



HOLY CROSS

Catholic Secondary School

June 2016

Principal's Message

Welcome to June, perhaps the busiest time of the year at Holy Cross. I'd like to highlight three events.

The spring athletic season is coming to an end for our baseball, soccer, rugby, lacrosse, and track and field teams. The Green and Silver Athletic Banquet was held May 25th. Look below, in our "Athletic Update", for information on award winners and thanks to our Athletic Director, **Mr. Robin Dzierniejko**, and his sports leadership group, who hosted a great night. The Genesis Awards, celebrating achievement in the arts, was held on May 19th. Again, for a list of honorees, see "Arts News" below. Special thanks to Arts Department Head **Mrs. Stacy Check-Drumm** for her leadership. June will bring us to Graduation 2016, another opportunity to celebrate together the academic achievements of 275 Crusaders over the past four years. We hope to see you there.

Finally, I would like to highlight the Communication Technology program at Holy Cross. **Ryan Murray**, grade 11 student, was presented with a cheque for \$1000 for placing third in the Ministry of Labour's province-wide Workplace Safety video competition. Congratulations to our Head of Technological Education, **Mr. John Esford**, who leads the Communication *Secondary School High Skills Major* program, of which Ryan is a part.

Congratulations to **Mrs. Shelley McLean, Mr. Nick Brady, Mrs. Janet Pawliuk, and Mrs. Karen Lowe**, on the occasion of their retirements. **Mrs. April Johnson and Mrs. Julie Roantree** will be on leave next year. In addition, we say thank you to staff members **Ms. Withers, Ms. Mulvenna, Ms. Pacheco, Ms. Perugino, Ms. Greenwood-DaSilva, Mr. Holmes, Mrs. Biggs, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Costa-Silva, and Ms. Cote**, who move on to other opportunities. Good luck to all.

GRADUATION IS JUNE 29

12:00 NOON – ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE - GRAD MASS
4:30 GOWN FITTING IN THE LIBRARY
5:15 CLASS OF 2016 GRAD PHOTO
6:00 GRADUATION CEREMONY IN OUR GYM

(L TO R) MR. CHAMBERS, JOSH HUNTER, SALUTATORIAN; ANNA STAFFORD, VALEDICTORIAN; CLASS REPS, DONYA HOJABR AND JARED GRIFFITH; MR. ROBERTS



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Athletics Update

The Green and Silver Athletics Awards banquet was held on Wednesday evening, May 25th. Special thanks to Mr. Dzierniejko's Sports Leadership group who organized and carried off the event. The highlight of the evening was hearing from Sarah Besselink, a 2012 Holy Cross grad, who plays varsity basketball at the University of Ottawa, and whose message about coping with adversity — a major knee injury in her case — was well received by the audience. Below you will find the major award winners for the 2015-2016 athletic season.

Major Athletic Awards 2016 from Our Green and Silver Assembly

Athletic Recognition Award – Reid Hulton

Junior Female Athlete of the Year – Meghan Jefferies

Junior Male Athlete of the Year – Tanner Hawley and Tommy Pendergast

B'Nai Brith Award – Mackenzie Melim, Kathryn Jalink, Sam Pierson

Senior Female Athlete of the Year – Jenna Whalen

Senior Male Athlete of the Year – Devin LeBlanc

Greg Hulse Leadership Award – Naomi Gazendam

Sports Leadership Award – Joanna Besselink

Outstanding Achievement Award – Pat Green, Gabriel Vilardi, Connor Quinton and Pat Wilson

Graduating Athlete of the Year – Donya Hojabr



Above: The Holy Cross Junior Girls' Soccer Team, coached by Mr. Coleman and Mrs. Hawkins-Hogan, pose for a photo at Tindall field following their 2-1 victory over Frontenac in the KASSAA Championship game, May 19th.

