



**Holy
Spirit**
CATHOLIC
SCHOOL

April 22, 2022
School Newsletter

2022-23 Registration – If you or someone you know is still thinking about registering someone for Preschool, Young Five's, or Kindergarten, please get in touch with us soon. Also, if you haven't re-enrolled for the fall yet, please review, edit, and return your Census forms. As a reminder, the registration fee and tuition setup will be done later, after the transition to the NEW School Admin Tuition program is complete. We are NOT using "Smart Tuition" next year, so please do not try to re-enroll as in past years. Additional information and instructions regarding School Admin Tuition registration will be communicated soon. Thank you for your patience as we update our system.

Dismissal - Because student safety is our number one priority, we ask that you use the wagon train or meet your child on the sidewalk by the office door. Thank you for helping us dismiss your children efficiently and safely!

First Communion and Confirmation - Congratulations to our second graders who will receive their First Communion on Saturday, May 7th, and to our eighth graders who will be Confirmed on April 26th at St. Andrew's Cathedral. We pray for, support, and encourage them as they grow in their faith and become stewards of Christ in our community.

Internet Safety Presentation – Parents, please join us on Wednesday, May 11th, from 6:30-8:00pm in the Church Multipurpose Room for an Internet Safety Presentation by Chris McKenna, founder of Protect Young Eyes. He will address the topics of Social Media, Predators, Mental Health, Conversations, Gaming, Parental Controls, Pornography, and Screen Time. There will be age-appropriate student presentations during the school day. Thank you, PTA, for bringing this important presentation to our students and parents!

May Crowning - Please join us as we honor Mary, our Mother, with May Crowning during our 8:30am school Mass on Friday, May 13th. Students are encouraged to wear blue or white uniforms on this day in honor of Mary.

Titan Toddler Time – Call in your RSVP and mark your calendars for Thursday, May 19th, from 6:00-7:00pm. You and your children (ages 5 and under) are invited to explore learning in a faith-filled, fun environment with Holy Spirit School teachers on the front playground and in the habitat area. Let's celebrate God's New Life in Spring with plenty of outdoor activities. Spread the word, and we look forward to seeing you, your friends, and neighbors!

Community Day – Friday, June 3rd, is our Community Day complete with Mass, Games, and Variety Show. This is a *Walking With The Spirit* T-Shirt Color Day.

Holy Spirit Decals - Show your Holy Spirit pride with a Holy Spirit decal on your car. Contact the school office to get yours today.

Important Dates

Friday, April 29th

~Variety Show Forms Due
~Yearbook Order Forms Due

Mon., May 2nd – Fri., May 6th

~Teacher Appreciation Week

Friday, May 6th

~4th Qtr. Midterms Online

Saturday, May 7th

~First Communion Masses
10:00 am and 1:00 pm

Wednesday, May 11th

~Gr. 4-8 Sports Physicals
~Internet Safety Presentation
6:30-8:00pm

Friday, May 13th

~May Crowning Mass 8:30am

Thursday, May 19th

~Titan Toddler Time 6-7pm

Tuesday, May 24th

~Box Tops, Family Fare
Receipts Color Day

Wednesday, May 25th

~ All Library Books Due

Friday, May 27st

~Newsletter/Calendar

Monday, May 30th

~Memorial Day
~No School - CDC Closed

Friday, June 3rd

~Field Day/Variety Show
~WWTS Shirt Color Day

Holy Spirit Mission Statement

Our mission at Holy Spirit School is to learn, live, and share the message and teachings of Jesus Christ.

Awesome Authors Club!

Congratulations to the following HS Published Authors for the month of April!

- KDG:** Danica G., Natalie G., Theo B., Tucker J., Malina D., Jack P., Max K.
1H: Charlotte T., Ava D., Hanna B., Quinn H., Annie N., Ellory R., Clara B.
1S: Wyatt S., Evelyn R., Crosby W., Mary S., Cora P., Addy B., Preston V., Ella W., Madison W., Hunter N., Evelyn B.
2J: Ethan B., Will R., Morgan B., Penny S., Kennidy C., Lincoln S., Nick J., Bryce D.
2M: Wiley Z., Blake G., Mya R., Anna G., Sam B., Charlotte S.
3K: Izzy B., Arianna B., Christian H., Luke G., David W., Patrick S., Brooklyn B., Grace M., Jane B., Peter A., Paul A.
4D: Marcus A., Sophia M.

