



### Important Dates

\* Monday August 25<sup>th</sup> \*

*First day of school K*

\* Wednesday August 27<sup>th</sup> \*

*First day of school PK4 & Young 5s*

\* Thursday August 28<sup>th</sup> \*

*First day of school PK 3*

\* Monday September 1<sup>st</sup> \*

*No School-Labor Day*

\* Wednesday Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> \*

*Grandparents Day K-2*

\* Wednesday Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> \*

*Dads & Donuts*

### New Teachers

We are very excited to welcome our new teachers for second and sixth grade, Mrs. Tiffany Scheurich & Mr. Terry Bayer! Please make them feel welcome when you see them!

### New Pastor

In case you missed it, Fr. Jason moved to Perrysburg over the summer. We are very happy to have Fr. Kevin McGraw join our family as Parochial Pastor! Please help us make Fr. Kevin feel welcome as well!

### Custom Tees

Custom Tees in downtown Defiance is your place for HCCS apparel! Please see the enclosed flyer for more details or stop and see Cornelius at the shop!



Mass on Wednesday  
August 20<sup>th</sup> was  
planned by Staff.

(Mass begins at 9:30am)

(No shorts at Mass)

### Special Thanks

Special thanks to Mr. John Karnes, Maintenance, and Mrs. Katelyn Ruiz, Marketing Director, and her summer crew for all of the hard work they did over the summer making our school look so amazing!  
\*Extra special thanks to the Overmeyer family for their donation to the "Middle School" hallway. \*

### Fundraising Opportunities

Aside from our yearly fundraisers, we also have some easy ways that you can help us raise funds for HCCS without spending any extra money. Please see the enclosed Fundraising Opportunities form for details!

### Tuition Grades K-6

If you have not filled out your Ed Choice paperwork or made arrangements to pay tuition, the deadline to do so is Friday September 12<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the office if you have any questions or need help filling out your paperwork.



*Birthdays*

|    |                  |                 |
|----|------------------|-----------------|
| 23 | Abram Cantrell   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 26 | Jed Vittorio     | 5 <sup>s</sup>  |
| 29 | Laylah Burroughs | 4 <sup>th</sup> |

### PMO

We would like to welcome all of the new members of the PMO & also announce our new officers!

President:

**Katelyn Ruiz**

Vice President:

**Megan Tobias**

Secretary:

**Amber Louderback**

Treasurer:

**Renee Sampson**

Communications:

**Kristina Detter**

**Adrianna Flores**

Staff Representative:

**Sam Donaldson**

Volunteer Coordinator:

**Adreana Lopez**

Fundraising Coordinator:

**Liz Froelich**

\*Thank you PMO for the fabulous job at Back to School Night!\*

Enclosures:

PMO Newsletter

August Lunch Menu

Back Pack Buddy Form

Fundraising Opportunities

School Calendar

Custom Tees Order Form

FACTS-PreK



## Tuition Management

FACTS provides flexible payment plan options to families at private and faith-based schools. Families can budget their tuition, making private school more accessible and affordable. Our process is simple, convenient, and secure.

To set up your FACTS agreement, visit your school's website and locate the FACTS link, or go to <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/4HG62>

### FACTS CONFIRMATION NOTICE

Once your information is received and processed by FACTS, you will receive a confirmation notice. This notice will confirm your payment plan information. Please check this information for accuracy, and contact your school or FACTS with any discrepancies.

### Frequently Asked Questions

- **Is my information secure?**  
Yes. Your personal information, including payment information, is protected with the highest security standards in the industry. For more information on security, visit [FACTSmgt.com/Security-Compliance](https://factsmgt.com/Security-Compliance).
- **When will my payments be due?**  
Your payment schedule is set by your school, and your financial institution will decide the time of day your payments are processed.
- **What happens when my payment falls on a weekend or a holiday?**  
Your payment will be processed on the next business day.
- **What happens if a payment is returned?**  
Returned payments may be subject to a FACTS returned payment fee. Watch for a returned payment notice for additional information.
- **How do I make changes once my agreement is on the FACTS system?**  
Changes to your address, phone number, email address, or banking information can be made at [Online.FACTSmgt.com](https://Online.FACTSmgt.com) or by contacting your school or FACTS. Any changes to payment dates or amounts need to be approved by the school and the school will then need to notify FACTS. **All changes must be received by FACTS at least two business days prior to the automatic payment date in order to affect the upcoming payment.**
- **What is the cost to set up a payment plan?**  
If an enrollment fee is due, the amount of the fee is indicated when setting up your agreement. If applicable, the nonrefundable FACTS enrollment fee will be automatically processed within 14 days of the agreement being posted to the FACTS system.

