

Holy Cross School Newsletter

September 12, 2026

Prayer for Our Children

Dear Jesus, thank you for your great love.
You saved the world on the Holy Cross.
Be my light, keep me safe, and help me love you more every day.
Amen

🐝A Busy Week

Hello Holy Cross Families!

We were very busy this week at Holy Cross School. We had our Program Night on Thursday where we got to meet or catch up with many families. It was great to see the excitement of our students as they showed you around the school and introduced you to their classroom and educators!

We also attended our first liturgy at Holy Cross Parish. It was a warm celebration of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross and the love that God has shared with us. I was very impressed with all of our students, from our grade six readers to our grade one students who were focused, participated, and sang out with joy! We hope your child(ren) will tell you all about this experience.

Erin Little











🍕 Pizza Orders

Pizza orders are up on School Cash Online. Pizza days continue to be on Wednesday, with the first for this order on October 7th. It is a 14 week order ending on January 27th. Don't forget to order for your child(ren) before September 30th. If you have any problems or concerns with ordering, please speak with Ms. Barbara in the office.

💳 Student Activity/Agenda Fee

A reminder that the student agenda/activity fee of $25.00 per student is up on School Cash Online. This fee covers the cost of students' agendas, guest presenters, school trips, buses to activities, and other student directed initiatives. We do not collect any extra payments during the school year. All funds go directly towards activities that support student learning.

Payments can be made through School Cash Online.

🤝 School Council



If you wish to discover more about our school community and share your voice in parent-led initiatives, please consider getting involved with the Holy Cross School Council!

Every parent and guardian is warmly invited to participate in our gatherings, which occur 4 to 5 times over the course of the academic year. We would be thrilled to have you join us, whether you hope to assume an executive position, assist with upcoming initiatives, or simply listen in!

Our initial gathering will occur on **Tuesday, September 22 at 6:30 PM** in the library learning commons, where election of council members for this school term will take place.

Should you have any inquiries, please feel free to connect with us via email at HolyCrossParentCouncil@gmail.com. We look forward to a wonderful, engaging year together at Holy Cross. Go Huskies!

🚨 SEAC

The Ottawa Catholic School Board (OCSB) is pleased to invite nominations for representatives to serve on our Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) for the upcoming term. The deadline is September 30th. SEAC plays a vital role in ensuring that the voices of parents, associations, and community members who advocate for students with exceptionalities are reflected in the Board's special education programs and services. More information here.

⛪ Parish Information

Holy Cross Parish
613-731-7834
office@holycrossparish.com

We celebrated our first liturgy of the school year this past Friday at Holy Cross Parish. Our student readers did an amazing job leading the school in prayer, and our student body were wonderful parishioners, participating in song and response. A huge thank you to Msg. Muldoon for officiating the liturgy and Ms. Basten for organizing the liturgy.












Holy Cross Parish

✠ Parish Feast Day ~ Sept 13 ✠

Wear
RED
&/or
Traditional Clothing
symbolizing that Jesus died for
* all people *

BLESSING OF CROSSES
* AT ALL MASSES *
✠
Wear your cross necklaces
&
bring the crosses you have on the walls of your house

BBQ Lunch
in the Parish Hall
following the 10 am Mass

Hamburgers
hot dogs ~ corn
chips ~ ice cream

There is no cost for lunch
(freewill offerings welcome)

and also

Children's Activities

See the parish bulletin for more information => www.holycrossparish.com/bulletins

Terry Fox Run

Our annual Terry Fox Run will be held on Monday, September 28th. Students will be walking or running with their class in support of Cancer Research and Awareness. You can donate to this worthy cause through our School Donation Website. We will not be collecting cash this year.

👣 Annual Rudhro Prince Memorial Walk

Sunday, September 27th is the 8th Annual Rudhro Prince Memorial Walk. The Prince family, who sponsor the Rudhro Prince Friendship Award, which is given to a grade 6 student each year, is hoping to get as many families out as possible to support children's health and asthma awareness.

This year's event is:
💜 8th Annual Rudhro Prince Memorial Walk
📅 Sunday, September 27, 2026
🕘 9:00 AM
📍 Andrew Hayden Park, Ottawa
👟 1 KM or 5 KM Walk/Run

You can register directly using the attached poster's QR code.

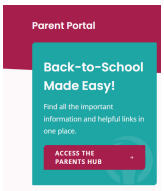
🗨️OCSB International Languages Program

OCSB Continuing & Community Education is excited to share that registration is now open for our 2026–2027 International Languages Programs – Elementary and Secondary Credit!

The International Languages Program – Elementary is also available for students in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8, offering a welcoming environment where students can explore a new language or strengthen their home language through engaging language learning and activities. Registration is on-going throughout the school year.

There is also a program for Secondary students in grades 9-12 which includes credit opportunities.

🔑Key Parent Apps for School



Please sign up for Parent Portal with the OCSB. This is where you will access report cards and many other forms of information that can support your child with their education.
Parent Portal –The Ottawa Catholic School Board

Please sign up for School Messenger: School Messenger – The Ottawa Catholic School Board and stay connected with Holy Cross School

Please use the SafeArrival arrivals app or website to report all student absences or late arrivals.

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Please sign up for School Cash Online: School Cash Online Link

📌Important Dates

- **Monday, September 14** - Feast Day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- **Monday, September 21 - Friday, September 25** - Truth and Reconciliation Week
- **Monday, September 28** - Terry Fox Run
- **Sunday, September 27** - Rudhro Prince Memorial Walk
- **Wednesday, September 30** - Truth and Reconciliation Day/Orange Shirt Day
- **Friday, October 2** - PD Day for all students
- **Monday, October 12** - Thanksgiving Day (No School)
- **Tuesday, October 20** - Picture Day

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