



Holy Cross Catholic School Newsletter

"150 Years of Discipleship"

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Lunch Helpers

Thur. 8/30: Carrie Whetter

Fri. 8/30: Carrie Whetter

Mon. 9/3: NO SCHOOL

Tue. 9/4: Lynn Jadin

Wed. 9/5: Kendall Palmer

Thurs. 9/6: Peggy Baumgart

Fri. 9/7: Michelle Vincent

Sign up here:
<https://goo.gl/yEEX4z>

August Update

Dear Holy Cross Families,

I hope that you are enjoying these last few weeks of summer and that you have been blessed with times surrounded by friends and family. I would like to welcome you to a new school year at Holy Cross Catholic School. I am humbled to begin my 4th year of service to this outstanding faith community and look forward to this next year and into the future!

As part of GRACE, we are working together as a nine-school system to advance Catholic education in the Greater Green Bay area. We are committed to growth, academic rigor and faith integration throughout the school day. We are embarking on our 151st year as a school and we have created many long term goals as we move forward as a school.

Our teachers and staff are excited for the new school year and some have already working in their classrooms! The teachers' official start date is August 21st and the Summer Care program runs through August 24th. Lastly, thank you for your investment in Catholic education. As you well know, Holy Cross Catholic School is more than just a school—it is a deeply invested community. We are blessed to partner with the parents of this community to prepare the minds and souls of the children entrusted to our care. We look forward to all that lies ahead for Holy Cross' 151st year and all the years thereafter.

In Christ, Mrs. East

Room Parents

Thank you to the following parents who have volunteered to be our room parents for the 2018-19 school year:

- EC-Candice Wendricks
- K-Julie Wondergem
- 1st-Linda Jilg and Jennifer Davister
- 2nd- Michelle Novoselatz and Molly Charles
- 4th-Tonia Briski
- 5th-Kendall Palmer
- 6th-Peggy Baumgart

Thank you

We are still looking for room parents in 3rd, 7th, and 8th grade.
Please consider helping our school and teachers out.

Please email Mrs. Gast if you are willing to be a room parent for your child's grade or if you volunteered and were left you off this list. sgast@gracesystem.org

Parents
make a difference!

School Email Update

Our Technology Coordinator, Theresa Neuser, has created a new school email that will be used **only** for school communication.

HCSnewsletter@gracesystem.org is an email list that ALL school families will be subscribed to in order to receive communications from the school. This is the "official" school email list for communication that is used by the school. It will include information about the athletics program and FAST as well other important information that will benefit our school families. If you need to send something out to the families, please email Mrs. Gast (sgast@gracesystem.org) with your information, and she will get it forwarded to the families either through a direct email or her weekly newsletter. The holycrossfamily@googlegroups.com will no longer be updated by the Holy Cross School office.



Faculty and Staff Assignments

We want to congratulate Miss Aerts for her new position as 3rd grade teacher at St. Joseph School in Green Bay. She will continue her work for Holy Cross Parish as Athletic Director here at Holy Cross School.

EARLY CHILDHOOD: Mrs. Tara Wildenberg
EC TEACHER AIDE: Ms. Sonia Busch
KINDERGARTEN: Mrs. Michelle Anderson
FIRST GRADE: Mrs. Jodi Sullivan
SECOND GRADE: Sister Carolyn Zahringer
THIRD GRADE: Mrs. Deanna Schauer
FOURTH GRADE: Miss Annette Barrett
FIFTH GRADE: Mrs. Patricia Nennig
6-8 MATH & GR.6 RELIGION: Mrs. Tina Johnson
6-8 LANG.ARTS & GR.7 RELIGION: Mrs. Samantha Parker
6-8 SCIENCE, SOCIAL STUDIES & GR.8 RELIGION: Mr. Eric Stanczak
PHY. ED./HEALTH: Mr. David Snyder
MIDDLE SCHOOL CHOIR/LITURGY MUSIC: Mrs. Jennifer Johnson
ART: Mrs. Renee Zirbel
BAND: Mr. Sam Stranz
SPANISH: Mrs. Kari Peterson
LIBRARY: Mrs. Heidi Martin
Music Grades EC-5: Mrs. Aria Heim
TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT: Mrs. Theresa Neuser
SUPPORTIVE CONSULTANT: Mrs. Deanna Schauer
LUNCH PLAYGROUND SUPERVISOR: Mrs. Jennifer Davister

Last year we piloted a new approach in our 4th and 5th grade classrooms in order to familiarize the students with a shared learning schedule that they will be experiencing in the middle school. The 4th and 5th graders had one "switch" last year. Mrs. Nennig has a strong background in math and has taught many years of both elementary and middle school math in the past. She taught the 4th and 5th grade math classes last year. This was very successful and we will continue it this year and will include the 3rd grade class. Mrs. Nennig will be teaching 3-5th grade math.

Mrs. Barrett will be teaching both the 4th and 5th grade science curriculum this year. This switch will take place once a day whereas the 4th grade will head into the 5th grade room and vice-versa.

It is important that the elementary students prepare for what is ahead in middle school and eventually high school. It is equally important to provide the students with some movement throughout their day. The elementary teachers are very excited about this change and love the fact that they will both be teaching a subject in which they have a special interest and skill.

Holy Cross School Safety Update

Keeping students and teachers safe is of the highest priority at Holy Cross School. The Green Bay Area Catholic Education (GRACE) school system received a Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) School Safety Initiative Grant, administered by the DOJ's Office of School Safety, in the amount of \$153,990, the full request from the school system. The grant positively impacts safety at all nine GRACE Schools and aligns with the system's continuous focus on safety.

Holy Cross School submitted our information for this grant last April and was rewarded approximately \$2,500. This grant money was used to purchase high quality Walkie Talkies for all classrooms to enhance our communication system.

The following school safety enhancements have been made in the spring and over the summer:

- Locks installed on the middle level classroom doors
- Installation of 3M safety film on all exterior windows and interior classroom doors.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cZy4DJHM_fs

- Set up and distributed emergency bags to each classroom
- Ongoing safety and A.L.I.C.E. training for staff & students



Welcome Back From the Holy Cross Lunch Program

Welcome to the 2018-2019 School Year! As noted in your tuition agreement, all K-8 families are required to perform 3 lunch duties for the 2018-19 school year. Please sign up for all duties by November 1st. If you will be choosing to buy out of performing your lunch duties please contact Heidi Tilot at: holycrosslunch@gmail.com. Your help truly is appreciated.

Thank you! Sign up link:

<https://goo.gl/yEEX4z>



SAC Dress Down Fundraiser

It's a new school year and with that comes some exciting changes to our dress down days at Holy Cross. In an effort to make choice dress days more consistent and to offer an additional fundraising opportunity for our school, we are making the following changes to our offerings.

FIRST WEDNESDAYS OF EACH MONTH: For this upcoming school year (2018-2019) only, we will continue to allow Choice Dress Days on the first Wednesday of each month. Students should follow the guidelines in the Student Handbook as to what is appropriate to wear on designated dress down days.

SITE ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC) DRESS DOWN DAY FUNDRAISER: This is a great opportunity for an additional dress down day per month that also raises money for our school. **Order forms and more information are attached in this email** and will be sent home in the first parent folder.

Checks should be made payable to GRACE.
Please contact Tonia Briski at tbriski48@gmail.com with any questions.

Thank you for supporting Holy Cross SAC!

Contact Us:
<http://holycrosfamily.org>