



HOLY CROSS

Catholic Secondary School

May 2017

Principal's Message

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Annually, in our schools across Ontario, the month of May begins with the celebration of Catholic Education Week (CEW). The theme this year, Walking Forward Together, is drawn from three contemporary Catholic documents that address the need for reconciliation and renewal – in our lives, with our families, in our relationships with others and in our relationship with our environment and our common global future. Holy Cross will be sending a contingent of 12 to the CEW mass in Belleville on Tuesday May 2nd, led by our Chaplain, Mr. Chris Forster. On May 11th, in keeping with the CEW theme, our community will 'Walk Forward Together in Hope' from Holy Cross to celebrate our monthly mass at St. Paul the Apostle Church. Check the Holy Cross website and HC social media sites for pictures and details of the day.

Student leadership is on display at Holy Cross in the month of May. This month brings a change in student government, as our outgoing Students' Council transitions our new council into their positions, culminating with our Town Hall assembly, organized by council moderator **Mr. Vince Stabile**, on Tuesday May 9th, followed by our election on Wednesday May 10th. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing council for its efforts on behalf of students. In the short time that I have known them, I can say that it has been a pleasure working with student leadership group at Holy Cross this semester. I would like to extend my thanks and wish good luck to the students that have put their names forward in consideration for the 2017-18 student leadership group.

This Month

- May 1 - Spring Uniform Begins
- May 1-5 Catholic Education Week
- May 5– Holy Cross Give a Shirt Challenge ends
- May 5– Holy Cross Spring Carnival
- May 8—Student Council Election Videos
- May 9 –Town Hall Assembly
- May 10 - Student Council Election
- May 11 –School Mass
- May 18 –Holy Cross Genesis Awards (7-11pm)
- May 19 –PD Day
- May 22 –Victoria Day
- May 24 –Athletic Banquet (6-9pm)
- May 24– Vocal and Dance Showcase (7:30-9:15pm)
- May 29 - Photography/Dance Collaboration Downtown Kingston

CATHOLIC EDUCATION:
WALKING
forward
together

Principal's message cont'd

Also under the banner of student leadership, I would also like to extend congratulations to **Jacqueline Van Herpt**, who was recently elected as the student trustee for the ALCDSB for the upcoming year. The Student Trustee makes a significant contribution to the school board, representing all elementary and secondary students in the system. The Student Trustee acts as the head of student senate (made up of Student Council representatives from each of the Board's five secondary schools). Jacqueline is currently in grade 11 and is an active member of Holy Cross athletics, playing field hockey, volleyball, soccer and hockey. As the Student Trustee, Jacqueline has great plans to work on various board-wide initiatives including mental health and wellness and diversity and inclusion.

As we move nearer to June, our graduating students see their academic and future goals coming into clear focus. At a recent meeting of the graduating class, the school team provided the road map that leads our graduates through the months of May and June and up to June 29th (the date of our graduation mass and convocation ceremony). Please continue to check the Holy Cross website and student announcements for information relevant to this year's graduating class. Understandably, this can be a stressful time of year for our potential graduates. We are fortunate to have our Wellness Team, led by Mrs. Lisa Lollar and Terrie Hoey, to support our students on their journey. If you are feeling the pressure, why not seek out members of our wellness team or speak to a member of our staff. We are here to assist you.

Finally, we look forward to welcoming our future grade 9s to a tour of the school and the Spring Carnival, organized by the athletic leadership class and taking place on Friday May 5th at the school. Thank you for your leadership and mentorship of our future Crusaders!

God Bless,

Michael Faught





New Student Trustee!

Jacqueline van Herpt (right) has been elected as the new Student Trustee for the 2017/18 school year. In this role, Jacqueline will represent all elementary and secondary students of the Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board.



Thinkfast Activities

Looking Forward to June

June 3 - Gr 9 Trills and Thrills Music
Trip to Canada's Wonderland

June 6 - Ryan Perkins Flag Football
Tournament

June 14-15 -Gr 9 EQAO Math
Assessment

June 22-28 - Final Exams

June 29 - Graduation Mass/
Ceremony

June 30 - P A Day



"The Algonquin & Lakeshore Catholic District School Board's International Program is looking for homestays for students who will attend Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School in September. If you are interested and would like more information on remuneration etc., please contact Madeleine O'Connor at 613-848-9987 or occonnorm@alcdsb.on.ca. "

Contact Us

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

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Looking for a New Computer?