LINK BOX

[GR Diocesan SMART AID application link](#)

[Aquinas Summer Camps](#)

[John Ball Zoo Summer Camps](#)

[Calvin College Outdoors Inspired Summer Camps](#)

[Calvin College Sports Summer Camps](#)

[West Catholic Summer Camps](#)

Third Quarter BUG Awards

Congratulations to the following 4th-8th grade Holy Spirit students who received the "BUG Award" at the end of the 3rd Quarter for Bringing Up a Grade, while maintaining all other grades.



4th - Jaxson R.

5th – Lucy S., Lily S.

7th – AJ A., Collin A., Cailyn J., Sloane S.

8th – Katelyn K.



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Gabe N.	Brooklyn B.	Teddy H.
Emma V.	Katelyn A.	Ethan L.
Nathan S	Abigail Z.	Mallory H.
Evelyn A.	Justin H.	Anastasia S.
Owen A.	Luca M.	Finley D.
Shai D.	Graham G.	Madeleine H.
Mary S.	John Paul B.	Kayden K.
Oliver M.	Crosby W.	Owen R.
Rio R.	Sofia M.	Ava D.
Riley B.	Mrs. Radlinski	Mrs. Schoof

In Sympathy

Please keep in your prayers, the **Hatfield Family** on the passing of their Great-Uncle, **Ms. Nawrocki** on the death of her Mother, and the **Worm Family** on the loss of their Uncle.

May their souls rest in peace. Amen.





Holy Spirit Child Development Center: Summer Care Program 2022: Enrollment Information

It is that time of the year to be thinking about summer activities and vacations. The CDC staff has been busy planning activities for the 2022 Summer Care Program. Summer Care will begin on Monday, June 13, 2022 and will end on Wednesday, August 17, 2022. The Summer Care Program is available for Holy Spirit School children in Preschool (3 years of age and toilet-trained) through 8th grade. All children enrolled in Summer Care must be fully enrolled for the fall 2022-2023 school year. The center hours are 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (closed Monday, July 4). Each day will be filled with special activities for all the children. There are weekly destination field trip opportunities for children entering 1st through 8th grade in the fall 2022-2023 school year. Registration paperwork was mailed out on Friday, March 25, 2022. Please email mfrancis@hsparish.org if you would like further information regarding the Summer Care program.

HS HAPPENINGS and SAVE THE DATES

2022 Variety Show



Students: It's that time again! It's never too early to start thinking about how you would like to show off your talents. This year's Variety Show is scheduled for Friday, June 3rd. Please pick one talent to showcase. **The entry form can be found in this newsletter and online and must be returned, with parent signatures, no later than Friday, April 29th.**

2022 Community Day

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National Teacher Appreciation Week – May 2-6

We would like to wish a heartfelt **Thank You** to our staff. We are blessed and grateful for our highly qualified, dedicated teachers here at Holy Spirit and all those who help to provide a faith-filled, academically challenging, and enriching education for your children.

Sports Physicals

Dr. App will be here to do sports physicals on students entering grades 3-9 in the fall. If your student plans to participate in any sport during the 2022-23 school year, they are **required** to have a MHSAA Physical Exam Clearance Form completed after April 15, 2022, on file before starting. The cost for this exam is \$20 and will take place in the Holy Spirit 100 Room from 11:30am-3:00pm. Simply complete the MHSAA form for each student needing an exam, and submit to the office with payment (payable to "Holy Spirit Athletic Boosters") **NO LATER THAN MAY 5th**. Exam times will be scheduled based on forms turned in. Click [HERE](#) to access the required MHSAA exam forms or visit the Holy Spirit website to find the forms.

Library News

The week of Monday, May 16th will be the LAST week to check out books from the library. All books checked out will need to be returned by **May 25th**.

Frank Diehl Memorial Blood Drive

The next blood drive is Sunday, May 22, 2022 from 7:30am-1:30pm in the Activity Center. You may register at <https://www.versiti.org/michigan>.

Box Tops, Family Fare Receipts, Tyson Labels

Continue to scan your receipts for box tops, and bring in your Family Fare receipts and Tyson labels to enjoy a color day on Tuesday, May 24th. Be sure to check out all the new products added to the Box Tops program by clicking [here](#).

Student Council News

Thank you to all of the families who participated in our Lenten Projects by donating food for the parish food drive, baby items for the HELP Pregnancy Crisis Aid Center, and board games to the Wedgewood Christian Autism Center. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

2022 Yearbook Sale

Last chance to order your 2022 yearbook! Cost remains at \$10 per book. Please complete the [Order Form](#) sent home with your child and return by **Friday, April 29th**.

Lost and Found

Just a reminder to have your students check the Lost and Found bins. Before we know it, the school year will be over and all items not claimed by **June 10th** will be donated.

