



### Holy Rosary School's Christmas Program Set for Wednesday, December 15 at 1pm



The PTO's "Advent by Candlelight," for all women is this Sunday, November 28 at 6:30pm. To attend this inspirational event RSVP—ASAP at <https://bit.ly/AbC21>



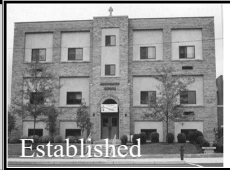
Family and Friends are invited to attend Holy Rosary Catholic School's Christmas program this year, which will be held on Wednesday, December 15, at 1pm. The musical, called "The Christmas Chronicles," will be performed by students in 1st - 8th grade and directed by Mrs. Jirava. Students in the Kindergarten and K-Prep classes will present "Christmas Step by Step." The school's special program will also include a performance by Holy Rosary School's band under the direction of Mr. Koopmann. Following the show, refreshments will be served in the gymnasium. A virtual link to the program will be made available to those who can not attend the event in person.

Gobble, Gobble. There is no school on Thursday, November 25 or Friday, November 26. We hope everyone has a wonderful time celebrating Thanksgiving with family and friends.



### Fairy Princesses rule the day at Holy Rosary School

Friday, November 29th was a *picture perfect* day for an indoor Halloween parade in the Holy Rosary gymnasium. Students dressed up as a multitude of different characters, animals, people and things (like a banana), and of course, fairy princesses! Our teachers chose a very mathematical theme this year: Dominoes!



#### Holy Rosary Parish School Mission Statement

Holy Rosary School Community is rooted in the Word and energized with the Spirit of Jesus Christ. We cultivate our community to live as Jesus taught within the Catholic Tradition. We strive to build gospel values and promote academic excellence.



The Mom's Prayer group is back and meeting the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 8am in St. Ben's/Scholastica after 9am Mass. Join them as they pray for our school, our students, and our staff. Plus, it's a great way to slow down and spend time with other Moms. Questions? Call or text: Carrie Tobkin @ 218-849-0900 or Gina Steffl @ 218-849-5355



**Please don't forget to email me**, along with your student's teacher, when your student will not be in school (since part of my job it to know where all the kids are on any given day). This also goes for students leaving early or coming late. Email me: [bgilbert@holyroarycc.org](mailto:bgilbert@holyroarycc.org) or call 847-5306. Thank you!



**7th graders** (Left to Right): Leah Christiansen, Lauren Kemper, Audriana Flugel



**8th Graders** (Left to Right): Marin Johnson, Zada Foltz, Ava Klemm

Holy Rosary recently competed in the VFW's Patriot's Pen Essay Competition. Conducted annually nationwide, the Patriot's Pen is a VFW sponsored, youth writing competition which gives students grades 6-8 an opportunity to pen an essay expressing their views on democracy. Winners receive cash prizes locally: nationally U.S. Savings Bonds are awarded. Top prize this year was a \$10,000 Savings Bond.

This year at Holy Rosary, we had 26 participants from both 7 and 8 grades. 7<sup>th</sup> grade winners included Audriana Flugel at first place, Lauren Kemper with second and Leah Christiansen third. 8<sup>th</sup> grade winners included Ava Klemm at first place, Zada Foltz with second and Marin Johnson third. Ava Klemm was named overall winner for Holy Rosary. Our six winners will be entered into the national contest and will also attend a banquet in their honor this December at the Detroit Lakes VFW.

-Mrs. Jensen

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## 5th Grade in the News

5<sup>th</sup> Grade ventured to explore the Detroit Lakes Schools' Musical "The Newsies" for the annual "Behind the Scenes" event on Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. This is an experience exclusively for 5<sup>th</sup> graders in Detroit Lakes Schools.

From venturing through the set and stage, to going hands-on backstage in the costume and hairdressing/makeup rooms, to experiencing the technology in the sound booth and cat-walk, students were able to catch a glimpse of what it takes to put on a production through stations.

