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February 24, 2021

St. Cecilia Community:

Thank you for your support from home on last Monday's NTI day as our teachers received their second vaccinations over the weekend. I was hesitant to make this an NTI day, but glad we did as a number of our teachers did experience some symptoms that would have left us scrambling on Sunday. Pray that this is our last NTI day for the year. The March 5th and May 7th planned NTI days have been flexed to in-person. Thank you for your continued flexibility and understanding in these changes.

Stations of the Cross will be held with various grade levels every school Friday of Lent at 1:15pm and those designations are below. Parents and the community are welcome to join us in the church. We just ask that you keep physical distance from the students and follow other church protocols. The parish also offers stations every Friday at 6pm and this would couple great with a visit to the Fish Fry.

Continue praying for our 2nd graders who will be experiencing First Reconciliation tomorrow. Their First Communion date has also been set for April 24th and they will continue to prepare for the big day.

Our 2nd Trimester comes to an end this Friday. Teachers will be wrapping up grades after this date and we will send home report cards as we did after the completion of the 1st Trimester. Our Academic Awards will take place in each individual classroom, but unfortunately we will again not have visitors.

As always, thank you for your support!

God Bless!

Gratefully,
Kenny Collopy - Principal

Quote of the Week:

"The harder the conflict, the greater the triumph." - George Washington

Reminders:

- Registration for current & new families are open online for the 2021-22 School Year! Both links can be found under the "Admissions" tab on our school website: <https://saintceciaschool.net/>

Important Upcoming Dates:

- February 25 - Grades 6-8 - Digital Citizenship Presentation by Mr. Voight
- February 25 - 7pm - 1st Reconciliation for 2nd Grade
- February 26 - End of 2nd Trimester
- February 26 - 1:15pm - Stations of the Cross Grades 3-5
- March 1 - Beginning of 3rd Trimester
- March 4 - Spring Picture Day - Out of Uniform
- March 5 - In-person Instruction (changed from NTI day)
- March 5 - 1:15pm - Stations of the Cross Grades K-2
- March 12 - 2nd Trimester Academic Awards (Details to follow)
- March 12 - 1:15pm - Stations of the Cross Grades 6-8
- March 19 - NO SCHOOL - Professional Development Day for Teachers
- March 21 - Chipotle Fundraiser
- March 23 - Grades 6-8 - Personal Safety Presentation by COCA (Rescheduled from 2/9)
- March 26 - 1:15pm - Stations of the Cross Grades 3-5
- March 29 - 2:30pm - Student Government Meeting
- April 1-11 - Easter Break - NO SCHOOL



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Campus Improvements

- Thank you to Mrs. Eilerman for adding our Core Values/ Pillars to the literal pillars in the cafeteria!



Extra-curriculars & More:

- Thank you for the out of uniform donations this week. We raised over \$460 to support a great gift!
- Congratulations to our student finalist in the St. Elizabeth Northern Kentucky Junior Fire Marshal Poster Contest: Kenlee Billiter, Jake Adams, Rylee Fuller, Reign fuller, Oakley Hopkins, and Emma Saalfeld. They will be recognized and results will be announced on a Virtual ceremony on March 9th. These posters were created in art class before Christmas Break. Thank you to Ms. Kohl for her efforts with this initiative!

St. Cecilia Community Information & Opportunities

- Cafeteria Volunteers Needed! - Parent Service Hour Opportunity - Parents and Guardians, we are looking for volunteers to work the cafeteria during lunch serving food. This commitment is only from 10:40am-12:15pm. If you are able to volunteer, please email Kelly Kelly at kkelley@stcindependence.org. Thanks for your willingness to help out!
- FISH FRY!!! - As Lent begins, so do our St. Cecilia Parish Fish Frys made possible by our Holy Name Society. This year's Fish Frys will benefit the St. Cecilia ECLC playground. The Fish Fry will take place every Friday of Lent from 5-8pm and will be Carryout Only due to COVID restrictions.
- Fish Fry Volunteers Needed - Parent Service Hour Opportunity - Every week 6 adult volunteers and 6 kid volunteers are needed to help the Holy Name Society run the Fish Fry Volunteers. If you are interested in helping, email Matthew Koch at matthewkoch12@live.com.
- Frisch's Fundraiser - On Tuesday, March 2nd from 4-9 pm visit Frisch's Big Boy on Declaration Drive in Independence to benefit the St. Cecilia Church Building Fund. When you visit, mention St. Cecilia to the cashier when you check out and Frisch's will donate 20% of all proceeds to the parish. Valid for dine-in, carry-out, and drive-thru.
- Stagette update - Due to the current conditions and Covid restrictions in our area we have had to again reschedule the Stagette. It will be held March 19th, 2022 at Receptions. Tickets from 2020 will be honored for the 2022 date. Since we are not able to host an in person event this year we will be having a virtual raffle/auction in the Spring. We will have many exciting items available. Anyone that wishes will be able to participate in this event. Thank you for your understanding, if you have any questions please contact Shannon Resing at stagettetickets@gmail.com.
- Chipotle Fundraiser - On March 21st, if you visit Chipotle, proceeds will go to benefit the 100th anniversary celebration of our school. Please, mark the date. More details to come.



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Extended Community Information & Opportunities

- HCHS Mulch & Pine Straw Sale - Holy Cross High School is having its 23rd Annual Mulch Sale, selling 3 kinds of mulch in 2 cubic foot bags for \$4.25 per bag and Pine Straw for \$8.00 per bale, which are approximately 12" x 12" x 23". All prices include FREE DELIVERY and sales tax. HCHS students will deliver mulch to your home, business or rental property anywhere in Kenton, Boone and Campbell Counties and will put it anywhere on your property, starting April 15th and continuing for at least 3 weeks. All proceeds benefit Holy Cross High School. Go to www.hcmulch.com or call (859) 392-8999.

School Choice Initiatives

House Bill 149 (Education Opportunity Accounts) is on the move! Please call 1-800-372-7181 for the state legislative message line and the operator will leave a message for your State Representative based on your home address. You can also email by clicking [here](#). Ask your State Representative to make sure HB 149 is passed out of committee as soon as possible and that they vote for the bill when it reaches the House floor. Families are depending on them to bring educational choice to Kentucky!

Education Opportunity Accounts are privately funded by citizens and businesses who donate to non-profit Account Granting Organizations (AGOs). The AGOs then use the donations to award needs-based funding to eligible families. Funding can be tailored to a student's specific needs and used for K-12 public and non-public school tuition and fees, online learning programs, tutoring services, therapy programs, transportation to and from school, and more.