HOLYLAND CATHOLIC SCHOOL

FAITH, RESPECT, LEARNING

May 8, 2026

Holyland Catholic School provides a foundation of faith, respect, and lifelong learning through Catholic formation, academic excellence, and continuous improvement.

Congratulations to our 2nd graders on their First Holy Communion!



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1 Corinthians 13:13

Dear Home and School and Families,

Thank you for an exceptional week and for all of the thoughtful goodies! It is truly a blessing to work alongside such a supportive and caring community. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated.

HOLYLAND CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Mrs. Klein

Mrs. Steffen

Mrs. Gull

Mrs. Second

Mrs. Will

Mrs. O'Brien

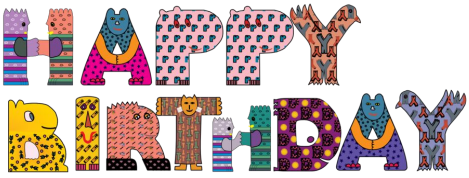
Mrs. Mashock

Mrs. Rammer

Mrs. Burkart

Mrs. Home

School News

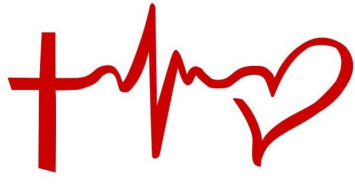


Wishing you a birthday filled with God's grace and blessings!

May 3 ~ Finley
May 5 ~ Milo
May 14 ~ Veda
May 15 ~ Camryn
May 17 ~ Tim
May 20 ~ Axel
May 21 ~ Annabelle
May 21 ~ Cole
May 23 ~ Colton
May 23 ~ Mr. Zeleske
May 25 ~ Wyatt
May 26 ~ Anna
May 26 ~ Henry F.
May 26 ~ Joseph
June 3 ~ Owen

Important Dates:

May 11 ~ Advisory Meeting
May 20 ~ 1st Grade & Kindergarten Field Trip - Vir-Clar Farms
May 21 ~ 4K & Kindergarten Field - Airy Point Farm
May 25 ~ No School - Memorial Day
June 4 ~ Promotion Day!
June 4 ~ 8th grade graduation Mass @ 10:00
June 8 ~ Advisory Meeting



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School Wish Lists

Holyland Catholic School relies on family and community support to give our children the best possible faith-filled education. Thank you!

If you wish to help, please click on the teacher's name to see his/her wish list.
All donations need to be sent to the school office.

- Mrs. Klein, Holyland Catholic School
- Ms. Jacobs, 3K and 4K
- Ms. Lefeber-Krenn, 5K
- Mrs. Greuel, 1st Grade
- Mrs. Burkart, 2nd and 3rd Grade
- Mrs. Rammer, 4th-8th Grade Math, Science, Religion
- Mr. Zeleske, 4th-8th Grade Social Studies, ELA, Religion
- Ms. Lamb, Art and Phy. Ed.
- Mrs. Steffen, Library
- Mrs. Oye, Learning Support

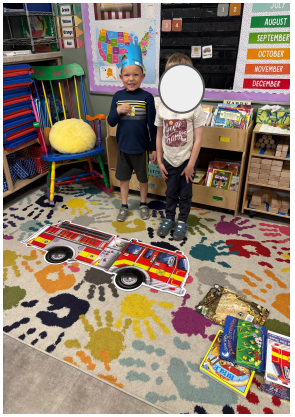
All School Wish List ~

- Blinds for classrooms and office areas
- 15 student chromebooks
- 2 teacher laptops
- 1 learning support laptop
- Items for 3K classroom here

HOLYLAND CATHOLIC SCHOOL

3K and 4K News

Ms. Jacobs



This week we have been talking all about Mother's Day and Father's Day! We talked about the things we get to do with our moms and dads. We also talked about how some families may look different than ours, and that not everyone needs to be related to feel like family!









We celebrated Finley's 5th birthday on Monday!







