

**Newsletter**  
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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

**Jan. 9th** School Board Mtg. 6:30 p.m. cafeteria  
**Jan. 14th** Snowball Event 4:00 p.m. Seven Dolors Gathering Space and gym  
**Jan. 16th** No School - Dr. Martin Luther King Day  
**Jan. 10th-12th** NWEA Standardized Reading Testing  
**Jan. 17th-19th** NWEA Standardized Math Testing  
**Jan. 19th** Home & School Mtg. 7:30 p.m.  
**Jan. 20th** Mid-trimester/Early Release  
**Jan. 29th - Feb. 4th** Catholic Schools Week

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

During the month of January, the students will learn about St. Anna through videos and prayers.

[St. Anne Video](#)

Saint Anna was the mother of Mary and grandmother of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. According to tradition, Anna, the ancestor of God, lived for sixty-nine years, and her spouse Joachim, for eighty; according to one account, Saint Joachim died two years before Saint Anna. Saint Anna is invoked for conceiving children, and for help in difficult childbirth.

Blessings,  
Mrs. Sowada

**SNOWBALL EVENT**

Holy Family School's biggest fundraiser of the year is just around the corner. Join us on Saturday, January 14th for a fun filled evening of fellowship, a prime rib or chicken dinner **served from 4:00 - 8:00**, Live and Silent auctions, the \$50 Ranger raffle and \$2.00 raffle with a top prize of \$500.

Some of the live auction items included are; Handcrafted Adirondack chairs, a Gold Photography session from Anelo Photography that includes a 60 minute pet friendly shoot at one location with 2 outfit changes and the full gallery of photos. The total photography package has a value of \$575. We will also be featuring the Class Projects, some Beautiful Quilt displays and the always

popular Extra Recess, Principal for a Day and Snack Package for one of the classes at the school.

All bidding for [Silent Auction](#) items will be completed using the link below. Please share this with others who may be interested in the auction.

[www.32auctions.com/SnowBall2023](http://www.32auctions.com/SnowBall2023)

Items can be viewed starting Monday, January 9th at 9 AM. There will be over 100 items to bid on including; a Albany Golf Course package that includes 2 -18 hole green fees with a cart certificates and four one hour passes for the TopTracer Range, 2 Mall of America packages with mini golf, Crayola Experience and Nickelodeon Universe passes for 4, some lovely jewelry pieces, a Farming Flames package with Baseball Hats and 2 - 2023 Regular Home Season Passes and a multitude of gift certificates to local businesses and other handmade items.

People will need to register for the 32auctions site. If they are not able to make it to the event for fun and fellowship they can still participate by bidding on silent auction items.

**CHRISTMAS PROJECT THANK YOU**

Once again, on behalf of the HFS faculty and staff, we would like to thank everyone who donated to the Christmas Project. We are truly blessed to have such generous families in our community. We all appreciate your gifts!! Thank you also to Paul and Stacy Schiffler who organized the project!

**HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL LOOKING FOR SUBSTITUTE COOK/DISHWASHER**

HFS is looking for someone who would be interested in being a substitute cook and dishwasher to help us prepare, serve meals, and wash dishes in the event that either Mrs. Julie Voit or Mrs. Jan Koopmeiners would be absent. If interested, please contact the school office for more information. Thank you!

**LUNCH/RECESS DUTY**

Parents are asked to check in the office on their assigned days by 11:20 in order to help out in the lunchroom for

the last few minutes with the first lunch group. Recess duty will be from 11:30 - 12:30. Please make sure to sign out when you are done. Thank you for helping us out! If you have made arrangements with a sub or another family to cover for you, please notify the office of any changes.

### **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:**

Mon., 1/09	Jeremy & Kayla Feldewerd
Tues., 1/10	Ben & Alicia Mergen
Weds., 1/11	Bryan & Kari Koenig
Thurs., 1/12	James & Julianna Geise
Fri., 1/13	Rachel Blenker

### **SCHOOL MASS**

Please join us for the next school Mass on Wednesday, Jan. 11th, prepared by Mrs. Giinthir's 2nd grade class.

### **SPOTLIGHT ON A FAMILY**

#### **The Lisson Family**

Anthony Lisson is proud to be in Mrs Young's kindergarten class this year. His parents are Todd and Katie who both work at the St Cloud hospital. His younger brothers, Tias ( 3 yrs) and Henry ( 2 yrs) look forward to attending HFS someday too! The Lisson family enjoys walking, biking, family time, going to the park, gardening- especially eating the fresh produce! Anthony is most looking forward to lunch and recess. Welcome to HFS!



### **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.

February 7th  
April 4th

### **ART CLUB**

We are excited to offer an after school Art Club this year! Art club is for students who are in grades 3-5 and LOVE to do art, drawing, painting, creating and designing. They will meet on the following dates:

January 17th (rescheduled from the 3rd)  
March 7th  
May 2nd

### **CSW SCHOOL DANCE**

The Catholic Schools Week dance will be held Friday, February 4th. We are looking for donation items in the price range of \$15-20 for Dice Game, \$5-10 range for bonus prizes for the straw game and \$1-\$2 prizes for the straw game ( Candy, Gloves, School Supplies, books etc.). Please drop off any donations in the school office when school resumes in January. Thank you very much!!

### **CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL RAFFLE COMING SOON!**

Kick-off for the raffle will be Thursday, January 19th. Tickets for the raffle will be sent home that day. 100% of the money raised with this raffle stays at Holy Family. It is probably the easiest fundraiser we have as Catholic United takes care of all the prizes, tickets, advertising, etc. Tickets are \$5 for a chance to win great prizes. Visit the Catholic United Financial webpage for the Catholic Schools Raffle prize list. Check it out at [www.catholicunited.org/raffle](http://www.catholicunited.org/raffle).

### **SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**

Thank you to everyone who worked at the fair and to those who purchased books. Total sales were \$3397.77 with \$1855 to be spent in Scholastic dollars for the library!