

Newsletter
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Mon., Apr. 8th	HFS School Board Mtg. 6:30 p.m.
Fri., Apr. 12th	Mid-trimester
Wed., Apr. 17th	First Communion Retreat and practice at Seven Dolors, St. Martin & St. Benedict
Sun., Apr. 21st	First Communion at Seven Dolors, St. Martin and St. Benedict
Wed., Apr. 24th	Early Release
Fri., May 3rd	HFS Color Run

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Pope St. John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

Here are two different links for the Chaplet of Divine Mercy sung in prayer.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p5TGfisOKMM>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oN-rrl6644s>

ANNUAL HFS COLOR RUN JUST 4 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.

HFS ACCEPTING SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATIONS

Holy Family School has two board positions open for the 2024-2025 school year. Two 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!

SCHOOL MASSES

Please join us for the next school Mass on Wednesday, April 10 at 9:00 am. Mass will be prepared by Mr. Bautch's 2nd grade class. The next school Mass will be Wednesday April 17th and will be prepared by Mrs. Eiyneck's 1st grade class.

RICE BOWL

Thank you to all who contributed to the Rice Bowls. \$179.79 was brought in from HFS. This money will be given to Catholic Relief Services.

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

SEVEN DOLORS CHURCH CLEANING

Seven Dolors Church is looking for volunteers to help wipe down the pews and kneelers Tuesday, April 16th. 4th grade students will be helping from 9:30-10:00 followed by the 5th grade class from 10:00-10:30. Besides the students, we are asking for adult volunteers to help as well. If interested, please call the school office at 845-2011 - or just show up at 9:30 to help!! Thank you!

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!

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/ 5	Paul & Stephanie Sauerer
Mon. 4/8	Brett & Jillian Scharmer
Tues. 4/9	Michael & Susan Gully
Weds. 4/10	Scott & Tracy Schneider
Thurs. 4/11	Craig & Alisia Soenneker
Fri. 4/12	Matt & Maria Pantze

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

GRANDPARENTS' DAY

Mark your calendars...Holy Family School is excited for our upcoming Grandparents' Day, Friday, May 10th. Information and invitations will be sent home soon for this fun event!

SPOTLIGHT ON FAMILY

The Birr Family

Khloey is a 2nd grader and loves being at HFS! She has an older sister that is a sophomore at St Ben's in the nursing program. They also have two goldendoodles, Stella and Stan. As a family they enjoy going on ranger rides, spending time at the lake and family vacations. They like attending HFs where they can connect with other families, attend weekly masses and partake in school festivities.

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

BOOK CLUB

Book club will meet from 2:45-3:45 on the following date:
April 9th

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.***