3K and 4K News

Ms. Jacobs

We learned a bit about Cinco de Mayo on Tuesday! We talked about Mexican culture. We discussed how people in Mexico celebrate different holidays, eat yummy Mexican foods, and speak Spanish! We talked about how even though they do things a little differently than us, that God made them, and loves them too!

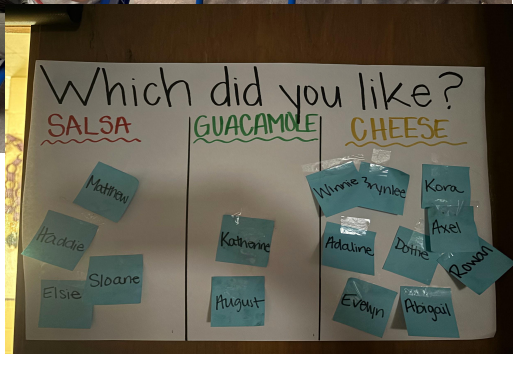












We got to try some yummy foods on Tuesday! We taste tested salsa, guacamole, and salsa con queso. We voted on which dip we liked best with our tortilla chips!

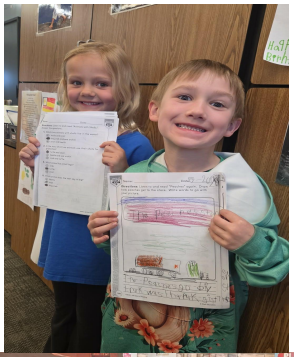
5K News

Ms. Lefeber-Krenn



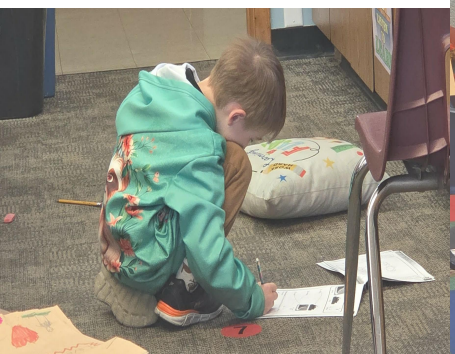
Practicing to sing at Mass for 1st time! Come see them on May 13th leading Mass songs!

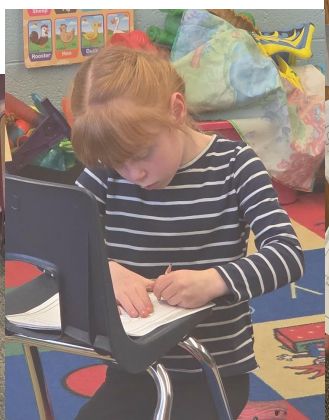
Happy Mother's Day to all our great Moms!!

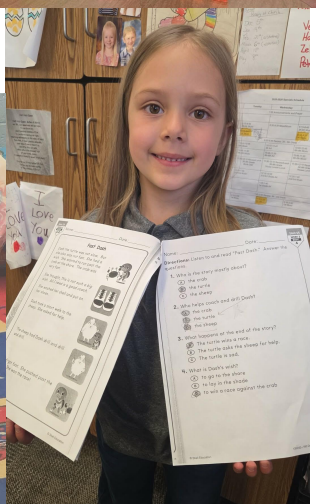


This week 5K worked very hard on partner work and are doing so well on learning how to read directions. They are really great at independent work now and asking questions of things they don't understand. In **Math,** we are learning 2D and 3D shapes and how to build with shape blocks.













For Cinco de Mayo, they learned all about the celebration and we made hats to join in on the fun! Writing time we had to come up with why we love our school!







In **Religion,** we finished our book of the last topic of Life is Good. We've been learning about safety in our Family Life book as well as the Circle of Grace. In **Science** they have been monitoring their aqua pets and comparing the differences in their growth.

5K News

Ms. Lefeber-Krenn

Butterfly release on Special Person's Day! So many happy faces holding butterflies!













