

GATOR GAZETTE



HOLY NAME OF JESUS SCHOOL
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Online Newsletter of Holy Name of Jesus School

Dear Parents:

It is with much enthusiasm that I welcome you to the 2011- 2012 school year! I extend a warm welcome to all who are new to our school community. Together with the faculty and staff, our pastor, Father Donald Hawkins, SJ, and the parent community, I will strive to make this year one of excellence for our students in the areas of academic, spiritual and emotional growth. I invite all of our parents to be actively involved in our school. Your involvement is vital to the success of your child and to the success of our school. I look forward to working with you in the education of your child.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Courtney Wolbrette, M.Ed.
Principal

Welcome to all!



CALENDAR

- September 5—Labor Day (No School)
- September 14—PTC Meeting—7:00 PM
- September 16—Gazette Deadline
- September 18—Catechetical Sunday Mass-10:30 AM
Back-to-School BBQ-4-6 PM
- September 21-Mercy Day Honoring the Mercy Sisters-8:30 AM
HNJ Parish Community Dinner
- September 28-Gazette Distribution
- October 11—Open House for Prospective Parents/Students —4:30-7:00 PM



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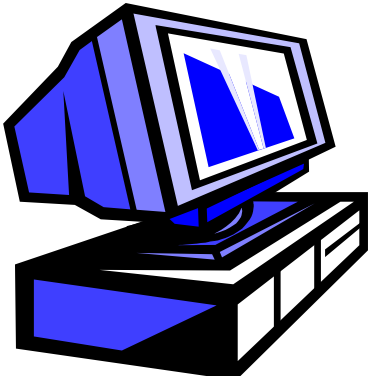
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MISSION STATEMENT OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS SCHOOL

Holy Name of Jesus School is an inclusive community dedicated to teaching children confidence, compassion, and integrity while staying committed to academic excellence and the Catholic faith.

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Social Worker News

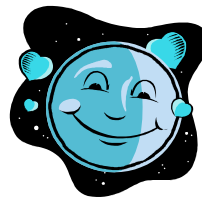
Underneath all the excitement, everybody has the heebie jeebies at the beginning of the school year. Letting go and moving up—the unchanging work of every August—has parents in a hovering, nervous sweat, wanting to make the way smooth, reminding, questioning, shopping, tearing hair and worrying. Above all, worrying. Even returning children are feeling like new kids again, eyeing new classmates, new teachers, new schedules. The fifth grade has entered a world of lockers, procedures, organizational demands. The pre-k's must let go of Mom's hand and walk into a strange building. Our families moving here from elsewhere have the glazed look of deer in the headlights, as well they might.

All the mental health gurus talk about “letting go.” Not having guru status, I will admit that what follows is just my opinion. But I believe we mustn't confuse it with giving up our efforts; it in fact takes more effort to let go. There's the familiar letting go when we allow our child to separate from us to go to school. Beyond saying goodbye, and peeling her off our legs, we have to let go of the idea that only we know how best to handle/comfort our child. Then we have to let go of the notion that we know how he or she is going to react and behave at school. If a learning difficulty crops up, or is suspected, we learn to let go of what we have confidently assumed to be the child's path, and here especially it's time to practice letting go of the compulsion to fix everything that goes wrong for our child. Some of the assumptions we hang onto come with very longstanding family traditions and beliefs. And if life itself throws us a terrible curve, it's a long journey to let go of our notions of “how life was going to be,” and engage in the new journey.

I'm not telling you anything you don't know here; just reminding you that we are all letting go of something when we embark on a new school year. You get the point. Launching our children takes a long time, and every school year we try to push the process along a little more. So like the guru says, let's practice some deep breathing and letting go!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lisa Houck, MSCW
Social Worker



STUDENT ACCIDENT WRAP-AROUND COVERAGE

Holy Name of Jesus School has purchased student accident insurance for all students enrolled for the 2011–2012 school year. This insurance, provided by Monumental Life Insurance Company, offers coverage for accidental injuries occurring during normal school hours or while participating in any school sponsored and supervised activities, including gym classes, interscholastic sports and field trips.

Also available for consideration on a voluntary participation basis are three (3) optional supplemental coverages through Bollinger, Inc. The options are as follows:

24 Hour Accident Insurance

Student Life Insurance

Dental Accident Insurance

Please note that the accidental plan described above provides “Excess Coverage.” This means that coverage is provided only for those medical expenses not covered by other applicable insurance plans, health maintenance organizations or similar organizations.

Please contact Mrs. Lydia Steele in the Holy Name of Jesus School office if you should need further information.

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Holy Name of Jesus Parish Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:00 P.M. Vigil

Sunday

8:00, 10:30 A.M., 6:00 P.M.

Monday-Friday

6:30, 7:30 A.M. Mass

Saturday

7:30 A.M.



