



Crusader Connection

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December 29, 2023

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Dear Parents,

I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas! As we prepare to ring in the New Year we are looking forward to having all of our students back in the building. School resumes next Wednesday, January 3 and we will be celebrating all week. On Wednesday we will celebrate UK's victory over UofL over the break, so in keeping with tradition, students will be able to wear UK shirts on Wednesday. On Thursday we will have a pep rally in preparation for the beginning of the Lady Crusader Invitational, which starts on Friday night. Students will be permitted to wear spirit wear on Thursday for the pep rally. Starting next Friday, students will be able to wear spirit wear with their uniform bottoms every Friday! This was my Christmas gift to them and we are excited to get this new tradition started!

Speaking of celebrations, we are now able to celebrate the new roof on the grade school being fully paid for! Over Christmas we received several very generous donations from parents and parishioners that made it possible for us to reach this goal. Thank you so much for your support as we work to keep our buildings in good repair so that they will be able to house our school for many years to come!

As I mentioned before, the Lady Crusader Invitational starts next Friday with a big St. Henry opening night! The St. Henry Holy Name Society is also planning on serving up smoked pork sandwiches and grilled hot dogs Friday night at the game. Be sure to come hungry and cheer on our Lady Crusaders! The other event to put on your calendar is our Open House, which is on January 28 from 12:30-2:00pm. If you know of anyone who is considering coming to St. Henry next year encourage them to come visit!

Have a wonderful weekend and a fun and safe New Year celebration!

God Bless,

Mrs. Kimberly Wagner

Wednesday

Celebrate UK's
victory over
UofL by
wearing UK
blue!

THURSDAY

**LADY
CRUSADER
INVITATION
PEP RALLY!**

WEAR SPIRIT WEAR!

**SPIRIT
WEAR
FRIDAY!**

Wear Spirit Wear
Shirts w/ Uniform
Bottoms



Wrapped in Warmth and Prayer

Our fourth grade students brought prayer blankets over to the parish office before Christmas break. The third grade hosts a bake sale in the fall, with the proceeds used to purchase fleece for the

blankets. While making the blankets, the students pray a decade of the Rosary into them. Fr. Lauer blessed the blankets and the blanket makers, thanking them for remembering our homebound parishioners. The blankets will be distributed by our priests on their First Friday home visits.



LUNCH					JANUARY 2024					MY SCHOOL BUCKS PAY FOR MEALS ONLINE MySchoolBucks.com	
Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday			
Happy New Year! No School 1		No School 2		Tangerine Chicken OR Teriyaki Chicken Brown Rice, Fortune Cookies Steamed Broccoli, Carrots & Dip Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk 3		Chicken Tenders Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Dinner Roll Pineapple, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk 4		Mini Cinnamon Rolls 5 OR Mini Strawberry Bages Scrambled Eggs Tater Tots, Veggie Boats & Dip Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk			
Mini Corn Dogs Macaroni & Cheese Steamed Broccoli Corn Peaches, Sidekicks Juice Milk 8		Chicken Patty Sandwich OR Fish Sandwich Curly Fries Green Beans Pineapple, Fresh Fruit Chocolate Chip Cookie Juice, Milk 9		3 or 4 Way Chili Spaghetti Shredded Cheese, Diced Onion Oyster Crackers, Kidney Beans Glazed Carrots, Garden Salads Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk 10		Sausage, Egg & Cheese Bites Syrup Cup Smile Fries Veggie Boats & Dip Pears, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk 11		Grilled Cheese OR Bosco Stick Tomato Soup, Marinara Sauce Garden Salads, Pickle Spears Oyster Crackers Applesauce, Fresh Fruit Juice, Milk 12			
MLK Day No School 15		Cheese Pizza OR Pepperoni Pizza Steamed Broccoli Garden Salads Peaches, Sidekicks Juice Milk 16		Nachos OR Soft Taco Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Salsa Shredded Cheese, Sour Cream Black Beans, Corn Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Juice, Milk 17		Chicken Nuggets Macaroni & Cheese Peas & Carrots, Garden Salads Dinner Roll Pears, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk 18		Mini French Toast OR Mini Waffles Scrambled Eggs, Syrup Cup Tater Tots, Veggie Boats & Dip Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk 19			
Chicken Quesadilla OR Cheese Quesadilla Refried Beans, Corn Salsa, Sour Cream Peaches, Sidekicks Juice Milk 22		Hot Dog OR Chili Coney Shredded Cheese, Diced Onion Curly Fries, Green Beans Pineapple, Fresh Fruit Carnival Cookie Juice, Milk 23		Pasta & Meat Sauce OR Chicken Alfredo Garlic Breadstick Glazed Carrots, Garden Salads Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Parmesan Cheese Juice, Milk 24		Conletti Pancakes Sausage Patties, Syrup Cup Smile Fries Celery & Dip Pears, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk 25		Cheese Bites OR Pizza Crunchers Marinara Sauce Steamed Broccoli Garden Salads, Pickle Spears Applesauce, Fresh Fruit Juice, Milk 26			
Fiestada Pizza OR BBQ Chicken Pizza Peas & Carrots, Corn Garden Salads Peaches, Sidekicks Juice Milk 29		Chicken Tenders Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Dinner Roll Pineapple, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk 30		Tangerine Chicken OR Teriyaki Chicken Brown Rice, Fortune Cookies Steamed Broccoli, Carrots & Dip Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk 31							

