# St. Henry Catholic School Crusader Connection

## August 13, 2021

2021-2022 School Calendar

Good afternoon!

We're looking forward to seeing new families tonight and everyone Sunday at Readyfest beginning at 12:30. Please remember, masks are required at this time indoors, so wear your mask in the building.

This year we will operate the same arrival times that we did pre-Covid:

- 7:00 AM doors open for early arrival, students wait in the cafeteria
- 7:25 7:40 AM arrival begins, students go to their classrooms
- Students arriving after 7:40 AM will be tardy and need to report to the office before going to class

You will also see at Readyfest that 5th - 8th grade is back in the old high school building and KG - 4th grade is back in the middle building. Students should enter the doors of their respective building.

More information is below about dismissal. Afternoon announcements will begin at 2:30 PM, with dismissal to follow immediately.

If you ordered an EduKit, we just got word that they have been delayed in shipping. We expect them to arrive Monday, so will distribute them for students to begin use on Tuesday.

If you ordered spiritwear to be ready by Readyfest, it will be in the cafeteria on Sunday during Readyfest. There will also be extra items in the cafeteria for sale for those that are interested.

As a reminder, be sure to send student information needed for students' cumulative files. Needed items include up-to-date immunizations records, birth certificate, social security card and / or baptismal certificates, if applicable. This is a requirement for attendance. St. Henry, pray for us!

Have a great weekend.

#### **Covid update**

This week the Department of Catholic Schools at the Diocese updated their guidance on quarantine requirements. The Governor also announced a mask mandate for schools.

The quarantine guidance includes exemptions for quarantining, as well as removes the extended 24 day quarantine period for household contacts. This and more information can be found in <u>this School Covid Requirements</u> <u>document</u>.

We expect to have an updated School Covid Requirements document early next week that includes information as it relates to the mask mandate. At that time, I will share the latest information.

Because we follow state certification guidelines, licensure and are connected to the state in other ways, we are bound by the Governor's current order. Any updates regarding this mandate will also be shared immediately. Read the Governor's order <u>here</u>.

## **New this Week**

#### 2021-22 Dismissal plan

This year's dismissal will look similar to last year's in that we will stagger when the students come outside. We're going to start this year with junior high students so those staying for homework academy can begin immediately without distraction. Parents of junior high students, please park closest to the buildings.

Next our kindergarten and first grade students will dismiss with siblings. Parents, please park in the middle.

Our last group will be our second through fifth grade students and siblings, and anyone wishing to pick up in the latest wave.

- Junior high students and siblings, 2:30
- K 1 students and siblings, 2:38
- 2 5 students and siblings, 2:45

As we begin the year, please do not park closer to school because it's very crowded in that space. If you wish to arrive a few minutes later and park closer to Dixie Highway, that should be fine.

Thank you to everyone in advance.

#### **Junior High Elective Opportunity**

In junior high, students have electives for two days of the week during their specials time. For each elective we try to bring new and unique opportunities to our students. In the past we've had crafting classes, financially literacy, run club, sports around the world, cooking classes, code writing, art classes and more.

Parents that have the desire to share their talent with our junior high students are invited to teach an elective. Electives are on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 8:35 for 45 minutes and refresh every quarter.

If you're interested in sharing your talent, contact the office to learn more.

#### **Gym Uniforms**

All students in grades K - 5 will

Spirit Wear, Uniform Sweatshirts and Gym Uniform Sale! have PE once a week. Students in grades 6 - 8 will have the opportunity to participate in a PE elective throughout the year. If they do participate in that elective, it will also be once a week.

There may be other PE electives throughout the year that junior high students choose to participate in, e.g., run club. That will be twice a week. All orders for our first spirit wear sale after August 14 will deliver on or around September 6. The sale will stay open until August 24.

School quarter zips, sweatshirts and gym uniforms are also available by following the same link.

**New users** <u>click this link</u> to set up your account.

Password = Crusaders

Returning users follow this link.

Please reach out to <u>Jennifer Fedders</u> if you have any questions.

#### A Better Way to Communicate!

The parish and school is in the process of converting our communications over to Evangelus, which will allow you to receive communications via text or email. On Saturdays, Evangelus automatically sends out the St. Henry bulletin to all members, including school families. If you opt out of receiving from Evangelus, you will not receive important communications.





