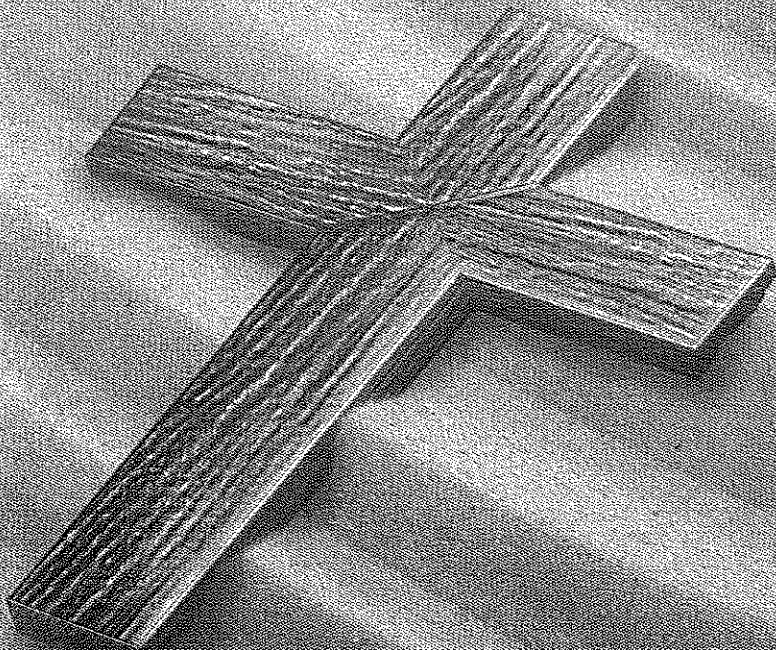


Weekly News for

St. Aloysius

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Holy Cross



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ACCREDITATION UPDATE

In last week's weekly news, a memo was sent out to all parents announcing the start of our schools Re-Accreditation. So far we have only had four parents get on board to help with this task. ***This is a very rewarding experience and an exciting time for KCSS as Accreditation improves many facets of our system, including your child's education!*** KCSS received Accreditation in 2002. Our school works with WRISA, (Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation) a nonprofit organization formed in 1991 by the Wisconsin Council of Religious and Independent Schools to provide non-public schools with an ongoing school improvement process.

WRISA's three phase accreditation process provides school communities with the opportunity to explore every aspect of their school program, receive feedback, and develop a long-range plan. Once accredited, schools file an annual report documenting compliance with WRISA Standards. The granting of accreditation to a school is based upon the review of the documentation submitted, compliance with WRISA standards, the development of a plan for school improvement, and the favorable recommendation of a visiting team.

Every seven years, new studies and surveys must be conducted along with reports submitted regarding specific standards for re-accreditation, which KCSS is up for again in 2008/09. This is a complex project that takes over a year to complete, with surveys you will be asked to fill out, and inspections being conducted in both campuses. Your school being accredited is vital in your child's education and the future of KCSS, makes us eligible for grants, and gives us credibility.

For example, our oldest daughter is a 1997 graduate of KCSS. She was placed in the accelerated math program in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades and tested into Geometry going into her freshman year at KHS. But at that time KCSS was not accredited so she was not allowed into that class despite her high test score. Being accredited would have allowed her into advanced classes. They make absolutely no exceptions, so you can see how vital accreditation is. Also, if your child transfers to a new school, transcripts may not be transferable if KCSS is not accredited. This is where we NEED your help! Approximately 50 volunteers will be needed to accomplish this project which encompasses twelve areas of standards that need to be addressed. Twelve volunteer Co-Chairs will oversee and record data for each standard, along with additional volunteers within each standard to complete studies and compile them to be submitted to the Chairperson for the compilation of the final report.

Please consider volunteering as a Co-Chair or helping in any capacity you can. Many hands make light work! It is crucial to the present and future of KCSS and especially your children. ***Volunteering your time to this project will be applied to your volunteer hours commitment.*** Thank you for your commitment to Catholic Education. Please consider being involved in this rewarding process to ensure our school's re-accreditation in 2008/09. Please reply via email to: LPDG78@AOL.COM or call 766-4595.

Thank you for your consideration in this rewarding process of Re-Accreditation!
Patti DeGroot, KCSS Board Member – Chairperson of 2008/09 Accreditation Committee
Gayle Reider, System Administrator – Principal, St. Al's Campus – Accreditation Committee
Elizabeth Watson – Principal, Holy Cross Campus – Accreditation Committee

GRANDPARENTS' DAY

Wednesday, October 24, 2007
St. Aloysius Campus 8:30 ~ 10:00 A.M.

Dear Grandparent(s) / Special Friend,

You are invited to attend a special day with your grandchild/ren on *Wednesday, October 24th at St. Aloysius Campus from 8:30 ~ 10:00 a.m.*

When you arrive you will go directly to your grandchild/ren's classroom. Someone will be in the breezeway to direct you to the classrooms. Please use the Ann Street parking lot and enter the double doors.

You may pick up your grandchild/ren and tour the school and enjoy refreshments in the social hall. Gather in church by 9:00 a.m. for a special program in your honor.

After the program please remain seated in church. Mrs. Reider will give you further instructions.

The library will have books for any grandparent(s) who would like to buy and donate a hardcover book in your grandchild/ren's name. The cost is \$5.00 regardless of the actual cost of the book. Your name and grandchild's will be placed in the front of the book and these books will be enjoyed by many students for years to come.

We hope to see you all!



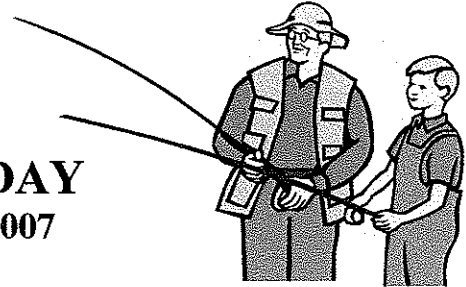


PARENTS

GRANDPARENTS' DAY

Wednesday, October 24, 2007

8:30 ~ 10:00 A.M.



St. Aloysius Campus

Phone 766-5199

Parents please detach and return the completed form below by Wednesday, October 17th.

We need a count so we can have every child matched up with a grandparent or special person. Also the teachers need to know so they can prepare enough projects for your child's grandparents or special persons.

Detach here-----

FAMILY NAME: _____

Student Name(s)

The following Grandparent(s) will be in attendance.

_____ **Sorry, no grandparents can come.**

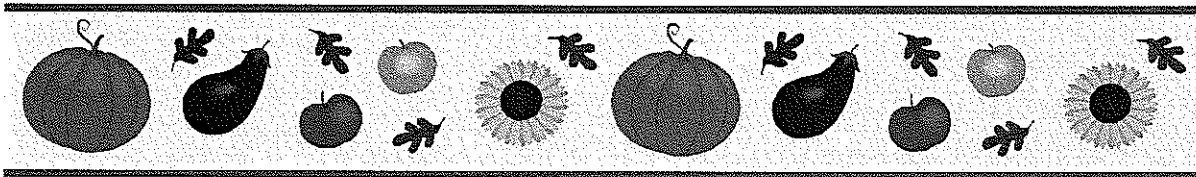
Parents, if this is the case, you may come or another substitute grandparent or special person.

Please state who it will be: _____

Thank you for taking care of this for us.

Parent's Signature

DATE



GRANDPARENT'S DAY

**Wednesday, October 24, 2007
Holy Cross Campus
220 Doty Street
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

Dear Grandparents/Special Friend:

You are invited to attend a special day with your grandchild/ren on Wednesday, October 24, 2007, at Holy Cross Campus of the Kaukauna Catholic School System from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

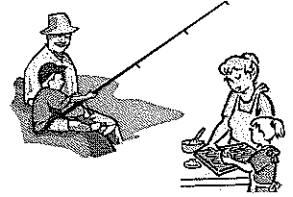
When you arrive, you will sign in at the front office (Doty Street) or back door (Sarah Street). You will then go to your youngest grandchild's classroom and pick them up and proceed to get any older siblings. They will give you a tour of the school.

