

Newsletter
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Fri., May 5th 5K Color walk/run 6:00 PM
Sun., May 7th St. Anthony First Communion 8:30 AM
St. Benedict First Communion 10:30 AM
Fri., May 12th Grandparents Day 12:30 p.m. Mass
Mon., May 15th HFS School Board Mtg 6:30 PM
(rescheduled)
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

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

During the month of May, students will learn more about Mary...It was through the Blessed Virgin Mary that Jesus came into the world, and it is also through her that He must reign in the world.

Because Mary remained hidden during her life, she is called by the Holy Spirit and the Church "Alma Mater," Mother hidden and unknown. So great was her humility that she desired nothing more upon earth than to remain unknown to herself and to others and to be known only to God.

In answer to her prayers to remain hidden, poor and lowly, God was pleased to conceal her from nearly every other human creature in her conception, her birth, her life, her mysteries, her resurrection and assumption. Her own parents did not really know her, and the angels would often ask one another, "Who can she possibly be?" for God had hidden her from them, or if He did reveal anything to them, it was nothing compared with what He withheld.

Blessings
Mrs. Sowada

THANK YOU FAMILIES!!

The staff at Holy Family School would like to **THANK** everyone for the great food and overwhelming amount

that was brought in this week and is still coming in. It has been a wonderful treat for us to receive such a variety of delicious food items this week!!

NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH HERO'S DAY

Tomorrow, May 5th, is National School Lunch Hero's Day. Thank you to Julie Voit and to Jan Koopmeiners for being awesome cooks! We all appreciate getting a good meal everyday!

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., 5/5	Nick Primus/ Emma Overman
Mon., 5 /8	Paul & stacy Schiffler
Tues., 5/9	Scott & Tracy Schneider
Weds., 5/10	Craig & Alisia Soenneker
Thurs., 5/11	Jeff & Catherine Statz
Fri., 5/12	Steve & Amber Toenies

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.**

ANNUAL HFS 5K IS TOMORROW- MAY 5TH!

HFS's Color Run/Walk 5K is tomorrow, May 5th at 6:00 p.m. Anyone may participate so bring your friends! Registration begins at 5:00 near the school grounds. If you have not registered yet, you still can join in on the fun. There will be a few extra t-shirts available.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY MASS

Our next school Mass will be Grandparents' Day, Friday, May 12th. Mass begins at 12:30 in Seven Dolores 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.

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 golf 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!!

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.

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 Zierden Family

Zach and Amanda Zierden have three children. Lincoln is in 4th grade and Kennedy is in 2nd grade at HFS and Reagan is 4 years old. Zach is a social studies teacher in holdingford and Amanda is an oncology RN with CentraCare. They enjoy camping and just being outside.

They also like to play the board game, Clue. Their youngest daughter, Reagan, is unable to speak and therefore the whole family is learning sign language together. They always look forward to the Christmas program and the kids especially enjoy celebrating the Paschal Meal.

The Belford Family

Joyce Margot is in 4th grade and Abraham is in Ms Lori's PreK class. Their parents, David and Doris, own Barbacoa Smokehouse and Deli and the upcoming Albany Merchants Hotel. Their Grandma Joyce also volunteers at HFS by teaching spanish. They enjoy fishing, swimming, making salsa and cooking. They are looking forward to all the great activities at HFS and watching the children grow and mature. They especially like the focus on prayer and God that HFS provides.



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](https://www.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!

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.