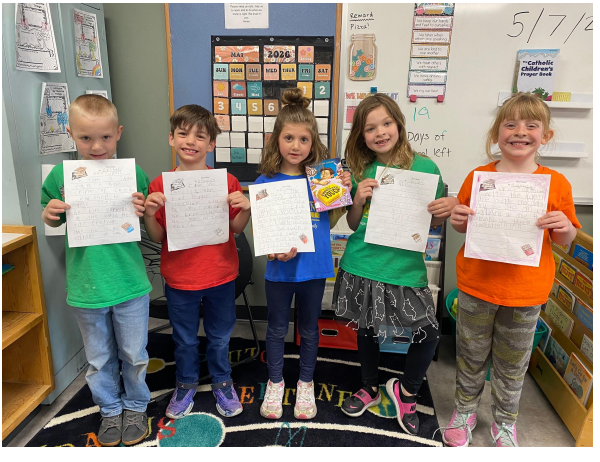


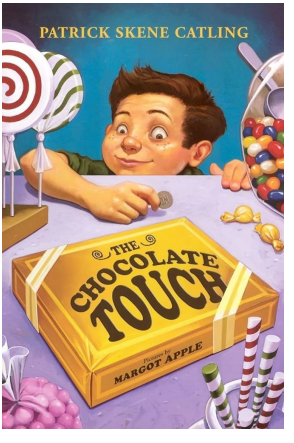


1st Grade News

Mrs. Greuel

ELA: This week we decided on our topics for our how to books and have started drafting. Our new spelling words are focused on the long i sound with -igh spelling. We also finished our class read aloud of *"The Chocolate Touch".* They were so inspired by the magic chocolate that we wrote our own chocolate stories. They had so much fun using their imaginations!



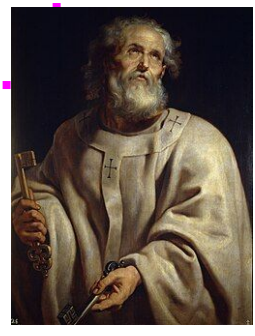


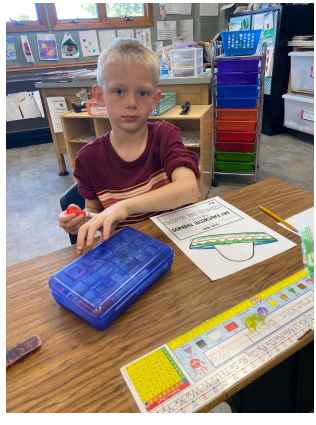
Math: Our unit 13 tests went very well! Our next unit is all about different shapes and their attributes.

1st Grade News

Mrs. Greuel

Religion: We have been learning about different Catholic Church leaders this week. We learned that St. Peter was the first Pope and that we are a part of the Catholic Church family.





Social Studies: We have been learning about other cultures and traditions. It was perfect timing to learn about Cinco de Mayo this week!



