

November 25, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Happy Thanksgiving to All!



Thanksgiving is a time of gratitude to God, whose guidance and care go before us, and whose love is with us forever. Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on the changes, to remember that we, too, grow and change from one season of life to another. Thanksgiving is a time of changing seasons, when leaves turn golden in autumn's wake and apples are crisp in the first chill breezes of fall.

Let us remember the true meaning of Thanksgiving. As we see the beauty of autumn, let us acknowledge the many blessings which are ours, let us think of our families and friends, and let us give thanks in our hearts. Bless those who are here and those who are in our hearts, and all those who are not as fortunate on this day.

The spirit of Thanksgiving also reminds us of being grateful to the essential workers who have worked so hard to save the victims of COVID-19. We are also grateful to those who have put their lives on the line or even sacrificed their own lives to restore peace, and to preserve, and protect our homeland. We give thanks also for those men and women in uniform, whether on overseas missions or at home, those who put their lives in danger every day to safeguard human rights and to protect lives and freedom. May God bless them and protect them from all harm.



Make-up Picture Day

Lifetouch Photographers will be doing make up photos on Thursday, December 3rd from 8:15 until 11:00 a.m.

Make up photos are for any faculty/staff or students who were not present or are looking to have a retake done.



A Special Thank You to Dr. Fran Stromsland

We are grateful to Dr. Stromsland in serving as an Interim Administrator at Holy Cross Academy in the absence of a Vice Principal. Mr. Christopher McCarrick has been named the new Vice Principal and will begin his duties at HCA effective November 30th. Dr. Stromsland's last day will be December 1st. We sincerely thank her for her guidance and help as well as her commitment to Holy Cross.

Dr. Stromsland has two grandchildren attending HCA, Zia Stromsland in Kindergarten and Beck Stromsland in second grade.



Upcoming Events

- November 26th: Thanksgiving Day – No School
- November 27th: No School
- December 3rd: *Lifetouch* Photo Retakes



Our morning 9:00 a.m. Masses for November and December are as follows:

Monday, November 30 (Grade 6.1 – Reconciliation following Mass)
Thursday, December 3 (Grade 5.1 – Reconciliation following Mass)
Friday, December 4 (Grade 5.2 – Reconciliation following Mass)
Monday, December 7 (Grade 4.1 – Reconciliation following Mass)
Thursday, December 10 – School-wide Mass K-5 & (4.2 Reconciliation following Mass)
Friday, December 11 Grade 3 – Reconciliation following Mass
Monday, December 14 (Grade 8.1 – Reconciliation following Mass)
Thursday, December 17, School-wide Mass Grades 6 – 8 and Student Council Installation &
(8.2 Reconciliation following the Student Council Installation)
Friday, December 18 (Grade 1)
Monday, December 21 (Grade 2)

~ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament ~

Wednesday, December 2: Grade 4 at 9:30 a.m. and Grade 2 at 10:15 a.m.
Wednesday, December 9: Grade 7 at 9:30 a.m. and Grade 6 at 11:37 a.m.
Wednesday, December 16: Grade 1 at 10:15 a.m. and Grade 8 at 10:55 a.m.



Reflection for today

by
John Templeton

*Happiness comes from spiritual wealth, not material wealth...
Happiness comes from giving, not getting. If we try hard to bring
happiness to others, we cannot stop it from coming to us also.
To get joy, we must give it, and to keep joy, we must scatter it.*

God Bless,

Dr. Mark DeMareo
Principal