



Week 24 Newsletter
February 21, 2023



Love and Joy from Valentine's Day

Principal Message

Greetings Holy Family,

We shared a lovely Ash Wednesday mass with our parish family this morning. Father Roy reminded us that we are called to deepen our relationship with Christ during this Lenten journey through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. He also challenged us to do these things with sincerity.

I grew up with the tradition of “giving something up” for Lent, and as a child I would make the promise. If you were anything like me, that didn’t last very long. I now like to think of it as “making space.” I release the things cluttering my life to make space for Jesus and I focus on the action of building the relationship. Making space for Jesus is an easier promise to keep because I am focusing on positive action of renewal and love. Once that space is made, Jesus is able to reside there even beyond Lent.

I am praying for all of our students and parents this Lenten season, that you may make space for Christ to dwell in and among you always.

A new favorite quote from St. Peter Damian, “may Christ be heard in our language, may Christ be seen in our life, may He be perceived in our hearts.”

Admission season is open, please tell the HFS story to your friends and family to bring new people to our community.

God bless you all,
Mrs. Day

Upcoming Events

Here are a few highlights for the next few weeks:

- Feb. 22 - End of Trimester 2
- Feb. 24 - Lenten Fish Fry (Parish event)
- Mar. 2 - Stations of the Cross (6th grade leaders)
- Mar. 3 - First Friday Free Dress and Food Drive

School Announcements:

State of the School Meeting

This meeting was held last night and I am grateful for all who attended. The recording of the presentation, and the slideshow, will be shared separately for you to watch in case you missed the live session. All feedback can be sent to Mrs. Day.

SchoolAdmin

As mentioned during the State of the School, all enrollment forms will be completed through the online SchoolAdmin portal starting now and moving forward. If you have not logged in, created/updated your profile, and completed the first task please do so as soon as possible. Let Mrs. Day know if you need help.

Milk Forms

The Milk form for the remainder of the school year was sent in last Wednesday's envelope. These forms were due to the school office yesterday. If you wish for your student to continue to have daily milk please turn in your form by Thursday, February 23rd. Thank you.

Extra-Curricular Enrichment Clubs

Interest has been expressed to bring after school clubs back to HFS! I am excited to support this activity and am looking for 2-3 more parents who would like to share their passion, hobby, talent with our community. We have one parent ready to offer a Chess club, who else wants to get a club started? Message Mrs. Day with your ideas between now and March 3rd so we can get organized and offer some after school clubs this spring.

Cold and Flu Season

We are in the height of the cold and flu season. Please continue to make sure that your student has face masks in their backpack or lunchbox. Especially if your student(s) are still wearing a mask full time it is important for them to have 2 or 3 with them daily. If your student comes down to the office and is feeling ill and waiting to go home, they will be asked to wear a face mask while in the office.

Photos

Please share photos 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.

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl

A rice bowl is included today in your Wednesday envelope. Our parish and school help make a difference in the lives of millions of people around the world suffering from poverty and hunger. To ensure that our donations will be put to use as soon as possible, please return your Rice Bowl donations to Mass by Easter Sunday, April 9th. Please do not turn your Rice Bowl donations into the school office. Thank you for participating in CRS Rice Bowl.

Parent Club News

To BINGO, or not to BINGO...

We have the Parish Hall reserved on March 25th to hold a Bingo night. At this time we are looking for 1-3 parents who would like to host this event for the community. Let Melissa Patrick and Mrs. Day know you are interested. If we don't have parents willing to host the event we will release the space back to the parish. Please respond by February 28th.

Fundraising Feedback for 2023-2024

Last week we released the following feedback survey. We will take your responses up to March 3rd. If you have already responded thank you, if you haven't done so yet there is still time. [ACCESS THE SURVEY HERE.](#)

Curious About Parent Club?

Contact Melissa Patrick, memamo77@msn.com, with your interest in the Club and your questions.

Development Office News

Annual Campaign

We have met our goal of \$9,500! Thank you to all who have sent in their contribution so far. We are still working on our school family participation goal, no amount is too small. I look forward to celebrating this goal that shows our Holy Family community is engaged and active in all school endeavors. If you haven't made your contribution yet, there is plenty of time. Remember, you can give through our website or through cash/check using your envelope. Let us know if you need a new envelope!
If we make our goals for this year our students will receive the following rewards: for reaching our funding goal we will have a school-wide treat party, for hitting our 100% participation goal we will have a themed free dress day.

High Hopes Auction - Fabulous Fifties

Auction tickets are now available. Here's the link to reserve your seat,

<https://hfsauburn.ejoinme.org/Fab50tix>.

See the attached flyer for more information. Check in with your family & friends to see how many want to join you for this fun evening raising money for HFS!

Enclosures/Attachments

March Calendar

Auction flyer

Space Camp Chipotle Fundraiser

SCRIP News

SCRIP Order Form

HFS Bunco Mom's Night

February Parent Commitment Hour Log

HF Parish Lenten Family Fish Fry flyer

Kids Heart Challenge Letter

HF Parish Altar Serving Flyer