If you are new to the Diocese of Covington welcome! VIRTUS is the program approved by Bishop Roger Foys to educate employees and volunteers on how to create an environment that is safe for children. Once training and a background check have been completed, new certified volunteers will be ready for whatever the school year needs — just remember to complete the monthly bulletin. To begin the VIRTUS process, please email Laura Ryan, our VIRTUS coordinator, Laura Ryan, Iryan@sthenynky.com, or call the parish office, 859-

#### 727-2035

As the new school year begins, current volunteers are asked to check the status of their VIRTUS account. August is an open month for VIRTUS allowing anyone who has fallen behind on completing the monthly bulletin an opportunity to catch up, have their account reinstated and begin the school year with a clean slate. Go to www.virtus.org and click on the "Training" tab. There you will find a listing of all the completed and incomplete bulletins. The August bulletin is due August 31.

All volunteers are required to become VIRTUS® certified and it is their responsibility to remain compliant in order to participate directly with any child in any classroom setting or on the school/parish grounds. <u>Visit online</u> to sign up for a training session.

## RSVP here by August 23, 2021

# **& SCHOOL** PICNIC

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 3-6 PM

Diocesan Catholic Children's Home 75 Orphanage Road, Ft. Mitchell

- · Hot dogs, brats, metts provided
- Last name A-L bring: Dessert
- Last name M-Z bring: Side dish
- Bring your own drinks
- Bring chairs
- Games for all ages
- Baseball/soccer fields available
- Kona Ice @ 4:30 PM available for purchase

Food, folks & fun!

PARISH

RSVP: Scan or call the parish office, 859-727-2035 by August 23, 2021

## **Cafeteria News**

Welcome to another great school year! Due to the ongoing pandemic, all students will receive free lunches for the 2021-2022 school year. In order to receive a free lunch, your child/ren must take a fruit or vegetable with their lunch. Grab-n-Go lunches will also be available as an alternative to the regular lunch item offered.

Click for additional information about the cafeteria and making payments The menu is available online under the "Student Life" tab on our website.

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## **SHCS Athletic Boosters**

#### Basketball Registrations are here!!!!!!

Please have your athlete registered no later then August 27; use the link below to register. Contact <u>Curtis Newcomb</u> or <u>Kerri Kuebler</u> with any questions.

#### https://forms.gle/fbFWhGxs8aYF2phMA

#### ST. HENRY BOOSTERS PICK-UP BASKETBALL

We're looking for St. Henry dads out there who might be interested in playing pick-up basketball in the gym on Tuesday nights. Don't worry if you're rusty – this is a 30 & over crowd and is recreational.

Please e-mail Brian Kute if you're interested in more info at <u>bkute@johnsoninv.com</u>

## **Dine to Donate**





8554 US-42, Florence, KY 41042

# Tuesday, August 17 10:30 AM-10:00 PM

**KID'S NIGHT DINE-IN ACTIVITIES 4-8 PM** 

DINE IN \ CARRY OUT \ DRIVE THROUGH

Be sure to mention St. Henry when ordering; 10% of all proceeds go to our school. Thank you for your support!

Know of a restaurant that may be interested in participating in our dine to donate program? Contact Nicole Carey, <u>nic 7131@hotmail.com</u> or call the school office, 859-342-2551.

# Bingo

#### Bingo Update (from Bill Ehrman)

137 players came to enjoy the hospitality of St. Henry bingo as well as some free cake last night! It was a high-energy crowd that showed up wearing hats of all types and sizes to help me celebrate my birthday and the well-wishes from all of them made the night a truly special one. They even took a moment between games to sing Happy Birthday! We truly have an amazing community who come in and join us every week and I highly encourage everyone to come in, help out, and experience this. In addition to the free cake and a free bingo game, our players also bought 27,500 pulltabs and that would not have been possible without all the amazing members of the St. Henry family that helped out last night

My most humble thanks to Joe Berberich, Deanna Bills, Nikki Boden, Sandy Briede, Chris Crafword, Anna Crawford, Lee Crawford, Leo Crawford, Judy Crowder, Dale Dye, Karen Egan, Elizabeth Egan, Allyson Egan, Deb Ehrman, Rachael Ehrman, Sarah Ehrman, Jenny Greber, Dan Hukle, Cecilia Magill, Melissa Mann, Addison Mann, Julie Martin, Abigail McClure, Ryan Padgett, Tracy Patrick, Jada Purcell, Theresa Richmond, Jason Schmidt, Dorothy Schowalter, Katie Seig, Mike Thomas, and Sarah Wilson.

