

EDUCATION



Wanted for HCA Early Childhood

Holy Cross Academy Early Childhood Program is looking for Nativity figures that are 8-12 inches high. We have a larger creche that was donated, but it is missing many of the people.

HCA Christmas Store: We are also looking for new and gently used items for our Christmas store. Children are able to go shopping for parents and grandparents at the store. We rely on donations to fill the store. Donations can be dropped off at the ECEC 7748 Mackenzie: Coffee Mugs, Cardinal or Blues items(former promotional items), lotion, candles, jewelry, calendar, Religious figure, Holiday decorations, frames, cozy socks, dish towels or other small household items. Thank you for your support. Any questions please call the **school office**, 314-832-4161.

Pictures at the Manger

The Sister are excited to welcome you back for pictures at the manger, treat bags and more on Sat. Dec. 4, 10-3 at Pauline Books & Media, Crestwood. To ensure a safe and fun experience for all families, please register in advance for a time to have your picture taken at the manger scene. Nativity costumes will not be provided but feel free to bring your own. Register online at: <https://connect.pauline.org/manger/> Questions? Contact **Sr. Laura** at stlouis@paulinemediamedia.com or call 314-965-3512



Family Rosary Night

During October, the month of the rosary, PSR families gathered in the gym to pray the rosary together. It was a wonderful evening of prayer and reflection. About 200 people lifted up their prayers and intentions that evening, including the students, parents, Fr. Mike, Ann Kelly, PSR Coordinator, and the PSR ministry team. Everyone gathered around the large rope rosary that our parishioners made. Mrs. Kelly led the families in prayer asking them to close their eyes and offer up intentions to Jesus for someone in their heart and for another intention such as for peace in our world. She spoke about how our Spiritual Mother Mary always leads us to Jesus, and when we pray the rosary, we want to contemplate the mysteries. We ended the evening with cookies! Let us remember to pray the rosary often. A simple way to begin may be lifting up prayer intentions at dinner and praying a decade of the rosary together as a family. Our Lady of Fatima and Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us!



Grateful and Blessed

With Thanksgiving right around the corner, our students are practicing thankfulness and generosity in giving to others. This month we collected items such as socks, shampoo, toothpaste, gloves, hand warmers, and chapstick to put together winter kits for the homeless. A big thank you to Amy Buehrle, 6th Grade Catechist, for leading this service project! The older grades put these kits together in PSR class while the younger grades made cards with positive messages to include with each kit. Thanks to the generosity of the PSR families and our parish family, we were able to provide over 100 kits to Saint Patrick Center! Thank you to Rick and Mariann Wedel for delivering the kits.

GET CONNECTED: For more information about our PSR Ministry, please contact **Ann Kelly**, PSR Coordinator, at PSR@goannunciation.com.

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