Events in June

June 1— Kingston Transit @ HC for grade 12 graduate bus passes

June 2— OFSSA Soccer hosted by Holy Cross continues to Saturday

June 3—First Year Forty submission of hours deadline for grade 9 students; Holy Cross students to OFSSA Track and Field Windsor

June 9— School Mass and farewell to graduates and departing staff

June 10— Student timetables available on-line; First Year 40 Assembly, period 2

June 13— Day 1 Grade 11-12 Culminating Task and Examination Review

June 14— Vocal Music Concert @ 7:00 pm; Day 2 Grade 11-12 Culminating Task and Examination Review

June 15— Day 1 Grade 9-10 Culminating Task and Examination Review; Day 3 Grade 11-12 Culminating Task and Examination Review; Adaptive Phys. Ed. Culminating task day; EQAO Grade 9 Assessment of Math Day 1

June 16— Day 2 Grade 9-10 Culminating Task and Examination Review; Day 4 Grade 11-12 Culminating Task and Examination Review; EQAO Grade 9 Assessment of Math Day 2; Life Bus @ HC

June 17— Day 3 Grade 9-10 Culminating Task and Examination Review; Day 5 Grade 11-12 Culminating Task and Examination Review;

June 20— Grade 11-12 Culminating Activity from 12:00 to 2:00; Day 4 Grade 9-10 Culminating Task and Examination Review

June 21— Grade 11-12 Culminating Activity from 12:00 to 2:00; Day 5 Grade 9-10 Culminating Task and Examination Review

June 22— HC Class of 2016 Final Course Documentation deadline;

June 22-28— Examination Days 1-5; Textbook return days all week; locker clean up

June 28— SEA Laptop return date

June 29— Graduation Mass @ 12:00 noon at St. Paul the Apostle; 4:30 Gowns Fitting in the library; 5:15 Class of 2016 Graduate Photo; 6:00 pm Graduation Ceremony begins.

June 29— Examination Return Day, 8:30 to 9:30 in classrooms; 9:30 to 11:30 in the library

June 30— Professional Activity Day #7

July 11th— Final Marks available on-line



Genesis Awards

COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Alessa Greenwood, Avery Esford

RICK THOMPSON

Sofie Chodkowski

DOMINO THEATRE

Noah Vinet

DRAMA CLUB

Andrew Hurt

ART CLUB

Shannon Dunphy

DANCE CLUB

Laura Walker

SHSM

Angelica Peters

BUDDING ARTIST

Ethan Bucholtz

MAJOR GENESIS AWARDS

DRAMATIC ARTS

Taylor DaSilva

VISUAL ARTS

Natalie Palma

MUSIC

Cassandra Cantarutti

VOCAL MUSIC

Olivia Greenwood-Vidal,

Anthony Pacheco

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Shannon Dunphy

AUDIO AND VIDEO PRODUCTION

Angelica Peters

Sofie Chodkowski (2nd Left) at the 2016 Genesis Awards, held Thursday, May 19th



On Thursday, May 19th, 2016 the **Genesis Awards** for Achievement in the Arts was celebrated here at Holy Cross. This year the show included highlights from the 2015-16 artistic year as well as the debut of our 76-member grade 9 band. The night also featured our award-winning jazz ensemble, vocal ensemble and dance team, as well as a **Guys and Dolls** medley, our barbershop quartet and wonderful videos produced by Mr. Esford and the Com Tech program. The evening also showcased the artistic works of our students in the art exhibit mounted in the library. At the end of the evening, the Arts Department proudly announced our next musical production – **Les Miserables** running November 30 - December 3rd, 2016. Ticket sales begin November 16th. You will not want to miss this musical extravaganza!

The Crusade—The Holy Cross Yearbook 2016

Congratulations to Mr. Prior and the Yearbook class on the release of another tremendous publication, this year featuring a new format. We encourage every parent to take a look at their son/daughter's book: we know you will see its quality. If any Crusaders are in any way interested in pursuing a career in journalism, publishing or photography, the Yearbook course is a great opportunity to learn what it actually takes to bring a concept to print.

Attention Returning Students

Student timetables for the 2016- 2017 school year will be available online on Friday, June 10th. Students can access their timetable by using the Maplewood Portal on the HC Today website. **Student timetables will not be mailed over the summer.** A copy will be available in the text book room during text book pick up in late August. It is the intent of Student Services to have timetable problems/changes resolved by the end of exams.

FUN FRENCH FACTS

DID YOU KNOW...

... that French is the only language, other than English, taught in every single country in the world?
Encourage your child to be a lifelong learner of French!

Summer School Information

New Credit: July 4 – 29. 4 weeks for new credit delivered through on-line learning. Courses available are: ENG3U, ENG4U, ENG4C, MHF4U, MAP4C, MCR3U, CHV2O5 Civics, and GLC2O5 Careers. * **Please note that Grade 11 and 12 “U” and “C” level courses will have an onsite exam in July at Loyola School of Adult & Continuing Education.**

Teachers will be available for students to pick up their Semester 2 exams in their classrooms on Wednesday, June 29th from 8:30 am – 9:30 am. After 9:30 exams are available for pick up in the library.

Contact Us

Check on-line for more information at
www.hctoday.ca

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Counsellor's Corner for June

Graduate Information

The completion of forty (40) hours of Community involvement is required as a key component of the diploma requirements. The community involvement hours are to be completed and submitted to Student Services. If you still have not done your community involvement you need to see Student Services ASAP. – Last call – Monday June 1st.

Graduating students who applied for admission to an Ontario university who did not receive an offer of admission can inquire about possible openings at other Ontario universities through the OUAC starting June 6th. Go to www.ouac.on.ca/ais/ or call 519-823-1063.

To be considered students must have completed 6 4U or 4M courses including the prerequisites needed for entry to specific programs, as well as an average of at least 60%, although higher averages are usually required.

Volunteer Opportunities for Spring/Summer:

Spring and summer bring many opportunities to volunteer within the community! For more information on volunteer and employment opportunities, please contact Student Services.

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ams. Students who intend to switch from applied courses in Grade 9 to academic in Grade 10 are reminded that they need to complete the prerequisite course. Senior students wishing to upgrade also require the appropriate prerequisite. Please see your counselor for details.

Co-op Program: July 4 – 29. 4 week co-op program (one credit) will be offered if there is sufficient enrolment. All program details and registration packages are posted on the Board's website and in Student Services. See your counselor to sign up.

The Limestone Board will also be offering summer school classes.

First Year Forty

Grade 9 students who have completed 40 hours of community service will be invited to a celebration taking place in the Cafetorium on Friday, June 10th, during period 2. Grade 9 students can still bring in their volunteer hours until Friday, June 3rd.

Project Math 10

Enrichment opportunity for grade 10 math students at Queen's University in July 2016 for information and registration go to www.mast.queensu.ca/math10. See Mrs. McLean for more information.

Scholarship

Don "Pete" Petersen Spirit memorial Award: Students who have played/volunteered at least 3 years with the Knights of Columbus Basketball league and are pursuing post-secondary education. Deadline is June 23. See Mrs. Cantarutti for an application package.

Looking Forward to July

- July 4th - Custodians begin removing locks and bagging locker contents; Semester 2 final marks available on-line
- July 5th - Ontario E-Learning for new credits begins; Summer school credit recovery begins.
- July 6th - OUAC receives final grades for semester 2 marks
- July 20th — Gently Used Uniform Sale from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in our foyer run by School Council
- July 27th - Halpern's Uniform Sale in our Cafeteria from 3:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Crusaders In Community Service (CICS) Executive

Recently seven students were appointed to serve on the Crusaders In Community Service Executive for 2016-2017:

L-R below: Hannah Gibbons, Kendra-Lynn Page, Marie Lynch, Naomi Gazendam, Cicilin Siju, Hannah Aikman, Faith Lollar.

Congratulations to the newly elected CICS' Executive for 2016-2017. We look forward to your leadership work on Social Justice & Charitable Events in the year ahead. These students all have experience working on various social action projects here at Holy Cross and next year they will inspire even more members of our school community to put their "Faith Into Action". If you have a charitable group or a social action project that you would like to see supported here at Holy Cross please see any member of the CICS' Executive.

Chris Forster, Chaplain



Two great events at HC recently—the Walk, Ride or Bus to School (Below Wellness Team volunteers at a drop off zone) and the ONE MATCH stem cell registry drive (left, Crusader Mackenzie Curran and her donor, Alex Turk, from Germany. Thanks to all who participated in these two events.

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