

Newsletter
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Thur., Apr. 18th Home & School virtual mtg.
Sun., Apr. 21st First Communion at Seven Dolors,
St. Martin and St. Benedict
Wed., Apr. 24th Early Release
Fri., May 3rd HFS Color Run
Fri., May 10th Grandparents Day
Mon., May 13th HFS Board Mtg - 6:30 cafeteria

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thank you to all of the students, staff and families who attended Mass this week to honor the memory of a former student, Ethan Gerads, who tragically lost his life last summer. The Gerads family were so touched by the t-shirts worn in support of them and especially for the 1st grade class who each gave Melissa Gerads a carnation. Thank you to Amy Burg for organizing the carnations. We are truly a blessed community at HFS!!

Mrs. Sowada

ANNUAL HFS COLOR RUN JUST 2 WEEKS AWAY!

Please mark your calendars....All are invited to participate in HFS's 1 mile Color Run/Walk and 5K on Friday, May 3rd at 6:00 p.m. Register by April 24th to get a t-shirt. This event is open to anyone, not just HFS families!

HFS ACCEPTING SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATIONS

Holy Family School is looking to fill one school board position for the 2024-2025 school year. One of our current board members has chosen not to run again for a 2nd term, which ends 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!

SCHOOL MASSES

Please join us for the next school Mass on Wednesday, April 24th at 9:00 am. Mass will be prepared by Mrs. Lauer's 4th grade class. The next school Mass will be Wednesday May 1st and will be prepared by Ms. Fourre's Kindergarten class. This will also be the May Crowning mass.

CAMP INVENTION AT HFS THIS SUMMER

HFS will be hosting Camp invention again this summer June 10-14th from 8:30 AM- 3:00 PM. This is a national STEM education camp/program open to all students K-6th grade (students do not need to attend HFS). Confidence, creativity and friendship are what @CampInvention is all about! Save \$15 when you register for all-new STEM fun at HFS. You won't want to miss this! Use SUM15 by 5/27 to save. invent.org/mylocalcamp

2024-2025 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!

Families, please remember that we have various avenues of tuition scholarship assistance for our students at HFS. Please contact Mrs. Sowada by April 30th if you would like to apply for a scholarship. We are blessed to have this support to offer families who could benefit from these scholarship programs!

GOD'S BLESSING TO OUR 2nd GRADE STUDENTS AS THEY RECEIVE THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Khloey Birr	Nora Primus
Aiden Bredeck	Beaudyn Scharmer
Brecklyn Burg	Lydia Schneider
Thomas Frank	Tori Stangler
Maya Gertken	Arianna Toenies
Ainsley Grutsch	Natalie Willenbring
Jameson Hoppe	Rhett Wohletz
Luke Koenig	

GRANDPARENTS' DAY

Mark your calendars...Holy Family School is excited for our upcoming Grandparents' Day, Friday, May 10th. Mass will be at 12:30 PM. Invitations will be sent home today. Please give them to your grandparents.

GOLF RAFFLE TICKETS

One \$100 raffle ticket for the golf tournament was sent home in the folders last week. 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 May 15th** Grand prize is \$2500!!!

CLASS FIELD TRIP

All classes grade K-5 will be taking a field trip on Friday May 3rd. Permission forms were sent home in the folders last week. Please return all forms by tomorrow, April 19th.

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. Be sure to have your safe environment training up to date! **Parents, if you plan to eat before recess duty, please let the office know by 8:30 a.m. so we can let Julie know how many meals to prepare for.**

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

Fri., 4/19	Todd & Katie Lisson
Mon., 4/22	Paul & Jessica Lust
Tues., 4/23	Joe & Trista Stangler
Weds., 4/24	EARLY DISMISSAL
Thurs., 4/25	John & Stacy King
Fri., 4/26	Rachel Blenker

RECESS SUBS

If you are unable to help with recess on your scheduled date it is your responsibility to find a sub. If you get a sub please compensate them \$12.00 for the day. Checks should be made payable directly to the sub and can be left in the office.

Subs

Rachel Blenker 320-836-2831

Jillian Scharmer 320-309-0347

Stacy King 320-290-2283

Karen Neidermeier-Gill (T/TH ONLY) 320-428-8021

SPOTLIGHT ON FAMILY

The Mergen Family

Ben & Alicia Mergen have three daughters. Olivia is in 5th grade, Ella in 3rd grade and Anniston in 1st grade at HFS. They live on a crop, beef and goat farm south of Albany. Alicia also works part time as a dental hygienist. They enjoy going on bike rides, swimming, jumping on the trampoline, playing games, and movie nights. Their favorite part of HFS is the school dance with all the games!

If you have not submitted your family photo or information please do so!

ART CLUB

Art Club will meet from 2:45-3:45 on the following dates:
May 7th

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.***