

THE CARDINAL NEWSLETTER

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HOLY ROSARY
CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



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Welcome Back to School! God Bless America and Holy Rosary School



As is tradition, 5th grade learned proper flag etiquette and detail the first week of school, including how to fold, raise, and respect the flag. Way to go 5th graders! –Mrs. Katie Defries



LAKER PRIDE

Our students helped Detroit Lakes High School celebrate homecoming on Friday, September 22. Members of the homecoming court paid a visit to our school along with the Pep Band, several DLHS football players, and five former Holy Rosary School Cardinals. After the pep rally, HRS students enjoyed cheering on the homecoming parade and catching, what seemed like, a never ending shower of candy.



Grandparents Day!

Wednesday, October 18th

12:45-2:45

Holy Rosary School



K-Prep is learning all about what it means to be a part of the Holy Rosary School Family! They read the Our Class is a Family book and made family bracelets as their 1st school activity.

Welcome to the family K-Prep students!

-Mrs. Woytassek



Above: Holy Rosary School Kindergartners working hard to level the sand on the playground during recess.

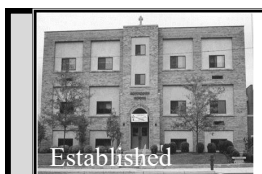


Give Mrs. Gilbert a ring!

Is your child sick? Is your family going on vacation? If the answer is "Yes," please email or call Mrs. Gilbert in the front office (also email your student's teacher). That way, everyone knows what's going on. Thank you!
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Holy Rosary School's 2nd graders were caught playing in the dirt last month. Each student planted a daffodil bulb gifted to them by their teacher, Ms. Buntje. The project was based on a Superkids story where a teacher gave her kids daffodil bulbs, too. We can't wait to see the yellow blossoms in the spring!



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.

Holy Rosary School Calendar 2023-2024

October

- 8 School Marathon - 1:00pm
- 9 NO SCHOOL - PT Conferences
- 18 Grandparent's Day
- 16-18 Book Fair
- 19, 20 NO SCHOOL - MEA
- 23, 24 School Pictures
- 25 Blue Mass

November

- 1 All Saints Day - 9:00am Mass
- 3 End of 1st Quarter
- 6 No SCHOOL—Teacher Inservice
- 23, 24 NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Holiday

December

- 8 Feast of Immaculate Conception-9:00am mass
- 13 Christmas Program - 1:00 pm
- Dec. 22-Jan. 1 NO SCHOOL - Christmas Break

January 2023

- 2 NO SCHOOL - Teacher Inservice
- 3 School Resumes
- 12 NO SCHOOL - Teacher Inservice
- 15 NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day
- 19 End of 2nd Quarter
- Jan. 28-Feb. 2 - Catholic Schools Week

February

- 8 Giving Hearts Day
- 16 NO SCHOOL
- 19 NO SCHOOL - President's Day

March

- 8 NO SCHOOL - Parent Teacher Conferences
- 14 Science Fair—Grades 5-8
- 22 End of 3rd Quarter
- 27 Lenten Retreat Day
- 28-Apr. 1 NO SCHOOL Easter Break

April

- 26 Spring Interlude

May

- 6 Crowning of Mary - 8:20am
- 15 Spring Music/Band Concert—6pm
- 17 Track & Field Day - Noon
- 20 Year End Awards Gr. K - 2 - 2:00pm
- 21 Year End Awards Gr. 6 - 8 - 2:00pm
- 22 Year End Awards Gr. 3 - 5 - 2:00pm
- 22 Closing Mass & 8th Gr. Graduation
- 23 Final Day of School
- 26 Teacher Inservice



**2023-2024
Popcorn Fridays**

Friday, Oct. 27
Friday, Nov. 17
Friday, Dec. 15
Friday, Jan. 19
Friday, Feb. 23
Friday, March 22
Friday, April 19
Friday, May 10

Fall is a great time of year for our HRS kids to enjoy the great outdoors both during gym and recess. So, don't forget to send your child to school with proper clothing. As temperatures drop, please remember to send them with jackets, hats, gloves and scarves. That way they will stay toasty warm. Thank you!



Built for Success

Whose arch will withstand the rub of tectonic plate movement in the Earth's crust? Believe it or not, ALL of the 5th-grade-created arches withstood a level 8 earthquake. Students used a tissue box, glue, and popsicle sticks to design and build arches that would be strong enough to uphold itself in the face of an earthquake, and we saw huge success. -Mrs. Defries

This is a 9-month publication by the Holy Rosary School office and is published on the 4th, or last Thursday of the month. Any news or additions to the monthly newsletter, please email Beth Gilbert, bgilbert@holynosarycc.org. Insert deadline is the 3rd Monday of the month.

Welcome New Teachers!



A big Cardinals' Welcome to our three new teachers! From L to R; Akyra Hagen/3rd Grade, Amber Lyman/6th Grade Homeroom and Social Studies, Ginny Grobe/4th Grade. All three ladies are originally from this area, and believe it or not, Akyra and Amber attended Holy Rosary School. We couldn't be prouder to have two of our own join our staff.

