



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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May the spirit of the Christmas
fill your home with peace, joy and love
Wish you a merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year!



FROM THE DESK OF

Principal Galati

This is the season for hope, love, joy, giving, and gratitude!

With that note, we thank ALL the families,
students and staff for their heartwarming gifts to our
adopted family for this year. Everyone stepped up for this
last-minute request. For all the support you've given to our school and
to all the students.

For the last 2 weeks we have been doing our morning prayers out in the hallways.

To our student body and staff, congratulations for our last night's Advent Program.

Our 2023 program is now in the book! This is the last week of school before our Christmas vacation.

May we all have a very merry, safe and blessed Christmas and prosperous New Year. God bless us!



**HOLIDAY
DRESS UP
DAY!**

Wear your sweaters,
holiday onesies,
accessories, and/or red,
green, and white!

**THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 14**

'TIS THE
**Season
OF Giving**

DECEMBER
SLE and Virtue of the Month

And it's not too late to consider
HFCS when planning Christmas
and end-of-year donations.

We are still able to accept
donations through the Gala
online portal. *(see QR code below).

All gifts are tax-deductible. These
gifts will be dedicated to HFCS's
General Fund to ensure that our
students receive the most
up-to-date curricula, technology,
enrichment programs and great
teachers!

It is truly the most wonderful time
of the year and we are grateful
for the generosity of our
wonderful families, parishioners
and friends!



**December PBIS
Assembly!**

Join us for a holiday assembly
with a special performance by
the HFCS Staff!



Thursday, December 14

HFCS gym

2:30pm



*Holy Family Catholic
School students are*

**FAITH-FILLED
LEARNERS**

who model

PATIENCE



*Thinking of you during this wonderful holiday season and wishing you much happiness.



Looking for a good gift idea?
It is Holy Family Night at the Blazer game on
Sunday, February 25th at 6pm.
Buy tickets for the whole family and enjoy the game
in a section dedicated to Holy Family.
**(See flyer attached for the link and use promo code 'family')*



CYO NEWS

Thanks very much to **Marina Krupicka** and **Mike Gill**
for volunteering time as site monitors this past
weekend! We greatly appreciate this
support for our young athletes.

First **Hot Shot Basketball** game is **December 16th**,
other basketball games will resume in January.
Have a great holiday (and keep practicing over the break)

GO CARDINALS!

Please reach out with any questions:
cyoholyfamily@gmail.com



[Staff Giving \(paypal.com\)](https://www.paypal.com)

GREETINGS FROM PTO!

Holiday Giving

for our treasured staff




Your Parent-Teacher Organization annually collects funds to give all staff members a gift at Christmastime.

PTO suggests a \$15 donation/family

Thank you for your continued support!
Donate now through Dec. 13th
Find us using https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=U9WEVNAFPYP4




DECEMBER 2023 – JANUARY 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
11	12 6PM ADVENT PROGRAM	13 9:05AM Late Start 9:15AM <u>4th Grade Leads</u> Student Mass	14 2:30PM PBIS ASSEMBLY HOLIDAY DRESS UP DAY	15 <u>NOON DISMISSAL</u> *FREE DRESS* CHRISTMAS BREAK BEGINS
18				29
	JANUARY 2  SCHOOL RESUMES	3 9:05AM Late Start 9:15AM <u>Staff Leads</u> Student Mass BottleDrop BAG DROP	4	5  8:15AM CUP OF JOE with Joe

Our Mission Statement: Holy Family Catholic School is a community of learners: Students, staff, parents and parish engaged in the life long process of learning. Our commitment, rooted in the Gospel values is to pursue together creativity and excellence in all areas of spiritual, academic, and personal growth.

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Send newsletter submissions to wedsword@holyfamilypdx.net Submissions due by NOON ON MONDAY prior to publication



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**SUNDAY, FEB. 25
6:00 PM**

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL NIGHT

Join us for Holy Family Catholic School Night as the Trail Blazers take on the Hornets! Use the provided link to get your special discounted ticket. All who use the provided link to get their ticket will get to shoot a free throw on the Trail Blazers court after the game. See you there!

