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*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.*

November 5, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

What a joyous week we've had! We began our week together with an All School Mass celebration of the saints. The saints were marching right into school! We had students enter as St. John the Baptist, St. Therese of Lisieux, St. Catherine of Sienna, St. John Paul, St. Teresa of Calcutta and so many others, as well as our many HFS saints in the making!

Fr. Jim, chaplain at Powers Catholic, celebrated Mass with us on Wednesday. During his homily, he spoke of superheroes and our Catholic superheroes, our saints. Fr. Jim questioned our student body to name the various superheroes' strengths and compared that to the gifts and talents of our saints. Fr. Jim reminded us that each of us are called to be saints. He challenged us to use our gifts to make someone's day better each and every day, making each of us a superhero. We are all saints in the making! Who will be named the saint of Grand Blanc?

Our 2nd Grade classes performed their "Saints Play" this week. Their performance was outstanding! Each student was dressed as a specific saint, shared facts about that saint and closed with the line, "Thank you, God, for giving Heaven to me!" There were even some HFS saints in the making that entered this production! We couldn't be more proud of the way these students prepared for this performance. Their memorization and expression brought this principal to tears! They reminded us once again that we are saints in the making. We try hard to be like Jesus, learn Bible verses, prepare for sacraments, practice our virtues and much more! We lean on the Holy Spirit to make us strong so that we can follow Jesus and spread love to everyone.



Also this week we recognized our students who received Perfect Attendance for the First Quarter. We have been truly blessed with good health! Ninety-five students achieved this recognition! Thank you to God for giving us good health and thank you to our parents who help us get to school on time! (Below are a few students that were captured with their Perfect Attendance awards.)



In mid-October our 7th Grade classes went to Camp Tamarack for self challenging and team building activities. This is an annual event for our 7th Grade students. They were encouraged during Group Initiatives to work together and communicate to solve a series of challenges. The High Ropes gave students an opportunity to explore and expand their personal comfort zones. It was an amazing experience and one that will continue to show its benefits and remain a favorite memory of 7th Grade. A special thank you to Mrs. Garland and to our Junior High teachers, who help to bring this event to our students each year!









Here is a peek of what our young artists created in Art Club this week! (more photos of Grade 3-8 next week)







Some Powers Catholic students, and former HFS alumni, stopped in on Thursday to bring cookies to our student body. In between lunches, they joined our 5th/6th Grade students for some football and four square - fond memories of their time here!



Even the principal had time for a game of "Fly" with some First Grade students today!



HOT LUNCH MENU

Nov 5, Friday – Scrambled Eggs/Sausage Links/American Fries/Salad Bar/FruitCup

Nov. 8, Monday – Cheeseburger/Butter Noodles/Salad Bar/Fruit Cup

Nov. 9, Tuesday – Mini Corn Dogs/Curly Fries/Salad Bar/Fruit Cup

Nov 10 – Nov 12, Wednesday – Friday – No lunches served, 1/2 days for Parent-Teacher Conferences

Nov. 15 - Sloppy Joes, tater tots, fruit, salad

Nov. 16 - Beef and cheese burrito, corn muffin, fruit, salad

Nov. 17 - Warm ham and cheese sub, chips, fruit, salad

Nov. 18 - Thanksgiving Feast Lunch: turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing, corn, a roll, milk/water and pumpkin pie
Cost: \$6 *Students who do not want this feast must bring a lunch from home.

Nov. 19 - Chicken nuggets, smiley fries, fruit, salad

Nov. 22 - Pizza, buttered carrots, fruit, salad

Nov. 23 - Chicken fries, potato triangles, fruit, salad

Nov. 24 - ½ day, no lunch

Nov. 25 - NO SCHOOL, Happy Thanksgiving!

Nov. 26 - NO SCHOOL

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES ARE NOV. 9 - 11.

Panther Draw tickets will be available for pick up during your oldest child's conference time. A parent signature is required upon pick up. Please do not leave without them!

HFS DRAMA CLUB UPDATE

Wednesday, Nov. 10th: Munchkins and chorus song practice in the Music Room until 1pm. Please bring a lunch!

Thursday, Nov. 11th: Dorothy, Scarecrow, Lion, Glenda only - Practice in the Music Room until 1pm. Please bring a lunch!

BOOK FAIR COMING NEXT WEEK!

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Book Fair next week! Grandparents, relatives and friends are welcome to shop and support our school!

Tuesday, Nov. 9: 7:30am-8:30am(Please park and come into the Lobby. Masks are required.)
and 4pm - 7pm

Wednesday, Nov. 10: 7:30am-8:30am(Please park and come into the Lobby. Masks are required.)
and 4pm - 7pm

Thursday, Nov. 11: 1pm - 4pm

Have a safe and blessed Halloween!

Mrs. Theresa Purcell, Principal

PTO Update

Dine2Donate flyer: [Holy family D2D \(1\).pdf](#)

HFS SPORTS UPDATE

Nov. 8-12

VOLLEYBALL

Nov. 8 - 8th Grade 3:00 - 4:30pm

7th Grade 4:30 - 6:00pm

Nov. 12 - 8th Grade 11:30am (eat in gym; bring a lunch) - 1:15pm

7th Grade 4:30 - 6:00pm

Nov. 13 - Morning Games at Powers Catholic; Schedule to come!

GRAND BLANC POM CLINIC (Opened to students in K-Grade 5)

Registration Deadline: Friday, November 19, 2021

Flyer: [Bobcat Pom Clinic 2021_v3.pdf](#)

2021-2022 HFS Calendar

November

5 - Spirit Day

Celebrate 50th day of School for K's

BOOK FAIR, Nov. 9-11

8 - NJHS Mtg. 3pm - 3:45pm

9 - P/T Conferences 4pm - 7pm (Masks are required.)

Athletic Boosters Mtg. @ 8pm in the Fr. Bush Parish Hall (small hall)

9 - CONFIRMATION @ 6:30pm (pre line up will be in the gym) - 2021 8th Grade Class

10 - ½ day; Dismissal @ 11:20am

All School Mass @ 8am

No Kindergarten Prep

P/T Conferences 4pm - 7pm

11 - ½ day, Dismissal @ 11:20am

No Kindergarten Prep

P/T Conferences 1pm - 4pm

12 - ½ day, Dismissal @ 11:20am

No Kindergarten Prep

17 - All School Mass @ 8am

Beginning Band Concert at 3:15pm in the Father Bush Parish Center (for all Parents/Family of students in Grades 5 & 6.

PTO Mtg. @ 6:30pm - ARC (School library)

18 - Reconciliation (Grade 7)

19 - Casual Panther (courtesy of The Hagopian Family and HFS Auction 2021)

23 - Friendship Feast (K)

Powers Parent Information Night (8th Grade) at 6PM in the Powers Auditorium

24 - ½ day, Dismissal @ 11:20am

All School Mass @ 8am

NO Preschool or KP

25 - No School, Thanksgiving

26 - No School

28 - Advent Begins

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This is Mrs. Purcell's weekly Panther Press newsletter. This week you should receive it automatically through our messaging platform.

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