Alternate meal options may include PB&J Grab & Go, Yogurt Grab & Go, Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, or Grilled Chicken Box Salad. Fruits & Vegetables offered with all options.
Meat options not available on Fridays. Menu subject to change by product availability. This institution is an equal opportunity employer.



OPEN HOUSE



**SUNDAY
JANUARY 28, 2024**

12:30-2:00 PM

3813 DIXIE HIGHWAY, ELSMERE

RSVP: 859-342-2551

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The background of the page features a watercolor-style illustration of a horse race track. In the foreground, several horses and jockeys are racing across a green field. In the background, there are grand, classical-style buildings with arches, likely representing a racetrack complex. The sky is a mix of blue and white, suggesting a bright day. A light green rectangular box with a slightly distressed, torn-edge effect is centered in the upper portion of the image, containing the event's title and date.

Night at the Races

March 2, 2024

Silent Auction Items Needed!

Do you have a basket, item, experience, condo, etc. that you would like to donate to our Night at the Races Event?

Please contact the school office at 859-342-2551!



FIRST FRIDAY
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
JANUARY 5, 9:15 AM
BENEDICTION 1:00 PM

**2023-2024 Bingo Sign
Up**

To learn more, contact Ryan Bihl, watmobihl@yahoo.com, 859-760-3325, or Jamie Powers, jamielpowers00@gmail.com, 859-814-9998.

UPCOMING ST. BARB YOUTH GROUP EVENTS

December 20

Youth Group Christmas Party

December 21

Woodcrest Christmas Party

December 24

Children's Mass

December 27

Youth Group Meeting- 7:00pm

December 30

Wally Gall 6:30-8:30pm

January 3

Youth Group Meeting- 7:00pm

January 10

Youth Group Meeting- 7:00pm

*Meetings are for 6th Grade & up

Jesus
is my great
friend and the

Eucharist
my highway to heaven.

Blessed Carlo Acutis



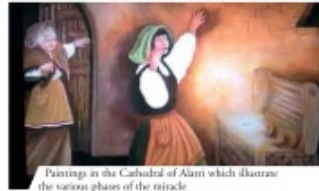
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Eucharistic Miracle of ALATRI

ITALY, 1228



In Alatri's Cathedral of Saint Paul the Apostle is kept even today the reliquary of the Eucharistic miracle that occurred in 1228 and consisted in a fragment of the Host turning into flesh. A young woman, in an effort to regain the love of her sweetheart, consulted a sorceress who ordered her to steal a consecrated Host to make a love potion. During Mass, the young woman hid a Host in a cloth. But when she got home, she realized that the Host had been transformed into bleeding flesh. This miracle has extensive documentation, including from Pope Gregory IX.



