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through multiage education.
Leading young hearts to Christ."*



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Our Lenten Journey Begins

The Lenten season is such a special one here at MHRs. Like Advent, it offers staff unique opportunities to remind students of God's role in their lives. Maybe even more than during the weeks leading up to Christmas, Lent provides times for us to show students the power of quiet prayer. Parents and other MHRs community members can help our children grow in the practice of their faith by joining us for Mass, the Rosary and Stations of the Cross. The school Mass is, of course, on Friday morning. Stations of the Cross will be on Tuesdays at 1:10 p.m. and the Rosary on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. in the cafeteria. Our children learn so much by seeing living examples of people committed to their faith. Again, please join us in these special devotions when possible. Have a good week!



**"During Lent, let us find concrete ways to overcome our indifference."
—Pope Francis**



Early Release - March 9 - "Out-of-Uniform Day"

Since Wed., March 9, is an Early Release Day, all students can come out-of-uniform if they bring a monetary donation to the Montgomery Food Shelf. Donations will be collected at the start of the school day.

Science, Technology and Engineering Preview Summer (STEPS) Program

The STEPS program is returning to the University of St. Thomas. The Science, Technology and Engineering Preview Summer (STEPS) Program is an introduction to the exciting world of science, technology and engineering. We hope to expose learners to potential engineering careers, college life and ignite an interest in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. These day-long engineering programs are available at no-cost for girls who are currently in 6th or 8th grade. The programs are hosted by and held at the University of St. Thomas, School of Engineering, St. Paul, MN. For more information about the STEPS Program, please contact Michael Gerard, STEPS Program Coordinator at michael.gerard@stthomas.edu or 763-607-6428.



Mask Mandate on School Transportation

On Friday, February 25, the CDC changed their guidance related to masking on public and private school transportation vehicles. The new guidelines do not require drivers or riders on school vehicles to wear a mask. Effective Tuesday, March 1, MHRs will not require individuals riding on school transportation vehicles to wear a mask or face covering.



45th KC Fish Bake

Friday, March 4, 2022, American Legion Club, 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and 4:00-7:30 p.m.

Butter Braid Sales

MHRs annual Butter Braid sales start this week. Orders are due by March 15 and delivery will be March 31. The profits of this sale go to Grades 5-6 to fund their Environmental Trip to Eagle Bluff next school year. If no students contact you, please feel free to contact the school so you do not miss out on this sweet opportunity.



Thank yous

As part of the school's window project, the two ground level windows between Door #1 and Door #4 also received an upgrade. Thanks to Kevin & Jamie Kriha of Kriha Electric who had the window coverings designed, purchased and installed. God Bless! On another note, mark down May 20 on your calendar. In conjunction with MHRs's "Kick-off to Summer", MHRs is planning on having an Open House to show off all the new renovations: the new office space, the Little Lamb Classroom and the Science Room, as well as seeing all the new windows from the inside.



As always, please feel free to email or call me with any thoughts or concerns.

Thank you -
Mr. Vondracek, Principal - gvondracek@mosthrs.org

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Calendar:

- Note: All School Mass time is 8:30 a.m.**
- March 2**—All School Mass, Ash Wednesday, Gr. 7,8
- March 7-11**, Mini Courses
- March 8**—Stations of the Cross, 1:10 p.m., MHRC
- March 9**—Early Out (12:45 p.m.) Bring a monetary donation to the Montgomery Food Shelf & you can be out of uniform.
- March 10**—Happy Birthday to Fr. George
- March 11**—All School Mass, Gr. 3,4
- March 15**—Stations of the Cross, 1:10 p.m., MHRC
- March 16**—Happy Birthday to Fr. Tom
- March 16-30**—Roller skating during PE

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Remember to keep saving: cell phones (delete account) for recycling, Box Tops 4 Education (enter new codes with phone app), textiles for the US'Again drop off bin (NE corner of Holy Redeemer parking lot), aluminum cans for the MHRs/KC trailer (NE corner of parking lot), Coke product codes - drop off codes at school/church or enter at <http://coke.com/give/schools> and designate Most Holy Redeemer School, Loaves4Learning UPCs and pop tabs. Also earn points for MHRs when shopping at Coborn's, Cash Wise or Marketplace Foods. Designate Most Holy Redeemer School when you log in and register at moreRewards.com.

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