

## FOLY ROSARY

Notes & Quotes

## Mr. Mullis' Letter

September 3, 2025

As we continue to work together to form our students both academically and spiritually, I want to take a moment at the beginning of this school year to address a growing concern for our children: the use of social media and group text messaging among elementary-aged children.

While technology offers many benefits, it also presents challenges—especially when used without proper guidance. Over the last few years, we've noticed a growing number of students are participating in group chats or using social media platforms in ways that can lead to misunderstandings, exclusion, or even exposure to inappropriate content. This is particularly concerning given their developmental stage and our shared values of kindness, respect, and Christian community.

As educators and parents, we are called to guide our children in all areas of life, including their digital behavior. Many of the issues we see at school often begin outside the classroom, in group chats or apps that may not be age-appropriate. Our goal is not to alarm, but to raise awareness and offer support so that together, we can help our children make responsible, faith-filled choices online.

To assist you in guiding your child's digital use, here are several tools and apps that can help monitor and manage screen time, app usage, and communication:

- Bark Monitors texts, emails, YouTube, and 30+ apps for signs of harmful content.
- Qustodio Allows you to set time limits, track activity, and block inappropriate content.
- **Net Nanny** Offers real-time internet filter and alerts on unsafe behavior.
- Google Family Link Lets you manage apps, monitor screen time, and set device bedtime routines.
- OurPact Allows for app blocking, screen time scheduling, and family locator features.

Please remember that no app can replace open communication. We strongly encourage you to speak regularly with your child about their online experiences, who they're communicating with, and what platforms they are using.

At Holy Rosary, we integrate our Catholic faith into all aspects of education—including technology use. We remind our students that everything we do, including how we interact online, should reflect our Christian values. This means treating others with dignity, avoiding gossip or hurtful comments, and using our words to build up rather than tear down.

We appreciate your partnership in reinforcing these values at home. If you ever have concerns or questions about your child's digital life, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to support you and your family.

Have a great week!



Darren Mullis Principal

### Dates to remember

### <u>September</u>

- 6 Trivia Night
- 10 HRPO Meeting
- 17 Spirit Night Rotolo's
- 19 Lip Sync
- 27 Chili Cook Off

### in todays newsletter...

September lunch menu Men's Club Trivia Night Enclosing Safety New Student Council HRPO meeting Online Spirit Shop Lip Sync Player of the week. Spirit Wear Spirit Wear Spirit Night Rotolo's Youth Group Annual Fund Chili Cook Off Save the Dates









## Wednesday News



The items in the Fall Spirit Shop are only available until Sept 10.

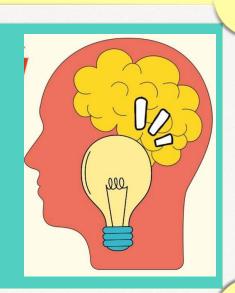
Be sure to take a look and get your order in now.



## Trivia Night is this Saturday!

7pm in the HRS cafeteria. Grab your team and come have fun.

See flyer for details





Be sure to add money into your lunch account so your student can charge out of it.

You will get an email when your account gets low.

If you think you qualify for the reduced lunch program, please come in and get a form.

Please add our phone number to your phone contacts.

When we try to call you during the day, it is usually because we have a child that is not feeling well or it is an emergency. We need you to see that it is the school calling.



HRS 901-685-1231



## NEW DISMISSAL POLICY

YOU MAY NO LONGER CHECK OUT 30 MINUTES BEFORE ANY DISMISSAL.

When we dismiss @ 3:00, There will be no check outs between 2:30 - 3:00PM for K - 8 between 2:00 - 2:30PM for Preschool

Tuesdays and half days still keep to the 30 minutes before rule.

