

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.

September 25, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Autumn arrived on Tuesday and we are ready to celebrate this colorful season! We completed our NWEA testing today for all 3-6 Grades. We also began praying a Novena this week, ending next Tuesday, when Bishop Boyea celebrates all Catholic schools in a Mass at the cathedral. We will have two students, their parents and a staff member attend this Mass in Lansing while the rest of our 5th Grade classes attend virtually. We would like to continue this novena and ask that our families pray with us this weekend. The prayer is listed below.

Archangel Novena

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

St. Michael the Archangel, we honor you as a powerful protector of the Church and guardian of our souls. Inspire us with your humility, courage and strength that we may reject sin and perfect our love for our Heavenly Father.

In your strength and humility, slay the evil and pride in our hearts so that nothing will keep us from God. St. Michael the Archangel, pray that we may be blessed by God with the zeal to live our lives in accordance with Christ's teachings. St. Michael the Archangel, you are the prince of angels but in your humility you recognized that God is God and you are but His servant. Unlike Satan, you were not overcome with pride but were steadfast in humility. Pray that we will have this same humility. It is in the spirit of that humility that we ask for your intercession for our petition... (see list of petitions below)

Petitions:

Saturday, Sept 26: GRANDPARENTS – for the protection of all grandparents of our Catholic School students.

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne. Look with love on our grandparents. Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society.

Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be strong pillars of Gospel faith for their families. Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,

that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their lives.

Sunday, Sept 27: BENEFACTORS – for all the benefactors of our Catholic Schools

O God, in remembering that, "Every good gift comes from above" (James 1:17), we give thanks for the countless blessings received and ask that our benefactors share in the fruits of our ministry. Preserve their spirit of generosity in disquieting times and protect them from all worldly anxieties so that they may come to live in the fullness of everlasting happiness.

(and if you'd like to join us next week):

Monday, Sept 28: ALUMNI - for all the alumni

Loving God, we are grateful for the gifts of life, love, family, friends, faith, and of our Catholic schools. Endow our treasured alumni with the humility to confess all success as having come from You whom we trust for guidance and protection. Be their armor against the infiltration of temporal entrapments and motivate in them a desire to cling to Your word.

Tuesday, Sept 29: BISHOP - For Bishop Boyea

All powerful and everlasting God, in these trying times give our Bishop the courage to hold tightly to the ideals of truth, beauty and goodness. Shield him from worldly and spiritual attacks so that he may be a virtuous example of your charity, faithfulness, and incorruptibility.

"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls." Amen. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Fall may have begun but there are signs of summer still around campus. Take a look at today's visitor:



Our cross country boys and girls have their first meet tomorrow afternoon. It's going to be a beautiful day for running! Good luck, Panthers!

Positivity Project

Virtue of the Week: Justice (Teamwork)

Saints: St. Anthony of Padua, St. Katharine Drexel, St. Thomas More

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

God bless, Mrs. Theresa Purcell Principal

SCHOOL CALENDAR

September 2020

28 - P2 shirts with uniform bottoms may be worn
Convocation for Priests through October 3
eLearner Exchange: Drop off YELLOW envelopes, pick up BLUE envelopes

29 - Catholic Schools Mass with Bishop Boyea at 10am (5th Grade to attend virtually; 2 student representatives will represent HFS at this Mass)

October 2020

October 2 - SPIRIT DAY (Students may wear any spirit wear top with jeans free of holes/rips/tears.)

- 5 P2 shirts with uniform bottoms may be worn eLearner Exchange: Drop off BLUE envelopes, pick up YELLOW envelopes
- 8 All School Virtual Mass @ 8am
- 9 ½ Day (Grand Blanc Homecoming)
- 12 P2 shirts with uniform bottoms may be worn eLearner Exchange: Drop off YELLOW envelopes, pick up BLUE envelopes
- 13 Athletic Boosters Mtg. at 8:00pm
- 15-16 NO SCHOOL (Professional Development Days for Staff)
- 19 P2 shirts with uniform bottoms may be worn eLearner Exchange: Drop off BLUE envelopes, pick up YELLOW envelopes
- 20 Picture Retake Day and Preschool 3's
- 22 All School Virtual Mass
- 26 P2 shirts with uniform bottoms may be worn eLearner Exchange: Drop off YELLOW envelopes, pick up BLUE envelopes
- 29 All School Virtual Mass Halloween Party for 3 Year Preschool
- 30 Halloween Parties at school (watch for further details from your child's teacher) PTO Trunk or Treat Details coming soon!
- 31 Happy Halloween!