



Crusader Connection

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December 9, 2022

2022-2023 School Calendar

Good afternoon,

I hope everyone has had a great week and is looking forward to the weekend as we move through Advent and the second quarter of school. We say this every year, but it's hard to believe that there is only one more full week of school before Christmas break.

This morning our first graders read at mass, and did a great job! There were many parents in attendance sitting with their children, which was great to see. Parents are always welcome at our all school masses, including and especially when their child(ren)'s class is doing the readings.

Below are pictures of our week in review, including from the daddy / daughter dance. It was fun to come by seeing everyone having so much fun and enjoying time with friends and family. Thanks to everyone that participated, and a tremendous thanks to all of our volunteers helping to make that happen.

This is always such a busy time of year...having all this holiday fun can certainly be stressful! I hope that everyone can remember to slow down to remember what we're thankful for, even during the rush of celebrating, seeing friends and family and building or continuing holiday traditions.

Here at school we're looking forward to the final fews days before Christmas break, and we look forward to the events and fun we have scheduled.

St. Henry, pray for us!

School News

Boosters news

Friendly reminder all nominations for open Boosters positions are due by

12/16/2022. Send indications of interest to Boosters@sthenrynk.com

The next Boosters meeting is 12/20/2022 at 7 pm in Wehage Hall.



Last Week in Pictures

Our **first grade** students were readers at Mass for the first time and they did a fantastic job. Fr. Lange visited with our **second graders** to talk with them about their upcoming sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. They had plenty of questions for him, especially when he told them he has a Kings Island gold pass! Our **third-fifth grade** students learn about idioms and held an "Idiom Parade." Do you know what an idiom is? Think "eyes in the back of your head" and "raining cats and dogs." The rectory cat, **Kaboodle**, made a surprise visit to our **preschoolers** and they loved her. Kaboodle has lived with Fr. Lange in four different rectories! Before Thanksgiving, our **fifth graders** helped put the angels on the parish giving trees. On Friday, December 2, our **Crusader ladies** and their best men enjoyed a "Christmas in Paris" at their annual dance. The event included crafts, food, friendship, and dancing. A grand time was had by all. And last, but not least, our **first graders** put their shoes in the hallway in anticipation of St. Nicholas leaving a treat in them, one of our favorite traditions. St. Nicholas left behind gold coins and a candy cane for all our Crusaders!



Santa's Workshop Needs Help

St. Henry's PTO will hold their annual Santa's workshop for all students **December 18-20**. They are in need of Christmas gift wrap, tape, tags, but mostly Christmas bags and tissue paper.

The PTO is also accepting handmade items such as soaps, hats, keychains, bracelets, etc. Items may be dropped off at school by December 12. If you have questions, reach out to Chrissy Keller chrissykeller0710@yahoo.com, Brittany Finch, bfinch@sthenrynky.com, or call the school office, 859-342-2551.

Decorating for Christmas

It's that wonderful time of the year! We will begin decorating our beautiful church for Christmas on **Thursday, December 22, at 6:00 PM**. We need volunteers to bring the Nativity pieces and trees up from the church basement, help with fluffing of the Christmas tree branches, and hanging window decorations. Thanks to the Holy Name Society, the base and manger will already be in place.

On **Friday, December 23, at 6:00 PM**, we will finish by placing the poinsettias and other greenery throughout church.

This is the perfect opportunity for eighth graders (with a parent) and high school students needing service hours, as well as volunteer hours for families receiving the active church member tuition rate. Thank you in advance for helping with this event! Our church always looks so beautiful at Christmas and it's all because of your generosity. If you have any questions, please contact Tammy Stone at 859.250.0119.



Inaugural Carrie Williams Memorial Scholarship Euchre Tournament

Wow! What a night Saturday was! We cannot thank everyone enough for their support not only for this event but also this past year. Carrie was a very special and giving person who touched so many lives. With your help, we're going to be able to give a scholarship in her honor and continue her passion for education.

We need to say a special thank you to St Barbara Church and Father John Sterling. The

Sterling Event Center was the perfect place for this event! We couldn't imagine hosting it anywhere else.

We would also like to thank all of our volunteers who worked tirelessly to make the night so successful. We truly couldn't have made it happen without their help.

Thank you to all of our donors. Your generosity is astounding!

Last but definitely not least, a huge thank you to everyone who attended this year's event. We hope you had as much fun playing as we did hosting!

