

PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVE

Dear Holy Name of Jesus Community,

March is always a very busy month for schools. Add the activities of Lent into an already busy schedule, and everyone is working double time! This Friday, our students will be singing and signing the song "Come and Move" at the end of Mass. School Masses during Lent have also had very interactive and meaningful homilies. Therefore, I invite you to join us at Mass this Friday at 8:30 AM in the HNJ Church. All students in 1st through 7th grade attend weekly Mass now. You will be filled with hope, joy, and a renewed pep in your step as you head into the weekend. (If you are unable to join us in person, you can join us on livestream here: HNJ Church & Loyola Ministry - YouTube)

Then, next Thursday, our 7th grade students will present the living stations of the cross at 8:30 AM in the auditorium. These students have been leading stations of the cross weekly during Lent to help our student body gain an understanding of how the lessons of each station connect to the life of an HNJ student through the prayers and reflections that are recited. We hope you can join us next Thursday, too. Our living stations program is a great experience to help us enter into the Triduum as we meditate through the eyes of children on the passion, death, and resurrection of our Lord.

A few weeks ago, we were notified that this is the last year that Pigeon's Catering will be partnering with HNJ School for our lunch service program. Therefore, we sent out a request for proposals to three other companies, and we are excited to announce that Messina's Catering submitted a comprehensive plan to offer lunch to the "big school" and continue to provide breakfast, lunch, and snacks for our Little Gators.

Messina's has started off our partnership with a donation of \$500 to the Gala & Auction. We are so grateful for this new and exciting adventure! We expect to meet with the owners of Messina's soon. Then, we will send more information to the whole community. We are confident you will be pleased with the food options, food quality, multiple pricing structures, and friendly customer service.

God Bless, Kirsch J. Williams







What's Important This Week & Next

Wednesday, March 20

Kindergarten Field Trip

Friday, March 22

- School Mass, 1st-7th, 5th Grade sponsoring, parents invited, 8:30 a.m.
- Liturgy of the Word, PK3-K, KM and PK4F sponsoring, parents invited, 9:45 a.m.
- 3rd Grade Reconciliation
- Little Gators Easter Egg Hunt, 2:15 p.m. at the Parish Center
- Fish Fry, 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, March 23

• Island Nights Gala, 7-11 p.m.

Sunday, March 24

Palm Sunday

Monday, March 25

HNJ Spirit Shirt Day

Tuesday, March 26

Chrism Mass

Thursday, March 28

- Living Stations of the Cross, 8:30 a.m. in the Willoz Family Auditorium
- Easter Egg Hunts (PK3, 11 a.m. in PK yard; PK4, 10:30 a.m., Cromwell grass yard)
- Early Dismissal, No Later Gators
- Easter Break Begins (March 29-April 5)

Friday, March 29

 Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 3 p.m. at HNJ Church

Easter Weekend Masses (March 30-31)

- Saturday Easter Vigil, 8 p.m.
- Sunday, 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.



Quick Links













Please Support HNJ Annual Giving

Dear Holy Name of Jesus Community,

We are honored to serve as the chairs of our 2023-2024 Annual Giving Campaign. As Holy Name of Jesus parents, we know it's important to be a community for others and to support the mission of our school. Holy Name is a special place where we know that our children learn through innovative teaching, receive spiritual formation in the Catholic faith, and become academically, spiritually and socially prepared for high school and beyond.

We are in an exciting time of growth here at Holy Name. Our enrollment is strong; our students are excelling academically; and this year we are doing even more to promote and measure our core values based on Ignatian principles!

Our Annual Giving Campaign seeks to raise funds that will go directly to supporting the school's annual operating budget. Gifts to the "Forever in Our Hearts Fund" help support our Mission, including:

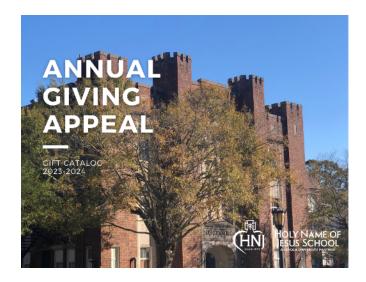
- Providing innovative academic programs and student support services,
- Maintaining state-of-the-art technology and facilities to support our learning,
- Retaining highly qualified teachers and providing professional development.

Your gift to Holy Name of Jesus School will make a difference! We encourage you to view our <u>2023-2024</u> <u>Annual Giving Gift Catalog</u> to learn more about what your donation will support. As you prayerfully consider your gift, please keep in mind that the cost to educate one student at Holy Name is \$910 more than our annual tuition.

We encourage all parents, grandparents, faculty, staff, alumni, parishioners and friends to participate! Please click here to make an online donation or set up a recurring gift.

Thank you for your consideration, and may God bless each of you and your families! Sincerely,

Chris and Casey Zainey 2023-2024 Annual Giving Chairs





Make a Gift









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Help Your Child Overcome the Fear of Making Mistakes



Is your child afraid of trying new things because they fear making mistakes?

Here's a practical approach to change their perspective:

*** Set Expectations**

When your child is about to tackle something new, take a moment to talk to them. Say, "This is a new challenge, a chance to stretch your abilities. So, I'm anticipating some marvelous mistakes from you!" Setting this expectation lets them know that making mistakes is a natural part of learning.

Normalize Mistakes

Reinforce the idea that mistakes are an essential part of the learning process. Emphasize that everyone makes them, and they are nothing to be ashamed of. Share stories of your mistakes to show that it's a universal experience.

Celebrate Progress

As your child encounters mistakes, be there to support and correct them without judgment. Encourage them to see mistakes as opportunities for growth and improvement. Celebrate their efforts and progress, no matter how small.

Family Motto

Establish a family motto to reinforce this positive attitude towards mistakes. For example, "In our home, mistakes are expected, respected, and corrected." Make it a part of your family's daily conversations and interactions.

Following these steps can help your child shift their perspective on mistakes. They'll begin to see them as stepping stones to improvement rather than something to fear. This approach can foster resilience and a healthier attitude toward new challenges in your child's life.









Gator Athletics Highlights

Congratulations to the 1st/2nd boys track/field team who came in 1st place overall for the third time in as many weeks! The 3rd/4th boys placed 5th and the 1st/2nd girls placed 8th overall. Here are the top 5 HNJ performers:

1st/2nd girls (Sub-elementary) - 8th overall

Cecilia Johnson - 400m - **2nd**Claire Majoue - 400m - **5th**Cecilia Johnson - Turbo Javelin - **5th**

1st/2nd boys (Sub-elementary) - Champions

Peter Blamphin - 100m - 3rd
Peter Blamphin - 200m - 5th
Peter Blamphin - 400m - 3rd
Charlie Sholl - 400m - 5th
Samuel Johnson - 800m - 3rd

Peter Blamphin - 55m - 4th

Liam Otanez, Boyd Ross, Samuel Johnson, Peter

Blamphin - 4*100m - **2nd**James Higgins - Shot Put - **4th**Samuel Johnson - Turbo Javelin - **4th**

3rd/4th boys (Elementary) - 5th overall

Peyton Johnson - 55 hurdles - 1st Peyton Johnson - 100m - 3rd Peyton Johnson - 200m - 4th William McCormick - 400m - 4th William McCormick - 800m - 3rd Remy Orgeron - 800m - 4th Henry Frein - Discus - 5th

Peyton Johnson - High Jump - 2nd

Peyton Johnson - Long Jump - 3rd

Softball: The Gator softball team won their second game of the season 9-5 vs. St. Martin's on Wednesday afternoon. The game went back and forth with the Gators jumping out to 3-0 lead in the top of the 1st inning. With the score tied at 4, the Gators exploded for 5 runs in the top of the 3rd inning and held St. Martin's scoreless to pick up their second win of the season.

Raleigh Kennedy pitched 3 innings with 6 strikeouts while going 2-2 at the plate including 1 homerun. June Lungsford also went 2-2 with a double and a single. Lane Vodanovich scored a run and had an

RBI. Emma Mae Willoz, Gia Phillippi, Grace Vodanovich, Anna Gay, Riley Blamphin, Hannah Lyons, and Catalina Rice all reached base and contributed to the offensive explosion.

Baseball: The 5/6th and 7th grade baseball teams are both looking for their first win of the season. Just like in life, baseball is a game of inches. With plenty of the games left on the schedule, the best is yet to come for this talented group of gators!











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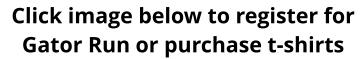




















Lenten Fish Fry

March 22

6-8 p.m. at Holy Name of Jesus School
Walk-ups are welcome. Please pick up your order by 7:45 p.m.
Proceeds to support Boy Scout Troop 55 activities
Call Daniel Quintana with questions (504) 715-3490

- Adult Shrimp \$14
- Child Shrimp \$11
- Adult Catfish \$14
- Child Catfish \$11
- Shrimp & Fish Combo \$15

All plates include French Fries, French Bread and Potato Salad.

Our food is outstanding because all fish and shrimp are Louisiana products!



















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NIGHTS

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50/50 RAFFLE TICKETS VACATION PACKAGE RAFFLE TICKETS



\$25 PER CHANCE
ALL SALES ONLINE ONLY
TEXT HNJRAFFLE TO
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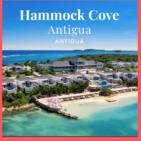












Gaming License: G-0004386











EASTER SUNDAY AFTER 11 A.M. MASS

BAGS PROVIDED OR BRING YOUR OWN BASKET

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY HORSESHOE & PALM COURT















HOLY NAME OF JESUS SCHOOL

LEEGARDEMAL COLORDANIA

JOIN US FOR OUR 43RD ANNUAL GATOR RUN TO BENEFIT THE HNJ ATHLETIC PROGRAM & THE LEE GARDEMAL AWARD FOR STUDENT ATHLETES

04.13.2024 AUDUBON PARK

5K

- 5K RACE & 1-MILE FUN RUN
- MEDALS IN THREE AGE GROUPS
- ALL FAMILIES, ALUMNI & FRIENDS INVITED
- GET MOVING AND HAVE FUN!
- ALL PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE A FREE T-SHIRT

HNJ MEN'S CLUB WILL HOST A CRAWFISH COOKOFF FOLLOWING THE GATOR RUN. WRIST BANDS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.

