



Crusader Connection

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January 5, 2024

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Dear Parents,

We have had a great first week back to school! Yesterday we had our pep rally for the Lady Crusader Invitational, which starts this evening. You can see the bracket below. Congratulations to Ryan Klein (2nd Grade) and Margo Voelker (Kindergarten) who were named Mr. and Miss Crusader at the pep rally yesterday. We love seeing all of the school spirit! Although it was a short week, hopefully it gave everyone the opportunity to get back in the swing of things!

We have been having issues with our emergency text messaging system so far this year. The company made changes to the system and schools throughout the Diocese have been working diligently to get this system back up and working. We hope to have it ready to test again sometime next week. I know there is a slight possibility of snow this weekend. If we were to need to cancel school at this point we would have the information on the news stations, our Facebook page, and we would send out an email. If the weather looks questionable to you please check those places.

The other thing we have seen a lot of this week is illnesses. As this is cold and flue season, just a reminder to make sure that your family is washing their hands frequently and staying home if they do not feel well. We hope to keep all of our Crusaders and their families as healthy as possible throughout this winter!

On New Year's Day we had a special BINGO during the day. It was very well attended and we made a record breaking \$11,154! Thank you so much to everyone who volunteered at this BINGO and all of our other BINGO events throughout the year! The money earned through this fundraiser goes to support our operating budget and helps keep your tuition low.

We do have a couple of things coming up in the next few weeks. First, a reminder that if your children will be attending After Care, please sign them up [HERE](#). A representative from Covington Latin will be here to make a presentation sharing a little bit more about their school to our 5th-8th grade students on Tuesday. On Thursday evening at 6:00pm we have our next Night at the Races Meeting and directly following that at 7:00pm we will have a PTO Meeting. We hope to see you at both of those meetings! I also wanted to remind you that we will not have school on Monday, January 15 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. I also wanted to remind you that our Open House is on Sunday, January 28 from 12:30-2:00pm. If you know of anyone who is thinking about coming to St. Henry next year please encourage them to attend!

Thank you for your support of our school!

I hope you have a great weekend!

God Bless,

Mrs. Kimberly Wagner

CruNews



The **Ladies Crusader Invitational** basketball tournament starts this Friday, with the first game at 5:00 PM! The opening night is "St. Henry Night" with grades 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8 all playing. Bring the family for a fun evening!

New this weekend: The men from St. Henry's Holy Name Society will be serving up some grilled hot dogs and smoked BBQ -- bring your appetite too!

[The timeline for the tournament can be found here.](#)



LCI Pop Rally



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 OR Mini Strawberry Bages Scrambled Eggs Tater Tots, Veggie Boats & Dip Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk 5
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 B 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 17 Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Salsa Shredded Cheese, Sour Cream Black Beans, Corn Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Juice, Milk	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 23 Shredded Cheese, Diced Onion Curly Fries, Green Beans Pineapple, Fresh Fruit Carnival Cookie Juice, Milk	Pasta & Meat Sauce OR Chicken Alfredo 24 Garlic Breadstick Glazed Carrots, Garden Salads Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Parmesan Cheese Juice, Milk	Confetti Pancakes 25 Sausage Patties, Syrup Cup Smile Fries Celery & Dip Pears, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk	Cheese Bites OR Pizza Crunchers Marinara Sauce Steamed Broccoli Garden Salads, Pickle Spears Applesauce, Fresh Fruit Juice, Milk 26
Fiesta Pizza OR BBQ Chicken Pizza 29 Peas & Carrots, Corn Garden Salads Peaches, Sidekicks Juice Milk	Chicken Tenders Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Dinner Roll Pineapple, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk 30	Tangerine Chicken OR Teriyaki Chicken 31 Brown Rice, Fortune Cookies Steamed Broccoli, Carrots & Dip Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk		

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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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!



Thank you

Thank you to all the Volunteers that worked tirelessly before, during and after Santa's Workshop! We had a very successful year, and we measure it by the amount of smiling faces coming in and going out with brown bags full of gifts for the students' friends and family.