Used Uniform Sale

We will be offering the Used Uniform Sale starting **Wednesday, June 1st - Friday, June 3rd**, in the library hallway. Please pin an envelope to each item with your asking price, size, last name, and classroom. If you would like to donate your proceeds or leftover items, please indicate "donate" on the envelope. You may start sending your items in to the office on Wednesday, May 25th. If you have any extra small sizes (4-7) of clothing, or middle school girls' skirts that you would like to donate to the school office, they would be greatly appreciated.

Summer Activities

Be sure to check out the link box included in this newsletter for area **summer camps/classes** being held, including those from West Catholic and local colleges.

Scrip News

The last two days for locals orders are May 1st and June 5th. The last week to order any scrip before summer break will be June 5th. Be sure your order is placed by 9pm on Sunday, June 5th to ensure it will be processed. Over the summer, you are still able to order any e-gift cards, reload any existing cards, or order physical gift cards and use the ship to home option.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

First Communion: We have practice on Thursday, May 5 at 6pm for both the child and a parent. Please get your parent homework turned in as soon as possible. You should have received your Mass time assignment and seating chart location. Let us know if you have not.

Confirmation: Confirmation is Tuesday, April 26 at the Cathedral downtown. Please read the emails and Confirmation handbook for times and dress code.

Vacation Bible School Volunteers Needed: We would like to bring Vacation Bible School back this year, but need at least 10 adults to lead the children through the various stations. This program is scheduled to run June 13-16 from 6:30-8:30pm. If you are willing to help us with this program, please contact us at 616-453-1591 or dschoof@hsparish.org.

I want to be a chaperone, why am I not on your Virtus List?

- You might not have taken the Virtus “Protecting God’s Children” class. Go to Virtus.org and sign up for an online session and electronically sign the required paperwork.
- You may have told me you are too busy to volunteer, and I made you inactive. We only keep active volunteers on our list which is quite extensive. Let me know and I will ask the diocese to reactivate you.
- You might have taken the class for another parish, school, or the diocese, and Holy Spirit School is not on your location list. We cannot see your account and do not know that you have taken the class. Please add Holy Spirit School and role as volunteer to your account. We will need a background check authorization completed so we can run a check and have it at our location. If it was in a different diocese, contact me with the diocese name and I will see about changing you over to our diocese.
- You have been made inactive because your background check is out of date and you have not responded to repeated emails. Update the email address on your account and email me at dschoof@hsparish.org. I will have a new email sent to you so you can update your background check information. You will also be asked to electronically sign the Background Authorization and Standards of Ministerial Behaviors.

FEATURED AUTHOR OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Sam B., in Grade 2, for being our Featured Author of the Month. Sam has won a lunch of his choice and his story is featured below.

About My Life

This book is dedicated to Leo.

I like football and basketball.

My friends are Grayson, Blake, Jack, Wiley, Leo, Russell, Ethan, Michael, and Charlotte!

I average 10 points in a basketball game! I average 1 touchdown in a football game!

Me and Jack play FORTNITE together. We get victories together! We have played 4 basketball games and we are 4-0!

I have 2 brothers, Drew and Max. My mom is the preschool teacher. My dad works at Agape Plastics.

My brother Drew is in 7th grade. My brother Max is in 6th grade.

I am in second grade. I am very good at math!

I have a PlayStation! I play games with my friends on my PlayStation.

I have a pet fish named Ricky. I feed him every day.

I go magnet fishing. I like fishing too.

My brother Max is good at Fortnite. My brother Drew is good at 2K.

I have a cousin named Charlotte that is in my class.

The college that I am going to is MSU.

I play Fortnite on a PC sometimes.

I like Mass because it's about God and Jesus.

THE END

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Sam is playing soccer this spring. He enjoys the Bad Guys books. When he grows up, he would like to be a basketball coach.



Holy Spirit School Calendar, May, 2022

[NWEA MAP Testing 4/25-5/19](#)

[Lunch Supervision, Grade 1 /](#) For updated information go to www.holyspiritschoolgr.org

1 Gospel Jn 21:1-19	2 Teacher Appreciation Week	3 Girls on the Run (GOTR) 3:20-5:00	4 Gr. 4-5 Field Trip	5 GOTR <u>3:20-5:00</u> First Communion Practice 6:00	6 <u>Mass 8:30</u> 4 th Quarter Midterms Online	7 First Communion 10:00 & 1:00
8 Mother's <u>Day</u> Gospel Jn 10:27-30	9 Altar Server Training 6:00	10 Gr. 4 <u>State Fair</u> GOTR 3:20-5:00	11 Internet Safety Presentation <u>6:30-8:00</u> Gr. 4-8 Sports Physicals	12 GOTR 3:20-5:00	13 May Crowning Mass 8:30	14
15 Gospel Jn 13:31-35	16	17 GOTR 3:20-5:00	18 Gr. 2-3 <u>Field Trip</u> Board Meeting 6:30	19 Gr. 6 <u>Field Trip</u> GOTR <u>3:20-5:00</u> Titan Toddler Time 6:00-7:00	20 Mass 8:30	21
22 Gospel Jn 14:23-29	23	24 Family Fare, Box Tops, & Tyson Color Day	25 Gr. 5 Living Wax <u>Presentations</u> Last day to return library books	26 Gr. 8 Exams 11:45 <u>Dismissal</u> 3Preschool Picnic 11:00-1:00	27 <u>Mass 8:30</u> Gr. 8 Exams 11:45 <u>Dismissal</u> 4Preschool Picnic <u>11:00-1:00</u> Newsletter/ Calendar	28
29 Gospel Ascension Lk 24:46-53	30 <u>Memorial Day</u> <u>No School</u> Child Care Closed	31 Gr. 8 Exams 11:45 <u>Dismissal</u> Used uniform sale June 1-3	June 1 Last day for <u>4Preschool</u> Gr. 8 Exams 11:45 Dismissal	June 2 Last day for <u>3Preschool</u> Gr. 8 Field Trip	June 3 WWTS Shirt <u>Color Day</u> <u>Mass 8:30</u> Field Day and Variety Show	June 4 Pentecost Celebration 6:30-8:00

2022 Holy Spirit School ~ Variety Show

The 2022 Variety Show is scheduled for Friday, June 3rd.

Again this year, we are encouraging students to show off their special talents and gifts to perform an original act. Students may consider presenting:

- A dance routine
- A dramatic reading
- A stand-up comedy routine
- An instrumental or vocal piece
- The “sky's the limit!”

We are asking students to please refrain from lip syncs. All vocal pieces should have karaoke-style or live music for accompaniment.

The variety show entry form is to be turned into the school office by **Friday, April 29th**. Please be sure to fill out the form and read this letter completely with your parents, so you understand all the rules. Each participant must have his/her parent's signature.

Acts should be no longer than 2 minutes. Parents, please listen to the music your child has chosen as well as approving dance moves, jokes, and costuming. If deemed inappropriate and/or suggestive, your child will be asked to choose different music, dance moves, and/or costuming.

Rehearsal and approval dates will be announced the week of **May 9th** and will be held during lunch hour from 11:45-12:15 in the gym. These dates are to give out information to all the acts and/or approve the content of the act. These are not open practice sessions. Students are responsible for organizing the members of their act and practicing at home or at times other than the final rehearsal and approval dates. Keep in mind during your practicing that the stage area is 16 feet long and 12 feet wide.

If you have any questions or concerns, we will be happy to help you.

Variety Show Committee

Lizzie Duffy
Erin Gottleber
Paula Ryan

Music/Sound Equipment Coordinator

Joe and Kathleen Houdek

HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL
Variety Show Entry Form - 2022

TYPE OF ACT: _____

SONG TITLE/ARTIST: _____

***Please Note: All participants must be enrolled at Holy Spirit School.
Depending upon the number of interested participants –
students may be limited to one performance.***

	<u>List of Persons Participating:</u>	<u>Grade/Class</u>	<u>Phone #:</u>	<u>Parent's Signature</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____	_____

Length of act (Not to exceed 2 min.): _____.

