



Week 12 Newsletter
November 16, 2022



Principal Message

Greetings Holy Family,

Tomorrow our school children and staff will join in prayer to celebrate Thanksgiving. This prayer service includes the bringing forth of food for others, a tradition that invites us to live as mindful individuals who participate in service as Christian disciples. This time of year we highlight this aspect of our faith and mission, and I am so grateful to all of you who respond with generosity and love.

This Sunday we will celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. This feast marks the conclusion of our liturgical year. That it aligns with Thanksgiving is a welcomed coincidence. As we are celebrating all that we are thankful for this holiday, remember to also be thankful for Christ, his sacrifice for us, and that we are able to live freely in His love. This feast day reminds us to wear our faith outwardly, letting our personal light of Christ shine through us for all to witness. As we end our liturgical year and move into the Advent season, thank God for the gift of his Son, Jesus Christ, and all that we have been given as a result of this gift.

Today's email has a lot of information included, please try to take it all in and reach out if you need anything.

Peace and blessings to you,
Mrs. Day

Upcoming Events

Check out our calendar for October. Here are a few highlights for the next few weeks:

- Nov. 17 - Thanksgiving Prayer Service 1:15pm
- Nov. 17 - Band Concert grades 5-8 6:30 PM
- Nov. 19 - BUNCO Night for moms 6-9 PM
- Nov. 21-22 - Fall Conferences
- Nov. 22-25 - No School - HAPPY THANKSGIVING
- Nov. 27 - Advent Begins

School Announcements:

Fall Band Concert

Tomorrow will be the first time all students in grades 5-8 will be performing with their instruments this year. The concert starts at 6:30 PM and we hope to see many of you there. Students are to report to the library between 5:30-5:45 for warm up and check-in. Families have been asked to help with set-up, refreshments, and clean-up. Please refer to your band newsletter sent from Mr. Sharma to see how to help.

Milk Order Form - Due Monday November 21st

Before ordering milk please check in with your student to make sure they truly wish for daily milk. Mrs. Brock dumps 50% of the milk down the drain after lunch as students are not drinking the parent ordered milk.

Enclosed in today's envelope is the Milk Order Form for December, January, and February. The order form with payment is due Monday, November 21, 2022 **Please remember that no late orders will be accepted.**

YMCA Basketball

HFS, we are happy to announce that we are again partnering with Auburn Valley YMCA to host basketball for our students. To register contact or visit Auburn Valley YMCA and say you are with Holy Family School. They will place all of our students on appropriate teams together and fill in with other area children as necessary to complete a team. The Y is also looking for volunteer coaches, so please contact them if you would be interested in coaching a team. See flyer for more information about the program! Registration has been extended for our families, please register no later than Friday 11/25!

Turkey Trot

Tomorrow during PE classes Mrs. Fenton will be facilitating a Turkey Trot! This activity is intended to have a fun, a little friendly competition, and get our heart rates pumping. We will be tallying student laps, and the top runners in each grade will receive a free dress coupon for an assigned day the first week of Advent. Small snacks and water will be provided as well. If you want to join the fun on this day let us know! Happy Thanksgiving from the PE department 🦃

Picture Retake Day, November 29th

If your student was absent on picture day (Mrs. Brock has a list of absent students) and you would like to order individual pictures, please order online at mylifetouch.com using the Picture Day ID: EVT4GMSVN. If your student has already had their picture taken and you wish for your student to have retakes, please send in the whole picture packet in the Lifetouch envelope. Retakes will not be taken without the picture packet. Thank you.

ASB Candy Cane Gram is Back

Today you will find an order form for the upcoming Candy Cane Gram event. This was a huge success last year, and we can't wait to experience the joy again this year. Order early so we can make sure to have enough supply to fill all the orders. If you have multiple students who want candy grams sent from their name, please add their information to the back of the order form. Thank you to our student leaders for helping us ignite the Christmas spirit of giving.

Fall Conferences Next Week

Conferences are scheduled for next week on **Nov. 21st from 3:30-6** and **Nov. 22nd from 9:00-6:00**.

Conferences will be held in person in your child's classroom or other designated location. Please park in the parish parking lot and enter through the walk through gate between the hall and the parish center.

Monday, November 21, 2022

8:15 am Regular Student attendance day

3:30 pm Evening Conferences begin

Tuesday, November 22, 2022

Non Attendance day for Students

9:00 am Conferences begin

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

Non Attendance day for Students

Conference Evaluation Day for Teacher

Thursday, November 24, 2022

Thanksgiving - Non attendance day for Students and Teachers

Friday, November 25, 2022

Thanksgiving Holiday - Non attendance day for Students and Teachers

Special Thanksgiving and Christmas Project

Thanks to those of you who have sent in donations this week of Protein items such as tuna, peanut butter, canned meats, and meals in cans such as stews, Spaghetti O's, meat & gravy. You may also send in your Hygiene items, such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, as we are only in school for one day next week. Please make sure that if you send in food items that they are not past the expiration dates. The week we return from Thanksgiving break will focus on collecting paper items such as paper towels and diapers.

Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance Fulcrum Grant

The Archdiocesan Fulcrum tuition assistance grant application forms were available as of October 1st. I encourage you to apply for this important "scholarship". The funds for this tuition assistance grant come from extensive fundraising done at the Archdiocesan level and are awarded based on financial need.

Applications may be filled out at www.fulcrumfoundation.org/grant-and-programs/tuition-assistance there is a non refundable **\$35.00 application fee** this school year. Scroll down the screen and look for Tuition Assistance Grants, click the "red" Apply button. The Fulcrum Foundation website says that the due date is January 6, 2023, however, Holy Family Auburn **APPLICATIONS ARE DUE THIS YEAR BY WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2022.**

Staff Christmas Celebration

It is our desire to have all adult staff attend our annual Staff Christmas Party on December 14th. This includes Mrs. Garcia who runs our extended care program. We are seeking one or two parents who could cover in extended care between 2:25-3:30 that afternoon, your children are welcome to join you at no cost to your family. Please contact Mrs. Day if this interests you.

SchoolAdmin is Coming in the New Year

Starting with the 2023-2024 school year we will be utilizing the SchoolAdmin web platform for re-enrollment. More information will come out soon on how to create a family profile so that you will be ready to access our Holy Family enrollment site. A preview will be shared at the January Parent Club meeting, please plan to attend and learn about this new system.

Photos

If you have attended any Holy Family School events and have taken photos, please consider sharing those with us at photos@hfsauburn.com. In your message, include your grade level and at which event the pictures were taken. We hope to include some of your submissions in our yearbook.

Parent Club News

Thank you to our families who attended last week's meeting. We had 21.5% overall attendance among families, and our PK class will be awarded the treat this month! Our meeting notes are attached for your review.

Hello families! We are looking for a volunteer to lead our Cookies and Milk reception following the Christmas program on Thursday December 15. This person would be responsible for: gathering volunteers to put on the reception, garnering cookie donations from local bakeries and stores, setting up the event prior to the Christmas program starting, table decorations and clean-up following the event. Please email Melissa Patrick, Parent Club President if you are interested: memamo77@msn.com

It's Time to Play BUNCO!

Our Ladies Bunco Night is scheduled for this Saturday, **November 19th, from 6-9 PM**. We can't wait to see you there! If you have signed up and can no longer make it, please contact Lisette Kelly by Friday so I have an accurate headcount for the table set-up. Here are a few reminders, so you know what to expect (if you have guests joining that aren't on copy, feel free to forward this email to them):

- **Arrival** - please make sure you arrive on time (6 pm)...let the games begin!
- **Raffle** - we have some ah-mazing raffle gift baskets and will accept cash donations of \$1/ ticket (please bring exact change for however many tickets you would like to purchase). There are about 20 of us playing so far and 11 gift baskets so your odds of winning are super duper (see attached image).
- **Food/ Beverages** - we will provide some light finger food, a dessert, water & wine.
- **Adults Only** - as a reminder, this is a kid-free event (yes, we are putting Baby in the corner this time).
- **How to Play** - it's an easy game, we'll do a practice round before the "real" game starts on Saturday (click [HERE](#) to watch a tutorial).

HFS Movie Night - December 2nd

All are welcome to our Christmas themed movie night where we will be showing The Star.

"In Sony Pictures Animation's THE STAR, a small but brave donkey named Bo yearns for a life beyond his daily grind at the village mill. One day he finds the courage to break free, and finally goes on the adventure of his dreams. On his journey, he teams up with Ruth, a lovable sheep who has lost her flock and Dave, a dove with lofty aspirations. Along

with three wisecracking camels and some eccentric stable animals, Bo and his new friends follow the Star and become accidental heroes in the greatest story ever told - the first Christmas."

The movie will start at 6:30 PM and concessions are being offered at a modest price to benefit the 7th/8th Space Camp trip this spring. We hope to see you at this community event.

Development Office Updates

Auction Procurement Deadline - November 28

See the attached auction flyer for all the details you need to know about supporting our school auction. All procurement items are due at the end of the month. Don't delay, get your items in now to avoid the rush as the deadline approaches.

Enclosures/Attachments

YMCA basketball Flyer

Milk Order Form

Auction flyer

Movie Night flyer

Movie Night pizza order form

Candy Cane Gram order form

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Parent Club Nov. Meeting Minutes