2nd Grade News

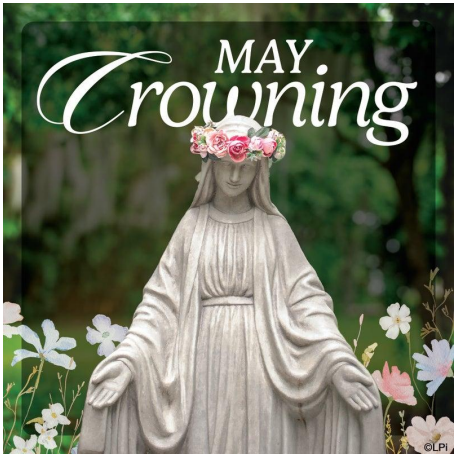
Mrs. Oye

May Crowning Mass















2nd Grade News

Mrs. Oye

May Crowning Mass







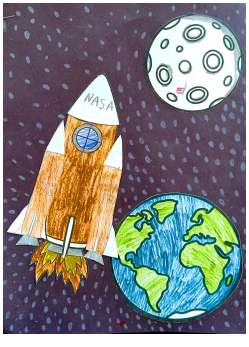


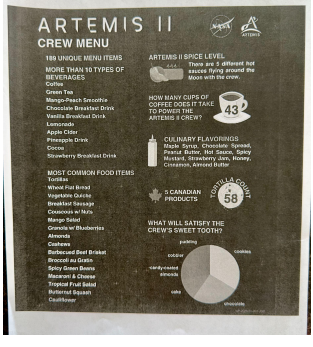


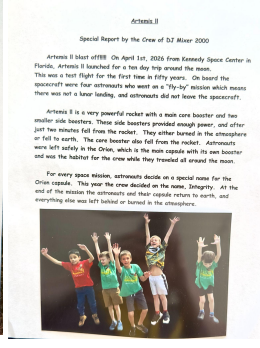
2nd & 3rd Grade News

Mrs. Burkart

Science: The 2nd and 3rd Grade students followed the recent 10 day mission around the moon by the four person crew aboard Artemis II. Students enjoyed learning about the mission, the spacecraft and its essential parts that made the successful launch into space as well as its return to earth. Students watched videos of the launch that took place on April 1st from the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, and also of the landing of the capsule, Integrity, in the Pacific Ocean. Students were interested in various facts especially about the private bathroom, and of the different foods that were made available for the astronauts on their space flight. A unit packet was completed by students which included a group narrative on Artemis II, marshmallow rocket launchers, launching pads and rockets built with legos while working together as a space crew.





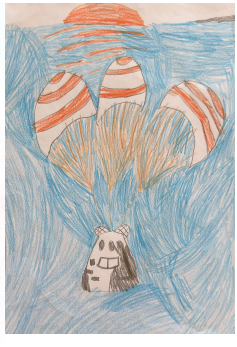

Artemis II

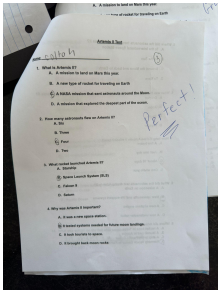
Special Report by the Crew of DJ Mixer 2000

Artemis II blast off!!! On April 1st, 2026 from Kennedy Space Center in Florida, Artemis II launched for a ten day trip around the moon. This was a test flight for the first time in fifty years. On board the spacecraft were four astronauts who went on a "fly-by" mission which means there was not a lunar landing, and astronauts did not leave the spacecraft.

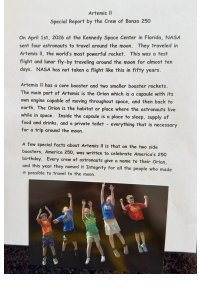
Artemis II is a very powerful rocket with a main core booster and two smaller side boosters. These side boosters provided enough power, and after just two minutes fell from the rocket. They either burned in the atmosphere or fell to earth. The core booster also fell from the rocket. Astronauts were left safely in the Orion, which is the main capsule with its own booster and was the habitat for the crew while they traveled all around the moon.

For every space mission, astronauts decide on a special name for the Orion capsule. This year the crew decided on the name, Integrity. At the end of the mission the astronauts and their capsule return to earth, and everything else was left behind or burned in the atmosphere.








Artemis II

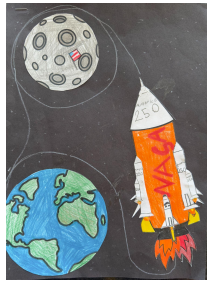
Special Report by the Crew of Banza 250

On April 1st, 2026 at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, NASA sent four astronauts to travel around the moon. They traveled in Artemis II, the world's most powerful rocket. This was a test flight and later fly by traveling around the moon for almost ten days. NASA has not taken a flight like this in fifty years.

Artemis II has a core booster and two smaller booster rockets. The main part of Artemis is the Orion which is a capsule with its own engine capable of moving throughout space, and then back to earth. The Orion is the habitat or place where the astronauts live while in space. Inside the capsule is a place to sleep, supply of food and drinks, and a private toilet - everything that is necessary for a trip around the moon.