From 10:50 a.m. – 11:20 a.m., a prayer service and concert will be held in the gym.

At 11:20 a.m., students should report back to their classrooms and guests will go back with the youngest child. Then, you may check students out from the classroom at 11:30 a.m. if the parent has signed a permission slip and informed you. If not, students will be released at 11:30 a.m. with normal procedures.



HOLY CROSS CAMPUS
Grandparent's Day
Wednesday, October 24, 2007
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.



Parents:

Grandparent's Day is approaching. We ask that you please fill out the form below, detach, and return to school by Wednesday, October 17. We need a count so we can have every child matched up with a grandparent or special person. Also, the teachers need to know so they can prepare enough projects for your child's grandparent(s) or special person(s). Also, attached are two invitations to give out to the people attending. If you need more, you can download it from the web or call the school office.

Student Name(s): _____

The following grandparent(s) will be in attendance:

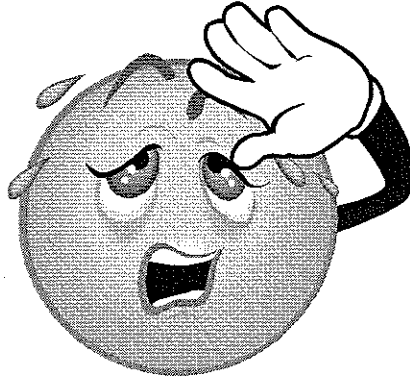
In place of grandparents, parents or another extended family member or special person will attend. It will be:

The children circled above have my permission to leave with _____
 _____ on Wednesday, October 24, 2007, at 11:30 a.m. from Holy Cross Campus.
 Otherwise, normal school-day departure will occur at 11:30 a.m.

Parent Signature

Date

HELP!!

