



Important Dates

* Wednesday April 22nd *
Pre-K & 5's Grandparents Day
 * Sunday April 26th *

First Communion St. Mary

* Wednesday April 29th *

Band Concert grades 3-6

* Sunday May 3rd *

First Communion St. John

* May 6th - 8th *

5th Grade Camp

* Wednesday May 13th *

Knight of the Arts

* Monday May 25th *

No School- Memorial Day

Teacher Appreciation

Teacher Appreciation Week begins on Monday May 4th.

The PMO is looking for volunteers to help make this week super special for our teachers!

If you would like to help, please contact the office or Katie Ruiz at kruiz@defianceholycross.org

Spring Band Concert

Our Spring Band Concert for grades 3-6 will be Wednesday April 29th. Attendance is mandatory and part of each student's Music grade.

Please see the enclosed flyer for more details!



Mass on Wednesday April 22nd will be planned by Grade 6. (Mass begins at 9:30am)

GoodDeeds Corner

* *Carter Elston* *

CEO Award (Chief Example for Others)

* *Isaac Keller* *

* *Garret McMahan* *

Report Cards

Report Cards for the 3rd quarter went home last week. All students that return their signed envelope before tomorrow Tuesday April 21st will receive a non-uniform pass.

Father Daughter Dance

Thank you to everyone that helped with and attended the Father Daughter Dance!

It was a super fun and quite eventful time! Thanks again for your cooperation with the change of venue. We hope you all had as much fun as we did!

Catholic Friends Day

Don't forget to return your Catholic Friends Day Forms!

Knight of the Arts

Our annual Knight of the Arts will be Wednesday May 13th. Please see the enclosed flyer for more details.

HCCS Family in Need

A member of our HCCS family is experiencing hardship but would like to remain anonymous.

With your help we were able to raise almost \$800 on Sweet Support Friday through donut sales! This was a HUGE help to them and we would like to do more. HCCS is offering a non-uniform week May 11th- 15th for \$1/day. All proceeds will be used to continue to support this family. Please see the enclosed flyer for more details.

Field Day

Our last day of school is Friday May 29th. This is also Field Day.

Every year the Knights of Columbus sponsors lunch for our students, staff, and parents.

Please fill out and return the enclosed form ASAP so that we can provide them with a number of people they will be feeding.

More information about Field Day will be provided as that date approaches. Thank you!

Enclosures:

Knight of the Arts Flyer

St. Mike's The Ridge Bible School Flyer

Safety Town Flyer

Field Day Form, Non-Uniform Week Flyer

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SCHOOL PRESENTS

KNIGHT OF THE ARTS

FEATURING ARTISTS FROM YOUNG FIVES THROUGH SIXTH GRADE

Witness a stunning array of works created by the talented artists at Holy Cross and immerse yourself in a world of creativity! Come and leave as you please!



5:00PM-6:30PM
OPEN GALLERY

WEDNESDAY
MAY 13, 2026

HOLY CROSS
CATHOLIC SCHOOL
GYMNASIUM

FEATURED
ARTISTS:



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UNIFORMS WEEK

We will be having a Non-Uniform Week May 11th to the 15th to support an HCCS family in need.

Students and staff may dress out of uniform every day except Wednesday by bringing in \$1 per day.

On Friday May 15th a hat may be added to the nonuniform day.

\$1 = Non-uniform for the day

A teacher will be at the door each morning to collect donations.

All proceeds will go directly to an HCCS family in need.

Thank you for your kindness and support!



FIELD DAY 5/29/2026

The K of C will once again be sponsoring lunch for staff, students, and parents on Field Day!

Hot Dogs
Chips
Watermelon
Water

Parents are welcome to join us for lunch and afternoon activities. Lunch will start at 11:30am. Please fill out the form below so that we can provide the K of C with a number of guests for which they will need to prepare lunch.

___ My student will have the lunch provided by the K of C

___ My student will pack a lunch on Field Day

___ Number of guests (not including student) that will have the lunch provided by the K of C

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Defiance County SAFETY TOWN



Defiance County Safe Communities Coalition is hosting a FREE Safety Town for kids ages 4, 5, and 6 years old. Participants will learn about different safety topics, meet first responders, and tour emergency vehicles.

