



CROSSROADS

Holy Family Catholic Academy
December 2022

Aloha families and friends of HFCA,

We are so excited for our December activities, which include the return of our beloved Christmas Program, decorating the Church's Christmas trees, Mass on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, our second-annual Pancakes with Santa, a sweet treat for St. Nicholas day, and adorable Christmas crafts woven among the academic focus wrapping up the second quarter of the year.

May your holidays be filled with joy, peace, and gratitude as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. We'd like to wish you and your 'ohana a very, Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year!

Take care, and God bless,

Celeste Akiu, Principal

December Community Outreach - Catholic Charities Hawai'i.



There are a few tables left at our second annual Pancakes with Santa breakfast on December 10th at 8 am. Please join us for breakfast, photos with Santa, a silent auction, keiki craft and live Christmas music! Tables of 6 are \$125, and all **proceeds benefit Catholic Charities Hawai'i**, and the incredible work they do in our community. Please see the link on ParentSquare to save your seat!

Friends of Holy Family

We are excited to announce the launch of Friends of Holy Family - a way for our former students, families, and friends to stay connected to HFCA. While this group is not for current parents (the information will be redundant) we invite you to share with family members and friends who may be interested in HFCA. They can sign up on our [website](#).



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UPCOMING PTG EVENTS

NEXT MEETING:
DECEMBER 8, 9 A.M., AT HFCA
PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO LEARN
MORE ABOUT THE PTG, PLEASE
EMAIL PTG@HFCAHAWAII.ORG.**

NOVEMBER COVID-19 CASES AT HFCA

During the month of November, our school community had 2 positive Covid-19 cases reported.

If an HFCA student tests positive for Covid-19, parents must notify Principal Celeste Akiu immediately at: cakiu@hfcahawaii.org and 808-780-8786.

All Covid-19-related questions should be directed to Principal Akiu.

Student Spotlight: KNK Adventures



We are happy to recognize two of our students who are quite the entrepreneurs! Kimberly Kelley (3A) and Kaitlyn Kelly (4A) have created their own company, KNK Adventure, and have authored a travel journal for kids and an island-inspired coloring and activity book. Both are for sale on Amazon. KNK Adventure was recently recognized for "Highest Business Potential" at the Acton Children's Business Fair, and Kaitlyn and Kimberly had the chance to meet Miss Teen Hawaii as part of their recognition. Congratulations, girls!



Class Spotlight: 2nd Grade

Our second graders have been focused on gratitude, God's love, and how we are called to love others and support our community members in need. In addition to many in-class activities, Mrs. Miguel and Ms. Hailee created a collaborative place-based project for their Religion and Social Studies classes to benefit the Kahauiki Village Institute for Human Services and specifically the Kaaahi Children's program at their Women & Family Shelter that provides emergency shelter and services to women and their 'ohana in need. Mahalo to the many families who have donated toys and games, and basic necessities to help our sisters and brothers in need feel a little extra aloha this Christmas season!



TURKEY TROT FUN!

Just before Thanksgiving break our students gathered to enjoy a “Turkey Trot” of activities to celebrate the culmination of our November community outreach project benefiting the Hawaii Children's Cancer Foundation (HCCF). Mahalo to Assistant Principal Jocelyn Burch for planning such a memorable day, our amazing families for donating \$3,537.41 to HCCF, and our parent volunteers who pitched in to help.



Let Us Pray

Eternal Father, your Son's advent was the dawn of our redemption. May our devotion to him rise like the morning star, and may you always guide us towards greater discipleship to him. Prepare our hearts, we pray, to worthily celebrate the anniversary of his birth, and inspire us to care for the pilgrim with Christian charity, and hear and answer our prayers according to your will, through Christ, our Lord.

- Father Rheo Ofalsa

Holy Family Catholic Church

Monday - Friday

Mass - 8am

Saturday

Confessions - 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Mass (Sunday Vigil) - 5 pm

Sunday

Masses at 8:30 am, 11 am, and 7 pm

We invite parents, grandparents, and friends of HFCA to join us for mass any time! Masks are optional.

Ready the way of the Lord!

We wish you a beautiful Season of Advent, filled with love, joy, hope, and peace.