We hope to make this an annual event and welcome you all back again next year! Be on the lookout for more from us in the new year. Thank you again from the bottom of our hearts.

The Dwyer & Williams Family



DINE TO
Donate



Tuesday, December 13
7:00 AM-2:00 PM
480 Erlanger Road
Erlanger, Kentucky

Cafeteria News

Click on menu for a printable PDF.

 DECEMBER 2022  ST. HENRY CATHOLIC SCHOOL					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
28	29	30	1	2	Alternate Meal Options* Milk and choices of daily fruits and/or vegetables offered with all alternate meal options. PB&J Grab & Go PB&J Uncrustables, cheese stick, Goldfish crackers Yogurt Grab & Go Yoplait yogurt cup, cheese stick, Goldfish crackers, pretzels Extras NOT included in the lunch: Milk: 50¢ Small juice: 50¢ Switch can: 85¢ Water: \$1.30 Bagged snacks: 80¢ Rice Krispie Treat: 80¢ Muffins: \$1.00 *Meal option not offered on Fridays* *Menu subject to change by product availability*
5	6	7	8	9	
12	13	14	15	16	
19	20	21	22	23	
26	27	28	29	30	
No School	No School	No School	No School	No School	

PTO News



Christmas in Paris

Our gym was transformed into a dreamy Christmas in Paris Friday evening so our Crusader ladies and their best men could spend the night dancing, crafting, eating, and laughing the night away. Shout out to our PTO crew for creating another amazing event for our Crusaders; over 200 were in attendance!



PTO Connection

DECEMBER 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

*AS WE APPROACH THE END OF 2022, PTO IS BUSY PLANNING A LOT OF ACTIVITIES. WE CAN'T DO THIS WITHOUT YOU. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR CONTINUED HELP!

*SANTA'S WORKSHOP IS LOOKING FOR **WRAPPING PAPER, TISSUE PAPER AND GIFT BAG DONATIONS**. SEND ANY DONATIONS TO THE OFFICE. SIGN UPS WILL BE POSTED FOR VOLUNTEERING.

*JANUARY EVENTS -

- **LADIES NIGHT OUT (1/13 @FLYING AXES)** WILL BE \$50 A PERSON. LIGHT APPETIZERS WILL BE AVAILABLE. DRINKS AVAILABLE UPON PURCHASE. SIGN UP COMING SOON.
- **MOTHER/SON HOCKEY GAME (1/27)** - TICKETS ARE \$18 EACH. PURCHASE ONLINE THROUGH LINK IN THE CRUSADER CONNECTION.

REMINDERS:

- PTO MEETINGS ARE IN THE CAFETERIA THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH FROM 7-8PM. DRINKS ARE PROVIDED!
- CONTACT YOUR ROOM PARENT FOR HELP WITH UPCOMING CHRISTMAS PARTIES AND CLASSROOM EVENTS.

UPCOMING CRUSADER EVENTS:

LAST CALL FOR THE FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE! →



SANTA'S WORKSHOP
DECEMBER 19TH AND 20TH

YEARLY CALENDAR:

DECEMBER

- 2 - FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE - CHRISTMAS IN PARIS
- 13 - PTO MEETING
- 19-20 - SANTA'S WORKSHOP

JANUARY

- 10 - PTO MEETING
- 13 - LADIES NIGHT OUT - FLYING AXES, 7PM
- 27 - MOTHER/SON HOCKEY GAME
- 30 - CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

FEBRUARY

- 10 - MOTHER/DAUGHTER EVENT - VALENTINES DAY
- 15 - PTO MEETING
- 26 - FAMILY OUTING AT STRIKE AND SPARE

MARCH

- 4 - PARENT SOCIAL
- 14 - PTO MEETING

APRIL

- 2 - FAMILY EASTER EGG HUNT
- 19 - PTO MEETING

MAY

- 1 - TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
- 2 - CONFIRMATION RECEPTION
- 9 - PTO MEETING
- 24 - 8TH GRADE BRUNCH
- 25 - KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATION RECEPTION



Moms and sons! Save the date: January 27, for our annual Cyclones game! Meet some of your Marvel Super Heroes, Game time is 7:30 PM. Perfect stocking stuffer for your Crusader! Tickets can be purchased today!



Bingo

Did you know dinner is provided for our volunteers? We added salad and it is a BIG hit. Bingo is a great way to get involved in your school community! Sign up below or contact Jamie or Ryan for details!

Weekly and monthly volunteers are needed to help at bingo. Training is provided for all positions, along with dinner, drinks, and laughter. For more details, contact Ryan Bihl, watermobihl@yahoo.com, or Jamie Powers, jamielpowers00@gmail.com.

Effective immediately, anyone under the age 18 will not be permitted in the cafeteria during our bingo sessions.

Up next week, fourth grade parents and friends! Sign up at the link below!

8th Grade	7th Grade	6th Grade	5th Grade	4th Grade
November 14 January 23 April 3	November 21 January 30 April 10	November 28 February 6 April 17	December 5 February 13 April 24	December 12 February 20 May 1
3rd Grade	2nd Grade	1st Grade	Kindergarten	Preschool
December 19 February 27 May 8	December 26 March 6 May 15	January 2 March 13 May 22	January 9 March 20 May 29	January 16 March 27 June 5

Bingo Volunteer Sign up

VIRTUS®



Anyone who volunteers in our school or parish must be VIRTUS trained and compliant. For current volunteers, the December bulletin is due January 4.

If you are interested in volunteering in our school or parish, there are many opportunities to attend the Protecting God's Children training; visit VIRTUS.org > drop down to select Covington, KY (Diocese) > select a session to attend and register.

If you have questions or need additional information, reach out to our VIRTUS® coordinator,

Anyone who has experienced sexual misconduct by a cleric, employee, religious, or volunteer of the Diocese of Covington is asked to contact Julie Feinauer, Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, 859-392-1515. Professional assistance and pastoral support will be provided in confidentiality and with respect.

Place	Date	Time
Diocesan Catholic Children's Home, Ft. Mitchell	Thursday, December 15	6:30 PM
Diocesan Curia Covington	Tuesday, January 10	9:00 AM
Diocesan Curia Covington	Thursday, January 12	6:00 PM

News from St. Henry Parish

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY

The traditional blessing of the Baby Jesus figurines will take place at all Masses this weekend.

On Sunday during the 9:30 AM Mass, children will be called forward during the homily for a special blessing (dress them in their Christmas best!).



ST. HENRY CATHOLIC CHURCH

News from St. Henry District High School



ST. HENRY

DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

CRUSADERS

Enrollment Events

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST

- Saturday, December 10, 2022: 8th grade students

PARENT Q&A

- Saturday, December 10, 2022: 8th grade parents

NEW FAMILY INFORMATION NIGHT

- Thursday, January 12, 2023: newly registered families + prospective families

COURSE SELECTION 1:1 MEETINGS

- February 2023: registered incoming freshmen + parents

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Upcoming Events

- **December 11:** The Third Sunday of Advent/Bambinelli Sunday
- **December 13:** Dine to donate: The Hive
- **December 19-20:** Santa's Workshop
- **December 20:** Dine to donate: Coldstone Creamery (12:00-9:30 PM)
- **December 20:** Boosters Meeting
- **December 21:** Beginning of Christmas break
- **December 25:** The Nativity of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)
- **December 28:** Dine to donate: El Ocho Loco (all day)
- **January 1:** Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God
- **January 3:** Dine to Donate: Erlanger Skyline
- **January 4:** Welcome back, Crusaders!
- **January 8:** Dine to Donate: Behle Street by Sheli, all day

Our Parishes

St. Barbara
4042 Turkeyfoot Road
Erlanger, KY 41018
859-371-3100
stbarbaraky.org

St. Henry
3813 Dixie Highway
Elsmere, KY 41018
859-727-2035
sthenrychurch.net

Cristo Rey
25 Cavalier Boulevard
Florence, KY 41042
859-538-1175
micristorey.com

Join us for Mass!

St. Barbara

Fr. John Sterling, Pastor
Chuck Melville, Deacon

Sunday Obligation Masses

4:30 PM Saturday
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Sunday

Eucharistic Service

10:00 AM Monday

Daily Mass

10:00 AM Tuesday-Friday

St. Henry

Fr. Joshua Lange, Pastor
Fr. Aby Thampi, Parochial Vicar
Mike Lyman, Deacon

Sunday Obligation Masses

4:00 PM Saturday
7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM
& 7:00 PM Sunday

Daily Mass

8:00 AM Monday-Saturday
8:30 AM **Friday only**

Cristo Rey

Fr. Allan Frederick, Pastor

Sunday Obligation Masses

6:00 PM Saturday
9:00 AM, 11:00 AM &
1:00 PM Sunday

Weekday Mass

6:00 PM Wednesday

ST. 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.

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