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FROM THE DESK OF *Principal Galati*

Ah, the beginning of another school year. After a restful summer and recent weeks of increasing excitement and preparation, we are finally here! I hope that you have had a chance to meet your child's teacher and, maybe, share one or two things that make them extra special. If you have time, I'd love for you to tell me too:)

Please make sure to take a couple minutes each week and read our weekly Wednesday Word newsletter. It will keep you up to date on exciting events, volunteer opportunities, and some of the wonderful accomplishments of your students. I know that the coming weeks will bring Back-to-School nights, Oktoberfest, and our first PTO meeting! I hope to see all of you!

Please remember, I'm always here - at the end of the phone line, reading your emails, and brewing a hot cup of coffee - just for you:)

School news
at your fingertips

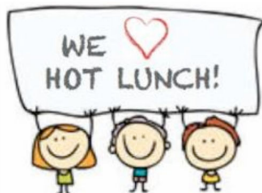


VOLUNTEER and LOVE THE LIBRARY

Please consider coming to help out in the library this year! We love to have volunteers join us to help shelf books, check out and prepare new library materials. [LIBRARY VOLUNTEER SIGN UP GENIUS](#)

Email [Ms. Schenk](#) with questions!

**See Melissa to make sure your volunteer requirements are up to date.



Campus Cuisine web portal is up-to-date and ready to take your lunch order! We will have **Baja Fresh on Tuesdays** and **Pizzicato on Thursdays.**

Follow the link: [Campus Cuisine \(2023-24\).pdf](#) to create an account and to order

September

SLE and Virtue of the Month

Holy Family Catholic
School students are

FAITH-FILLED LEARNERS

who model

GENEROSITY

If you plan to check in medication for your child, please complete both forms and bring them to the office with the medication. A parent must bring in the medication (even for cough drops) so please do not send it with your child.
school.holyfamilyportland.org/forms-and-information



IT'S TIME FOR



What is OBOB? A reading trivia competition for students in **Grades 3rd-5th and 6th-8th**

How do I join? Create a team of 4-5 students (*within grade ranges above*) and find a parent to be your coach

Then what? Email [Ms. Schenk](mailto:Ms.Schenk) to let me know you've got a team

After that? Start reading!! Lists of books and more information available on the OBOB website

Finally...come to the first meeting for fun and information.

Grades 3rd-5th 1st Meeting is: Wednesday, September 20th at 3:15 - 4:30PM

Grades 6th-8th 1st Meeting is: Wednesday, September 27th at 3:15 - 4:15PM



Join Troop/Pack 64 BSA!

Middle School & High School students: Did you know you can join Scouts without any prior experience? If you are interested in outdoor adventures, leadership development, and learning lifelong skills, Troop/Pack 64 is open to new members. We have a great group of scouts and adults.

To learn more, attend an event of your choice:

Ages 11-17 | Troop Meeting September 11th | 7-8pm |
Moreland Presbyterian Church

Grades 1-5 | Scout Olympics September 11th | 7pm | Westmoreland Park

ALL Ages | Join Night Meeting Tuesday, September 19th | 7pm |
Moreland Presbyterian Church

Questions? Contact us at info@tropp64pdx.org for more info!

SCHOOL YEARBOOK

INFORMATION

It's never too early to buy your student's yearbook! Use the QR code or follow the link: BUY YOUR HOLY FAMILY YEARBOOK HERE Yearbooks are fun and affordable!

Softcover books are \$13.40 and hardcover are \$19.44

**Save 10% if you purchase
before October 31st**

Contact [Ms. Schenk](mailto:Ms.Schenk) with questions



YOUR INVITED. . .

Please support CYO and Camp Howard at our 12th Annual Champions of Faith Benefit Dinner.

You are invited to give every child an opportunity to grow and experience the power of living life through Christian principles. 100% of your generosity goes directly to CYO Sports and Camp Howard. It's a night of faith, inspiration

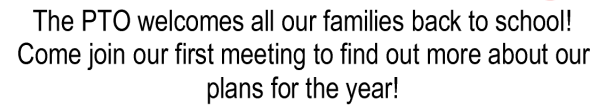
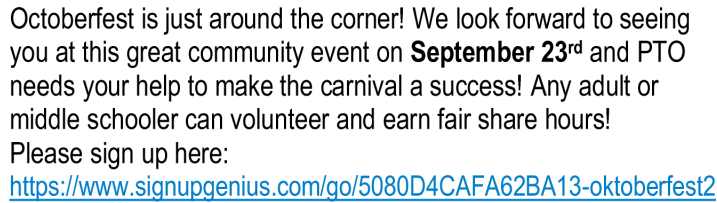
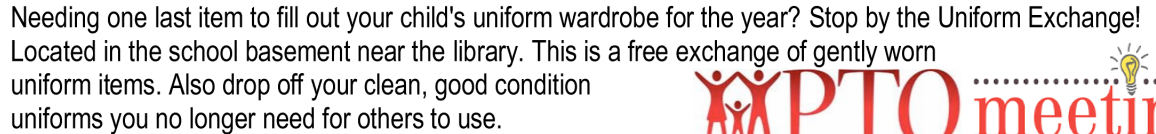
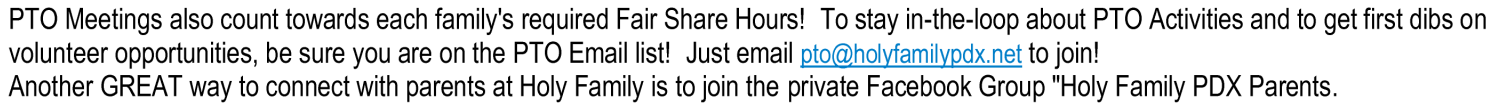
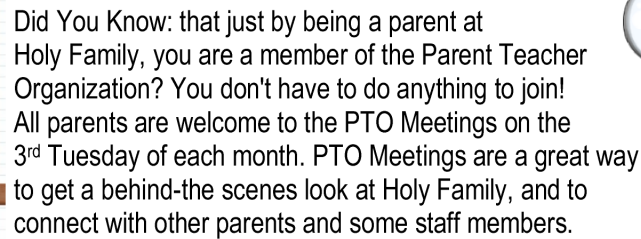
and fun with **Lara Tennant** and our faithful supporters, October 17th at the Oregon Convention Center. Ticket information at: <https://cyocamphoward.org/content/28431/2023-Benefit-Dinner>

St. John the Apostle Catholic School is hosting a Back-to-School Dance for Middle School students on **Friday, September 29th.**

Please find the attached flyer and permission slip to share with your students to attend the dance.

We hope your Middle School students will join us for an evening of dancing and fun.

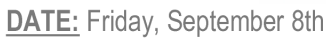




Tuesday, September 19th @ 7pm
in Celebration Hall OR via Zoom

Join our Cloud HD Video Meeting

Meeting ID: 854 0567 3172 Passcode: PTO



MOVIE: Rio * (Rated G)

COST: \$30 per family includes popcorn and drinks

LOCATION: Holy Family School Field

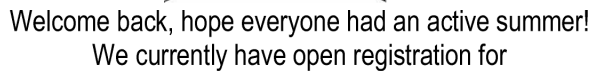
**Remember to bring your chairs and blankets*

TIME: 7:00PM with hopes to start movie at 7:30PM

(needs to be a bit dark)

Please follow link: [Movie Night at Holy Family \(google.com\)](#)

to register and complete payment to enjoy Holy Family's
Movie Night fundraiser for Family Camp!



Volleyball (3RD-8TH),

Cross Country (with All Saints, 3RD-8TH),

Swimming (K-8TH) and Hot Shots Basketball (1ST-2ND).

Remember that we also need coaches!

Please reach out with any questions:

cyoholyfamily@gmail.com

GO CARDINALS!

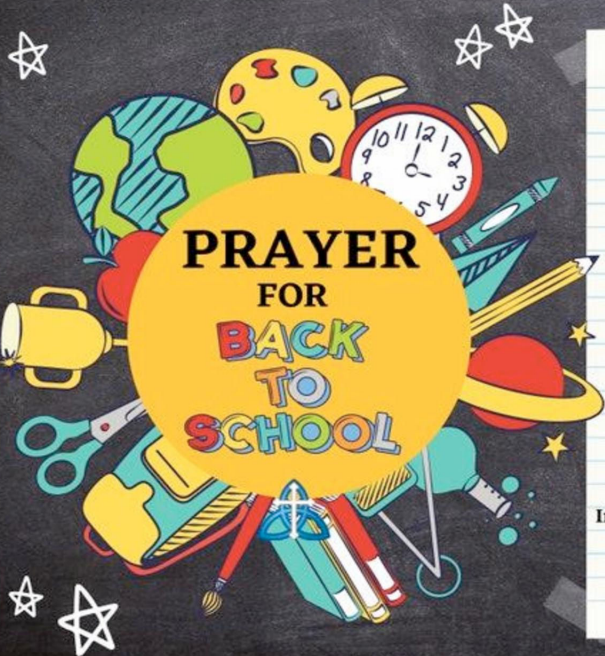
Our Mission Statement: Holy Family Catholic School is a community of learners: Students, staff, parents and parish engaged in the life long process of learning. Our commitment, rooted in the Gospel values is to pursue together creativity and excellence in all areas of spiritual, academic, and personal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

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The Catholic schools of the archdiocese of Portland admit students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available at all the schools. They do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of their policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school administered programs.

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PARISH NEWS



PRAYER FOR BACK TO SCHOOL

Blessed are You, Lord God,
Creator of body, mind and heart. You have
sent the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge
to guide Your people in all their ways.

At the beginning of this new school year,
in this time of uncertainty and anxiety,
we implore Your mercy.

Bless and protect our students, teachers,
staff, and all their families.

Expand the horizons of our minds and
deepen our commitment to seek the
truth of your ways. Enliven our faith
to reach out to those in need,
particularly those isolated and lonely.

In these days when so much has changed, help
us to trust in the love of your Son, Jesus,
our Divine Teacher.
Amen.

WELCOME BACK!

On behalf of Father Rodel and the entire
parish staff, we would like to welcome
you back to another amazing school
year. You are all in our prayers.

A special welcome to all the new kiddos
and families who have joined our HOLY
FAMILY! We are so blest to have you as
part of our community.

Blessing to you all,
Holy Family Parish Staff

Holy Family Parish Office
Fall Hours
Beginning Sept. 6th
Monday: Closed
Tuesday thru Friday:
8:30AM-3:30PM

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, September 10th
after both Masses

*Come to the Ministry Fair, enjoy a delicious
Pancake breakfast prepared by the Knights
and learn about all the wonderful ministries
at Holy Family*



Ministry Fair

After 5:30 Mass Saturday, September 9th
With Wine & Cheese

After 8:30 and 10:30 Masses
Sunday, September 10th

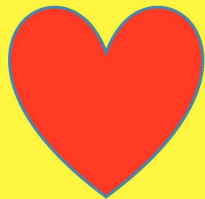
Join Us for a Pancake Breakfast hosted by the
Knights and peruse the Ministry Fair!

This is the perfect opportunity to learn more
about all the ministries at Holy Family and find
the perfect way to share your time and talent.

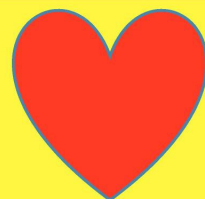
Ministry heads - please reserve the table(s) for
your ministry now!!



You Are
Loved



FAITH FORMATION



First Communion Registration Now Open!



Registration can be found on the Parish website or by scanning the QR code above

Please contact Desi Dominguez at faithyouth@holyfamilyportland.com with any questions

Holy Family

First Communion

PARENT MEETING

We will meet in the

Parish Center

3732 SE Knapp St

*children do not need to attend

**9 / 13 / 23
7 p m**

Questions? Contact Desi at
faithyouth@holyfamilyportland.com



YOUTH GROUP REGISTRATION 6TH-12TH GRADE

Registration can be found on the Parish website or by scanning the QR code



Please contact Ronny Saenz at youthministry@holyfamilyportland.com with any questions

Confirmation Registration Now Open!



Registration can be found on the Parish website or by scanning the QR code above

Please contact Ronny Saenz at youthministry@holyfamilyportland.com with any questions



Let the Little Children Come to Me



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults



Registration can be found on the Parish website or by
scanning the QR code above

For questions contact Krisi Christensen at:
pastoralministry@holyfamilyportland.com



Inquiry Gathering for RCIA
(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults):

Tuesday, September 12th 7pm

Parish Center: 3732 SE Knapp St. Portland, 97202

Thinking about joining the Catholic Church, and feeling a little lost?

Here's some detailed,

Christ-centered guidance on faith development during the RCIA
inquiry stage.

The RCIA inquiry stage is the starting place for adults and children
8 and older who are thinking about entering the Catholic Church. In
the inquiry stage, you're just finding out about Jesus, Christianity,
and the Catholic Church. Talk to people, walk around in our shoes
for a bit and get a feel for the place. As an inquirer, you may not
yet be sure exactly what you think about the Catholic Church. You
want more information. You want to ask questions. Your main
task here is to develop your faith a little bit. Get to know Christ,
prayer, the Catholic Church, and how Christians live. That's the only
way you can make an informed decision about entering the
Catholic Church.

Let's put it more simply: you need to desire to fall in love with
Jesus.

For more information, please contact
Krisi at 503-774-1428 (ext. 123) or
pastoralministry@holyfamilyportland.com.



Volunteers Needed for Oktoberfest!

*Many hands make light work...
please join us in helping make
Oktoberfest a great event! There
are many choices to pick from—we
need help the day prior and day of
the event.*

*Volunteering is a great way to earn
Fair Share hours and to give back to
your Holy Family community.*

Click on the QR
code to sign-up



Save the Date!



Saturday, September 23rd

Holy Family Catholic Church

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND

Parent/Legal Guardian Event Permission Slip
For Student/Youth

TO BE COMPLETED BY SPONSORING PARISH/SCHOOL

Below please find a brief description of the schedule of activities:

Event: SJA Middle School Dance

Location:

St. John the Apostle School Gym
516 Fifth Street
Oregon City, Oregon 97045

Sponsored by:

St. John the Apostle

Date: Friday, September 29, 2023

Time:

6:30 PM to 9:00 PM

TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

I, _____ the undersigned, give my permission for _____
to take part in an off-premises event which will require parent transportation and supervision by Archdiocesan
employees and volunteers.

I agree to allow my child to participate in this event.

I also authorize the Archdiocese of Portland and its employees or chaperones to secure any and all necessary
medical services for my child in the event of an accident or illness. Further, I agree to be solely responsible
for the payment of those services.

Child's Name: _____ Date of Birth _____ Male _____ Female _____

Allergies (food, drugs, insects, etc.): _____

Medication (names, dosage, reason): _____

Other information (injuries, etc.): _____

Insurance Carrier: _____ Group or ID#: _____

In case of emergency, please notify:

Parent/Guardian (s): _____

Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Child's Doctor: _____ Phone Number: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date