

Holy Family, believing that each student is a child of God, challenges each to embrace the Gospel message, to achieve academic excellence and to make a difference in the world.

January 15, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Thank you for the birthday wishes! What a great way to begin our week! We had an awesome finish to our week as well. We were all able to celebrate the Baptism of Second Grader, Nevaeh, during our All School Virtual Mass on Thursday! May the light of Christ burn brightly in her heart as she joins us in our mission to tell others how much Jesus loves them.





It was a BIG week for our Second Grade! First, Nevaeh's Baptism and then the growing number of readers! Take a look at how many students have reached the 100 Plus Club this week!





We are "LOOKING AHEAD" to 2021 and beyond!

Our students and staff have been keeping a positive outlook for our new year. Our Eighth Grade students wrote "break up" letters to 2020. Other students wrote about their hopes, dreams and wishes for 2021, and more shared ideas about how they would like to be remembered in 1 year and in 10 years. We are ready for peace, pool parties, hugging friends and no masks!

We are in our second week of registration for the 2021-2022 school year. Please be sure to fill out the registration form for your current student(s) and spread the word to other families to grow our HFS family! Please check out the scholarship opportunities we offer here at Holy Family as well as the opportunities through the Diocese of Lansing.

The Fr. Bush Scholarship Sr. Sharon Scholarship The Holy Family Parish Scholarship

Please remember to also check scholarships offered by the Diocese of Lansing (dioceseoflansing.org). The FACTS Grant and Aid form must be filled out for all scholarships. By completing the FACTS application, you are applying for all grants available through the Diocese of Lansing. There is no need to complete an application for each grant.

Diocese of Lansing Grants: \$750/student in Grades K-8 and \$1000/student in Grades 9-12 The Venerable Augustus Tolkin Scholarship: \$500/student in Grades K-12 FAQ from the Diocese of Lansing: FAQ for DOL website 21 22.docx - Google Docs.pdf

Our search for Art and Spanish teachers continues! We will continue to have Art classes supported by our current staff and substitute teachers. Spanish lessons will be written by me (Going back to my former position as an HFS Spanish teacher years ago!) and taught by me or a substitute teacher. We are also looking into an online Spanish program. I will continue to keep you up to date on the progress.

Fr. Joe announced that there will be a Eucharistic Walk throughout the Grand Blanc neighborhoods this weekend. This walk is for hope and healing. Please spread the word and check the parish website/Facebook for details.

God bless, Mrs. Theresa Purcell Principal Holy Family School

NWEA Testing began this week for all students in Grades 3-6. Our eLearners need to plan to come to school at 3pm on Wednesday, January 20th and Thursday, January 21st. Please have your child enter through the Orchard Street doors. A staff member will direct your child to the appropriate room. Please have your child bring his/her chrome book. Typically these tests run about an hour. If more time is needed, we will contact you.

HFS PTO:

PTO Snowman Family Contest INSPIRATION Song: <u>PTO SNOWMAN FAMILY CONTEST SONG -</u> Google Docs.pdf

PTO Snowman Family Project Contest: PTO SNOWMAN CONTEST - Google Docs.pdf

PTO January Meeting Minutes: PTO Minutes - January 2021 - Google Docs.pdf

HFS Catholic Schools Week

Calendar: Please check our school website: hfsgb.org

Talent Show Details and Entry Form: Extending due date for form until Wednesday, Jan. 20th.

Videos due Jan. 22nd by noon.

PTO Snowman Family Contest: DUE Friday, January 29th.

*We will be looking for student readers for Saturday/Sunday Masses on January 30th & 31st. Please watch for a signup sheet to come out next week.

HFS SPORTS UPDATE

Volleyball will resume the next week with practices. The guidelines continue to change. Please watch for further details to come out next week from our AD. Stay tuned!

Positivity Project

Virtue/Character Trait of the Week: Diligence/Perseverance

P2 for Families: P2 for Families (password: P2)

Saints: St. Andree Bessette, St. Francis de Sales, St. Catherine of Siena

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR JANUARY

15 - 2nd Quarter Ends

18 - NO SCHOOL

- 19 eLearner Exchange: Drop off YELLOW envelopes, pick up Blue envelopes
- 21 All School Mass at 8am
- 22 Talent Show videos DUE (by noon sent to: Craig@vidcamproductions.com)
 Report cards available through Powerschool by 3pm
- 25 P2 shirts with uniform bottoms may be worn eLearner Exchange: Drop off BLUE envelopes, pick up YELLOW envelopes
- 29 PTO Family Contest Entry is DUE
- 31 Catholic Schools Week kick off Masses

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

1 - Pajama Day!

eLearner Exchange: Drop off YELLOW envelopes, pick up Blue envelopes

- 2 Hat & Fancy Footwork Day
- 3 Workout Wednesday
- 4 Dress Your Best

All School Virtual Mass

5 - Spirit Day

Virtual Talent Show Viewing