

Important for the Weeks of December 12th, 2022 and January 4, 2023

Dear **HFGS Families, Faculty, Staff, Students, and Friends,**

A Blessed Third Sunday of Advent!

Gaudete! Rejoice! We rejoice in knowing that Jesus is the Messiah. Our fears are overcome by the grace of Jesus Christ. As **Fr. Mike** shared in his homily, the longest journey may be the journey of our minds to our hearts. However, as we go through our spiritual journey to the great feast of Christmas is when we reach that joyful moment of both the mind and the heart closely following and understanding the incarnation of God in Jesus, the word made flesh, and the time to believe when our salvation will begin to unfold. This week we express that joy of anticipation at the approach of the Christmas celebration.

Welcome, New Tech Teacher - Miss Britney Valle.

Welcome, **Miss Britney Valle** (new Technology teacher). Our school children look forward to learning and gaining more technical skills from you in the Computer lab. Simultaneously, our faculty and families are eager to work with you as well making future collaborations in education that will help set students up for success later in life, particularly in the areas of communication and business.

ALA, Academic League and Ambassadors Program

As of today, **EduContest** has published:

6th Grade Math - HFGS placed **1st** in Math 6 Division out of 70 schools competing.

7th Grade Math - HFGS placed **3rd** in Math 7 Division out of 48 schools.

8th Grade Pre-Algebra - HFGS placed **1st** in Pre-Algebra Division out of 57 schools.

Congratulations, ALA and thank you, Mrs. Ofelia Ruta (Main Coach) and Miss Marie Romillo (Assistant Coach)

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Sun. 12/11 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

Mon. 12/12 - Celebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe

12:00 p.m. - Church Clergy and Staff Christmas Gathering

Note: Day #1: All classes are invited to visit the **Spanish classroom** for great books to take home and read.

Tues. 12/13

8:00 a.m. - 8:40 a.m. - School Mass

1:00 p.m. - Fire Drill

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Faculty Online Collaboration

Note: Day #2: All classes are invited to visit the **GS Auditorium** for great books to take home and read.

Wed. 12/14

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Christmas Concert Rehearsals at UCCG, United Community Church in Glendale

Thurs. 12/15 - Jeans for Jesus

6:30 p.m. - Two entrance doors will be open - **one for all students' drop off** and they will proceed to their designated area and **another entrance door for parents, guardians, and guests.** PTO Board and Office Personnel will be by each door to assist and welcome all guests.

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - Christmas Concert at UCCG

Note: Families and guests will please park at UCCG (free for this event only) and HFCC parking lots. Thank you.

Fri. 12/16 - Christmas break begins. No School.

Note: Classes will resume on Wednesday, January 4, 2023.

Sat. 12/24 - Happy Birthday, Mrs. Teresa Nelson!

4:00 p.m. - Christmas Eve Family Mass, HFCC

Sun. 12/25 - The Nativity of Our Lord. Merry Christmas.

Fri. 12/30 - Feast Day of the Holy Family

Sun. 1/01 - Solemnity of Mary Mother of God / Happy New Year!

Wed. 1/04 - Classes resume and welcome back.

Note: Each family will receive a summary report of the number of service hours accomplished during the first four months of the school year.

Thurs. 1/05 - STAR Testing Window 2 begins.

Fri. 1/06 - Loaves and Fishes

SAVE THE DATE and Spread the Word: HFGS OPEN HOUSE with an ART EXHIBIT is on Tuesday, January 31st, 2023 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

A prayer meditation to begin the week

Lord Jesus, strengthen my trust in your word and my hope in the saving power of your kingdom. Free me from everything that would hold me back from pursuing your kingdom and your will for my life.

Psalm 146:1-10

1 Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

2 I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God.

3 Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no help.

4 When his breath departs he returns to his earth; on that very day his plans perish.

5 Happy is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God,

6 who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;

7 who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free;

8 the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

9 The LORD watches over the sojourners, he upholds the widow and the fatherless; but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

10 The LORD will reign for ever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

Advent blessings,

Dr. Suelto

References:

Fr. Anthony's Message

School Calendar

Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary