



Catholic Education Week

May 5 - May 10, 2013

*'That Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith,
as you are being rooted and grounded in love.'*

Ephesians 3:17

Growing
Together
in Faith

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL, KINGSTON

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

"Catholic Education: Growing Together in Faith" is our theme for this year's Catholic Education Week. Each year, the Catholic community of Ontario engages in a week-long celebration of the unique identity and distinctive contributions of Catholic education during Catholic Education Week. This year's celebration entitled "Catholic Education: Growing Together in Faith" is scheduled for the week of **May 5 – May 10th**. The overall scriptural theme is "... **that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love**" from **St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians (Eph 3:17)**. As we are one Body in Christ, so are we united in our mission of Catholic education.

We congratulate **Mr. John Esford** and his CommTech students who competed in the **Eastern Regional Skills Canada** competitions at **St. Lawrence College**. **Courtney Mathieson** and **Julia Szczesniak** did very well in the skills qualifier local competition. As well, Grade 11 SHSM in Communications Technology student **Madeline Costa** won first place in the **St. Lawrence College High School Video Contest**. **Madeline** made a 30 second public service announcement TV commercial on "Bullying". **Madeline** will receive her award at the **Advertising & Marketing** program's year end awards **Saturday, April 13th** in the **Davies Room** at **St. Lawrence**.

We thank the current year's **Students' Council Executive** with teacher-advisor **Mr. Richard Coleman**, for organizing what we anticipate will be a successful **Spirit Week**, and for all of their efforts and enthusiasm on behalf of the school and their peers. We are so proud of the courage and commitment of all of the candidates and look forward to seeing what **Students' Council 2013-2014** brings to our rich tradition of student leadership, mission service, and spirited commitment.

We are so pleased with the results of all members of the **HC** bands and vocals group who traveled to **New York City** recently. Congratulations to these students and to their leaders, **Mr. David Orser** and **Ms. Stacy Check Drumm**. The students performed very well and all enjoyed the sights and sounds of the Big Apple. The trip was a great success with the students achieving their highest rankings yet at **Heritage Music Festival** competitions.

We have just distributed midsemester report cards. Now is the time to review teacher comments and make any necessary changes so that achievement is maximized. Please remember that there is a direct correlation between absences and achievement; those with more than ten absences in a course are at a much higher risk level for not achieving the credit. There is time for all of us to work together

MAY EVENTS AT HOLY CROSS

Monday, April 29S2 Midterm Report Cards Issued
2013 – 14 Students' Council Executive Videos
ALCDSB Student Trustee Election
HC Optional Spring Uniform Begins
Tues, April 302013 – 14 Students' Council Executive Videos
Wed, May 1 ... College applicants must confirm admission offer
Make the CUT at Algonquin College
HC Class of 2013 Potential Grad List Published
Thurs May 2 ..Students' Council Executive Town Hall Assembly
Sir Isaac Newton Physics Contest
Thurs & Fri, May 2 & 3 Destination St Lawrence Transition Camp
Friday, May 3 Students' Council Executive Election
Sunday, May 5Catholic Education Week Begins
HC Community Photo
Mon, May 6 HC Class of 2013 Graduation Invitations mailed
S2 Full Disclosure Day, for Senior Marks
Bob Upgren Gr 9 and 10 Students' Council Assembly
Tuesday, May 7 Grade Eight Orientation Day at HC
Wednesday, May 8Holy Cross Valedictorian Election
Catholic School Council Meeting, Library, 6:30
Thursday, May 9.....March for Life (Ottawa)
Friday, May 10 Catholic Education Week Mass, Belleville
Catholic Education Week ends
KASSAA Girls' Rugby Championships
Fri – Sun, May 10 -12 . Nat'l Cheerleading Competition, Niagara Falls
Monday, May 13 ALCDSB Summer School Info available
Tuesday, May 14 KASSAA Tennis Championships at KTC
Wed May 15Hotel Dieu Partners in Mission Food Blitz
Wed & Thurs, May 15 & 16 KASSAA Track and Field Meet
Monday, May 20 Victoria Day (no school)
Tuesday, May 21S2 Field Trip Moratorium Begins
Wednesday, May 22Genesis Awards Evening, 7 p.m.
Thurs, May 23Twonie-Non-Uni Day for Catholic Education Foundation
School Dance, 6:30 – 10:00 p.m.
KASSAA Girls and Boys' Soccer Championships
KASSAA Boys' Rugby Championships
Friday, May 24P. A. Day (no classes)
Wed, May 29 Green and Silver Athletic Awards Banquet
Yearbooks distributed
Friday, May 31 World No Tobacco Day
Grade Nine Bands Trills and Thrills Music Festival
East Regional Track and Field Meet