Here are the dates and grade levels for upcoming Bingos:

- August 19 7th grade families
- August 26 6th grade families
- September 2 5th grade families
- September 9 4th grade families
- September 16 3rd grade families

We need at least 6 volunteers for grade levels to earn \$250 for field trips, classroom needs and more.

## Bingo Volunteer Sign up

# **Community News**

#### **Seeking Lower Tuition Payments??**

Parishioners of St. Thomas (POST) is a non-profit group based in St. Thomas Parish, Fort Thomas, that provides opportunities to school families to reduce tuition costs or for parish members to meet personal tithing goals by working Reds and Bengals games. Any family member of a Diocese of Covington parish or school is eligible to participate. Training is necessary. Currently we are looking for anyone interested in working Reds games.

For more information, email Oak Martin at poststthomas@gmail.com.



Hosted By:

## **St. Henry Catholic Church**

**Tuesday, August 31, 2021** 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Blood Drive will be held in Wehage Hall at St. Henry Catholic Church

All donors receive a FC Cincinnati T-shirt!

To schedule an appointment please call: Linda Pieper at (859)525-6044



## **Upcoming Events**

- August 13: New Parent Night
- August 15: Readyfest, 12:30-2:00 PM
- August 16: First Day of School, noon dismissal

- August 17: Dine to Donate: Culver's, 10:30 AM-10:00 PM
- August 17: Booster's Meeting
- August 27: Spirit wear day (spirit wear tops, uniform bottoms)
- August 29: Back-to-School Picnic, Diocesan Catholic Children's Home, 3:00-6:00 PM
- August 31: <u>Hoxworth Blood Drive</u>, St. Henry Parish, 1:00-7:00 PM
- September 6: Labor Day, no school
- September 7: Dine to Donate: Erlanger Skyline all day long!
- September 8: Vision Night, 6:30 PM
- September 10: Parent volleyball challenge
- September 17: Early release day for students, noon dismissal
- September 21: <u>VIRTUS Training Session</u>, St. Barbara Church, 6:30 PM

# **Community Rewards**



**Kroger**: Now through August 31, 2021, purchase any five General Mills items at Kroger, our school will earn 50 bonus BoxTops!

**Costco** is also running bonus Box Tops: Purchase one participating General Mills product, earn 10 bonus points. Valid through September 30, 2021.

BoxTops is now digital! <u>Download</u> <u>the BoxTops app</u> from your app store and scan your receipts -it's so easy! In the search for a school, put in St. Henry School and you will be able to tap the school located in Erlanger.

Digital receipt? Digital receipts can be emailed from your phone to BoxTops. Directions to email your receipt can be found <u>here</u>.

When emailing receipts, be sure the email address you send from is the same one associated with your BoxTops app account.

**Kroger Rewards:** <u>www.krogercommunityrewards.com</u>! This is an easy way to support our school with your grocery purchases. Kroger sends us reward checks every quarter. Search for St. Henry Elementary School or TL347. Signing up for Community Rewards does not interfere with your fuel points!

**Remke Rewards:** Simply link your Remke rewards card to St. Henry School a t <u>https://www.remkes.com/about/community-programs</u> by clicking the "Register your Remke Rewards Card" link in the upper right hand corner. Enter your Rewards Card number and select "ST HENRY ELEMENTARY – 2039" as the Caring Neighbors Non-Profit Organization. St. Henry School can earn up to 2% of your purchases.



**T. HENRY** CATHOLIC SCHOOL

### **Mission Statement**

St. Henry Catholic School is a place where we learn, grow, and become Disciples of Christ by embracing the Gospel message. We will work toward our full potential each day in order to demonstrate our respect for the sacrifices made by the entire St. Henry community to ensure our success. We will remain *connected* to God and others, gain *confidence* in our academic, social, and physical abilities, and *contribute* to the community through service and leadership.

## **Connect With Us**

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