

Important for the Weeks of January 4th and 9th, 2023

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

A Blessed Feast Day of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph!

We celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Nazareth today. It is amazing that we come from a story of a family interwoven in bonds of love, understanding, and compassion. As the prayer goes, we hope for The Holy Family to be an example for all, and for the Holy Spirit to enlighten our homes, that we may live according to the family virtues, and stand united by the strength of God's love.

VIRTUS Training

Thanks to **Mrs. Helena Ditko, Mr. Robert Bringas, Mrs. Linda Dorian Pelaez, and Mrs. Cherry Pastores** of our Church Staff Ministries for reminding us of the available VIRTUS Training this coming January, one for recertification and the other for certification. Please take note of the details and share the information to those who may need to take advantage of this opportunity. Kindly contact **Cherry Pastores** in the Church office to sign up.

Jan. 13, 2023 – Friday

Keeping the Promise Alive: VIRTUS recertification

7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Holy Family High School Auditorium

Jan. 14, 2023 – Saturday

Protecting God's Children: VIRTUS initial class

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Holy Family High School Auditorium

What parents can do to prepare the children to return to school after the Christmas break

- *Make sure their child has a daily, predictable routine, with regular times for healthy meals, naps, and night sleep at home. Having a rested body and knowing what to expect at home helps children cope.*
- *Let the children know that the teachers and staff look forward to welcoming them back to school.*
- *Make sure their child is caught up on well-visits with their healthcare provider and is up to date with immunizations to ensure that each child is healthy and well protected.*
- *Connect with other parents who have children in the same grade level and can provide information to make everyone enthusiastically and comfortably return.*
- *Talk with their child about what to expect in returning to school after a long break so each child may continue to learn and grow with their classmates and friends.*

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Fri. 12/30/2022 - Feast Day of the Holy Family

Sun. 1/01/2023 - 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

Mon. 1/9 - Recycling Day

10:00 a.m. - Church Clergy and Staff Meeting

Tues. 1/10 - World's Finest Chocolates Fundraiser begins.

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

12:00 p.m. - Early Dismissal

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

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - PTO Board Meeting through Zoom

Wed. 1/11 - Happy Birthday, Mrs. Beatriz Herrera!

Note: 2nd Graders' FHC and 8th Graders' Legacy Fees are due through FACTS Management System.

Thurs. 1/12

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. - New Year's Bash, GS Auditorium

Note: The attire will be white, black, silver and/or gold colors.

Fri. 1/13

1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. - **A Musical Performance from The Harvard Krokodiloes**, GS Auditorium

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

Sat. 1/14

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - VIRTUS Initial Class / **Certification:** Protecting God's Children, HFHS Auditorium

SAVE THE DATE and Spread the Word:

HFGS OPEN HOUSE with an ART EXHIBIT

Tuesday, January 31st, 2023

5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Holy Family Grade School

400 S. Louise St. Glendale, CA 91205

A Prayer Meditation

Lord Jesus, make me a faithful servant of your word and guardian of your truth. Help me to obey you willingly, like Joseph and Mary, with unquestioning trust and with joyful hope.

Psalm 128

1 Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways!