

Holy Rosary Review

Important Dates:

January 1-2:
No School

January 3:
Classes Resume

January 8:
New Student
Registration 8-
10am

January 10:
New Student
Registration 5-
7pm

January 15:
No School/Martin
Luther King Jr.
Day

January 18:
New Student
Registration 1-
3pm

January 20:
CYO Comedy
Night with Joe
Conklin SOLD
OUT

January 21:
Student Thank
You Notes
Passed Out at
Masses

January 22:
Cyberbullying
Presentation for
Grades 5-8

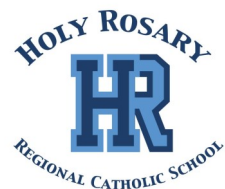
January 26:
Mini-Thon Dress
Down Day/
Progress Reports

January 28:
Catholic Schools
Week Open
House/Catholic
Schools Week
Begins

**January 29-
February 2nd:**
Catholic Schools
Week/Book Fair

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January 3, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy New Year!

I delight every day in working with your children. Their individual personalities have meshed so well in creating a spiritual and welcoming community at Holy Rosary! I am so pleased to have been given the opportunity to lead these cherubs and their teachers and recognize how lucky we are to have ended 2017 with such a beautiful celebration of Christ's birth!

I want to take a moment to thank all of you for your gifts and your prayers. I'm not sure where the time goes sometimes; it seems the holidays go faster every year. But as January rolls around, it is a wonderful time to reflect on all God has blessed us with in the prior twelve months.

So many of us can be grateful for the happiness and completion of a loving family. As we praise God for this gift, let us remember there are many families who struggle, and offer a prayer specifically for them.

Many of us hold jobs we love which allows for a sense of innate peacefulness each morning as we rise from bed. As we thank God for this gift, please remember in your prayers the unemployed, under-employed, and those on disability.

Everyone at Holy Rosary enjoys a spiritual and supportive community of like-minded believers whose faith guides our very existence and whose compassion holds each other up. Please pray for those looking for this gift. May God lead them to Holy Rosary in the New Year.

And finally, every teacher and employee at Holy Rosary thanks God each day for the beautiful children who surround us and in whom we see the Face of God. Please remember each of us in your prayers for the New Year.

May you and your family have a very Blessed New Year, complete with fulfilled promises and overflowing with love.

Peace,
Lisa



Did You Know...

Mrs. Koneski/Mrs. Pickering-Kindergarten:

The kindergarten celebrated their Polar Express day by wearing their pajamas, enjoying milk and cookies, and watching The Polar Express. The day ended with a package straight from the North Pole containing a bell for every child. They were so excited. They ended their week with a birthday party for Jesus. They each brought toiletries for the poor, sang to Jesus, and ate cake and ice cream. They enjoyed learning the true meaning of Christmas. When they return in January they will be very excited to start learning in 2018.

Mrs. Gilman/—1st Grade:

Our class is anxiously awaiting a huge snowstorm! So to help Mother Nature along we are writing about what a "Snowman Does at Night". Together, we will brainstorm ideas and then each student will let their imagination run wild with their thoughts about the white night creatures. Next, each student will construct a 2 foot snowman and along with their writings, the creatures will dangle from the wall in the first grade hallway. To further insure the "white stuff" coming, we will make paper snowflakes- the old folded over paper and cut along the fold method, and they too will hang everywhere. Get your shovels ready!!!!

Also, this month we will celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King. Our study will culminate with the construction a very large red heart with hands of every color coming out of the heart proclaiming "We All Love in the Same Color".

We will also begin preparing for our 100th Day of school. Stay tuned for that extravaganza!!

Ms. Prieto—Second Grade:

In second grade, Mary Grace Graham and Chase Henrick received their First Penance at St. Titus. The rest of the children in 2nd grade are continuing to prepare to receive it in 2018.

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION DATES:

New Student Registration Dates

Monday January 8th 8-10am

Wednesday January 10th 5-7pm

Thursday January 18th 1-3pm

Letter from The Governing Board of Pastors

Father Quindlen—Pastor of Epiphany of Our Lord

January 1, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians:

On Jan. 1, the world observes New Year's Day! On Jan. 1, we Catholic Christians observe the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, the octave day of the Nativity of the Lord, and a Day of Prayer for World Justice and Peace.

The theme of this year's 51st annual World Day of Peace is *Migrants and refugees: men and women in search of peace. What man or woman among us isn't in search of peace?*

"In a spirit of compassion," Pope Francis wrote in his message on this occasion, "let us embrace all those fleeing from war and hunger, or forced by discrimination, persecution, poverty and environmental degradation to leave their homelands."

"Yet people migrate for other reasons as well," he continued, "principally because they desire a better life." Who among us doesn't desire a better life, especially for our children?

Pope Francis proposes "a strategy combining four actions: welcoming, protecting, promoting and integrating." In addition to those four verbs, this year's National Catholic School's Week (Jan. 28-Feb. 3) theme offers four more for our reflection—*Catholic Schools: Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed*.

The Catholic Church runs the largest network of private schools in the United States, according to the *National Catholic Education Association*. *The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has the fourth largest enrollment of (arch)dioceses in the nation. Based on the average public school cost of \$11,066 per student, Catholic schools provide more than \$20 billion a year savings for U.S. taxpayers.*

Our Catholic schools exist primarily to transmit the faith of the Catholic Church to a new generation of believers. Your support of Catholic schools enables the Catholic Church to accompany our students in their search for peace and their desire for a better life.

Through the intercession of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, may our search for peace and our desire for a better life lead all of us to our heavenly homeland.

God bless you,



Rev. Joseph J. Quindlen

CYO News

Instructional Basketball League (IBL) Registration

Attention all parish children in Grades 1 through 4 from Holy Rosary Regional School's feeder parishes wishing to participate in Holy Rosary CYO's Instructional Basketball League (IBL).

Online registration is now open at <https://www.wagdogs.com> until February 1st.

NOTE: The program is limited to the first 100 children to register.

The registration fee is \$50.00 per child.

For additional information about the IBL program, please email Matthew Brooks at mattybpt@yahoo.com.

HASA Happenings

Be on the lookout for emails from HASA in regards to upcoming events for Catholic Schools Week, beginning Sunday, January 28th with Holy Rosary's Open House!

Book Fair Begins Monday, January 29th

Amazon

Don't forget to help support Holy Rosary while shopping on Amazon!

<https://smile.amazon.com/>

You can sign in with your existing amazon log in. Once signed in be sure to select the drop down arrow on the left side of the tool bar to find our school. Once selected you will see on your Amazon homepage, Supporting: Holy Rosary Regional Catholic School.

You will still be eligible for your Prime benefits and the school does not receive any personal information on your purchases, just a percentage of the sale. Share the smile link with your family and friends too!

Box Tops for Education

Keep clipping! The next submission deadline is March 1st and there will be prizes.

You can submit at any time, but please have your Box Tops in by Feb. 15.

Happy Clipping!

Questions, please contact our BoxTop Coordinator

Mrs. Sherri Muldoon at smuldoon315@gmail.com

FINANCIAL AID

The FACTS Grant and Aid will be replacing Smart Aid for our financial aid applications this year. The web site is factsmgmt.com. The application process opens on November 1. Priority Application deadline is December 31. Soft application deadline is March 15. Any applications after these deadlines may not be eligible to receive any aid. The cost of the application is \$30.00.

Families should work directly with the FACTS company in order to verify all information. Questions on completing the application may be answered by calling the FACTS helpline directly at **1-866-441-4637**. They are available Mon-Thursday: 7:30-7:00 and Friday 7:30-5:00. You can also email them at info@factstuitionaid.com with questions.

As always, I am available for any assistance you may need in applying.

This will be a new process for all of us so please know we will work together. You may email **Beth Hallinan** at bhallinan@holyrosaryregional.com with any questions and/or concerns.

January Calendar

January 2018

Parent Calendar

◀ Dec 2017 Jan 2018 Feb 2018 ▶						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 No School	2 No School	3 Classes Resume	4	5 Mass 10:30 AM	6
7	8 New Student Registration 8 – 10 AM Read for the House Assembly 2 PM	9	10 New Student Registration 5 – 7 PM	11	12	13
14	15 No School 	16	17	18 New Student Registration 1 – 3 PM	19	20 Joe Conklin Comedy Show
21 Students distribute Thank You Notes at all masses	22 Cyber Bullying Presentation Grades 5-8	23	24	25	26 THON Dress Down-Gold-Honesty Progress Reports	27
28 Catholic Schools Week Open House TBD	29 Catholic Schools Week Mass 10:30 AM Book Fair	30 Catholic Schools Week Book Fair	31 Catholic Schools Week Book Fair			

January Lunch Menu

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Menu Not Assigned	Menu Not Assigned	Pasta in Red Sauce/Italian Bread/Bagged Apples	Chick-fil-a lunch 1	Bacon, Egg & Cheese on a Bagel/Gogurt	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Pizza Day w/Fruit	Burgers/Tater Tots/Milk	Chicken Noodle Soup/Ham & Cheese on Honey Wheat Bread/Milk	Steak Sandwich/Assorted snacks or Fruit/Milk	French Toast Sticks/Sausage or Gogurt/Milk	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	MLK Day	Hot Dog/pretzels/milk	Pizza/cookies	Chick-fil-a lunch 2	Tomato Pie/Vanilla Ice Cream Cup	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Pizza/Carrot sticks w/dip/Milk	Burger/Sweet Corn/Milk	Meatball Sub/String Cheese/Milk	Chicken Steak Sandwich/Veggie Straws	Waffles/Gogurt/Milk	
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
	Pizza Day w/pudding	Hot Dog/Jello/Milk	Chicken Patty/Pot Luck Snack			

2017/2018 Home & School Association Board Members

Executive Board

- President – Beth Fish
- Vice President – Amy Porter
- Treasurer - Athena Lahatto
- Recording Secretary - Alicia Rhoads
- Corresponding Secretary - Jessica Cocco

Committees

- Fundraising - Kim Taglieber & Sharon Rupprecht
- Beautification-Maria Credle
- Hospitality– Katie Leahy
- Lead Homeroom Parent -Sherri Muldoon
- Marketing – Anthony Garcia
- Grant Writing– Heather Haley