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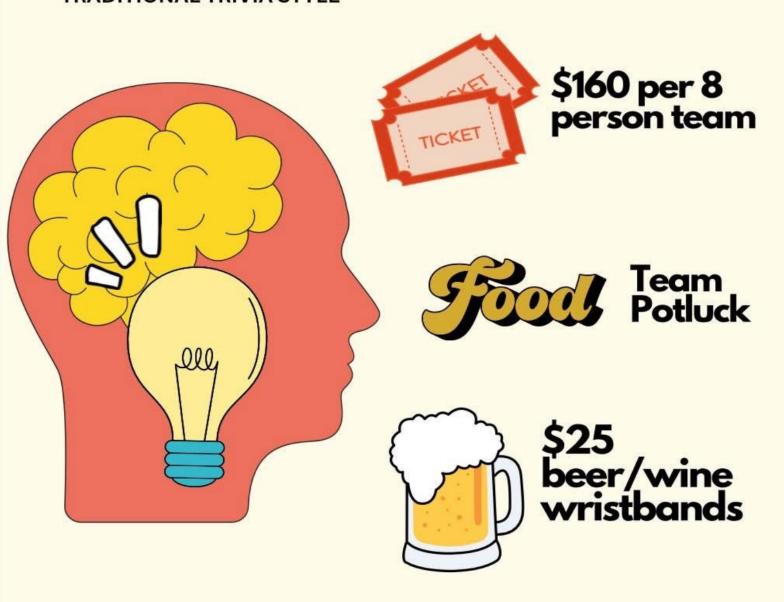
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
No School!	Chicken Sandwich Fries Rice Krispie Bar	3 French Toast Cheese Omelet Sausage	Cheese Pizza Salad Yogurt	Fair Day 5 Corn Dog Funnel Cake Apples.
8 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes w/gravy Green Beans Roll	Ravioli Salad Garlic Toast	BBQ Nachos Corn Fiesta Beans	Sloppy Joes Waffle Fries Grapes	Pepperoni Pizza Salad Oranges
15 Hot Ham & Cheese Fritos Yogurt	Pancakes Hashbrown Sausage Links	Meatball Sub Chips Salad	18 Turkey & Cheese Roll up Salad Grapes	Hot Dog Chips Cookie
Hot Pocket Curly Fries Baby Carrots w/ Ranch	Z3 Tacos Lettuce/Cheese Corn Jello	Chicken Nuggets  Mac N Cheese  Peas  Roll	25 Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes w/gravy Green Beans Roll	Picture Day. 26 Hamburger Smile Fries Orange Smiles
Chicken Sandwich Tater Tots Applesauce	30 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Blue & Gold Treat			Autumn



## HR MEN'S CLUB

## TRIVIA NIGHT

HOSTED BY: STEVE OWENS TRADITIONAL TRIVIA STYLE

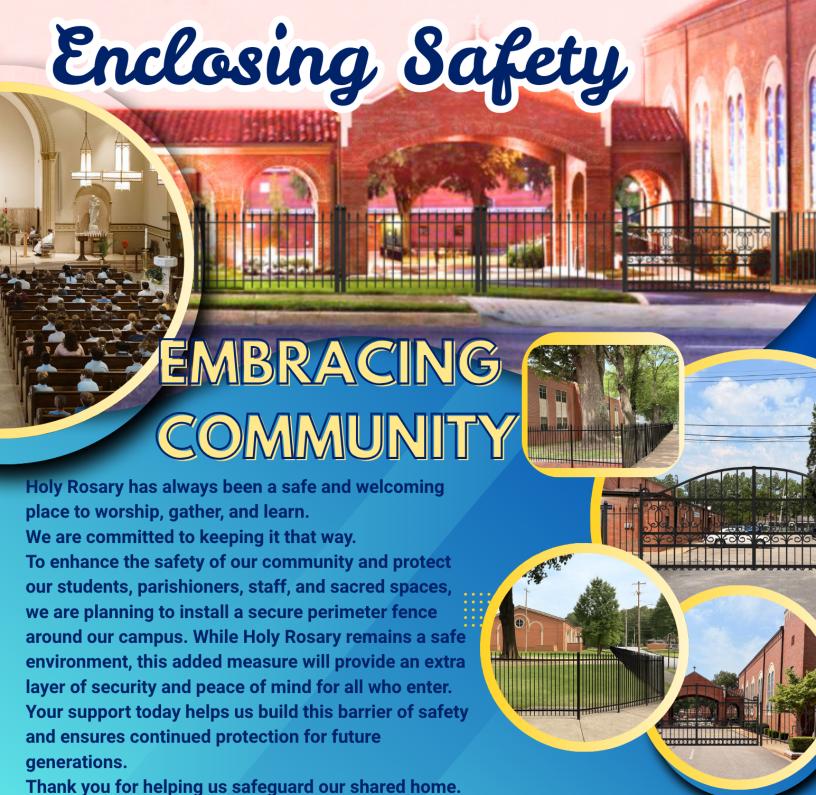


Scan QR Code to Sign Up



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

7pm | HR Cafeteria



Join the Fence of Faith Campaign

Make checks payable to Holy Rosary Church Write "Fence" in the memo or Scan the OR code to give online.