\$35 PER PERSON * REGISTER ONLINE: WWW.HNJSCHOOL.ORG/GATOR-RUN







HNJ Men's Club Presents



2024 Crawfish Cook-off



Saturday, April 13th
Chiu Family Yard
11:30am
(following Gator Run)

\$25 per Adult in advance \$30 per Adult at the gate \$10 for Children

Visit the HNJ Men's Club website or click here to register your team or purchase prepaid entry wristbands

Admission includes: Crawfish, burgers, hotdogs, soft drinks, and beer (21+)

















Summer 2024 Dates



June 3 - 7

June 10 - 14

June 17 - 21

June 24 - 28

July 8 - 12

July 15 - 19



February 19 - March 3

Priority registration for students enrolled at HNJ for the 2024-2025 school year.

March 4

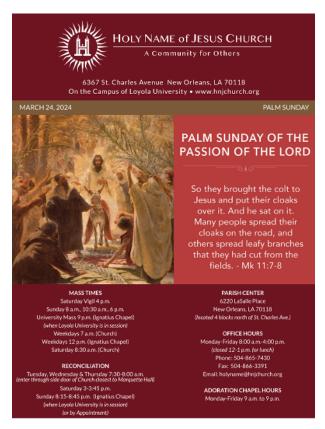
Registration open to the public

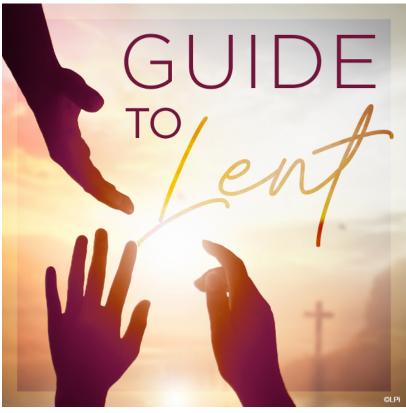






HNJ Parish Uppates





Grandparents Club

Holy Name of Jesus School has formed a brand new grandparents club called the Grand Gators! The purpose of the club will be to give our grandparents an opportunity to become involved in the life of the school through volunteering, fundraising, event planning, and more. If you are interested in becoming involved, please complete the form linked below, and share your contact information with us. Thank you for your interest!

Families: Keep your Grandparents informed! Make sure to update your family's <u>RenWeb account</u> to add Grandparents' contact information so they can receive updates from HNJ.

Click here to get involved with our Grandparents Club







Parent Teacher Club Updates

Volunteer Interest Form

HNJ is extremely fortunate to have an amazing community that is able to produce fantastic events that benefit our students and families. However, these events cannot happen without help from parent volunteers. We know your time is precious and limited, and your support and help to make these events happen is greatly appreciated not only by the event chairs but by our children. Volunteering for HNJ events is also lots of fun; new friends are made and good times are had by all. All of these events are open to all families at HNJ (all are family friendly except the Tennis Tournament and Gala, which are for adults only!).

The school is asking all parents to consider becoming a volunteer to help plan and execute school events. We have created a Volunteer Interest Form so you can indicate specific areas of interest. **NOTE: this form is NOT the official volunteer sign-up form for the events.** The specific event sign-ups with time slots will be sent out closer to the events. This form is a planning tool for the PTC and event chairs to help us recruit leaders and committee members.

Thank you in advance for your help and support! Reach out to PTC President Ana Rice (anaerice@gmail.com) with any questions. Thank you for your consideration!

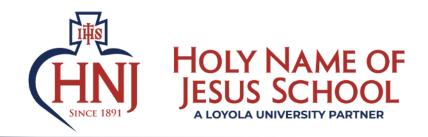
Click here to become a volunteer











Mission

Holy Name of Jesus School is an inclusive community dedicated to teaching children confidence, compassion, and integrity while staying committed to academic excellence and the Catholic faith.

Core Beliefs

-Find God in everyone and everything
-Strive for personal excellence
-Are boys and girls for others
-Open eyes with faith, open ears with truth, and open hearts with love

Academic Vision

Holy Name of Jesus School fosters academic excellence in an inclusive environment where our community celebrates and supports all members through student development, innovation, and social justice.

Motto: To wonder, to achieve, to make a difference, together

Decisions: Student-centered

In implementing this academic vision, Holy Name of Jesus School is committed to:

GOAL #1

Meeting the needs of ALL students by utilizing data to differentiate instruction in order to grow as individuals academically, spiritually, and socially

GOAL #2

Delivering engaging, collaborative, projectbased opportunities where students develop an inquisitive approach to learning

Goal #3

Providing ongoing
opportunities to
highlight, promote, and
celebrate our own and
other's backgrounds,
cultures, and differences

Learn more about Holy Name of Jesus School www.hnjschool.org 504-861-1466