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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Fri., May 12th Grandparents Day 12:30 p.m. Mass
Mon., May 15th HFS School Board Mtg 6:30 PM
(rescheduled)

Weds., May 17th Mass- Mrs Giinthir's 2nd grade
Weds., May 17th Blessing & Stations of the cross in the

cemetery w/Bishop Neary 1:30 PM

Fri., May 26th 5th Gr. Commissioning Mass 9:30 am

Fri., May 26th Early Release at 12:00 pm

Last day of school

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

During the last few weeks of school, the students will learn about the ten principal virtues of the most "Holy Virgin Mary." They are:

- Profound humility
- Lively faith
- Blind obedience
- Continual prayer
- Universal mortification
- Divine purity
- Ardent charity
- Heroic patience
- Angelic sweetness
- Divine wisdom

These virtues may seem overwhelming at first, but we will learn simple ways they can be practiced in everyday life with the help of God's grace.

Blessings 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., 5/12	Steve & Amber Toenies
Mon., 5/15	Grant & Andrea Tomsche
Tues., 5/16	Miles & Traci Vogel
Weds., 5/17	John & Tricia Wesen
Thurs., 5/18	Savannah Burg
Fri., 5/19	Neil & Amanda Austin

Thank you for taking the time to volunteer for recess duty this year. Looking ahead to next year, if you would prefer to be on the schedule (or not on the schedule) any days in particular next year please let the office know.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY MASS

Grandparents' Day Mass is tomorrow, Friday, May 12th. Mass begins at 12:30 in Seven Dolors Church. Grandparents are asked to meet your grandchildren by 12:25 in the church. It will be followed by a short musical program with refreshments in the gym. The Mass is being prepared by Ms. Richter's 3rd grade class. 3rd grade parents are invited to the Mass, but unfortunately, we do not have enough room in the gym for more guests than the grandparents.

MESSAGE FROM MRS. YOUNG

As I prepare to say goodbye, I have had a lot of time for reflection. When Sr. Dorothy Manuel hired me 27 years ago, I never dreamed that I would have adopted this giant new family. I have taught many amazing children and met many wonderful families. I have made countless friends, and been blessed with amazing co-workers. I want to thank the Holy Family School community as well as the Harvest of Hope parishes for all of their support and kindness shown to me over the years. It is bittersweet to say goodbye but in the words of the knowledgeable Winnie the Pooh, "How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard." I will always hold Holy Family School close to my heart

and treasure the memories and cherish the families I have been privileged to meet. Thank you for your prayers and support. Nancy Young

LIBRARY BOOK RETURN

The last day to check out library books will be this Monday, May 8th. All books will need to be returned by Monday, May 15th. The last day to check out AR books will be Monday, May 22nd with a return due date Wednesday, May 24th. Thank you for returning all library books on time!

DRIVE FOR EDUCATION GOLF FUNDRAISER

It's time to start getting your gold team put together for the annual Drive for Education golf fundraiser on June 19, 2023. This fun event brings family, friends and HFS alumni together while raising money for the school. If you want more information on how to register, please call the office. Don't wait too long to get your team together!!

WELCOME COMMITTEE

We are looking for 3-4 parents to be on the "welcome committee". This will be a list of parents that "new" families can contact with questions or concerns about HFS. We will give your contact information to the new families so that they may reach out to you if they wish to do so. Then in the fall you can send an email to them welcoming them to HFS! Please let the office know if you have questions or would like to be on this committee.

SPOTLIGHT ON A FAMILY The Eiynck Family

Gary and MaryKay live near St John's University and have six children. Breyden is a sophomore at NDSU, Grace is a freshman at Alexandria Tech, Alexis is in 10th grade, Nolan in 7th grade, Lindsey in 4th grade,



and Amelia in kindergarten. Gary is employed by Mortenson in Mpls and MaryKay is the 1st grade teacher at HFS. They work together in their large garden and enjoy all the fresh produce. They also attend many sporting events that the kids participate in. Lindsey likes hanging out with her friends at school and Amelia also likes playing with her friends at school.

YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks arrived and will be sent home today with the students that ordered one. We have a few extra available for purchase for \$20.00. Contact the office if interested.

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 at INVENT.ORG/CAMP**

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!

ANNUAL 5K/ COLOR RUN

Thank you to all the participants and everyone who came out to support the annual 5k- Color Run on May 5th. We had over 100 participants! Congratulations to the top finishers Grady Wohletz- 1st, Ryan Lust- 2nd, and Olivia Mergen- 3rd.

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!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Earning extra \$\$ for HFS is simple and easy. Simply download the Box Tops mobile app, scan your store receipt and instantly add to the school's earnings by purchasing eligible products. *It is that easy!*

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.