

Important for the Weeks of January 30th and February 6th, 2023

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

Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.

Our mission includes providing the children with the vital and invaluable opportunity to expand their knowledge, develop their passion in learning the arts, languages, and sciences, create a greater sense of community, and in helping them develop their self-esteem, and most importantly, to come to know God and deepen their faith. Thank you for choosing HFGS for your child's education!

Bringing in new families and sharing the gift of Catholic education

Please extend our school's invitation to your friends, work colleagues, and relatives for potential families who wish to bring their child(ren) to Holy Family Grade School. Join us in our pursuit of sharing the blessings of Catholic education to the learners of today. Fliers for enrollment, information packets for Summer School 2023, and registration for the academic year 2023 - 2024 are available on our website and the school office.

Some incentives:

If you are able to get a family who will be interested to come to our school's Open House from this weekend until Tuesday, January 31st, you will receive 2 extra service hours. There is a sign in sheet for potential families and your name as a referral. Eventually, if the recruited family would register their child at HFGS, you will get **\$200.00 worth of savings on your next school registration fee.** Once again, the purpose of this student-recruitment effort is to encourage more families to have their children receive the gift of Catholic education.

Expressing our sincere gratitude to the following...

* **2nd Grade First Holy Communion Class, Fr. Anthony Garcias, Miss Alexa Isaac, Mrs. Alma Talledo, Mrs. Cindy Bulaon, Mrs. Lillian Arias, 1st Grade Parent Sponsors, Parent Volunteers, Ali Catering, Mrs. Teresa Nelson, Mrs. Marietta Rogers, Mr. Tom Makiling, Ms. Katy Huntley, Mrs. Ashley Liberda, our office assistants, and more on a successful FHC Orientation and Dinner last Wednesday evening.**

* **Coach Karl Johnson, Cheryl from The American Heart Association, Athletic Director Teri Nelson for Jump for Heart Kids' Challenge, our faculty, staff, and all our students.** The assembly aimed at encouraging all kids to have a positive attitude towards fitness and exercise, healthy eating, and in keeping a healthy heart.

* **Coaches Ofelia Ruta and Marie Romillo in ALA on the IXL milestones** by answering questions to time spent to the team's excellent performance!

January 25 - 130,000 questions answered

January 26 - 35,000 Language Arts / 40,000 Social Studies questions answered

The 3rd round of Math tests and results in **Catholic Math League** competitions will soon be released.

* **Mr. Tony Makhoul, Mrs. Teresa Nelson, Mrs. Daisy Pangilinan, Mrs. Ingrid Bueno, and Mrs. Ashley Liberda** for their announcements at Church to promote Catholic education.

Black History Month

We shall continue to explore historical issues of importance to people of African descent and race relations in America. The 2023 theme is *Black Resistance* - resisting historic and ongoing oppression in all forms and highlighting all people of color's successes and contributions in our American culture and in the world today. This will be a dedicated time for specific lessons as well to look into history's push to all people to live up to the ideals of freedom, liberty, and justice for all.

Sidewalk City Work from Deacon Ron Baker, Facilities Manager and Director of

Operations for Ministries

The work has been completed on Louise Street and the sidewalk will be ready to walk on this weekend. The part that was poured on Wednesday, you can walk on now, the other part poured yesterday will be okay for this weekend. The asphalt repair for the new curb on Louise will take place on Monday (weather permitting.) so the no parking signs, and caution barriers will remain.

This week of January 30th will continue the work on the Lomita sidewalks along the grade school. On Tuesday (1/31), they will demolish the old concrete and they will pour new cement on Wednesday (2/1) and Thursday (2/2). The side gates cannot be used for recess and after school pickup on Tuesday. All entry and exits must be at the two Louise doors or the two gates on the Elk side. Please remember not to go anywhere that is barricaded. Thank you for all your patience and flexibility on this construction project that is on top of our other construction.

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Sun. 1/29 - CSW #1 Celebrating Our Parish

9:30 a.m. – Family Mass

Note:

1. All our school families are encouraged to attend this Sunday Mass.
2. Alumni, Parents, Faculty, and Administration will invite parishioners and guests to attend our Catholic schools.

Mon. 1/30 - CSW #2 Celebrating the Community

School-wide Activity: Making posters/cards for a children's hospital.

Tues. 1/31 - CSW #3 Celebrating Our Students

8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. - School Mass (Memorial of St. John Bosco, Priest)

School-wide Activity: Door Decoration Contest - Students will create an image that represents their personality. Images will be placed on the door.

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – Open House and Art Exhibit (Classrooms and GS Auditorium)

Wed. 2/1 - CSW #4 Celebrating the Nation / **Black History Month** begins.

School-wide Activity: Positive News Regarding our Nation - Students will create a news article highlighting a positive event within our nation.

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - 4th Grade Field Trip to The Walt Disney Concert Hall for the LA Philharmonic 2022-2023, Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts Youth Center

Thurs. 2/2 - CSW #5 Celebrating Vocations (**Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**)

Student Assembly with our Church Community Priests, GS Auditorium

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. – 2nd Grade through 4th Grade Assembly with Fr. Alexander Okondu-Ugba

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – 5th through 8th Grade Assembly with Fr. Anthony Garcias

Fri. 2/3 - CSW #6 Celebrating Faculty, Staff, and Volunteers (**Feast of St. Blaise**)

8:45 a.m. – Blessing of the Throat, GS Auditorium

School Activity: Student Council versus Faculty/Staff Volleyball game

Note: All students will wear a jersey for the day.

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - VIRTUS Recertification: Keeping the Promise Alive, HFHS Auditorium

Sat. 2/4 - CSW #7 Celebrating Families

Note: Parents, guardians and other family members play a vital role in Catholic education. Not only do they volunteer at the school, they instill values and expectations for academic excellence in their children at home. Families are encouraged to spend some bonding time together.

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - VIRTUS Certification for Volunteers: Protecting God's Children HFHS Auditorium

Mon. 2/6 - Recycling Day & Concert Chorus's Candy Gram Sale for Valentine's - Day#1

Tues. 2/7 - Noon Dismissal

8:00 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. - School Mass

1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Faculty Meeting

Wed. 2/8 - Concert Chorus's Candy Gram Sale for Valentine's - Day#2

Thurs. 2/9 - Jeans for Jesus & Popcorn and a Movie Day

12:45 - 2:30 p.m. - Popcorn and a Movie, GSA

Note: March Madness 2023 Fundraising fee = \$225/family is due through FACTS Management System.

Fri. 2/10

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - 1st Grade Walking Field Trip to the Glendale Public Library

11:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. - HFGS 8th Grade Kiwanis Builders Club Meeting with the Glendale Kiwanis Builders Club, Deacon Ron Baker, Miss Alexa Isaac, and Mrs. Ashley Liberda

Sat 2/11

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Winter Dinner Dance + 50-50 Raffle, GSA

Note: WDD Raffle tickets and dance tickets are available at the GS office.

A prayer meditation to begin the week

Lord Jesus, increase my hunger for you and show me the way that leads to everlasting peace and happiness. May I desire you above all else and find perfect joy in doing your will.

Psalm 146:5-10

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 forever, thy God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

Thank you and Happy Catholic Schools Week!

Dr. Suelto

References:

Fr. Anthony's Message

School Calendar

Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary