Holy Family School Update
11/9/26
"One Family"

Important Dates

Monday, 11/9
- 2:00 2nd Grade Sacramental Formation

Tuesday, 11/10
- Picture Retakes
- Panther Cub Club 3:05
- Panther Parents Meeting 5:00 Executive & 6:00 General Meeting

Wednesday, 11/11
- 9:10 Veterans Day Mass
- Art Club 7:30 am
- Future Catholic Teachers Club
- Power of the Pen
- Student Council Meeting
- P.A.W.S Club 3:10 pm

Thursday, 11/12
- Dress Down Donation for Mom's Ministry – Cash Donation
- Rocket Club 3:15

Friday, 11/13
- 8:45 am 6th Grade Dare
- Middle School Bowling Night 6-8 pm

Saturday, 11/14
- Fall Craft Fair 9:00-3:00

Monday, 11/16
- 2:00 2nd Grade Sacramental Formation
- Yearbook Club 3:10
- SAC Meeting 5:30

Tuesday, 11/17
- ASL Club 11:55
- Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast



Wednesday, 11/18
- School Mass 9:10 am
- Student Council Meeting
- Cooking Club 3:15
- Marco's Pizza Night

Thursday, 11/19
- Builders Club
- 2nd Grade Trip to Stow Safety Center

Friday, 11/20
- Pajama Day for students who donated to the Pajama for Kids Drive

- **Saturday, 11/21- Tuesday,12/1**
- We Give Catholic Early Giving

Monday, 11/23 – Friday, 11/27
- No School Thanksgiving Break

Panther Parents Update

Panther Parents Meeting Tuesday, November 10th at 6pm in the SPC
Join us for our November Panther Parents meeting! Hear updates on upcoming events, learn about M.O.M.S. Ministry and the Angel Fund, discuss board elections, and enjoy a special presentation on high school admissions. Everyone is welcome!

Dress Down Day for M.O.M.S. Ministry Thursday, November 12th
Students are invited to dress down with a donation to support M.O.M.S. Ministry. All proceeds go to M.O.M.S. Ministry. **Please adhere to the dress code policy.**

Middle School Bowling Night (Grades 5-8) Friday, November 13th 6-8 pm
We are looking for parents to help chaperone the event to ensure our students have a fun, safe time. If you can spare your time, please click the link below:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4EACA82EA4F5C16-66943504-bowling

Holy Family Craft Fair Saturday, November 14th 9 am-3 pm in the LCH
Join us for a fun day of shopping, creativity, and community! Explore unique handmade items, support local vendors, and get a head start on holiday shopping!

Moms Night Out Tuesday, December 1st 6:30 pm in the LCH
Take a break from your busy schedule and enjoy an evening of friendship, fun, and creativity! Silver Lake Florist will guide us through creating a beautiful holiday arrangement. Come relax, connect, and get into the holiday spirit! Register by November 20th: https://hfsmomsnightout.cbo.io

Attendance

If your student will be absent, or arriving after 9 a.m., please leave a message on the attendance line by 9 a.m. Alternatively, if you are emailing your teacher with attendance information you can include the office at kschell@holyfamilyschoolstow.org and this will replace the attendance voicemail.

Picture Retakes

Picture retake day is Tuesday November 10th. Students having pictures taken should come to school dressed for pictures. Students having retakes done are asked to return their unwanted portraits to the photographer on that day. Order forms are available in the school office if needed.

School Closings for Weather

If Stow City Schools close for weather, then Holy Family Schools will close as well. Holy Family will notify Fox 8 and Channel 3 local television stations and will text and call each family by Grade Link. Please make sure your contact information is up to date in Grade Link. We will do a practice call and text the week of November 9.

Outside Recess

Please know that we go outside for recess when the temperature feels like it is 20 degrees or above. Please encourage the students to dress for the wintry weather.

School Calendar and Make Up Days

Just a reminder, due to the fact that we had to push back the start of the school year, we used 3 calamity days. If we use more than four calamity days in the remainder of the school year, we will need to make up those days. The first make up day if needed would be April 23, the next make up days if needed would be May 27 and May 28. We will provide more information on this matter as the year progresses. We will only need to make up more days if we use more than four calamity days this winter.