If you are a family that waits till the Epiphany to take down your Christmas decorations and such (or maybe even later, like me) please think of us when you are putting things away.

We **accept donations** of gift-wrapping items or other product donations all year round, so if you have extra bags, tissue, wrapping paper, etc.. and are ready to part ways with it, please bring to school and we will use next year.

Also, we still have about a dozen **St. Henry Strong ornaments** for sale (it would be a great addition to your tree next year!) The cost is \$10 and all proceeds will be donated to the Carrie Williams Foundation.

Please contact me if you are interested in purchasing one or more ornaments.

Thank you and Happy New Year!

Tracy Patrick 513-923-0532 gradyjamesmom@yahoo.com

2023-2024 Bingo Sign Up

To learn more, contact Ryan Bihl, watermobihl@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 SAINT CLARE OF ASSISI



ITALY, 1240

The History of Saint Clare, Virgin, tells of various miracles performed by Saint Clare. There are episodes of multiplications of loaves, of bottles of oil that appeared in the convent when there was none before. But Clare performed the most famous of the miracles in 1240, on a Friday in September, in which she turned away an attack by Saracen soldiers who had broken into the convent cloister by showing them the Sacred Host.



Saint Clare and the Assisi in Assisi, Giuseppe Cesari (1568-1640).
Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg



Enrico de Visone (1587).
Miracle of Saint Clare



Convent of San Damiano in Assisi



Luncheon window containing the body of Saint Clare, Assisi



Ancient depiction of the Miracle of Saint Clare



Saint Clare, detail of the great Cross of Gianfrancesco dalle Croci



Saint Clare and the Saracens. Painting by Piero Casertini, Holy Cross Monastery, Pignataro Maggiore



Icon in the Basilica of Saint Clare, Assisi. Clare's faith in the Son of God and Mary, hidden in the poverty of Eucharistic Bread, destroyed the strength of the enemies

This Eucharistic Miracle is cited in "The History of Saint Clare, Virgin," written by Tommaso da Celano, and describes how Saint Clare of Assisi succeeded with the Blessed Sacrament in turning away Saracen troops in the pay of Emperor Frederick II of Sweden.

The history goes like this: "By imperial order, regiments of Saracen soldiers and bowmen were stationed there, massed like bees, ready to devastate the encampments and seize the cities. Once during an enemy attack against Assisi, city beloved of the Lord, and while the army was approaching the gates, the fierce Saracens invaded San Damiano, entered the confines of the monastery and even the very cloister of the virgins. The women swooned in terror, their voices trembling with fear as they cried to their Mother, Saint Clare.

Saint Clare, with a fearless heart, commanded them to lead her, sick as she was, to the enemy, proceeded by a silver and ivory case in which the Body of the Saint of saints was kept with great devotion. And prostrating herself before the Lord, she spoke tearfully to her Christ: 'Behold, my Lord, is it possible you want to deliver into the hands of pagans your defenseless handmaids, whom I have taught out of love for you? I pray you, Lord, protect these your handmaids whom I cannot now save by myself.' Suddenly a voice like a child's resounded in her ears from the tabernacle: 'I will always protect you!' 'My Lord,' she added, 'if it is your wish protect also this city which is sustained by your love.' Christ replied, 'It will have to undergo trials, but it will be defended by my protection.' Then the virgin, raising a face

bathed in tears, comforted the sisters: 'I guarantee you, daughters, that you will suffer no evil; only have faith in Christ.' Upon seeing the audacity of the sisters, the Saracens took fright and fled back over the walls they had scaled, unnerved by the strength of she who prayed. And Clare immediately admonished those who heard the voice I spoke of above, telling them severely: 'Take care not to tell anyone about that voice while I am still alive, dearest daughters.'"

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VIRTUS®

Anyone who volunteers in our school or parish must be VIRTUS trained and compliant. 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@sthenrynky.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 confidentiality and with respect.

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

- **January 5:** Lady Crusader Invitational begins, 5:00 PM
- **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

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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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