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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Fri., Feb. 2nd	CSW school dance 3:00-5:00
Sun., Feb. 4th	CSW Mass - St. Martin - 9:30 a.m.
Wed., Feb. 7th	Ms. Fourre's Kind. Mass - 9:00
Thur., Feb. 8th	Home & School mtg. 7:30 p.m.
Sun., Feb. 11th	CSW Kick-off Mass - St. Anthony - 8:30 a.m.
Feb 12th & 13th	K-5th grade Parent/Teacher conf.
Feb. 12th	New Preschool student activity event - 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Feb. 12th	HFS School Board mtg. 6:30 p.m.
Feb. 14th	Ash Wednesday - Mr. Sopcyk's 3rd Gr. Mass - 9:00 a.m.
Feb. 14th	Early Release
Feb. 15th - 19th	No School Presidents' Weekend

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE FEB. 3RD

Saint Blaise was the bishop of Sebastea and a doctor. The first known record of the saint's life comes from the medical writings of Aëtius Amidenus, where he is recorded as helping with patients suffering from objects stuck in their throat. Many of the miraculous aspects of St. Blaise's life are written of 400 years after his martyrdom in the "Acts of St. Blaise." Saint Blaise is believed to begin as a healer then, eventually, became a "physician of souls." He then retired to a cave, where he remained in prayer. People often turned to Saint Blaise for healing miracles.

Saint Blaise is often depicted holding two crossed candles in his hand, or in a cave with wild animals. He is also often shown with steel combs. The similarity of the steel combs and the wool combs made a large contribution to Saint Blaise's leadership as the patron saint of wool combers and the wool trade.

https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=28

Blessings,
Mrs. Sowada

SCHOOL MASSES

Please join us for the next school Mass on Wednesday Feb. 7th at 9:00 am. Mass will be prepared by Ms. Fourre's Kindergarten class. The Ash Wednesday Mass Feb. 14th will be prepared by Mr. Sopcyk's 3rd grade class.

SNOW BALL UPDATE

What an incredible showing of support and community fun at this year's Snow Ball event. We are happy to announce that the event brought in just over **\$70,000!!** Thank you!! Thank you!! Thank you!!

CSW SCHOOL DANCE

Our Catholic Schools Week Dance is tomorrow, Friday Feb. 2nd, from 2:45 – 5pm (please pick your children up by 5:15) We invite students from Preschool-5th Grade. Music provided by DJ Michael Gondringer. Please join us for some food, fun, music, and games!



Preschool students need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Thank You, your Dance Chairs Rachel Blenker (320)836-2831 or Cell (320)761-3374 and Karen Neidermeier-Gill (320)845-6520

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!

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

Fri. 2/2 Joe & Kali Klaphake
Mon. 2/5 Aaron & Ashley Goebel
Tues. 2/6 Paul & Stephanie Sauerer
Weds. 2/7 Bryan & Kari Koenig
Thurs. 2/8 Michael & Judy Gondringer
Fri. 2/9 Ben & Sarah Grutsch

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

BOOK CLUB

Book club for the 4th and 5th grader students will meet from 2:45-3:45 on the following dates:

February 6th
April 9th

ART CLUB

Holy Family School will once again offer an art club after school to our 3rd- 5th grade students. Information and registration forms were sent home last week in the take home folders. Art Club will meet from 2:45-3:45 on the following dates:

March 5th
May 7th

CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL

Tickets for this annual Catholic School Raffle are available! 100% of the money raised with this raffle stays at Holy Family. It is probably the easiest fundraiser we have as Catholic United Financial takes care of all the prizes, tickets, advertising, etc. Tickets are **\$10** for a chance to win great prizes. Ticket sales will go through Feb. 18th. Visit the Catholic United Financial webpage for the Catholic Schools Raffle prize list. Check it out at www.catholicunited.org/raffle.

A great opportunity to sell tickets is before and after mass at all HOH parishes. If you would like to sell tickets at the parish please sign up on SchoolSpeak.

SPOTLIGHT ON FAMILY

The Wohletz Family

Grady is in 4th grade and Rhett is in 2nd grade. Their parents are Rebecca and Kevin. They have two dogs, Iris and Poppy. They enjoy traveling, playing and watching sports, skiing, fishing, cooking, board games and spending time with friends and family. Their favorite part of being at HFS is the school masses, the Christmas programs and attending all of the events.

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

NEW PRESCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITY EVENING

"JESUS LOVES ME"

Children who will be ready for, and new to preschool next Fall, are invited to attend an activity evening at Holy Family School, Monday, February 12th from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Students will work on a "Jesus Loves Me" with a Valentine theme activity with a parent. You will have a chance to meet our preschool teachers and see what our program is all about.

Registration is free, but limited to 20 children along with a parent, so please call 845-2011 or email msovada@holyfamilyalbany.com as soon as possible. A flyer will be sent home next week.



HFS PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

OPEN HOUSE INVITATION!

Parents & their children going into Preschool and/or Kindergarten next year are all invited to **HFS' upcoming Preschool & Kindergarten Open House on Sunday, Feb. 25th from 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM.** Families will have an opportunity to visit the teachers and classrooms and hear more about the programs. Registration materials will be available at the event. ***There will be an informational meeting for Kindergarten parents at 12:00, and a Preschool/PreK parent meeting at 12:30.*** If you have any questions or are unable to attend, please call the school office (845-2011) for more information.