Most students were able to jump on stage with actors to "re-enact" musical scenes and even speak into the microphones, doing the moves with the actual in-costume cast of the play. Due to Covid-19 protocols, "Behind the Scenes" was unable to happen last year; 5<sup>th</sup> grade has been blessed to be back on board! -Ms. Baker



After various studies dealing with landfills, plastic, oil spills, and reusing/recycling, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade went to see first hand what our county does to process and track the solid waste that accumulates in our county.

Regional Waste Coordinator Sandy Gunderson spent an hour with the class, discussing various operations that occur at the waste site – from drop-off procedures to binding cardboard to disposing of hazardous waste. The facility even now has an area where households can pick up free extra paint and stain and even shop garage-sale priced items that have been rescued from the trash. The field trip included a tour with history, heavy equipment in action, and some shocking stats.

Did you know that in the past 30 years, our county has chopped our garbage waste by more than 70 percent? This is evidence that Becker county is, indeed, doing its part in recycling and reducing the garbage issue on this Earth. -Ms. Baker

**This is a reminder regarding COVID protocols for visitors and guests in our building:**

**Level 3:** Limited to essential school operation with a health screening in place. All guests & visitors must be masked. **Adults attending Mass sit in the southeast section of the church. Students must stay seated with their class.**

**Level 2:** Limited to essential school operation with a health screening in place. All guests & visitors must be masked and/or distanced. **Adults attending Mass sit in the southeast section of the church; students should not join the adults in this section. Parents/Grandparents may sit in the back pews in the main section of the church, marked with pink signs, and their children may join them.**

**Level 1:** Guests & visitors are welcome in the school with a health screening in place. Masks will not be required. **All may attend Mass without restrictions.**



**Wednesday, February 2 is the next public school early out. Holy Rosary School will not have bus service that day.**



**Milk Lovers**

Milk is included with every hot meal and is available to anyone bringing a cold lunch to school. Cost is 25 - cents. Bring a quarter to the lunchroom or ask Mrs. Gilbert to charge it to your school lunch account.

**Substitute Teachers**



**Holy Rosary School is in need of substitute teachers for the 2021-22 school year.**

If you hold a teaching license or a license in substitute teaching and are willing to help, please contact Principal Larson: 847-5306, ext. 202 or [Clarson@holyrosarycc.org](mailto:Clarson@holyrosarycc.org)

**The Next Popcorn Friday is December 17!**



**4th Graders receive their Bibles from Father Chuck**



Every student in Holy Rosary's 4th grade class received a Catholic youth Bible, as a gift from the Parish, during a special Mass celebrated by Father Chuck on Wednesday, October 27. Mrs. Kapphahn's students will use their Bibles throughout the school year. We look forward to them learning more about God's word!

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## Holy Rosary 8th Graders Cookin' Up a Storm in FACS

Our 8th grade FACS class kicked off the first quarter in the kitchen! We learned basic skills like chopping and dicing when we made pico de gallo and crostinis, baking skills with chocolate chip cookies, three different ways to make eggs and two different ways to make bacon, and finally created a delicious homemade alfredo sauce to cover noodles. The 8th graders were eager participants in class and now have a little more confidence in the kitchen -- and independence too!

- Mrs. Flugel



**Reminder:**  
Help feed the hungry!  
Holy Rosary Students are encouraged to bring items to school to donate to the local food pantry. During this time of thanksgiving, let's remember those who are less fortunate. Thank you!



### WAY TO GO CARDINALS!!!

Our 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Marathon for Nonpublic Education was a success! The weather on marathon day was great and upwards of 100 kids participated with family and friends! Through their hard work the kids raised over **\$50,000** for their school!  
-Mrs. McDougall

#### The top 3 fundraisers were:

- #1 Max Mercil, raising \$2,641
- #2 Emily Schindler, raising \$1,556
- #3 Alice Schindler, raising \$1,535  
(Max at right)



#### The top 3 classes were:

- 7<sup>th</sup> grade, raising \$6,309
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade, raising \$6,262.50
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade, raising \$5,734.29