and do our best. We look forward to the culmination of this year's achievements, academic and extracurricular, as staff and students focus on completing the year successfully and pause to celebrate all that has occurred.

Paul A. Walsh

UPDATE FROM PASTORAL SERVICES

On **April 15th** the final judging for the **HC 'Year of Faith' Video Competition** took place. The winning video was submitted by the **Holy Cross "Green Team"** and it was shown at our **Easter Season School Mass** on **April 18th**. The **Green Team** received a \$250.00 cash award, as did the runner-up submission from **CICS**. This year **Catholic Education Week (CEW)** will be celebrated from **May 5-11th** on the theme of "**Growing Together in Faith**". We will begin **CEW** with a **School Community Photo** which will be taken by **Mr. Prior** and his photography class from a specially constructed 'aerial crane'. Copies of this high quality 11" X 14" photo will be available for \$10.00 with orders taken up until **Friday, May 10th**. On **Thursday May 9th**, **Holy Cross** students and staff will be participating in a bus trip to Ottawa for the annual "**March for Life**". Join us for this important opportunity to speak up for the rights of the unborn child. On **Friday May 10th** **Ms. Sarah Davey** will be taking two of her **Grade 9 French Classes** to represent our school at the **CEW Board Wide Mass** celebrated by **Archbishop O'Brien** at **10:30 a.m.** at **St. Joseph's Church** in **Belleville**. On **Tuesday, May 14th** 15 HC students will be attending the annual '**Youth Poverty Challenge**' conference which this year will take place at the **CORE Centre** in **Belleville**. And, on **Wednesday, May 15th** from **6:00 – 9:00 p.m.** our school will be busily collecting and sorting food donations for the annual **Partners In Mission Food Blitz**. Call the **Chaplaincy Office (ext. 3436)** to sign up for any of these upcoming events.
Christopher Forster, Pastoral Services

STUDENTS' COUNCIL NEWS

May is here and it's once again time to elect a new **Students' Council!** We wish good luck to all those running and we hope that all students at **Holy Cross** will cast their votes for the most deserving candidates.

What's the plan?!

- Election videos will be shown in the cafeteria **April 29th** and **30th** during lunch
- **Wednesday, May 1st: Students' Council** will host the **Town Hall Assembly** during which all candidates will address the student body.
- **Friday, May 3rd:** students will have the opportunity to vote for their chosen candidates.

What else?

- On **Monday, May 6th** guest speaker **Bob Upgren** will deliver a speech to grade 9 and 10 classes.
- **Students' Council** will assist in the **Food Blitz** this month.
- We will be organizing a clothing drive for **St Vincent DePaul!** If you have any clothing that are in good condition that you would like to donate to a worthy cause more information will be available later in the month.

It doesn't matter you're going north, south, east, or west, you are going forward as long as you're looking in the right direction.

Matthew Mark, **Communications Officer**

ECO-CORNER

The month of **April** has been a great month for all things green at HC. During the week of **April 22nd**, the school celebrated **Earth Week**. The highlight of this week was a free sustainable lunch for over 80 students that was put on by the **Green Team**. As part of this year's theme of food sustainability, the lunch menu included meatless, organic, and local foods. On **Friday, April 26th**, over 75 students participated in **Pitch-In Kingston** where they cleaned up the school grounds and surrounding area. We also received some good news that, following a facility enhancement request from our school board, **HC** will be receiving three new water fountains to continue the promotion of using tap rather than bottled water. In addition, the school is being outfitted with motion sensors in all the hallways and student bathrooms. When no motion is detected, the sensors will shut down the lights after a time delay. These devices will help our school save energy! And finally, the **Green Team's** video entitled "**The Big Green Project**" won the faith video contest held at the school. A link to the video can be found on the main page of our **HCtoday** website. Keep it green **HC!**

SPRING AT HOLY CROSS

The **optional** spring uniform may be worn beginning on **Monday, April 29th, 2013**. The spring uniform consists of a school-crested green golf shirt and school-crested beige shorts offered for purchase at Holy Cross. Flat front shorts, for girls, will be offered once again this year. Footwear for the spring uniform is either sandals or running shoes. Students may continue to wear the fall/winter uniform. **Combinations of the seasonal uniforms are not permitted.** **Halpern's** is operating out of the **Tuck Shop**, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, should you still need to purchase the spring uniform.

Now that the nicer weather has returned, more students are leaving school property at the lunch hour. Students are reminded to **dispose of their garbage** in appropriate recycle or garbage containers at or around the school. We all need to act responsibly and respect the property of our school community at all times. Let's continue the good work of our **Eco-Team**. Respect for others includes leaving communal and private property undamaged. Students are reminded that they are not to gather in groups and linger near the streets and yards of our community. Represent yourselves and our school with pride.

SPRING USED UNIFORMS FOR SALE IN MAIN OFFICE

If any students or parents are looking for a previously owned spring uniform, please contact **Mrs. Bouvier** or **Ms. Daniel** at **613 384-1919 ext 3406** in the Main Office. Green shirts are **\$8.00** and the shorts are **\$10.00**. These uniforms have been donated by students and parents in the school community; any proceeds from this sale will help students in need pay for school-related costs. Many thanks to Catholic School Council members for working hard behind the scenes to help our community. There will be a previously owned uniform sale opportunity in the summer. Read the June newsletter for further information.

KIDS HELPING KIDS TOONIE THURSDAY (MAY 23rd)

The entire school community is invited to join in supporting our **Catholic Education Foundation** on **Thursday, May 23rd, 2013** as part of our Spirit Week celebrations. **The Catholic Education Foundation** has focused its efforts toward the alleviation of poverty in our region and invite the entire school system to participate in a "**Kids Helping Kids**" dress up/dress down **Toonie Friday**. All proceeds collected from students and staff will go to the **Emergency Response Fund** of the Foundation established to respond to emergency requests by principals on behalf of students in need. This assistance includes the provision of eyeglasses, EpiPens, medical supplies, food and clothing, transportation and many other financial needs resulting from family crises. Students paid in advance for this day with their student activity fee.

GRADE 9 ASSESSMENT OF MATHEMATICS

For those who are currently registered in Grade 9 Mathematics courses, the **Grade 9 Assessment of Academic and Applied Mathematics will be written on Thursday, June 13th and Friday, June 14th**. This assessment will take place during regularly scheduled classes.

Waterloo Sir Isaac Newton Physics Contest

The 2013 Sir Isaac Newton Contest is run by the Department of Physics at the University of Waterloo. It challenges students to apply basic physics in problem situations and offers the opportunity to win Scholarships to Waterloo. The contest will be written on **Thursday, May 2nd in Room 226**.

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

This month's meeting of the **Holy Cross Catholic School Council** will be **Wednesday, May 8th at 6:00 p.m.** in the school library. All members of the community are welcome to this meeting.

NEWS FROM THE SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

May Identification Placement and Review Committee Meetings: If you have already completed the IPRC form, thank you. If not, please return it to **Room 117**.