As part of the Introduction to Computer Science Grade 11 curriculum, students are required to relate computer specifications (such as RAM, CPU, Hard Drive, processor speed, monitor, speakers) to user requirements. As such we are looking for anyone that is in the market for a new computer. You need to decide upon a budget, and then answer some questions that students will generate about what your needs are.

Based upon your budget and needs, students will source parts and make a recommendation about what to buy. Then, if you like/are in agreement, you can either buy them, and students will assemble or they can purchase and assemble them for you.

If you are interested, please send an email to holmjohn@alcdsb.on.ca and students will be in contact with you.



FUN FRENCH FACTS

DID YOU KNOW?

Lifelong learning and using a second language regularly makes our brains more nimble and resilient.

<http://tinyurl.com/>

International Food Fair



International Food Fair, Tuesday, May 30th at lunchtime in the Foyer. HC International students are collaborating with Canadian students to provide a lunch filled with International flavours. China, Spain, Nigeria, Portugal, India, Mexico, Jamaica, Belgium, Greece, Ireland, Trinidad and Venezuela are some of the countries that will be represented. Bring some money, you are in for a treat! All profits will be given to the 2018 Jamaica Mission trip.

Please join The Soulful Singers on Wednesday May 10th, 2017 at 6:30pm at Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School for an end of year concert. This enthusiastic choir, composed of people living with dementia, Holy Cross students, caregivers and friends, has been working hard on a beautiful repertoire which will take you on a joyful walk down memory lane. Come help us celebrate and join us for refreshments after. Admission is free. Donations to The Alzheimer's Society will be gratefully accepted. If you need further information contact Naomi Gazendam at naomigazendam@gmail.com.

ARTS Update



The Dance Team had an incredible 2017 season, competing against 18 other high schools and community centres at Strive Dance Challenge in Scarborough.

Highlights of the competition:

- Small group lyrical routine placed third in the overall competition with a Judges Choice Award for creativity and choreography.
- Roddy Kimmerer and Cici Blundell placed first with their duet, earned a Judges Choice Award and a \$90 cash prize.
- Emily Pilcher and Ethan Bucholtz placed fifth in the overall duet category, earning themselves a Judges Choice Award .
- Large group hip hop routine placed first in their category and second place in the overall awards and earned a Judge's Choice Award.

The team took home third place of 18 schools and were awarded over \$500 in scholarships. They are looking forward to performing some of their routines at the Genesis Awards on Thursday, May 18th!



Congratulations to **Ms. Rose and her grade 11 drama class** who produced a very successful Cabaret evening on April 19th. Also, a big congratulations to both our **instrumental and vocal music students** who travelled to Boston at the end of April to compete in the World Strides Music Festival. It was a very successful trip and a great learning experience for all. A big thank you to directors **Mr. Orser, Ms. Greenwood** and vocal director **Ms. Check Drumm** for all of their efforts!

Final Events of the 2016-17 School Year:

Genesis Arts Awards.....May 18, 2017

An Evening of Song and Dance....May 24, 2017

Grade 9 Band Trip/Competition...June 2 ,2017



COUNSELLOR'S CORNER

Grade 8 Orientation at Holy Cross

On **Friday, May 5th** our future Grade 9 students will have the opportunity to visit Holy Cross. The **class of 2021** will be given tours, classroom visits and will participate in ice breaker activities coordinated by the Sports Leadership class.

University and College

University and college bound students are encouraged to check their **OUAC** and **OCAS accounts** to verify all transcript data. Mid term marks have been sent to both application centres.

Dual Credits

St. Lawrence College provides an opportunity for Grade 12 students to attend a St. Lawrence College course and receive credit towards their Ontario Secondary School Graduation Diploma. Visit the Holy Cross website hctoday.ca for more information.

Volunteer Opportunities for Spring/Summer:

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

St. Lawrence College Connections Program

On **Thursday, May 4th**, a group of grade 10 and 11 Holy Cross students will be exploring careers in an interactive Connections program at **St. Lawrence College**. The program will provide an exciting opportunity to investigate first-hand such careers as hairstyling/aesthetics, carpentry, police foundations, law and security, and early childhood education.

Summer School 2017

New Credit: July 4th – 31st. 4 weeks for new credit delivered through on-line learning.

Courses available are: ENG3U, ENG4U, ENG4C, MCF3M, 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 on Monday, July 31st, 2017 at Loyola School of Adult & Continuing Education.

Co-op Program: July 4 – 31st. 4 week co-op program (one credit) will be offered if there is sufficient enrolment. Summer school Coop will consist of 20 hours of pre-placement lessons and 90 hours of work at an appropriate cooperative education placement.

Please contact your Guidance counsellor for more information.

International Student Exchange – Ontario, a registered not-for-profit corporation, offers to Ontario students reciprocal exchanges to Europe and Quebec through the school year and during the summer.

There are places available now for students entering Grades 8, 10 & 11 this coming September who would like to go to Europe in February of 2018 and host their French partner in August 2019. An Information Night for Parents and Students will be held on Wednesday, May 17th at Frontenac Secondary School from 7 – 8pm with students from past exchanges and ISE representatives to discuss options and answer questions. For more information, visit www.iseontario.on.ca

GRADUATING CLASS OF 2017

This year's graduation ceremony will be held on **Thursday, June 29th** beginning at **6 p.m.** at the school. A **Graduation Mass** will be celebrated at **St. Paul the Apostle Church on Taylor-Kidd Blvd at 12:00 p.m.** for the graduates, their families and friends and staff. More information will be mailed to the graduates in early May.

Following is a list of students who, at this point, are **potential** graduates and eligible to take part in the **June 2017** graduation ceremony. The completion of thirty (30) credits (including compulsories) forty (40) hours of Community involvement and the successful completion of the literacy test, are the key components of the diploma requirements. The community involvement hours (40) are to be completed and submitted to Student Services by **Friday, May 12th, 2017**. It is **the student's responsibility** to ensure that **all** requirements (including night school courses and on-line courses) have been completed or will be completed. The final marks for on-line and night school courses must be submitted to Student Services by **Monday, June 19th, 2017**. Please contact your counsellor if you have any concerns.

Potential Grads June 2017

Joshua A. Almeida, Daniel Amaral, John H. An, Alyssa M. Anglin, Kimberly K. Arce, Liam J. Ashdown, Kaitlyn C. Aubin, Arjun M. Augustine, Hannah C. Avery, Jeffrey J. Babic, Benjamin O. Bach, Chase A. Badalato, Jonah Z. Baetz, Andrea M. Banguera, Kaliah S. Barker, Claire C. Beers, Danielle J. Benton, Thomas D. Berry, Mary Elizabeth Besselink, Taylor A. Bickerstaffe, Emily B. Binkley, Michael F. Biringer, Corey D. Blais, Cierra A. Blundell, Brandon G. Boucher, Lillian R. Breau, Nicole C. Breault, Taylor B. Breeze, Brandon J. Brennan-Trousdale, Derek L. Broekhoven, Justine M. Brown, Alicia P. Burelle, Justice M. Burke, Cassandra C. Cahill, Duncan A. Cameron, Reid M. Cameron, Chanlor D. Card, Taylor L. Carlyle, Nicolas M. Case, John M. Chase, Dillon A. Chicoski, Ron Clement, Jacob F. Cleysen, Kortland C. Clifford, Emma C. Coleman, Adam D. Collings, Cassie Cooley, Andrew J. Cooper, Emma F. Cordeau, Madeleine C. Craig, Olivia J. Craig, Alexander R. Daicar, Antonino R. D'Amore, Adam J. Dantes, Amber R. Davis, Riley P. Day, Jasmin De Luna, Gabrielle M. Deodato, Shane P. Desrochers, Emily K. DesDeszpoth, Sarah J. DiNardo, Jessi N. DiRocco, Jacob A. Do Canto-Esford, Andrew J. Donnelly, Karlee A. Donovan, Sara P. Doyle, Alexander C. Drewniak, Seth G. Ducette, Latisha M. Dupere, Owen K. Dutra, Necoleson Eugerio, Chelsea E. Ewart, Emily H. Faria, Emily R. Fawcett, April D. Finn, Tyson J. Fletcher, Elaine Franco Martinez, Andrew J. Freake, Chelsea S. Freitas, Brock P. Gaulton, Sydney E. Gauthier, Naomi E. Gazendam, Reid T. Gervais, Evann B. Gibson, Decker A. Golemiac, Paige A. Gorry, Anna K. Greentree, Tyler J. Grimshaw, Taylor M. Hagerman, Bryson R. Hancock, Kyle H. Hancock, Mackenzie J. Hancock, Katrina M. Hartmann, Holly C. Hebert, Samuelle G. Henshaw, Carlos A. Hernandez, Jarred J. Herron, Julia N. Hickey, Joshua D. Hill, Halen A. Hinch, Dylan W. Hoare, Eric W. Holden, Bobby D. Horth, Jacqueline A. Hulton, Randy F. Hummel, Julia A. Hunter, Branden C. Hutcheson, Cassidy Hutcheson, Lucas E. Ivanic, Kathryn D. Jalink, Jacob M. Jefferies, Stephen A. Johnston, Alexander T. Josey, Aidan J. Joyce, Devin P. Kane, Keira M. Kelly, Owen R. Kennedy,

Potential Graduates cont'd

Daniel R. Kimmerer, Devon S. King, Jaime N. Knights, Kaitlyn S. Kobayashi, Seth J. Kozar, Brittany A. Kring, Amanda M. Lalonde, Abbey K. Lanzo, Jennika M. LaPierre, John R. Lawrence, Brielle M. LeBlanc, Laura M. Leclerc, Lillian H. Low, Myka L. Luchuk, Heather G. Lumb, Molly H. MacDonald, William E. Macdonald Justin M. MacGregor, Kenna N. MacKinnon, Lexiana P. MacLean, Garrett M. Makarucha, Amanda N. Manti, Victoria N. Martins, Jordan J. Matthews, Bridget A. May, Dylan D. Mayman, Jennifer McCann, Matthew W. McDonald, Molly E. McKeown, Olivia McKeown, Ashleigh M. McLaren, Kayley M. McLeod, Connor W. McNally, Megan A. Medeiros, Alexander W. Melanson, Mackenzie A. Melim, Jared C. Mezzatesta, Colin J. Migneault, Matthew C. Monte, Alexander G. Moran, Ryan J. Mota, Chloe G. Murphy, Claudia R. Murphy, Marissa A. Murphy, Ryan D. Murray, Samantha C. Murray, Gareth M. Myers, Logan C. Nadon, Joshua K. Newhook, Michael T. Nichol, Samantha J. Nichol, Blaine P. Noftall, Ryan E. O'Brien, Alyssa Ollivier, Tomisin E. Olutunda, Owen I. O'Neill, Jennifer K. Onwuemeodo, Rileigh L. O'Toole, Grace C. Ottenhof, James A. Ottenhof, Brooklyn A. Parlane, Jacob S. Patterson, Samuel M. Patterson, Mario Peccia, Timothy L. Petric, Samuel P. Pierson, Emily A. Pilcher, Landon J. Pollock, Andrew J. Power, Connor D. Quinton, Alexander L. Rebelo, Dawson M. Reid, Ethan A. Reid, Travis E. Reid, Danielle B. Rhines, Kaylea Rigby, Noel M. Rivet-Glavicic, Devon R. Robb, Alexandra E. Robertson, Braeden R. Rogers, Dillon W. Ryan, Ashley K. Sagan, Antonio F. Salamone, Jamie J. Saunders, Mallory L. Shoniker, Anna M. Siju, Matthew P. Silva, Sadera J. Silverson, Nicole M. Skolnick, Marissa E. Sloboda, Kyle E. Soledad, Jesse Soroka, Zachary B. Stanley, Thomas J. Stathopoulos, Loren C. Tackaberry, Clenan R. Tan, Tristan J. Taylor, Nicholas R. Terpstra, Emma E. Thompson, Matthew K. Thompson, Michael H. Thompson, Maxwell R. Tinline, Sierra Tornow, Tanner J. Troop-Lamarche, Lucas G. Tulk, Alexander P. Vandervoort, Nicolas R. Varey, Victoria A. Velazquez Becerra, Clayton J. Venno, Tara C. Venno, Matthew A. Villalta, Wyatt A. Villalta, Lauren E. Walker, Brianne K. Warner Santos, Thomas G. Watson, Colin A. Watts, Jack A. Weighell, Janai D. Wein, Sophia A. Weiss-Love, Catharine E. Wensing, Bryce K. Westbury, Nicholas R. Westman, Shelby M. Wheeler, Illya P. White, Kelly C. White, Keagan B. Wilson, Patrick D. Wilson, Brandon B. Wolfram, Molly E. Wyatt, Enid Yu, Ian L. Zablan, Benjamin G. Zarichny, Derek Y. Zhang, Katherine N. Zlatanovski