Dress Code Changes Starting 10/26/2026

Just a reminder that shorts may no longer be worn until the 4th quarter. Girls can wear leggings in the 2nd and 3rd quarters. Please go over these changes with your students

School Advisory Committee Update

Our School Advisory Committee is excited to build on the momentum from our recent State of the School evening! Our first SAC subcommittee meeting is November 16! We look forward to bringing our committees together, establishing structure, and turning your feedback into meaningful action. **Interested in getting involved?** We would love to have you join us! Join a SAC Subcommittee **We would also love to hear your thoughts on our State of the School evening.** Your feedback helps us continue to grow and improve! Share Your State of the School Feedback

#weGIVECATHOLIC Update

Big Faith. Bright Futures! Our #weGIVECATHOLIC campaign is underway, and our Holy Family Panthers are getting involved! This year's $80,000 goal will support two important priorities: **Academic Excellence and Catholic Identity & School Life.**
There's lots of excitement ahead!

- **November 1–20:** Change War
- **November 16–20:** Tattoo-a-Teacher
- **November 21:** Early Giving Begins
- **November 23–27:** Thanksgiving Envelope Challenge
- **December 1:** Giving Tuesday Celebration Day!

We're aiming for 100% student participation! Whether through a financial gift, a special prayer, or an act of service, every Panther can make a difference. Together, we're investing in the future of Holy Family, one student at a time!

Pajamas for Kids

With your help “Pajamas for Kids” hopes to provide a new pair of pajamas and a book for every child who benefits from Holy Family’s Christmas giving programs. Please join us in expanding Holy Family’s Giving Tree and Mom’s Ministry programs by providing pajamas and books for a child in need. Pajamas may be purchased for boys and girls in sizes 6 months through adult. Our greatest need this year is pajamas in youth sizes 10 through 18 for boys and girls.

Your child can bring a new pair of pajamas or a book to school during the week of November 16th -20th . There will be collection bins in the hallways, or the children can give them to their teachers.

You may want to include your child when you go to purchase a pair of pajamas for a child in need. This would be a great learning experience and help to encourage the spirit of giving in our children.

In addition, Holy Family is having a “Wear Your PJs to School Day” on Friday, November 20th, for every Holy Family School student that brings in a pair of pajamas or makes a donation to “Pajamas for Kids”.

***This year we have added a contactless way to purchase pajamas, books, or a gift card for pajamas at https://www.target.com/gift- registry/gift/pajamasforkids2026 Type this URL in a search engine to shop
at Target.com.***

Holy Family CYO Sports Update

Basketball Season Is Underway!

Winter basketball has tipped off, and we have multiple Holy Family teams registered for what promises to be an incredible season. Our cheerleaders will be on hand to support our boys and girls all season long. Go Panthers!

Panther Cubs Basketball Is a Hit

Our Saturday Panther Cubs basketball program for grades K–2 has been a huge success, with more than 60 kids attending! There's still time to join: just $45 for the remaining five Saturdays, 8:30–10:00 a.m. in the Holy Family gym. We also welcome any VIRTUS-trained volunteers who would love to help out with our little Panthers. Just email Chad at HOLYFAMILYSTOWAD@gmail.com.

A Brand-New Concession Stand

We're revamping the concession stand for the 2026–2027 season! It will be open during home basketball games and the Holy Family Holiday Tournament. Thanks to eight amazing parent volunteers, we will be rolling out a whole new menu. Let us just say it's a big upgrade over years past! We're looking for help from families on every team, 3rd through 8th grade, plus any other parents who want to support our Panthers! Sign up for a volunteer shift here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A054AAEAC2AA1FE3-67376325-winter

Calling All Business Partners!

Do you own a small business, or have a connection to one, within our parish or school community? We're looking for local partners willing to donate FOOD items or offer a discount on concession stand supplies this winter. Every bit of support helps us raise additional funds for Holy Family sports programs. If you'd like to discuss supporting our concession stand, please reach out to Chad at HOLYFAMILYSTOWAD@gmail.com. Thank you for helping our Panthers!

Help Rebrand the Holy Family Panther

Grace Durbin, Principal Sovacool, Father Mike, the CYO Athletic Board, and I are working together on a rebrand of the Holy Family Panther. Stay tuned for chances for both parents and students to share feedback as we recreate and relaunch our school's logo.

Thank You, Golf Outing Supporters!

A big thank you to everyone who supported our golf outing, which raised significant funds for Holy Family Sports. Special thanks to Trevor Stegmeyer, David Whitehurst, Connor McCluskey, and everyone who stepped up to support our CYO youth programs.

Chad DiGennaro, Athletic Director