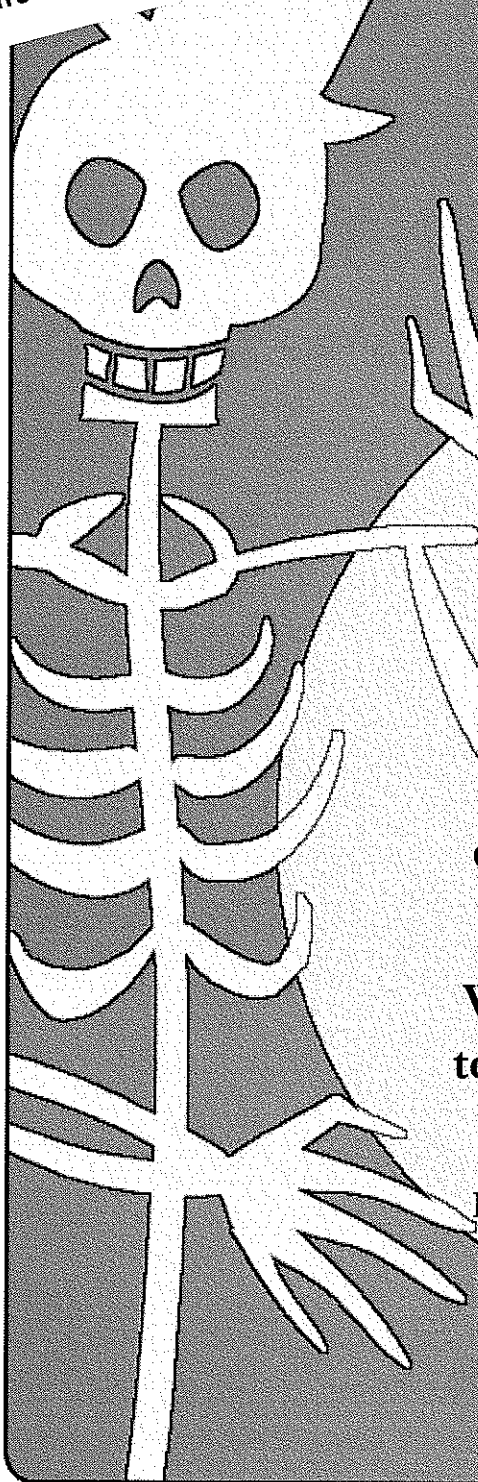


The Development Office is in need of help stuffing envelopes for our annual all parish mailing. This mailing is a huge task that benefits all the children present and future at KCSS. With enough help, it shouldn't take too long and time will go towards your volunteer hours.

We will be stuffing envelopes on SATURDAY, November 3rd at St. Mary's Parish Center. I would like to get started by 9am. Teenagers who need service hours are welcome!! Please call Carrie Gorges, 759-9290, if you are available to help. E-mail, mcgorges@aol.com

Thank You!!

If you would like to contribute an item(s) to this collection, you can send it to the school office and we will see that it gets to Holy Cross church.



TRICK -OR- TREAT

Fr. Bob Banares from the Philippines is in need of school supplies, personal items, sheets & towels.

We will have boxes conveniently located at the entrances of church for your donations.

We will be sending the items to Fr. Bob as soon as we get a full box.

If you have any question, please contact Barb Sumnicht at 766-1263



OKTOBERFEST

Holy Cross Parish Oktoberfest Committee is looking for donations that will contribute to the theme basket raffle this year.

Grades 6 – 8: Xavier & Kaukauna High Schools
Grades 3 – 5: Family Fun Night

If interested, you may bring/send your donation to school. There are collection containers in the main hallway.

They are also looking for donations of 2 liter soda.

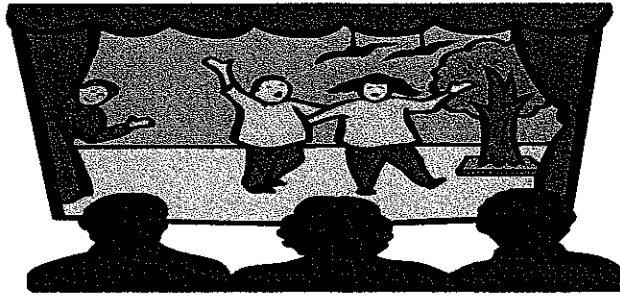
If any 5th through 8th graders are interested in working the *Kids Games* at Oktoberfest, on **Sunday, October 21**, please fill in the information below and return to the school office. Lisa Natrop will be in contact with you to confirm your time.

Student Name:

Grade:

Phone Number:

Parent Signature:



It's time for the 2nd annual KCSS Home and School Association talent show. The evening will be great fun and a way for the Home and School Association to raise funds. This event is open to everyone so please extend an invitation to all those talented people you know.

Date: Wednesday, October 24, 2007

Where: Van Abel's, Hollandtown

When: 5:30 p.m. (dinner)

6:30 p.m. (show starts)

You may enter the show as a competing or non-competing act. If you are interested in being in the show, fill in the info below:

Name: _____

Act and length of act: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Competing: _____ Non-Competing: _____

Age Group: 2nd and down _____ 3rd-5th _____ 6th-8th _____ 9th-12th _____

Adult _____ Mixed age ensemble _____

Return to the Home and School Association via the Holy Cross or St. Al's school office or email the above information to: mihalbach@netzero.net. If you have any questions, please call Mikki Halbach at 851-1028 or Jodie Schmidt at 766-2048.

Hope to see you there!

HOLY CROSS YOUTH CHOIR

WELCOME: all middle school/high school/college students & “young-at-heart” adults!)

*Do you like to sing?
Come, join in the fun!*



**11:00 am Mass twice a month
Practice at 10:00 am
(1 hour before the Mass in Friendship Hall)**

Schedule for Oct/Nov 2007

October 7th

October 21st

November 4th

November 18th

As always, please be properly dressed to minister in church.