Paintings in the Cathedral of Alatri which illustrate the various phases of the miracle



Cathedral of Saint Paul in Alatri



The chapel where the Incarnate Host is exposed



Chapel inside the cathedral where the reliquary of the miracle is kept



Monstrance where the reliquary of the miracle is kept



Bull Fraternalis Tuas of Pope Gregory IX



The 750th anniversary of the miracle was solemnly celebrated in 1978. For the occasion, a medal was struck which on front shows an image of Pope Gregory IX with the Bull and on back, the façade of the cathedral with the Host above



Letter of the rector of Saint Mary alle Terme, dated March 22, 1888, in which he gives thanks for the gift of part of the reliquary of the Incarnate Host conserved in Alatri



Detail of the reliquary

The most authoritative testimony regarding this miracle is found in the Bull "Fraternalis tuas" (March 13, 1228) written by Pope Gregory IX in response to Bishop Giovanni V of Alatri. Here is the text: "Gregory, Bishop and Servant of the Servants of God, to Venerable Brother Bishop of Alatri, greetings and Apostolic blessing. We have received your letter, dearest brother, in which you informed us of a certain young woman misguided by an evil woman, who, after having received from the priest the Most Holy Body of Christ, held it in her mouth until the right moment to conceal it in a cloth. After three days, she discovered the same Body which she had received in the form of bread transformed into flesh, as everyone has been able to verify with their own eyes. Because both women have humbly revealed this to you, you

desire our opinion regarding the punishment that should be imposed on them. First, we give thanks with all our strength to Him who, though He always operates in marvelous ways, in this case repeats miracles and produces new wonders so that He calls to sinners, converts evildoers and confounds heretics while strengthening faith in the truth of the Catholic Church, sustaining hope and re-igniting charity.

Thus, dearest brother, by means of this apostolic letter, we dispose that you inflict a milder punishment on the young woman, whom we hold to have done this more from weakness than malice, especially because it can be believed that she has sufficiently repented in confessing her sin. To the instigator, who with her perversion pushed the young

woman to commit sacrilege, apply those disciplinary measures that we believe opportune to leave to your judgment. She should also visit the nearest bishops so that she can humbly confess her crime, imploring pardon with devout submission." The Pope interpreted this episode as a sign against the widespread heresies regarding the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and pardoned the two repentant women. A commemorative medal was coined on the 750th anniversary of the miracle; one side showed the cathedral façade and the reliquary, while the other a bust of Pope Gregory IX with the Bull.

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VIRTUS®

Anyone who volunteers in our school or parish must be VIRTUS trained and compliant. **The December bulletin is due January 2, 2024.** If you are interested in volunteering in our school or parish, there are many opportunities to attend the Protecting God's Children training: see list below or 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, Kristina Goodridge, 859-342-2551, or email kgoodridge@sthenryky.com.

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

News from SHDHS

SAVE THE DATES!

Grade School Nights of Basketball Fun @ St. Henry District High School!

Tuesday, January 23: Boys basketball team takes on Newport Catholic
Freshmen game at 4:30 pm, JV game at 6:00 pm, and Varsity tip-off at 7:30 pm

Tuesday, January 30, 2024: Girls basketball takes on Bishop Brossart
Freshmen game at 5:00 pm, JV game at 6:00 pm, and Varsity tip-off at 7:30 pm

Any student who wears their grade school jersey will get into the game for free. If you have questions, please contact Sue Kolkmeier at skolkmeier@shdhs.org.

St. Henry District High School Job Opening

Do you want to get out for a few hours working in a fun and welcoming environment and still have time to pick up your kids at school? St. Henry District High School Cafeteria looking for a Cashier 3-5 days a week. Hours would be 2-3 hours a day. Job includes running the cash register during lunch periods and helping in the dishroom between groups and at the end of lunch service. Contact Deb Miller, Dmiller@shdhs.org or 859-525-5845 for more information.

Upcoming Events

- **December 20-January 2:** Christmas Break
- **January 2:** Dine to Donate: Erlanger Skyline
- **January 2:** Boosters' Meeting, 7:00 PM
- **January 3:** School Resumes
- **January 5:** First Friday Mass & Eucharistic Adoration, 8:30 AM
- **January 11:** Night at the Races Meeting, 6:00 PM
- **January 11:** PTO Meeting, 7:00 PM
- **January 15:** MLK Day, no school
- **January 16-23:** Winter MAP Testing
- **January 23:** Second Grade Sacrament Prep Meeting/Church, 7:00 PM
- **January 28:** Catholic Schools Week Begins
- **January 28:** Open House, 12:30-2:00 PM

Our Parishes

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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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