Post-Secondary Transition Grade 12 students, attending post-secondary institutions in 2013-14 are solely responsible for sharing all confidential documentation pertaining to disabilities with the postsecondary institution. Once you have accepted the offer of admission, schedule your intake appointment in May to access your accommodations.

Several colleges and universities offer free Transition Programs such as **Project Advance(two weeks) Pre-Flight(one week), Campus Compass (two-day), and Orientation workshops**. These programs are offered in the summer and prepare students with different disabilities for success at college and university. Check your college/university for such a program. Please contact **Ms. Gavan Knox** for details.

Postsecondary Financial assistance information is available on our Holy Cross website and also www.disabilityawards.ca and www.studentawards.ca;

World Autism Awareness Day was celebrated on **April 2nd**. A number of events, programs, and activities are planned for this spring. For information, contact www.autismontario.com/kings-ton; kingston@autismontario.com. Join the **Autism Awareness Run/Walk Fundraiser** on **Saturday, April 6th at 11:00 am**. The **National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)** is an organization dedicated to improve the lives of individuals affected by mental illness. For information please visit www.mnami.org/familytofamily/1-800-950-6264.

Kingston's ADHD Parent Support Group supports families who have children with **ADHD**. Please contact www.adhdsupport-group.ca

Social Skills Program is offered at **Quintilian School** on **Tuesday** evenings from **6-8:30 pm**. Please contact **Laura DeSousa** at **613-542-0400**.

Kingston Mood Disorders Support Group (Ontario Trillium Foundation) offers confidential support for people who struggle with depression or bipolar disorder (manic depression) their families and friends. Please contact **The Family Resource Centre** at **613-544-2886**, or frc@fcmhas.ca

Katarokwi Native Friendship Centre is committed to bringing positive changes to the daily lives of the Aboriginal community. For further information, contact **613-548-1500/email knfc@cogeco.net**

COUNSELLORS' CORNER

Grade 8 Orientation at Holy Cross

On **Tuesday, May 7th** our future Grade 9 students will have the opportunity to visit **Holy Cross**. The **class of 2017** will be given tours, classroom visits and will participate in a question and answer session with current Crusaders.

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.

OYAP Program

Information on Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Programs (Level 1 Apprenticeship) is available in Student Services. Programs include: Automotive Services Technician, Carpenter, Cook/Chef, Construction Craft Work, Early Childhood Education, Bricklayer and Hairstylist. Please see your guidance counselor.

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**. See your Counsellor for more details.

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**.

Timetables

Students will be able to access their timetables via the **Maplewood Portal** on the main page of the **Holy Cross** website hctoday.ca. The timeline for next year's timetable online access is **June 1st**.

St. Lawrence College Connections Program

On **Thursday, May 9th**, 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 2013

New Credit: July 2 – 29. 4 weeks for new credit delivered through on-line learning.

Courses available are: ENG3U, ENG4U, ENG4C, SBI3U, SBI3C, MPM2D, MCF3M, MHF4U, MAP4C, MCR3U, HHS4M, PPZ3O, CHV2O5 Civics, and GLC2O5 Careers.

* Please note that Grade 11 and 12 "U" and "C" level courses will have an onsite exam on **July 29th, 2013** at **Loyola School of Adult & Continuing Education**.

Co-op Program: July 2 – 29. 4 week co-op program (one credit) will be offered if there is sufficient enrolment. The **Limestone Board** will also be offering summer school classes at **Frontenac**.

All program details and registration packages are posted on the Board's website and in Student Services. See your counsellor to sign up.

GRADUATING CLASS OF 2013

This year's graduation ceremony will be held on **Wednesday, June 26th** beginning at **7 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.

Community Involvement Hours

A number of projected graduates have not completed Community Involvement Hours. Documentation is to be submitted to Student Services by **Friday, May 10th**. So get to it!

Following is a list of students who, at this point, are **potential** graduates and eligible to take part in the **June 2013** 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 10th, 2013**. It is **the student's responsibility** to ensure that **all** requirements (including on-line courses) have been completed or will be completed. The final marks for on-line courses must be submitted to Student Services by **Monday, June 24th, 2013**. Please contact your counsellor if you have any concerns.

Grad Names June 2013

Alexis Adamcrynck, Joseph Allen, Mathew Almeida, Mark Andrawis, Ashley Armstrong, Madison Arsenault-Ball, Craig Asmar-Rose, Angela Azeredo Lobo, Amanda Benevides, Adam Benn, Blake Bentley, Cassandra Bertrim, Samantha Birchall, Korrah Bland, Jessica Bolton, Sky Bonner, Chelsea Boomhour, Mackayla Bourque, Bradley Boven, Gavin Bowles, Lindsay Bowser, Jon-Ross Bradshaw, Sierra Bridgwater, Kieran Broekhoven, Heather Brouseau, David Brown, Jennifer Brown, Joshua Brownell, Cameron Brunet, Tyler Brush, Anthony Campbell-Fappiano, Noah Carew, Monique Caron, Kristin Carreiro, Andre Castillo, Michaela Chambers, Joshua Chevarie, Kameisha Christian, Cole Clifford, Jessica Coleman, Preston Collins, Olivia Cotman, Braedon Couvreur, Tyler Cox, Nicholas Cumming, Ashley Cummins-Mills, Celeste Cunningham, Cleo Danforth, Morgan Davy, Cole Day, Fernando de Matos, Michaila Deguire, Andrew Delph, Miriam DeRoos, Jesse DeSa, Callista DeSousa, Alexhya Desrouleaux, Marissa DiNardo, Joshua DiRocco, Sarah-Marie Doherty, Stephanie Donovan, Kevin Doucette, Amanda Douglas, Ethan Doyle, Alesha Drew, Jason Drew, Maegan Dunphy, Marissa Dwight, Cariston Fawcett, Montana Ferguson, Taylor Ferris, Andrea Findlay, Logaan Fisher-Jordan, Ryan Fletcher, Darby Flynn, Mariah Ford, Skylar Fournier, Neil Fowler, Madison Fox, Jacob Francis, Andre Frappier, Eric Freitas, Nicholas Gallagher, Peter Gates, Nicole Geary, Christopher Gerdis, Danielle Gervais, Bianca Goncalves, Benjamin Gooding, Jesse Goodsell, Madison Gorman, Marissa Gougeon, Samantha Gourdier, Caleb Gray, Dillon Gregory, Tristan Grosman, Emma Guernsey, Sara Hadley, Ryan Haire, Robert Halligan, Nicholas Hartmann, Connor Hartson, Dayna Hearn, Tyler Hearon, Alexis Heffernan, Elliot Hefford, Emily Ho, Rebecca Hoedicke, Tanner Hoffman, James Hollingsworth, Jacob Holmes, Lucas Holmes, Daniel Hopkins, You Hu, Sarah Hudson, Jennifer Jang, Noah Jinarak, Cody Jodoin, Kristopher Johnson, Riley Joyce, Ryan Kaiser, Adam Keefe, Zachary Kennedy-Brinklow, Brandon Kenny, Sung-Won Kim, Savannah Kimmerer, Zachary King-Beland, Jessica Kinkley, Holland Klein, Shelbey Kralik, Lucas Kring, Silvio La Duca, Jacob LaFrance, Zachary Lahey, Kyle Lalonde, Bradley Lancaster, Alexandra Lansdown, Keiralyne LaPierre, Kaitlyn Lauzon, Kristina Leadbeater, Darien Leblanc, Dong Ha Lee, Hye Rin Lee, Karley Legros, Keegan Leroux, Carly Lindsay, Caroline Lollar, Daniel Long, Theodore Loukas, Mikayla MacDonald, Riley MacFarlane, Eric Macrow, Chelsea Madigan, Michael Makula, Daryll Marcelo, Lorenzo Marcelo, Andrea Marciano-Rodriguez, Matthew Mark, David Marques, Lisa Marshall, Kianna Mau, Codey Mayman, Jonathan