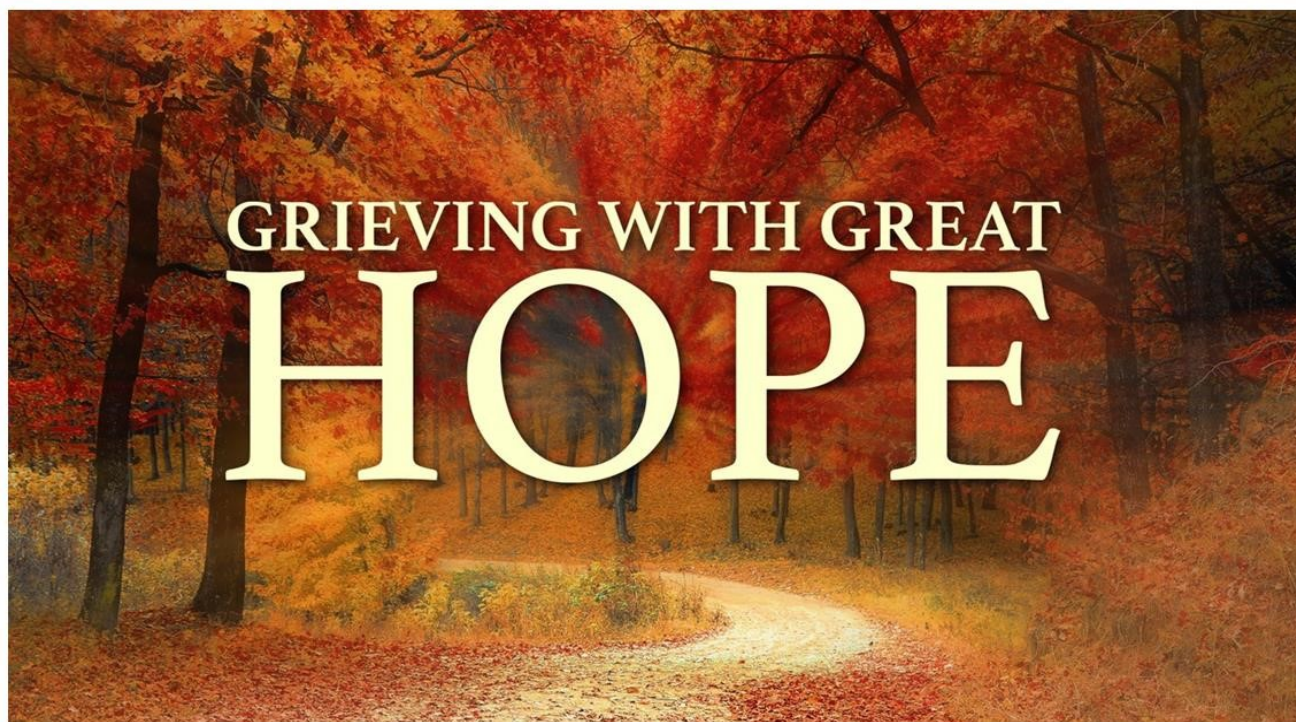
Equipment Needed (provided by participant): _____.

Equipment Needed (provided by Holy Spirit): _____.

Parent Name: _____ **Phone Number** _____ **Day** _____ **Evening** _____

Date rec'd: _____ **Rec'd by:** _____ **Act approved:** _____

Please return this completed form to the school office by **Friday, April 29th.**



Grieving with Great Hope is a grief support program and a healing ministry developed by John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy; they are the co-founders of Good Mourning Ministry, a Catholic Bereavement Apostolate. This series teaches that grief is a natural reaction to loss, and mourning is our intentional response. Mourning is what we do with the pain we feel. It introduces The Seven Intentions of Mourning, each having its own unique purpose in helping to heal our wounds when someone we love dies.

Come share your journey with others who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

This is a 5 week video/discussion based program.

Wednesdays beginning May 4, 2022

6:30-8 pm

Holy Spirit School Room 209

Register with the Religious Education Office

dschoof@hsparish.org 616 453-1591



keep learning going

- Engaging online courses – Free!
 - Science, Coding, History, Reading and more!
 - July 11-22 and July 25-August 5
 - Registration starts June 1
- Printed packets and activities – Free!
 - Download at kentisd.org/SummerBrainGain OR
 - Pick up at Kent District Library or Grand Rapids Public Library locations
- Resources, apps and connections to School News Network Education Everywhere partners – Free!
- MySchool@Kent
 - Flexible, online blended learning
 - Earn local high school credit
 - Register by June 15 with your local school counselor
 - Free for Kent ISD public and charter school students

Kentisd.org/SummerBrainGain
(616) 365-2279

Kent ISD



In partnership with
Kent District Library, Grand Rapids Public Library,
Literacy Center of West Michigan



REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS

If you or someone you know are in danger of abuse, call 911.

Any person with reasonable cause to suspect the sexual abuse of a minor by a member of the clergy, or by any person acting in the name of the Catholic Church, is urged to file a complaint with the appropriate civil authority or the Michigan State Police at 616-866-6666.

If you are a survivor of sexual abuse, either as a child or an adult, by someone representing the Catholic Church, we urge you to contact the diocesan victim assistance coordinator, regardless of when the alleged abuse occurred. The victim assistance coordinator is available to help survivors make a formal complaint and obtain support:

To contact the victim assistance coordinator for the Diocese of Grand Rapids:

Call: 616-840-2079 or email: vac@grdiocese.org

or write to:

**Diocese of Grand Rapids - Cathedral Square Center
Attn: Victim Assistance Coordinator
360 Division Ave. S.
Grand Rapids, MI 49503**

Our diocese accepts and responds to all reports.

Visit grdiocese.org and click 'Protecting God's Children' in the menu to find valuable information on the diocese's safe environment programs.