- ▶ **DATE:** June 9th & 10th 2026
- ▶ **TIME:** 8:00am-11:30am
- ▶ **LOCATION:** Defiance Area YMCA Youth Center, 1599 Palmer Drive, Defiance, OH

Registration is **FREE** and **REQUIRED**.
For ages 4.5, 5, and 6 years old.
Limited to 80 kids.

To register, scan the QR Code or visit:
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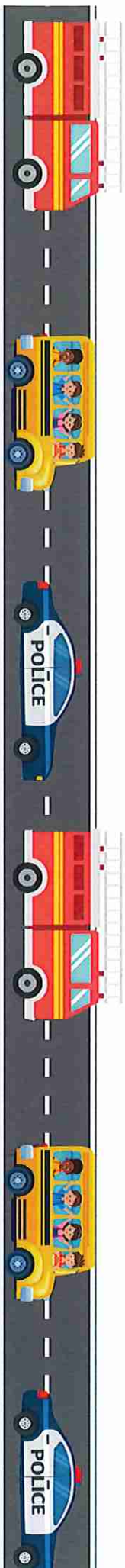


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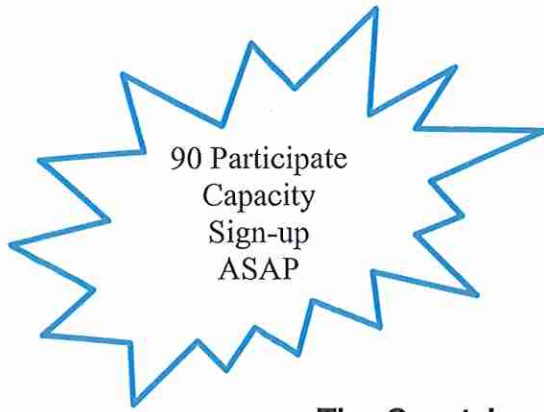
Questions? Contact Taylor at tjessing@defiancecohealth.org or 419-784-3818

Thank you to our partner organizations: Defiance Police Department, Defiance Fire & Rescue, Defiance County Sheriff's Office, Hicksville Police Department, Ohio State Highway Patrol, Defiance County Drug Free Coalition, Defiance City Schools, Maumee Valley Planning Organization, Ohio Department of Transportation, Defiance County 4H, and Ohio Operation Lifesaver.

SPONSORED BY:



St. Michael's (the Ridge) Catholic Church
The Great Journey Vacation Bible School 2026



*Skip the paperwork!
Sign-up Online!*

The Great Journey with Jesus ~ Through the Church Year

Dates: Sunday, July 5th – Thursday, July 9th, 2026

Time: 4:45-5:00 (check-in) 5:00-7:30pm

Place: St. Michael (the Ridge) Parish Center

Invited: All children

Ages 4 (by March 1st and must be potty trained) – **11** (or just completed 5th grade)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE - - - Sunday, May 3, 2026

COST: FREE, includes a t-shirt to wear every day & snack
(No t-shirt guarantees after the deadline.)

Student Volunteers: those who have **completed 6th grade and above.**

Contact Julie McCann at pre@saintmichaelridge.org for more information on student volunteering responsibilities. We would LOVE to see some of our older religious education students help with evangelizing our younger kids!

Mail 2nd page directly to:

St. Michaels Catholic Church – (Attn: Julie McCann)
5480 Moser Rd.
Defiance, OH 43512

Email Julie McCann at pre@saintmichaelridge.org
with questions.

Grandparents: All children within the age range listed above are welcome! So, even if your grandchild(ren) is/are not currently enrolled in the St. Mike's or St. Isidore's religious education programs, they are more than welcome to attend.

NEW THIS YEAR

Thank you to a generous, anonymous donor: All signed up for VBS will receive a link to access the VBS music prior to bible school week in order to prepare to sing and celebrate together! Please watch your email inbox.

Shirts: Will be distributed on the first day of VBS (July 5th).

** We would like to send a **HUGE THANK YOU** to Higbea Embroidery, St. Michael's Altar Rosary Society, St. Michael's PRE, Keller Logistics, and Parishioner donations that have allowed this event to remain **FREE** for all!! **