Any questions please contact Michele Biese at 766-7788 (h) or 766-3773 (w)

Attention Pre-School & Child Care Families

KCSS will once again be participating in the Younkens Community Day One-Day Sale. The sale will be held on Saturday, November 10th from 6am – 9pm.

You are invited to participate in this fundraiser which will raise funds for KCSS and enable you to earn money, which you can apply to your tuition or your Child Care bill.

How it works is 50% of your sales will be applied to your tuition or childcare bill while the other 50% will go directly to KCSS.

The Younkens tickets are \$5.00 each so \$2.50 would come back to you while the other \$2.50 goes to KCSS.

Please read the attached flyer for more information regarding the event.

We hope you can take advantage of this wonderful opportunity!!!

If you have questions please call Lisa Hartjes at 759-0311 with questions.

Thank you!

Community Day Event

at Younkers

Saturday, November 10th

6AM - 9PM

Kaukauna Catholic School System will be participating in the *Younkers Community Day Event* held at all Younkers in the state of Wisconsin. This is a wonderful opportunity for KCSS and families to meet the fundraising requirement (Grade K-8).

Beginning Friday, October 12th KCSS Schools will sell coupon booklets for the *Community Day Event* for \$5.00 each. Only Booklets purchased **before the end of day Thursday, November 8th** will be applied to your fundraising requirement. Please help us by purchasing coupon booklets and selling some to family and friends.

Here's how it works: Younker's coupon booklets will be sold for \$5.00 each. The booklets will include a \$10.00 off coupon which can be used towards items valued at \$10.00 or more. Also included are 8- 20% off coupons (some limitations do apply). Multiple booklets are encouraged if you will be purchasing multiple items.

100% OF THE MONEY COLLECTED FROM PRE-EVENT TICKETS SOLD BY KCSS IS KEPT BY KCSS and will be applied to your family's fundraising requirement (Grade K-8)

**** PRE-SELL**** Back by popular demand will begin on Wednesday, October 31st! You can pre-select/hold your merchandise in advance. **Remember** you must have with you a purchased coupon booklet to receive the additional \$10 or 20% off at the time of pre-sale. Ask the department clerk for a list of sale prices.

KCSS has won the "top seller" award in the past. Let's try to reach that goal again!!!
Please contact Lisa Hartjes at 759-0311 with any questions. Thank You!

***** Please detach and send payment to any KCSS school, *****

Family Name:

Last _____ First _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Number of tickets _____ x \$5 = _____

Please check one: Send home with _____ in Gr. _____ or I will pick up _____

Homework Club

Holy Cross School will again be offering Homework Club for students in grades 6-8, beginning Tuesday, October 23rd. Homework Club is an opportunity for students to have a quiet, supervised place to complete homework, study for tests, and get assistance from the educational assistant, Mrs. Kathleen Verhagen. Mrs. Verhagen will be available to help students organize their materials, assist in understanding assigned work, and help prepare for quizzes and tests. If students finish homework early, additional enrichment activities will be provided. All students will be expected to maintain a quiet study environment. Students who are unable to do so, will not be able to continue participating in Homework Club.

Homework Club will be available to students on Tuesdays, from 3:15-4:15 p.m. All students should be prepared to stay until 4:15 p.m., unless they bring a parent note excusing them. Students should be picked up no later than 4:30 p.m.

If your child is interested in utilizing Homework Club, please fill out the information below, and return the bottom half of this sheet to school by October 18, 2007. Students are not required to attend each week. However, so that each student can have more one to one help, only twelve students will be able to participate during each session. Please notify Mrs. Verhagen by 3:15 p.m. Monday afternoon if your child would like to attend. Confirmation will be made by e-mail, or an alternate method of your choice. In compliance with Diocesan policy, students who do not have the permission form turned in will not be able to participate in Homework Club.

Phone: 766-0186 extension 304 or kverhagen@kcsonline.org

Student Name _____

Grade _____ Homeroom Teacher _____

Transportation Home: _____ walk _____ parent will pick-up

_____ other (please explain) _____

Parents(s) Phone _____ (home) _____ (cell)

_____ (work) _____ (other)

Parent e-mail _____

Parent Signature _____

* If the need arises, we may be able to add Thursdays to the schedule at a later date.



APPLETON INDOOR LACROSSE LEAGUES

Fox Valley Lacrosse Leagues and Soccer Heaven, along with HOT4LAX Lacrosse Leagues and Clinics, will be holding indoor lacrosse leagues for boy's grades 3 - 12 at Soccer Heaven and Sports Center starting in October. All sessions will be an hour in length and include: skill development, understanding of the game, situational concepts, and then demonstrating those skills through controlled drills and scrimmages. Participants will receive a jersey, along with excellent instruction from three experienced and knowledgeable coaching staff who will be on the field at each session. All levels of play are welcome to participate--new players and experienced. Below are the dates, times, and prices for the clinics. Watch our website for additional information and updates on the indoor leagues.

Dates:

Free introduction day! Saturday, October 20. Come and see what lacrosse is all about! Try it!

Session 1 - Saturday October 20 to Saturday December 22 (no leagues Saturday November 24 due to Gobbler Tournament/Brookfield or December 1 due to Chumash Tournament/Soccer Heaven).

Session 2 - Saturday January 12 to Saturday March 1 (no lacrosse on Sat., Jan. 19)

Times:

Saturday afternoon - evening

5:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Boys youth: 3rd - 4th grades

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Boys youth: 5th - 6th grades

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Boys youth: 7th - 8th grades

8:00 - 10:00 p.m. - Boys high school: 9th - 12th grades

Prices:

session 1 - \$95

session 2 - \$95

Registration forms for the clinics can be found at www.hot4lax.com or www.soccerheavensports.com. Registration form must be completed in its entirety. Please make checks payable to Hot4lax and send along with the completed registration form to:

HOT4LAX - Indoor Lacrosse
168 E. Willow Road
Fox Point, WI 53217

Space will be limited, so sign up early!
Any questions please contact Mike Wenzel at (920) 202 - 3441, or Robin Buckley at (414) 333 - 3049

KAUKAUNA CATHOLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

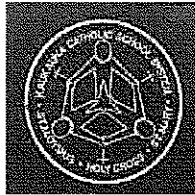
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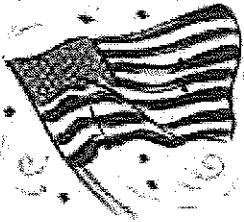
COST: SHARE WITH A FRIEND

Hope you are having a good day and that you will enjoy our newspaper. We try very hard to find interesting topics to write about.



NEWS EVENT – October 7th

THE FLOWER THE **ROSE**
BECAME THE UNITED STATES
NATIONAL FLOWER 1986



Facts about: the Rose

The word **ROSE** is also used for many shrubs and vines. The **ROSE** comes in many colors, has a beautiful smell and thorns on the stems. The petals have at times been added to salads and used in medicines. Two of the more popular roses are the White Rose and the Red Rose. On October 7, 1986 President Ronald Reagan signed the law making the **ROSE** the National Flower of the United States. He signed this law while he was standing in the White House **ROSE** Garden.

This week's reporter comments:

I think the rose is so special to people because it has been used to say "I love you". Many boyfriends give their girlfriends a dozen roses on Valentine's Day. They are also a pretty flower that smells great too!!! Plus they come in many colors – my favor color is a yellow rose.



Explore student: Kendra Leon

Weekly Poem

Grumpy Goat

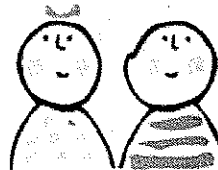
Grump, grump, Grumpy Goat,

Wears a long, white coat.

He chews on hay.

He chews on grass.

He chews and chews all day.



Reminder

Trust and listen to your parents
They are special gifts to you
from Jesus.