Mayne, Katherine McCann, Lisa McCracken, Gabriella McCullough, Paige McKenna, Morgan McLaren, Madyson McLeod, Hayley Milligan, Peter Mills, Carter Milne, Mark Minnema, Matthew Mitchell-McAdoo, Grace Morey, Haleigh Morrison, Dean Murphy, William Murray, Connor Myers, Miranda Neal, Melanie Nelson, Paulina Neocleous, Kaitlyn Northcott, Victoria Obress, Daniella O'Connor, Jason O'Hara, Oyinlola Olutunda, Dexter (D.J.) O'Neil, Sydney O'Neill, Dillon Oostrom, Annie Ottenhof, Maggie Ottenhof, John Owczarek, Nicolas Pacheco, Michael Parada, Lindsay E. Pascoal, Zenith C. Pearson, Kyle A. Pengelly, Noah A. Petric, Andrew Pho, Hannah Pho, Dominic Pincivero, Caylin Pitcher, Rosarie Planetta, Katrina Pollitt, Melissa Porter, Rachel Potter, Corey Prinsen, Aaron Pugh, Delnaz Rabadí, Mallory Rafter-Sickling, Braden Raftis, Quintin Reda, Samantha Revell, Rachel Richardson, Brian Ridgley, McKenzie Riebertz, Katie Robb, Cory Roberts, Austin Robertson, Phillip Robertson, Paulina Rodrigues, Michelle Rose, Brayden Roy, Nathan Saccon, Victoria Sammon, Joshua Sanford, Kathryn Schenk, Brian Sempowski, Erin Shannon, Jesse Sibanda, Michael Silva, Luke Silver, Simon Smith, Carter Sobiesiak-Burley, Jacob Sousa, Stephen Sparks, Taylor Steele, Paige Stevens-Doucette, Tyson Stevenson, Andrea Streicher, Yu Su, Cailey Suggitt, Hannah Sutherland, Jacob Tackaberry, Monika Tackaberry, Jaya Tanwani, Daniel Taylor, Mark Taylor, Rachael Taylor, Rebecca Tigchelaar, Alexander Tonge, Connor Turner, Sara L. Valiquette, Megan E. Valliquette, Stephanie Valliquette, Jordyn Van Belle, Elli Verk, Duncan Vicente, Julia Vidotto, Bhavik Vyas, Kaitlyn Walker, Kallista Way, Tianna Weatherdon, Taylor Whalen, Mikala Wheeler, Jennifer Whitaker, Nicole Wistead, Maddison Young, Michael S. Zarichny, Nicholas Zelizniak

RETURNING GRADE TWELVES

Any students who are interested in returning for a fifth year, or portion thereof, of high school must first meet with **Mr. Walsh**. Please schedule an appointment. Currently, there are 91 Grade Twelve students who have registered to return next year.

ATHLETIC AWARDS BANQUET

The **2012-13 Green and Silver Athletic Banquet and Awards Presentation** will be held on the evening of **Wednesday, May 29th**. Tickets are \$10.00 for students and adults. Tickets go on sale **May 10th** in Room 142B and **May 14th** in the Main Lobby (**all tickets sold between May 10th and May 17th will include a Crusaders silicone wristband**). The banquet begins at 5:30, followed by guest speaker, **Rebecca Martindale (McGill)** at 6:15. Awards presentations will take place throughout the evening. Students are asked to dress in casual business style which may include shirts and ties for the gentlemen, and dresses for the ladies. No jeans please.

HOLY CROSS CHEERLEADING

Holy Cross cheerleading! HCSS Cheer Team is heading to Niagara Falls the weekend of May 9-11 to compete against the best teams in the country at the Canadian National Championships and defend their title! Good luck girls as you continue the tradition of excellence in athletics.

HOLY CROSS CRUSADERS BASKETBALL CAMPS

Holy Cross is once again organizing **TWO Basketball Camps** for children in grades 3-8 from **July 15th – July 19th** and **August 19th – August 23rd**. The week long camp is an affordable opportunity for children to develop basketball skills and socialize with fellow students during the summer. The players and coaches at **Holy Cross** want to thank you for your on-going support in making the Crusaders Basketball Camp a success. If you require any further

information you can reach **Kelly Dixon (613-384-1919 extension 4096)** and **Robin Dzierniejko (613-483-7472)** at **Holy Cross Secondary School**.

ARTS NOTES 🎵

Genesis Awards

Join the students and teachers of the Holy Cross Arts Department on **Wednesday, May 22nd, 2013** at the **Genesis Awards** - a celebration of student achievement in Dramatic Art, Guitar, Instrumental Music, Visual Art, Vocal Music, Audio- Video Production and Photography. This year's event will feature the Student Gallery showing works from many of our students and portfolios of graduating artists. Tickets are **\$6.00** (includes desert and beverage) and will be available at lunch during the week of the ceremony and at the door the night of the awards. The curtain rises at **7:00 p.m.** Please join us in celebrating the work of our many fine student artists.

Grade 9 Band: Trills and Thrills Music Competition at Canada's Wonderland

On **Friday, May 31st, 2013**, the **Grade Nine Band** will travel to **Toronto** to participate in the **Trills and Thrills Music Festival**. The student musicians will perform at **Agincourt High School** in the morning and then will spend the balance of the day at **Canada's Wonderland**.

Grade Twelve Vocal Concert

On **Thursday, June 6th, 2013** the **Grade Twelve Vocal Class** will present their final gala concert. The performance will take place in the cafetorium and curtain time is **7:00 p.m.** Tickets are only **\$5.00** at the door. Come out and enjoy an exciting evening of vocal performance..

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Mother's Day is a time for warm thoughts and fond memories, for expressing the feelings and words that often go unspoken, for letting those special people in our lives know that they are loved and appreciated. This spring, Mother's Day is celebrated on **Sunday, May 12th**. May God bless all mothers with the peace and happiness they so richly deserve.

NEXT MONTHS AT HOLY CROSS

June 3	.....Earliest Date Ont Universities require admission response
June 6	..... School Mass
	..... Holy Cross Grade 12 Vocal Concert
June 6 – 8	.....OFSAA Track and Field
June 7	..... 2013 – 14 Student Timetables available online
June 13	.... EQAO S2 Grade Nine Mathematics Assessment Day
June 14	.... EQAO S2 Grade Nine Mathematics Assessment Day
June 15	..... Earliest date colleges may require tuition fees
June 16	..... Father's Day
June 19	..... S2 Textbook Returns Begin
June 21	.....Summer Solstice
June 24	..... Locker Clean-up and Clean-out begins
June 26	..... 12:00 Grad Mass at St. Paul the Apostle
	..... Graduation Ceremony at HC, 7 p.m.
June 28	..... ALCDSB P.A. Day, Closing Staff Liturgy
July 2 - 29	..... ALCDSB Summer School
July 15-19	.....HC Basketball Camp
August 19 - 23	..... HC Basketball Camp

SCHOOL TEXTBOOKS

We are very pleased with the responsible way in which students are dealing with textbooks. As we have requested, students are bringing in books needing repair. Prevention like this avoids students having to pay charges for repair or replacement at the end of term. It is the student's responsibility to personally return the textbooks they were **issued** to the **Textbook Room** to ensure that their account is cleared. **Do not** leave textbooks in the classroom or exam room. **Holy Cross textbooks are due back no later than the day of the individual student's last exam.**



Grace Esford and Gerry Dee