GOAL: \$130,000

## Congratulations

to our new

Student Council
2025 - 2026

**President:** Wyatt Lawler

Vice President: Harry Ortkiese

Treasurer: Jackson Porter

Secretary: Mia Melhado

Chaplain: Mikey Mangiante

Parliamentarian: Allison Edwards

### **Class Representatives:**

8H Ethan Misenhelter, Hunter Ebersole

8Y Chris Beene, Izzy Bledsoe, Ruby Ortkiese

7B Josie Fay, Elliana Mohundro, Hannah Swailes

7G Beatrix Ploucha, Jaxon Thomas

6C Reid Hyden, Declan McGhee

6H David Carter, Sam Redeker

### **PR Committee**

Addie Grow Katelyn Edwards Addi Jacobs Stella Mulhern

### Rammie

Christian Martinez Adelynn Young Tony Villa Elliott Cifaldi

We look forward to them making this a great year!

## Please join us for our first meeting!



Wednesday, September 10 6:00-7:00 PM Family Room

Dinner served at 5:30 PM

We will share updates and have a presentation from our specials teachers.

Please RSVP including number of students for childcare to: HRPO@holyrosarymemphis.org



## The online Spirit Shop is now open.

The Spirit Shop is going to be continuously changing items and will only be open for a short time, each time.

The current items you see here are only available through Sept 10. At the end of day on 9/10, the shop will close and no more orders will be taken for these items. It will open again at a later date with different items.



MTS Customer Support - ref # 13751003

1-800-749-3813 | myteamshop@bsnsports.com
Team Coordinator Bre Austin bre.austin@holyrosarymemphis.org

**Access Code** 

www.bsnteamsports.com



No orders will be accepted after the deadline.





## Let's start the school year with a fun-filled event!

- 1. Designate a parent to be in charge!
- 2. Gather some friends and establish a group!
- 3. Start practicing now!
- 4. Parent meeting for Lip Sync info- August 20<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30 in the Family Room

We can't wait to see your performance on the big stage!!!



Ruby had an outstanding week. She was Holy Rosary's top finisher at the Twilight Classic, cutting an impressive 40 seconds off her time from last year's race. A huge accomplishment in a short 2K run! Ruby also showed her commitment by attending an early morning workout before a volleyball game. Though she leads quietly, her encouragement of younger runners, support of her teammates, and willingness to help coaches with stretches and team activities have made her a visible leader this season.

On the volleyball court, Ruby continues to shine in only her second year of playing. Through hard work and determination, she has earned a starting position as a hitter and is recognized for her tough, consistent serve, which gives her team a competitive edge.



Harry also had an impressive week. On the golf course, he played a strong round, posting the lowest score of the match. After starting with three pars, he added a birdie and impressively never lost a ball. Immediately after finishing, he headed straight to football practice, a testament to his dedication.

On the field, Harry is known for always putting the team first. He leads with humility, sets an example for younger players, and consistently works to put his team in the best position to succeed.

## **HRPO** Spirit Wear

Orders will be sent to production on the 1st and 15th of each month. Once the order is submitted, please allow approximately 2 weeks for production before items are ready for pickup or delivery.



Rams Headband \$25.00



**HRS** Headband \$25.00



Mini Bow Headband Knotted Headband \$12.00



\$15.00



Light Blue HRS Bow \$15.00



Navy HRS Bow \$15.00



Blue Rams Bow \$15.00



Plaid HRS Bow \$15.00



Plaid Scrunchie \$10.00



Scan the QR code or Visit the HRPO Website to Order:

https://holyrosaryparentsorganization .membershiptoolkit.com/store/11452

## LET'S RASE SOME DOUGH AT ROTOLO'S CRAFT & CRUST

At Rotolo's, serving the community goes way beyond great Italian food. We're dedicated to staying involved, and giving back to each community that's given so much to us.

Join us for SPIRIT NIGHT with 20% OF DINE-IN & TO-GO net proceeds going to HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 17TH

681 S WHITE STATION RD.

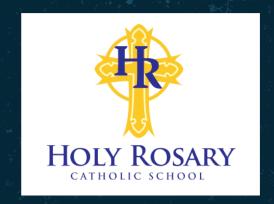
6PM - 9PM

MEMPHIS, TN

Be sure to mention "HOLY ROSARY" when ordering & Check out our Wednesday Specials: \$7.99 Calzones & 1/2 off Wine & Champagne Bottles ALL DAY.

