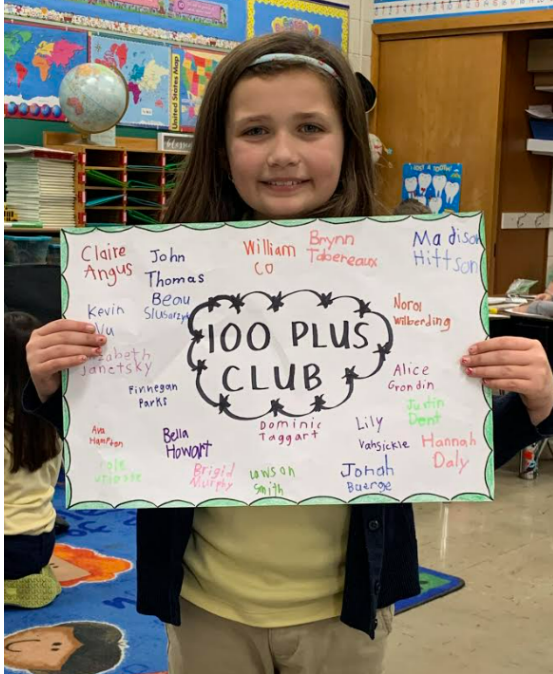
Students made homemade treats and delivered them to the GB Police Department.

We LOVE our GB community!



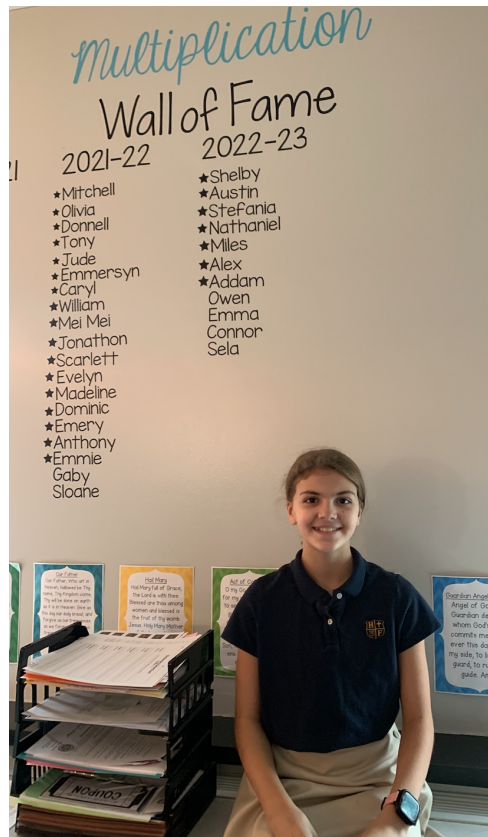
Second Grade 200 Plus Club continues to grow!

Congratulations to Johnny!



Second Grade 100 Plus Club

Congratulations, Claire and Lyla!



## 4th Grade Math Fact Multiplication Master

And addition to the Wall of Fame...

Sela!

### **ROBOTICS WRAP UP**

The event started bright and early, 7:30 am in Heartland! Our team had 4 robot runs. These robot runs take place alongside several other teams and a full gymnasium of loud fans. Our students could definitely feel the pressure but they held strong and did very well. Our highest score put us in 26th place out of 40. In parallel, there are several judging sessions including core values, robot design and programming. Students were not allowed any assistance from coaches and were questioned very thoroughly. In addition to these interviews, the team's project was presented and many questions were asked. Again, our students held up to the pressure very well and received many compliments. At the 4:30pm closing ceremony, there was a 20 minute dance party where the HFS kids showed off their moves!

This is the first season bringing robotics back to Holy Family and our students did a fantastic job! It was a pleasure working with the team and learning alongside them.

The HFS Robotics coaches

### **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM ATTIRE**

All students in Grades PS - Grade 7 and Grade 8 Band should wear Christmas attire, which includes Christmas dresses, sweaters, ties, etc. Jeans are not permitted. Please note: Band students will need a white shirt and black pants for "The Living Stations" performance during Lent.

Grade 8 Choir: White shirts with black pants are required for all students. They will wear these clothes for their performance of "The Living Stations" during Lent.

Upcoming events include:

The last day to place an order for SCRIP is Monday, December 12, 2022.

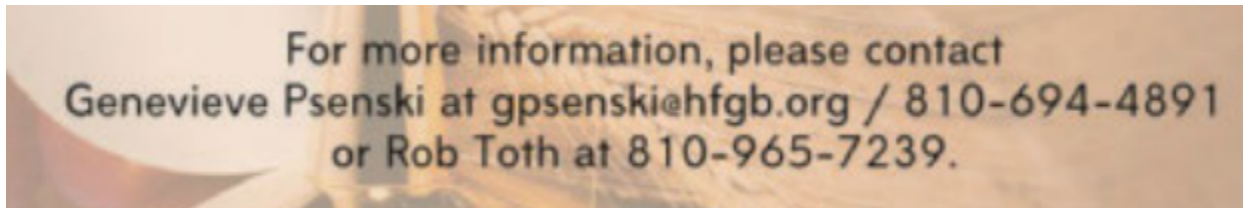
- Christmas Program, Friday, Dec. 16th at 1:15pm in the church

With the performance in the church, it is very important that all family members and friends arrive early and are seated. The students will be using the all aisles throughout the performances. This performance will be recorded. Copies will be available for sale. Class pictures will be taken and emailed to our families.

## **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.



- 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](mailto: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](mailto:gpsenski@hfgb.org) or (810) 694-4891, ext. 2252.

## **THE POSITIVITY PROJECT**

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

This week's virtue/characteristic: Kindness/Cheerfulness/Charity

Role Models (Saints known for this virtue.): St. Vincent de Paul and Ven. Laura Vicuna

Why does kindness matter?

Kind people think about the needs and feelings of other people and then act

to help those people. An individual with the strength of Kindness helps others because it's the right thing to do, not because they are trying to look good or because they expect anything in return.

### **SPORTS/EXTRA-CURRICULAR**

Girls Volleyball

Girls Competitive Cheer

Boys Basketball will start the first week of January.

Flyer for Grand Blanc Little League: [2023 GBLF Flyer.pdf](#)

It was a busy week. We've had a lot of illness amongst students and staff. I had the pleasure of subbing, which prevented me from keeping up with my emails. I'll catch up this weekend! Thank you for your patience.

Good luck to our HFS Volleyball teams! They will compete in a final tournament this Saturday at Powers Catholic.

Have an awesome weekend!

Mrs. Theresa Purcell, Principal

### **DECEMBER**

9, Friday - CASUAL PANTHER (Courtesy of Auction '22 - The Drainville Family)

12, Monday - NJHS Mtg. at 3pm



POSITIVITY SHIRT + uniform bottoms

13, Tuesday - Athletic Boosters Mtg. @ 8pm

14, Wednesday - All School Mass @ 8am

16, Friday - Christmas Concert @ 1:15pm NEW LOCATION: Church

Aisles will be used for performances. Please be sure to arrive early to get a seat.

19, Monday - NO GB BUSES

POSITIVITY SHIRT + uniform bottoms

20, Tuesday - Back up Christmas Concert FBPC - Large Hall

NO GB BUSES

21, Wednesday - All School Mass @ 8am

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22 - January 2 - CHRISTMAS BREAK