3rd Grade Teacher
Akyra Hagen
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6th Grade Teacher
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4th Grade Teacher
Ginny Grobe
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Holy Rosary School would also like to welcome Mrs. Flugel back. Jodi is teaching FACS (Family and Consumer Sciences) this year and filling in as a volunteer dishwasher for Sam Mattioli.

There is a new face in the church office, as well. Julia Heim is the parish's new Administrative Assistant. She grew up in southern Michigan and currently lives on a farm with lamb, goats, piglets, chickens, ducks, and turkeys.



Bailey Jordan is our new Cardinal's Nest Supervisor. Bailey is not only a great addition to our afterschool program, she is a Holy Rosary School alum.

A+ Teachers

Congratulations to Mrs. Aligada (Kindergarten) and Mrs. Averbeck (1st Grade) for receiving nominations from Holy Rosary parents for the Diocese of Crookston Teacher of the Year award! We are so proud of them! Eight other teachers from around the Diocese were nominated, and Mr. Gary Johnson from St. Phillip's in Bemidji was awarded with the 2022-23 Diocese of Crookston Teacher of the Year. Parents, each spring you have the opportunity to nominate the outstanding teachers we are privileged to have in our school. Please keep this in mind and watch for more information to come in April! - Mrs. Larson



COME & WORK WITH US!

LEAD COOK NEEDED

Beginning on or before Nov. 1.
This position is for an 8-hour workday.

We are seeking applicants who have:

- General cooking abilities
- Knowledge of proper nutrition in the operation of government school lunch programs and/or a desire to receive training
- Certification with the state of MN in food protection and/or a willingness to obtain certification
- A genuine concern for offering students appealing, nutritious meals

Please submit a letter of application and resume to Cathy Larson, Principal, Holy Rosary Catholic School, 1043 Lake Ave., Detroit Lakes, MN 56501 or e-mail to clarson@holyroarycc.org



Bad Weather Policy

All children are expected to go outside for noon recess. Your child can stay *inside* only if the school is provided with a **doctor's excuse**. In colder weather, the time is shortened and in extreme cold or wet weather children stay inside. When the temperature/wind chill reaches 10 below zero all students may be required to stay inside. **Also, in the event that school is cancelled due to bad weather, you will receive a phone call, text, and email from the Holy Rosary "School Messenger" Parent Contact System.** Also, please listen to KDLM or KRCQ radio stations, or WDAY TV. **If Detroit Lakes Public Schools are cancelled, Holy Rosary School and Preschool are also cancelled, as we bus together.**

BLUE MASS—Wednesday Oct. 25

Please invite any Police Officers, Firemen or women, and EMT personnel you know, to our upcoming Blue Mass on Wednesday, October 25th at 9am. Holy Rosary School would like to show all of them how much we appreciate all they do to keep our community safe.



Holy Rosary School's 51st Marathon for Nonpublic Education is taking place on Sunday, Oct 8 at 1:00pm



Students are seeking pledges for their bike ride around Detroit Lake.

Please prayerfully consider contributing to the Marathon this year. And prayers for safety and good weather are always appreciated!

You can give to the marathon on our event site 51stmarathon.givesmart.com or bring a donation to the school office.



THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING WITH US!

Communication Envelopes

Your family's envelope is sent home with your (oldest) child most Thursdays. It has important information such as report cards, forms, hot lunch statements, newsletters, etc... Please sign the envelope and **return it** with your child the following day.

Safe Environment

Anyone over 18 years of age who participates and helps with student activities must complete the ANNUAL Safe Environment Training. A link to the training is a www.crookston.org/secertification

We are on the Web at holyrosarycs.org

Our Playground is *Mulch* Better



A HUGE thank you goes out to the staff, students, parent volunteers, and parishioners who helped spread mulch on our playground and freshen up our sandbox with new sand. We appreciate your help in making our playground safer for our students!



BIBLES

Our school's fourth graders and our new students who are in 5th-8th grade, received their Catholic Youth Bibles during a special Wednesday Mass celebrated by Father Chuck. The Bibles are a gift from the Parish and will be used throughout the school year to learn more about the Word of God.





*“Hmmm...
the red one or
the yellow
one?”*



Hello, Parents. Have your kids been talking about the taste tests we've been having in the lunchroom? I hope so! As part of a grant the school was awarded last school year, from the state of Minnesota, we were able to help purchase a new walk-in fridge and new walk-in freezer for the School/Parish and we were granted money to introduce students to Minnesota grown fruits, vegetables, meats, and dairy. So far, students have picked yellow bell peppers over red ones, yellow tomatoes over the red variety and yellow watermelon over Korean melons and cantaloupe! Next up, we'll be tasting three varieties of apples for National Apple Crunch Day on Thursday, October 12.

Our free breakfast program (photos below) is also going well.

Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to help with this early morning meal.
If you want to add your student to the *Breakfast Club* list, just let Mrs. Gilbert know.



DANKE!

Thank You to everyone who helped out at Holy Rosary Church's Octoberfest/Parish Festival on September 24.

Many of our students not only helped out at the event, they went home with some sweet surprises!