ROTOLO'S CRAFT @ CRUST

help Rotolo's spread the word about



## JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

open to grades 6-8

## UPCOMING MEETING DATES

September 14
September 21

September 28 -KofC Soccer Event (more details soon!)

4:00 - 5:30pm PLC Youth Room scan to register



Annual Fund
Why does Holy Rosary School have an Annual Fund?



## WHY GIVE TO HOLY ROSARY?

As a Catholic school, Holy Rosary strives to keep tuition affordable and accessible to all. Tuition alone does not cover the full cost to educate a Holy Rosary student each year. When you give that gift, it allows us to continue to offer the most for your child/children.

WHAT IS THE ANNUAL FUND? Gifts made annually to support essential needs. The annual fund bridges the gap between tuition and the actual cost to educate a student.

## WHO GIVES TO OUR SCHOOL?

School Advisory Board

**GRANDPARENTS** 

**Teachers & Staff** 

SFinancial Goal

\$100,000

How Are the Annual Fund Dollars Spent?

## Scholarships & Financial Aid

Gifts will be award to over 75 students

## **Technology**

Up-to-date software, devices and classroom tools.

## **Safety & Security**

Robust security protocol that includes an on duty guard, cameras and other measures to ensure the safety of everyone on campus.

## **Professional Development**

Training for faculty and staff to deepen their knowledge and skills.



COME ENJOY A DELICIOUS MEAL WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS — AND HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL AT THE SAME TIME!

JUST MENTION HOLY ROSARY WHEN YOU ORDER – AND A PORTION OF YOUR PURCHASE WILL GO DIRECTLY TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL.

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS, FAMILY, NEIGHBORS — THE MORE THE MERRIER!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT — WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!

# TAILGATE PARTY SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 27, 2025 FOLLOWING THE 4:30PM MASS

Join us at the Holy Rosary Athletic Field for chili, hotdogs, football, and more! Bring your lawn chair or blanket, watch the game on the jumbo screen, and enjoy fellowship with your Holy Rosary family.

Spice Up the Competition!
SIGN YOUR TEAM UP TODAY TO ENTER
YOUR CHILI AND BE PART OF THE
TASTIEST EVENT OF THE YEAR.



**SPONSORED BY** 

THE HOLY ROSARY MEN'S CLUB



## ONE CLUB GOLF CHALLENGE

BENEFITING GIFTS OF HOPE AND HOLY ROSARY ATHLETICS

## 11 OCTOBER 2025



\$85 Per Player - Two-Man Teams, Best Ball Registration at 10:00 AM Shotgun at 11:00 AM

Overton Park 9 Golf Course 2080 Poplar Ave Memphis, TN



Hole sponsorships available \$125
For more information contact Kent Hansom - kenthansom@aol.com
Mike Fletcher - vergilsboyl@gmail.com



JOIN US FOR A GAME DAY SOIRÉE

AND TAILGATE FOR THE LEARNING CENTER

**NOVEMBER 8TH** 

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS, AUCTION ITEMS, AND SPONSORSHIPS

CATHERINE CLARK 901-569-1353 CHRISTINA MORRIS 901-277-1699







OCTOBER FRI. 31-SUN. NOV. 2

### FAMILY FUN STAY-CAY

Budget-Friendly Safe + Educational All Hallow's Eve, All Saints Day + Día de los Muertos



NOVEMBER FRI. 14—SUN.16

### BUILDING A CATHOLIC HOME

PARENTS, learn practical ways to incorporate prayer, reflection, witnessing, and catechesis into your daily routine.



OCTOBER FRI. 17-SUN. 19

### MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT

with

**Fr. Jacob DuMont, LC**Deepen your spiritual connection and renew your faith together.



DECEMBER FRI. 12-SUN.14

### ADVENT RETREAT

Come, break away from the holiday rush. Sleep in heavenly peace. Prepare your heart and mind.



NOVEMBER SAT. 1 CAMINO A LA PAZ

**3rd Annual "Way of Peace."** Vigil Mass with Eucharist Procession + Dinner.





olqpretreats.com

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