Newsletter

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Holy Family School

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Thur., Apr. 20th Home And School mtg. 7:30 p.m.

Fri., Apr. 21st Mid-trimester

Sun. Apr. 23rd St. Martin First Communion 9:30 a.m.

Seven Dolors First Communion 2:00 p.m.

Fri., April 28th Early Release

Fri., May 5th 5K Color walk/run 6:00 p.m.

Sun., May 7th St. Anthony First Communion 8:30 a.m.

St. Benedict First Communion 10:30 a.m.

Fri., May 12th Grandparents Day 12:30 p.m. Mass

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

St. Catherine developed a habit of giving things away and she continually gave away her family's food and clothing to people in need. She never asked permission to give these things away, and she quietly put up with their criticisms.

Something changed her when she was 21. She described an experience she referred to as her "mystical marriage to Christ." In a dream Jesus gave her a ring but it was visible only to herself as was her stigmata.

- Story of Saint Catherine of Siena | Stories of Saints...
- St. Catherine of Siena HD

More to come in the next couple of weeks... Mrs. Sowada

LUNCH/RECESS DUTY NOTICE

All parents are required to sign in at the office before heading downstairs to help with lunch and recess duty by 11:20. Please mark your calendars when it is your day to help out. If you are unable to make it in, it is your responsibility to find a sub as soon as possible. Recess duty will be from 11:30 - 12:30. Please make sure to sign out when you are done. If you have made arrangements with a sub or another family to cover for you, please notify the office of any changes and send \$12 in for the sub. Thank you!

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Fri., 4/21 Colton Huseth, Hannah Huseth

Mon., 4/24 John & Stacy King

Tues., 4/25 Ron & Ami Ohmann Weds., 4/26 Bryan & Kari Koenig Thurs., 4/27 Nicholas & Kelly Korn Fri., 4/27 EARLY DISMISSAL

SCHOOL MASS

The next school Mass will be Wednesday, April 26th, at 9:00 a.m. and will be prepared by Mrs. Lauer's 4th grade class. Please join us!

ANNUAL HFS 5K JUST 2 WEEKS AWAY!

HFS's Color Run/Walk 5K is Friday, May 5th at 6:00 p.m. Anyone may participate so bring your friends! **Register by tomorrow April 21st to get your t-shirt!** Registration flyers can be found via our school website: holyfamilyalbany.com Click on the button for the School Portal that will lead you to the Fun Run registration form!

HFS ACCEPTING SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATIONS

There are three available board positions open for the 2023-2024 school year. Three of our current board members may either choose to run again for a 2nd term or complete their current term, ending June 30th. HFS parents are invited to contact Mrs. Sowada if interested in running or would like to nominate a person to run. The board along with the pastor will determine the method of selection. Members hold the position for a 3-year term. Meetings are held once a month, with the exception of July. Feel free to contact Mrs. Sowada with any questions - msowada@holyfamilyalbany.com. Thank you for your interest in serving HFS!

GRANDPARENTS' DAY

Mark you calendars...Holy Family School is excited for our upcoming Grandparents' Day, Friday, May 12th. Invitations were sent home in today's folder for this fun event! Please let your grandparents know!

CO-CHAIR NEEDED FOR CHURCH BAZAAR KIDS GAMES

We are looking for another volunteer to co- chair the kids games for the SD church bazaar. SD church bazaar is Aug 13th. This will count as 3 work slots for the 2023-2024 school year. If interested, contact the school office for more information.

SPOTLIGHT ON A FAMILY

The Aiden Blaske Family

Aiden lives with his Dad (Logan), Step mom (Anna), their dog (Atlas), and cat (Diggs). Logan works for Bernicks's Pepsi as an account rep. and Anna is employed by Trinity Tool as the director of HR and Accounting. Together they enjoy watching Viking games, going on trips, playing in the backyard, going for walks, and eating supper together.

Aiden also lives with his Mom, Priya and their calico cat, Patches. Priya is employed by Spee Dee delivery. They enjoy going to the state fair and playing games together.

Aiden is excited to be in 5th grade this year and to be in the "oldest" class at school and all the fun stuff that comes with it!

BOOK CLUB

We are excited to again offer a Book Club this school year. In order to have meaningful conversations and discussions about the book, students need to be committed to reading the provided books. 'Page Turners' will meet four times this year from 2:45-3:45 on the following dates.

April 25th (make up date)

ART CLUB

Art Club will meet for the last time this year on May 2nd. Students will be going to the Pot Spot for painting and pizza. Students will need to be picked up at the Pot Spot in Avon at 4:00. Permission slips will be sent home.

May 2nd

God's Blessing to our 2nd grade students as they receive their First Holy Communion

Evelyn Blenker Alyssa Gondringer
Kurt Carbert Kenzie Gully
Ella Casey Isaac King
Felix Dupuy Ella Mergen
Harper Feldewerd Kennedy Zierden

Charlie Gaebel

GOLF RAFFLE TICKETS

One \$100 raffle ticket for the golf tournament was sent home in the folders. Each family is asked to sell one ticket. There is a limit of only 100 tickets, so if you sell yours, please call the office as soon as possible to get another one. Please return all money for the raffle tickets by April 28th Grand prize is \$2500!!!

HFS WILL BE HOSTING CAMP INVENTION THIS SUMMER

Make New Discoveries this Summer at Camp invention! HFS will be hosting Camp Invention again this summer June 12th-16th. This is a national STEM education camp/program open to all students going into K-6th grade (students need not attend HFS). Register by March 30th at INVENT.ORG/CAMP and save \$25!

SOFTBALL/BASEBALL GLOVES

Physical Education will be starting a softball/baseball unit as soon as it is possible to get outside. Some students have their own gloves, but many do not. If anyone has a glove that you are not using or are willing to donate to HFS, I would be grateful. If they are not perfect that is fine too. I can re-string them or fix them. I would just like for the children to not have to use their bare hands. Thank you in advance! Mrs. Welle

PREK & PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

We are still accepting registrations for both our PreK and Preschool classes for next year. If you know of anyone who may be interested please contact the school office!

SHOP WITH SCRIP!

Thank you to all those who have purchased Scrip so far this year! We continue to offer a wide variety of gift cards for all your shopping needs ((both local and retail store cards)! To make Scrip shopping easy, consider downloading the RaiseRight app or create an account at **Shopwithscrip.com** The enrollment code is 4F9LCA836L12 Let Scrip help with all your everyday shopping needs!

We have a variety of cards on hand but some cards may need to be ordered. For cards that need to be ordered, please place your order by Monday to ensure delivery by Friday of the same week.

LOST AND FOUND

Please check the lost and found table for items that may belong to you. Anything that is left here at the end of the school year will be donated to The Mother Seton Store!

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Family School is a Christ-centered family. We strive to help each child reach his or her potential in an environment where our Catholic faith is lived and celebrated.