RETURNING GRADE TWELVES

Any students who are interested in returning for a fifth year, or portion thereof, and who have not yet made course selections, must first meet with **Mr. Faught**. Please schedule an appointment.

Scholarship Opportunities:

1. St. Paul the Apostle Parish Catholic Women's League Leadership Award is awarded to a graduating student who is an active parishioner of St. Paul the Apostle Parish and who has exemplified Catholic Christian values. The deadline is May 17th. See Mrs. Cantarutti for an application.
2. L & A Stewardship Council Bursary Program awarded to students applying to Environmental Studies or Natural Resources programs at a recognized community college or university. Students must reside in Lennox and Addington County to be eligible. The deadline is May 19th. Please see Mrs. Cantarutti for an application.
3. Transplant Advocate Association – a \$500 award will be offered to a graduating student from a Kingston area high school that has been affected by the organ or tissue transplant process as a donor or as a recipient. Applications are due by May 8th, 2017, please see Mrs. Cantarutti for more information.
4. The National Union of Public and General Employees is offering 4 scholarships to students entering the first year of a post-secondary institution. Eligible applicants include children, grandchildren or foster children/grandchildren of a National Union Member (OPSEU and CUBGW in Ontario). Please see Mrs. Cantarutti for more information.
5. Frontenac Federation of Agriculture is offering a scholarship to a student pursuing study in the agri-food industry. Please see Mrs. Cantarutti for more information.



PASTORAL NEWS



Catholic Education Week will be celebrated from April 30 – May 5. The theme this year is: “Walking Forward Together”, and as part of our celebration of this theme, our school community will be making a short walking pilgrimage over to St. Paul the Apostle Church on Thursday, May 11. There we will celebrate our May School Mass with Fr. Leo Byrne presiding. Other events taking place that week include our School Board Mass in Belleville on Tuesday, May 2 at 10:30 a.m. as well as a CICS’ Outreach to the Rosewood Retirement Home after school that same day. Let us all take time to reflect on the value and blessings that come to us and to our communities through Catholic Education.

Looking back, our **Share Lent Collection** this year was a great success. Over \$1600.00 was raised for four (4) charities: the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Kingston, our World Vision Sponsorship of Ninthia in Senegal, the Development & Peace effort to help famine victims in South Sudan, and our School’s Mission Projects in Kingston, Jamaica. We also did well on **Thinkfast** with over \$1800.00 raised for D & P. Thank you to the 45+ students and staff who were part of **Thinkfast** this year. And a special thank you to the ladies from Brown’s who work in our Cafeteria: Carol, Kelli, and Phyllis. Thanks to their hard work over \$800.00 was raised for Share Lent through our **Pancake Breakfast** on February 28.

On behalf of our Pastoral Team, I wish all of our students, staff and family members a very joyful Easter. And may God continue to bless the sick and those who care for them.

Mr. Chris Forster, Chaplaincy Leader

Sports Banners

Girls' Rugby



Jr. Boys' Rugby



Track and Field



Sr Girls' Soccer



St Boys' Soccer



Jr Girls' Soccer



Jr Boys' Soccer



Baseball



Lacrosse