A few special facts about Artemis II is that on the two side boosters, America 250, was written to celebrate America's 250 birthday. Every crew of astronauts give a name to their Orion, and this year they named it Integrity for all the people who made it possible to travel to the moon.





2nd & 3rd Grade News

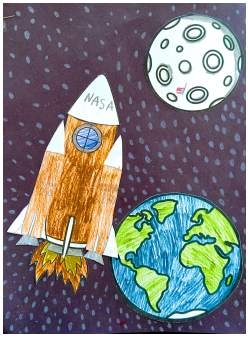
Mrs. Burkart

Congratulations to Cassandra, Henry, Colton, and Max for launching their marshmallows to infinity and beyond! (almost)

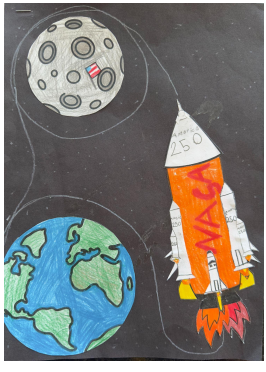






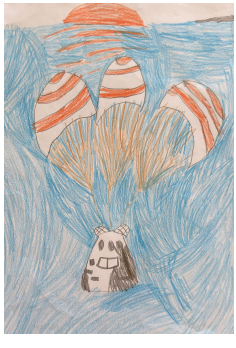








"That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind" ... Neil Armstrong



2nd & 3rd Grade News

Mrs. Burkart

ELA: The 3rd Grade students recently completed a lesson on the Biography of Milton Hershey. He's no stranger to the students because they were briefly introduced to him last year in literature, and obviously they know of the King of Chocolates. As usual, the students were most impressed that Milton Hershey's chocolate and wealth grew from very humble beginnings. Growing up as a child, the Hershey family did not own much, and he only went to school through 4th grade. Milton had a tremendous attitude towards life and failure. He never let failure discourage him, instead he was always motivated to do better.

Milton Hershey started his candy business first with caramel. Eventually, he became fixed on the idea of making chocolate. After selling his caramel store, he started the Hershey Factory on the farmstead that he grew up on. As a successful entrepreneur of his time his ideas and inspiration were like no other. In addition to his chocolate factory, Milton built a town for workers to live in along with a transportation system. After realizing that he and his wife, Kitty, could not have children, they built an orphanage and school for orphaned children.

Throughout history, and even after his death, Milton Hershey became known as a great philanthropist.

Alexander, Cassandra, Sloan, and Winton incorporated writing with this piece of literature by creating short poems about chocolate or Hershey, Pennsylvania. They picked specific Hershey Chocolate products, and shared their opinion as to why their chocolate was one of the best. They wrote a narrative on Milton Hershey. Lastly, they created a diorama on the Hershey Town, Hershey Amusement Park or Water Park.

Students' writings on Milton Hershey and his chocolates

2nd & 3rd Grade News

Mrs. Burkart

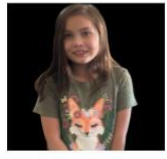


Thank you to all of our
family and friends who joined us on
Special Person's Day
Sincerely,
The 2nd & 3rd Grade Student
















Click on the link to our America's Confectionery Timeline
America's Confectionery Timeline

Puns about our Special Person and Candy.

"You're a real Sweet-Tart!"

"You're the Best in the Milky Way!"

"We love how you make us Laugh and Snicker!"

"You're a real Life Saver!"

"Be-Twix you and me, you're the best!"

4th-8th Grade News

Mrs. Rammer

School Mass 5/6/26













Cole & Joey served.









First Communicants brought flowers for Mary.