### FACTS CUSTOMER SERVICE

We are committed to doing all we can to provide you with the highest quality customer service in the industry. Whether you want to view your account online or speak with one of our highly trained customer service representatives, FACTS is dedicated to serving you. **To view your payment plan details, log in to your FACTS account at [Online.FACTSmgt.com](https://Online.FACTSmgt.com). Customer Care Representatives are also available to assist you 24/7.**



# August 2025

## Holy Cross Catholic School

[Enter Menu Details]

| Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| <br><div>4</div> | <br><div>5</div> | <br><div>6</div> | <br><div>7</div> | <br><div>1</div> |
| <div>11</div>   | <div>12</div>   | <div>13</div>   | <div>14</div>   | <div>15</div>   |
| <div>18</div>   | <div>19</div>   | <div>20</div>   | <div>21</div>   | <div>22</div>   |
| Egg Bacon Cheese<br>Sandwich<br>Potato Triangle<br>Fruit<br>Milk                                  | Hot Dogs<br>Baked Beans<br>Fruit<br>Milk  | Ham/Cheeseburger<br>Whole Wheat Bun<br>Corn<br>Fruit<br>Milk  | Chicken Tenders<br>Green Beans<br>Fruit<br>Milk   | Pizza<br>Dark Green Salad<br>Fruit<br>Milk  |
| <div>25</div>   | <div>26</div>   | <div>27</div>   | <div>28</div>   | <div>29</div>   |
| Cold Cut Sandwich<br>Mixed Veggies<br>Fruit<br>Milk   | Nachos Meat &<br>Cheese, Carrots<br>PButter, Ranch, Hummus<br>Fruit<br>Milk                         | Cold Cut Sandwich<br>Mixed Veggies<br>Fruit<br>Milk   | Cold Cut Sandwich<br>Mixed Veggies<br>Fruit<br>Milk   | Cold Cut Sandwich<br>Mixed Veggies<br>Fruit<br>Milk   |

Extra Milk  
are available at cost.

This institution is an  
Equal Opportunity Providers.

Milk \$0.60  
Weekly Milk \$3.00

Menu Subject  
to change.

Adult Lunch  
\$5.00

# Backpack Buddy Program

## Parent Release of Information and Permission Form

Dear Parent/Guardian:

We are continuing a program that provides students supplemental food for the weekend. Anyone that is in Kindergarten through Fifth Grade and on Free or Reduced-Priced Lunches is eligible. Please disregard this form if you are not interested in the program. If you are interested in this program, please check the following box 'yes' and complete the information needed below:

- ☐ Yes. I DO want information from my Free and Reduced-Priced School Meals Application (Or Direct- Certification process, if applicable) shared with the Backpack Buddy Program.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lunch Number \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

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Printed Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form to: **NAME, Title**  
**c/o Your Elementary School**



United Way of  
Defiance County

The Backpack Buddy program is sponsored by United Way of Defiance County

\*\*\*\*\* Application due by **Friday, Sept 5th** \*\*\*\*\*



# Defiance Holy Cross Parent Ministry Organization



If you are interested in participating or getting more information about the **PMO**, please fill out this form and return it in your student's **M&M Folder**!

## 2025-2026 Membership Information Form

Name:

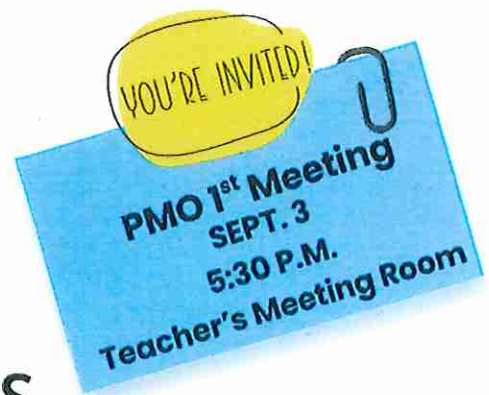
Phone:

Email:

Student's Name & Grade

What type of projects would you like to volunteer for?

Do you prefer text or a phone call?



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Holy Cross Catholic School  
Parent Ministry  
Organization

# PMO 1ST MEETING

SEPT. 3<sup>RD</sup> 5:30 P.M.

TEACHEER MEETING ROOM

★ **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!** ★

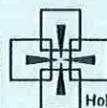
● ● ● ● ● TEACHERS STAFF PARENTS GRANDPARENTS ● ● ● ● ●

What is the  
Parent Ministry  
Organization?

Benefits  
of  
Volunteering

How can you  
get involved?