VISIT:
[Rosequarter.com/
groupnights](http://Rosequarter.com/groupnights)

PROMO CODE:
FAMILY

ORDER DEADLINE:
Mon, Jan. 29

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

STARTING AT \$50

CENTRAL CATHOLIC CHARACTER CONNECTION EVENTS

STEM FAIR

Saturday, February 3, 2024 8:30 A.M. - Noon



You belong at Central Catholic's First Annual STEM Fair, where curiosity meets innovation and imagination transforms into discovery! Join us for a day filled with scientific marvels, exciting experiments, and a celebration of knowledge. The STEM Fair is open to students of all ages and we can't wait to help you grow your love for science and exploration! Students who attend the STEM Fair will have the opportunity to:

- Submit their own STEM Fair Project
- Receive feedback from judges and passionate Central Catholic science students
- Meet and connect with students of all ages who love science and research



SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER TODAY!



PARISH NEWS



Please help us decorate!
Looking for volunteers to help us put up
Christmas trees, garland, and decorate
inside the church. Saturday,
December 16th 9am-12pm



Living Nativity Play

Sunday, December 17th

located in Celebration Hall
5pm-6pm - dinner and play
6pm-7pm - hot cocoa bar, dessert,
sing-a-long carols



The Parish Office will be
closed December 26th -
January 1st

Peace

A voice of one
crying out
in the desert,
Prepare the way
of the Lord

Matthew 3:3



Advent Week 2

Christmas EVE

Family Choir ~ 4pm Mass



Get a plush front row seat at the 4pm Family Mass on Christmas Eve--just sing in the choir! Sing next to your child/grandchild, or just come on your own. All ages are welcome, no experience necessary, no rehearsal other than an hour prior to the service. This is a wonderful way to participate in an important ministry in a low-pressure situation. All music provided, easy selections.

In years past this has been very popular, and we have a maximum of about 20 people. If you would like to participate, contact me at csbrunelle@msn.com to reserve your spot, and get the important info!

Peace!
Chris Brunelle



SIMBANG GABI MASSES:

All are invited to the Simbang Gabi, a Filipino tradition of Novena Masses in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary - waiting with her as she prepares to give birth to the Christ Child. The parol, the star-shaped lantern, symbolizes the star that guided the Three Kings.

December 15, 17-22, 2023 at 7:00pm and Dec 16 and 23, 2023 at 5:30pm at Holy Family. The Holy Rosary and Confession precede half hour before the Mass except on Dec. 23, 2023. Auxiliary Bishop Peter Smith will be the Presider on December 23, 2023 and reception will follow at the Celebration Hall after the Mass.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 24th

Christmas Eve
Family Mass @ 4pm

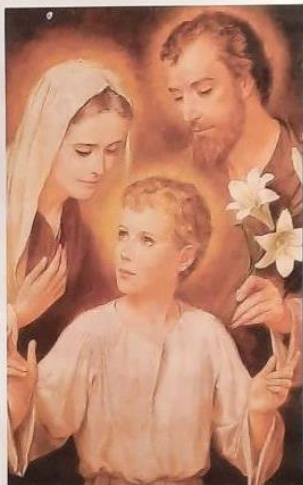
Christmas Eve
Candlelight Mass @ 8pm

Christmas Eve
Mass in the Night ~@ 11pm

Monday, December 25th

Christmas Day Mass
@ 9am

Youth Ministry



Holy Family



Middle School Youth Group
Meeting "Altaration: The
Mystery of the Mass Revealed"
part 5 of 5

Wednesday 12/13/ 2023

6:30pm to 8:00pm in the Youth
Room above the gym

Living Nativity December 17,
2023 5pm Youth hosting the
hot chocolate bar please
volunteer

Confirmation and Youth Group
Christmas Party

Wednesday 12/20/2023

White Elephant gift exchange
RSVP to Ronny by 12/15/2023