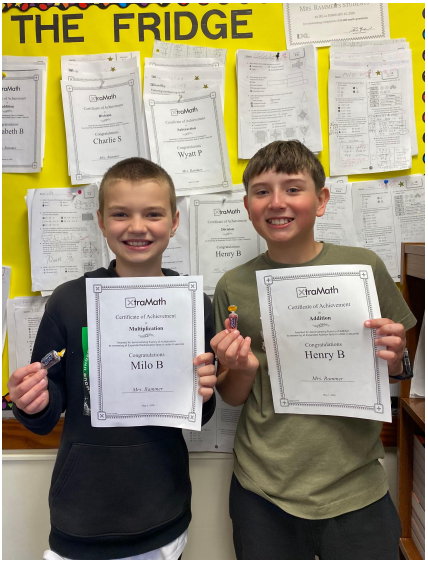
4th-8th Grade News

Mrs. Rammer

IXL Math Leaderboards April 27 - May 3, 2026

1	Cole Freund	11 skills mastered
2	Levi Ziegelbauer	10 skills mastered
3	Mason Springborn	8 skills mastered

1	Lydia Breuer	3 skills mastered
1	Charlie Fuhrmann	3 skills mastered
2	Elizabeth Breuer	1 skill mastered



XtraMath Certificates

Milo - expanded multiplication facts in 6 seconds

Henry - expanded addition facts in 2 seconds

Thank you for all the thoughtfulness during Teacher Appreciation Week!

4th-8th Grade News

Mr. Zeleske

Social Studies: This week, the younger students prepared for their test on the Constitution! They also made and presented a project in which they created their own country! The students wrote laws and a Bill of Rights for their country, then explained why laws and rights are important. The older students finished their unit on Australia and the Pacific Islands this week. Then they began learning about Northern Eurasia by examining maps of the region and answering questions about climate, elevation, and much more!



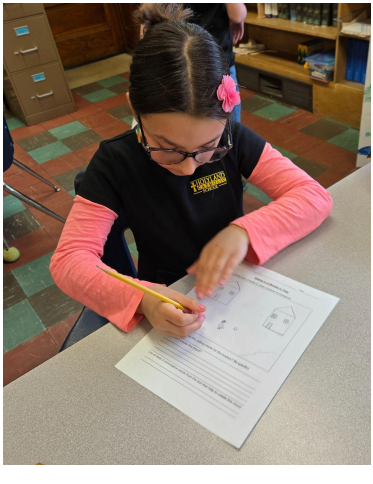


4th-8th Grade News

Mr. Zeleske

Religion: This week, the students finished their unit on the Beatitudes! Then we began studying a couple of prayers that the students are less familiar with–Hail Holy Queen and the Apostle's Creed.

ELA: Both classes spent the week on their novels–answering comprehension questions, learning vocabulary words, and talking about literary elements. The younger students also talked about mood and connotation this week. They also drew the setting of the novel. The older students read another short story, "Harrison Bergeron," and compared it with *The Giver*. They even acted out the story!





Four Houses, One Family

This is our last month of the school year to complete our Service Logs as a school community. It has been a very good year of giving of ourselves to make a difference for others. Let's continue our efforts as well as our prayers for others.

Included are samples of various service hours completed by students in K- 8th grade

- Helped a neighbor with yard work
- Helped mom chop veggies for Easter
- Helped cleanup Marytown Park
- Served at Mass
- Cleaned mom's car
- Planted trees for Earth Day
- Helped with work in the garden
- Helped dad with grocery shopping
- Made pictures for classmates just because!!!!
- Put away laundry
- Fixed potholes in driveway
- Helped at the Agriculture Showcase
- Helped at Feed My Starving Children
- Walked Grandma's Dog
- Random Act of Kindness for neighbors
- Helping Hands at Food Pantry
- Visited Prayer Partner
- Made blankets for Children's Hospital
- Played piano at nursing home
- Bused tables at HCS Fish Fry
- Went through clothes to donate

Give your Hands to Serve,
and your Heart to Love 💛
Mother Teresa

Thank you!

Thank you to all Holyland Catholic School families for providing the faculty and staff with a wonderful week celebrating "Teacher Appreciation Week."

Not a day went by without special attention and thoughtfulness - lunch, snacks, special coffee, flowers, gifts, gift cards, massages, and more.

We are truly blessed, and appreciate all that you did to make it such a special week!





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