

# Holy Family School Newsletter

Important Information & Upcoming Events

October 2010

## Masses & Celebrations

- October 3 Sunday Mass  
9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
- October 6 Thanksgiving Mass  
9:30 am at Holy Trinity Church
- October 10 Sunday Mass  
9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
- October 17 Sunday Mass  
9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
- October 24 Sunday Mass  
9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
- October 31 Sunday Mass  
9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

## Milk Program

The Holy Family School Milk Program has begun once again. We will continue with the pre-order system each month. Orders for October have already been submitted, and the order forms for November will be sent home soon.



## Dress-Down Days

Fridays are "dress-down days" for the staff of Holy Family School. In order to dress down, staff members are asked to contribute a Toonie. These funds will be donated to our local Food Bank.

## Student Agendas

If you have not already done so, please remember to send \$5 to the school for the cost of your child's agenda.

*Orange & Camo Day*  
*October 8th*

## From the Principal's Desk

At Holy Family, we are dedicated to helping students grow, both spiritually and academically. In this regard, our Catholic Virtue for the month of October is "*Gratitude*". We hope that our students will take time to be thankful for what they have in their lives, as well as be thankful for God's ultimate gift to us, His Son Jesus Christ. I want to thank all of our parent volunteers for helping to make the Holy Family experience richer for our children. In this regard, I encourage anyone interested to come and attend our first Catholic School Council meeting on October 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. As always, if you have any questions about our school, or if you would like to discuss your child's progress, please contact me or your child's teacher at any time. If you are a Catholic who has been away from your faith for a time and are interested in returning to the church please consider attending Mass this weekend. Mass time at Holy Trinity Parish is Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Also, if you are not a Catholic, but would like information on becoming one, please contact Mr. Pat Roberts at the Parish, 544-8023. Please know that you are always welcome at the Lord's table!!

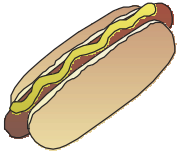
*Matt Turner*

## October Virtue

October's virtue is GRATITUDE, how apropos that we will be celebrating Thanksgiving in just a few short days. Our quote for this month is "*This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad*" Psalm 118:24. "Thanks" is a simple word, but it is a precious fountain of faith in God, and it fills our hearts with a readiness to cherish everything we have. Although the world is currently experiencing economic challenges, and we may have difficulty saying thank you for some of our hardships, sometimes this can release us from that sense of entitlement that can prevent us from really seeing God's grace in our daily lives. The choice to be grateful is not always without effort.

### Hot Dog Days

Hot dogs will be sold every Wednesday (unless otherwise notified, and excluding inclement weather days). Please ensure all orders are placed with classroom teachers prior to 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday mornings. Hot dogs are \$1.50 each. Funds raised will go towards the Grade 7/8 year-end class trip.



### Catholic School Council

The first meeting of the Holy Family Catholic School Council for this school year will be Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the school library. Parents/Guardians are always welcome to attend our meetings.

### Breakfast Program

A big thank you once again to Miss Becky Martin for organizing our Breakfast Program. We are still in need of adult volunteers to assist however. Tasks involved would include preparation of the food, serving the students, and clean-up afterwards. The Breakfast Program runs Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8:30 until 8:50 a.m. If you are interested in helping, please contact the school (544-2397). Also, I remind everyone that we do ask for a \$2 donation per week per child participating in the Breakfast program. We will not be receiving additional funding this year from the Red Cross, so any donations are greatly appreciated. We would like to be able to continue this very worthwhile program for our students.

## *Black & Orange Day* *October 29<sup>th</sup>*

### Picture Day

Our photographer this year will be Photographics. The date for our school photos will be Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. Order forms have been sent home.



### Student Information

If at any time throughout the school year there is a change to student information (i.e. address or phone, medical information, custodial status, etc.), please inform the school immediately. It is extremely important that we are kept apprised of this type of information.

If you have not already done so, please return the Student Information Update Forms that were mailed to you. Even if there are no changes to the information, it is important that the forms are returned to the school.

## Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> is Hallowe'en

Students may bring their costumes to school on Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, but for the afternoon only. A costume parade will be held at 1:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. Please ensure that costumes are in good taste and in keeping with our school dress code. You are welcome to join us.



### Spooky Spaghetti Supper

Mrs. Montminy's Grade 1-2 class is hosting a spaghetti supper, silent auction & penny sale on Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Requests for tickets and information will be sent home shortly. Proceeds raised will go towards the Grade 1-2 year-end class trip. *Join us for an evening of great fun!*

*As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.*

Fitzgerald Kennedy

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