



# Principal's Posting

May 5, 2025



## Holy Family SCHOOL

Christ Centered | Student Focused | Family Driven

Holy Family School forms Catholic students to be full and practicing members of the Church, is a center of evangelization that calls all to live fully the message of Jesus Christ, and is a center of academic excellence that rigorously prepares students to be contributing members of the global community.

"The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore."  
~Psalm 181:8

*Teacher Appreciation Week Information*

Please see the attached information about Teacher Appreciation Week beginning Monday, May 5. We thank you in advance for your support



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## *Board of Limited Jurisdiction Update*

On 8 April, the Board of Limited Jurisdiction met for a regularly scheduled meeting.

Mrs. D'Amelio shared that 2024-25 enrollment is now at 235 students and updated on key activities upcoming on the school calendar. Letters of intent for the faculty are out and requested back by mid-April. The new Spanish Club (Puentes) led by Ms. Nieves is doing well with 24 students between PreK to 4th grade. Mrs. D'Amelio also provided an update on the new promotional video that is in progress, and the new digital billboard advertisement for the school.

The Development Committee provided updates on funding progress for the playground renovation. Apart from \$20,000 in grant funding which has been so far received, fundraising efforts have delivered \$11,000, with \$14,000 remaining to be raised to meet the \$25,000 matching gift pledge goal. The overall project cost is anticipated to be around \$100,000. The playground renovation timing is dependent on fundraising, and Summer 2025 remains a 'best case' possibility. Anyone in the Holy Family community who is interested in supporting these efforts, either by helping with fundraising or if you have a contact at other local foundations and could help make a connection, please contact Bernadette Kovaleski at [bmkovaleski@gmail.com](mailto:bmkovaleski@gmail.com).

The Facilities Committee provided updates on recent improvements including the exhaust duct in the girls' bathroom and additional carbon monoxide sensors, and the completion of the annual inspection of the fire extinguishers, exit signs, and lights in February. The estimates for the boiler replacement are in, and the board unanimously approved moving forward with this project at a cost of \$65,000. The two available estimates for the playground project were shared and a 3rd is pending; this project will soon move to a vote to enable the possible 'best case' timing which would require start of demo in June.

The Finance Committee confirmed that overall financials remain on track. Representatives from the school and board will meet with the Parish Councils on 5 May to discuss the school and answer any questions in the context of the Parish subsidy support, which overall represents 10.5% of the School budget. St. Ann's request for School support to the Griffin Hall roof replacement was discussed, as was the upcoming Archdiocesan audit and associated cost of \$4,200. The need to

upgrade the Griffin Hall WiFi was raised, with various options and costs shared, and further exploration of the best option is ongoing. The need to replace 29 student Chromebooks was also raised, currently estimated at \$14,000, although options to reduce this cost are also being explored. The 2025-26 proposed budget was presented and impacts of faculty and staff salary increases, as well as increase in health insurance costs, were highlighted. The Annual Fund is currently at \$42,700.

In open business, the Board congratulated the Drama Club on the High School Musical production, and shared excitement for the annual tradition of the Living Stations. An update was provided on potential new Board members, as the Board currently has open seats, particularly for non-parent volunteers (as the number of seats allocated to current parents is limited per by-laws) – information on the HFS Board is available on the website here <https://myholyschool.org/board-of-limited-jurisdiction> and interested individuals can reach out to John Coll @ [john.coll@lpl.com](mailto:john.coll@lpl.com) for more information.

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the Board is 17 June 2025

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## *Summer Camps at Bishop Shanahan*



Summer Camps are being held at Bishop Shanahan High School. These camps provide wonderful opportunities for students to engage in meaningful activities throughout the summer. You can find the link to the summer camps here: <https://www.shanahan.org/summercamps>. Most camps are designed for rising grades 6-9, with a few exceptions.

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## *May Lunch Volunteer*



Please use the link to sign up to be a May lunch volunteer. Don't forget, clearances are needed in order to volunteer.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4BAFAC22A2FC1-56465228-maylunch>

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## *Family Spring Picture Fundraiser*

Check out the flyer for further details about family spring pictures to benefit our playground fund.



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## St. Ann Church Vacation Bible School

### VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN UNTIL MAY 23!

Monday, June 23rd - Friday, June 27th. 9:00am-12:00pm each day

All children ages 4-12 years old are welcome to join as we Journey with Jesus through the Church Year!

Saint Ann Parish VBS will be held on St. Basil the Great Parish campus (2340 Kimberton Road in Phoenixville)

### VBS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN



Embark on an exciting Journey through the life of Christ, drawing closer to Him as you experience the cycle of the church year. Kids will have fun learning and celebrating the liturgical seasons of Advent, Christmas, Ordinary Time, Lent, and Easter, along with feast days and the saints.

Adult and Teen Volunteers Needed

<https://churchofsaintann.org/child-registration-form>

<https://churchofsaintann.org/inscripcion-de-ninos>

<https://churchofsaintann.org/vbs-volunteer-form>

## Upcoming Dates

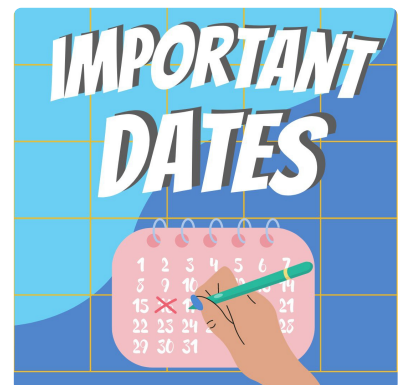
5/6/2025 - 2nd grade field trip to Elmwood Zoo

5/7/2025 - Band Concert 7:00pm in the cafeteria

5/8/2025 - Malvern Retreat House/Carlo Acutis Shrine Field Trip  
Grades 5-8

5/9/2025 - Boosterthon Fun Run/Color Run

5/14/2025-May Procession 9:00am St. Ann Chapel



**Jennifer D'Amelio**

Jennifer is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters

