



HCA Family Newsletter May 10, 2019

"May my love unceasingly offer something to my divine Jesus."

~ St. Léonie Aviat

May

Scantron testing continues this week.

12 – Youth of Note sing at St. Mary 12:30 Mass; Happy Mother's Day!

13 – 2nd grade trip to Fredericksburg

14 – Battle of the Books competition

16 – May Crowning, 8:20am

17 – school Mass, 8:15am, Pastor appreciation after Mass, please join us

18 – Confirmation celebrations, 10am & 2pm



Recess Duty, 11:15-12:25 Kindergarten 5/6 - 5/9; **Make up recess duty – 5/13 – 6/7**

Here is the link for make-up recess duty, if you have missed and have not signed up by May 20, you will receive a \$50 fine per missed duty. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0448a5a92aa1f94-make>

NOTES

We wish all of our HCA Moms and Grandmoms a blessed, happy Mother's Day! May Mary, our Blessed Mother, continue to bless and guide you as you lead your children closer to her Son, Jesus!

Please pray for our 8th graders will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, May 18. May they open their hearts to receive the gifts and fullness of the Holy Spirit.

Our faculty and staff were spoiled this week by the lovely treats in the faculty room, prize drawing every day and many gifts and thoughtful cards from all of you. **A special thank you** to Susan Hamann and her committee for making it such a special week.

Our May Crowning is this Thursday at 8:20am. We will meet in Father Brisson Hall and begin the rosary there. We will process out to the statue of our Blessed Mother where Katie Harmon will crown our Blessed Mother for all of us and our 8th graders will pray their Dedication to our Blessed Mother. We invite our students to bring their rosaries and some flowers to place near our Mary statue. This is one of our most cherished HCA traditions and we invite you to join us. First Communicants are invited to wear their First Communion outfits. Our second graders who did not make their First Communion are invited to wear their Sunday best.

Attention 8th grade parents: It is now time to submit the \$65.00 graduation fee! Thank you!

FINANCIAL AID AWARDS HAVE NOT BEEN COMPLETED. WE HOPE TO HAVE THEM OUT BY MID-MAY. THANK YOU!

Last day of lunch service is June 10. As of June 3, any student with a zero or lower balance on their lunch account will not be able to charge lunch.

It's About the Children!



Does your rising 6th, 7th, or 8th grader wish they had art class all day? Send them to HCA's **Middle School Art Camp!**
July 8 – 12, 9am to 3pm, \$200
Holy Cross Academy Art Room, Mrs. Woolfolk, Instructor

HCA's Middle School Art Camp is designed for Holy Cross Academy rising 6th, 7th and 8th grade students who have a deep interest in art and desire more time in the art room. We will build upon our skills in a variety of media including clay, printmaking, drawing, painting and sculpture. Throughout the creation of their work, students will develop artistic behaviors and creativity. We will look to art history and contemporary work for our inspiration and skill development.

Contact Mrs. Woolfolk to register ewoolfolk@holycrossweb.com

Spring into Spring with Scrip Gift Cards: Spring is here. Many important dates will be occurring during the Spring, including teacher appreciation, Mother's Day, Father's Day, graduations, weddings, and a birthday or two. Give the gift of a gift card and support Holy Cross Academy. Can't decide which gift card is best? We have Scrip Gift Certificates available. For more information, just send an email to the Scrip Coordinator at scripcoordinator@holycrossweb.com or stop by the scrip table after Mass.

Thanks for using scrip gift cards!

Please **check your children regularly for ticks.** We have had reports of Lyme disease in the area and an increased risk this season.

Previously in Virginia, students were required to have received the **Tdap vaccine prior to entry to sixth grade.** To align with current medical practice, the Virginia General Assembly passed legislation effective July 1, 2019 that changes the grade that students need to have had the Tdap vaccine from sixth to seventh grade. Therefore, for the upcoming 2019/2020 school year, only those entering seventh grade (or higher for new students) will be required to have received the Tdap vaccine. As long as the student received the vaccine at age 7 years or older, the student will meet the school vaccination requirement for Tdap. Please see the FAQs regarding this change on the school website and let Mrs. Richardson know if you have further questions.

Check out the summer offerings for Virtual Virginia. VV offers tons of courses for high achieving students that want to prepare for high school level work or take a class not available to them at their school at this time. Please see the VV flyer in the attachments for all the pertinent information.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL MINUTE: Our Middle School students had fantastic field trips to Finance Park, the Newseum and Joint Andrews Base. We are focusing on Scantron testing and our 8th graders did extremely well on the diocesan Spanish exam. Our 8th graders are also very close to receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. Please remember them in prayer.

Live Jesus!

Our girls' basketball coach is offering multiple opportunities for girls in 5 - 8 grade to come learn the game, or improve their understanding and skills. Please see the flyer in our attachments for additional information and dates.

An England Run family is looking for a nanny, au pair or stay at home mom to care for their 4 year old daughter, until school starts (Sept. 2020). Please contact erinharris00@yahoo.com.

SAINT MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
marriage ministry

DATE NIGHTS AT SAINT MARY'S

All married and engaged couples are warmly invited to invest in their relationship by attending "Date Night". Meet members of your parish family and grow in your vocation, intentional loving each other more fully!

SATURDAY, MAY 11
6:30pm | Wine & Cheese
7-9pm | Presentation
"4 Things You Needed to Know Before You Were Married" Presented by Fr. Colin

SATURDAY, JUNE 8
6:30pm | Wine & Cheese
7-9pm | Presentation
"Agape Love—Living for over 50 Years!"
Our seasoned married couples share their tips for a lasting and holy marriage. What a treasure!!!

All gatherings are at the St. Mary's Parish Life Center

If you are interested in joining the Marriage Ministry Team, we would love to welcome you. Please contact Elena Doyle at edoyle@stmaryfred.org

Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School is excited to announce their 2019 SUMMER CAMPS! Whether you're looking for an enrichment and leadership experience or a sports program for your child, the John Paul Summer Programs are full of opportunities for children in grades 2 through 12. Have questions? Contact camps@jpthegreat.org or 703-445-0300. Camp descriptions and registration information: www.jpthegreat.org/apps/pages/summeractivities

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**2019-2020 MBA Majest Martial Arts
HCA Taekwondo Program and**

Mother's Day Special



On May 13, 2019, registration for the MBA Majest and HCA after school TKD program in the fall will be open to all HCA families. Classes are scheduled on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:45-4:30p.m. Program runs from September 10, 2019 to June 4, 2020. Students will learn Taekwondo with Master Ha, 6th degree Black Belt. At MBA Majest, we teach beyond the “kick and punch”. Through taekwondo, students learn the mental skills to apply to their life outside our studio doors. At the cornerstone of our teaching is respect. While reinforcing family values, we partner with our families to assist

students to establish and achieve personal goals. Transportation is available. A percentage of the registration fees will be donated to support HCA programs. For more information, contact Pearl Conroy at 540.899.5588 or customerservice@majestTKDfredericksburg.com.