**PLEASE JOIN US AT HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SCHOOL!**



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# HCCS 25-26 CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS



## 1ST DAY OF SCHOOL

- (20) 1<sup>ST</sup>-6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE
- (25) K
- (27) PK4 & YOUNG 5's
- (28) PK3

BACK  
TO  
SCHOOL

## SCHOOL BREAKS- NO SCHOOL

THANKSGIVING BREAK : NOVEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>-28<sup>TH</sup>  
CHRISTMAS BREAK: DECEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>- JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>  
SPRING BREAK: MARCH 23<sup>RD</sup>- 27<sup>TH</sup>



Merry  
Christmas



## SCHEDULED CLOSURES

SEPTEMBER 1 - LABOR DAY  
OCTOBER 17 - PT CONFERENCE  
OCTOBER 20 - NO SCHOOL  
JANUARY 19 - TEACHER INSERVICE  
FEBRUARY 13 - TEACHER INSERVICE  
FEBRUARY 16 - PRESIDENT'S DAY  
APRIL 3 - GOOD FRIDAY  
APRIL 6 - EASTER MONDAY  
MAY 25 - MEMORIAL DAY

## IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER 8 - FALL PICTURES  
NOVEMBER 19 - WORLD KINDNESS DAY  
NOVEMBER 20 - PICTURE RETAKES  
DECEMBER 7 - CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2PM  
DECEMBER 13 - VENDOR FAIR  
FEBRUARY 27 - PK OPEN HOUSE  
MARCH 7 - REVERSE RAFFLE  
APRIL 2 - SPRING PICTURES



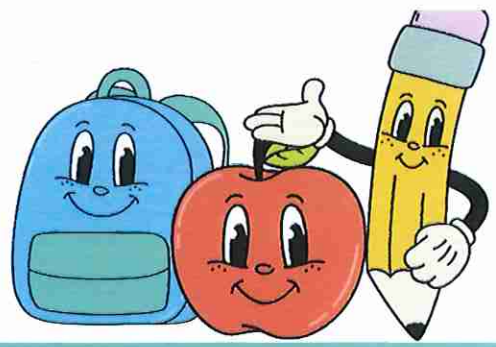
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL  
MAY 29, 2026

=SUMMER=





# Welcome Back to School



## TEACHERS & STAFF

Welcome back! We hope you had a relaxing and well-deserved break. As we kick off a brand new school year, we just want to say how grateful we are for everything you do. Your passion, creativity, and dedication make such a huge difference in our kids' lives and in our school community as a whole. We're excited to support you however we can this year. Here's to a great start and an amazing year ahead!

## Events

With all the new members, we have a lot of new ideas for the new year, such as Trunk or Treat/Crockpot Cook Off, Family Movie Night and a Family Bingo Night. We will still do a lot of the things we have done in the past, such as the Mother/Son Event, Father/Daughter Dance and Krispy Creme Fundraiser.

## Need To Get Ahold Of Us:

- Facebook Page:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/817132656567540>
- PMO Emails: [pmo@defianceholycross.org](mailto:pmo@defianceholycross.org)
- Mailbox in office
- Meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30.

## Meet the Board

- **President:** Katie Ruiz. She is the mom to Aurelio Ruiz in Kindergarten and Lily Ruiz in 5<sup>th</sup>.
- **Vice President:** Megan Tobias. She is the mom to Jace Tobias in Pre-K.
- **Secretary:** Amber Louderback. She is the mom to Colton Louderback in 5th.
- **Treasurer:** Renee Sampson. She is the mom to Melia Sampson in 5th.
- **Communication:** Kristina Detter. She is the mom to Briella Detter in 3<sup>rd</sup> and Bryson Detter in Pre-K. Adrianna Flores. She is the mom to Lillian Osborne, in 1st.
- **Staff Representative:** Sam Donaldson. She is the mom to Oliver Donaldson in 3rd.
- **Volunteer Coordinator:** Adreana Lopez. She is the mom to Valentina Lopez in 1st.
- **Fundraising Coordinator:** Liz Froelich. She is the mom to Daniel Froelich in 6<sup>th</sup>.

We just wanted to say a huge thank you for all the time, energy, and heart Kristen Wannemacher put into the PMO over the years. Her dedication hasn't gone unnoticed. She made such a difference for the school, the kids, and all of us parents. From organizing events to stepping up whenever something needed to get done, she has been such a steady and positive presence. We've been so lucky to have her involved and her efforts have truly helped make the school community what it is today.

We'd love to have you at our meetings – and if you ever have ideas or need support, don't hesitate to reach out!