Principal's Notebook

Dear Parents:

I would like to thank the following for their volunteer efforts:

Mrs. Elaine Ferrara, Mrs. Laura Anderson, Ms. Kari Anderson-HNJ Yearbook

Mrs. Erin Kavanagh-Back-to-School Luncheon for Teachers and Staff

Mrs. Regina May and Mrs. Peggy Scott—New Parents' Social

Mrs. Anne Marie Jackson-Family Bingo

Sincerely,

Mrs. Wolbrette

Gazette Info

If you have good news you wish to share about your child, please e-mail the information to rtomeny@hnjschool.org. We love to spread "good news" about our students and welcome any items you might have. All items must be submitted at least two weeks in advance. Please note deadline dates in **Calendar of Events** on Page 1.

HNJ Community Dinners

Would you like to feel more connected to your HNJ Church community? Do you ever wonder about the people sitting in the pews all around you at Mass? Would you like to do more than just pass through the doors to fulfill your weekly obligation? Or would you simply like to have someone else cook dinner one night? If you answer "yes" to any of these questions, we have an opportunity for you! We are offering an opportunity to skip the dinner dishes at home, and join your fellow parishioners for dinner at HNJ school instead.

Where: HNJ School (parking available in the school yard)

When: **Wednesday, September 21 at 6:30 pm**

Who: Anyone who wants to be part of our community

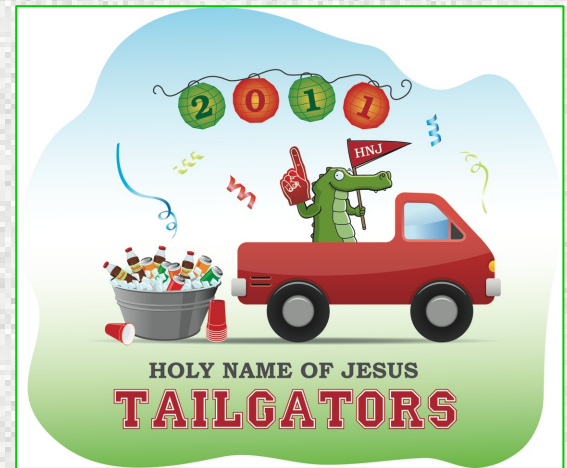
Cost: None!!!

If you wish to get more involved in the Community Dinners, either by volunteering or donating, please contact the Community Dinner Coordinator, Robin Roussel at 458-2938. Remaining dates are: **January 18, and March 14.**



From the Admissions Department...

If you know of someone interested in Holy Name for their child, please have them contact Mrs. Gail Schulster, Admissions Director, at 861-1466, or via e-mail at gschulster@hnjschool.org, for more information or to schedule a tour. Please note that our **Annual Open House for Prospective Parents/Students will be held on Tuesday, October 11 from 4:30-7:00 PM.**



HNJ Men's Club Thank You!!!

By now you have certainly noticed the bright yellow paint on the curbs and sidewalks around the school! Our thanks go to the Men's Club. Jim Lamy planned and coordinated the massive effort on Saturday, August 7. In the course of five hours, over 30 dads (and several moms), HNJ students and alums painted, power washed, trimmed hedges and trees, repaired the fence and canopy and, in general, helped get the exterior of the building ready for the new school year.

The Men's Club is an organization open to all men associated with Holy Name of Jesus. Often perceived as a purely social group, they are so much more! Throughout the year they are involved in many endeavors that make our school and community a better place. The men were especially visible the first week of school as they "did" carpool all week so that the faculty and staff could be inside and responsive to the needs of the students this first week. Other Men's Club activities include a Golf Tournament, a Fishing Rodeo, crawfish cook-off, support of all PTC activities, and, of course, those Monday night meetings!



2011 Holy Name of Jesus Gator Fest Sponsorship Opportunities

Cheerleader:

* In-kind donations such as food items, drinks, decorations, printing, raffle items and prizes help to offset our expenses for the Gator Fest and thereby increase our profit margin. Donors pledging contribution of goods or services will be contacted by our fair chairpersons.

Rookie:

*Recognition on the 2011 Gator Fest Hall of Fame
*Cost: (\$50-\$499)

Pro:

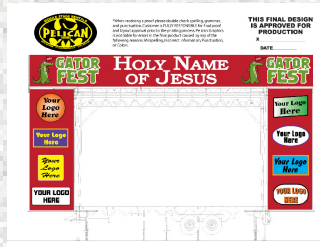
*Signage on one Booth at Gator Fest
*Gator Fest T-shirt Sponsor
* Cost: (\$500-\$999)

All Stars:

*Signage on one Booth at Gator Fest
*Gator Fest T-shirt Sponsor
*Signage on Calhoun Street fence for 1 week prior and during Gator Fest Weekend
* Cost: (\$1000 - \$1499)

HNJ Gator Team:

* Signage on one Booth at Gator Fest
*Gator Fest T-shirt Sponsor
* Signage on Stage



* Cost: (\$1500 +)

Company or Family Name _____
(As to appear on back of T-shirt or signage if applicable)

Contact Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone Number _____

Total Amount Due _____

Credit Card # _____ Exp _____ Security Code # _____

Make checks payable to HNJ-PTC

Please mail forms to Holy Name of Jesus – Attn: J. Babineaux – 6325 Cromwell Pl – New Orleans, LA 70118

Parents' Annual Giving Drive

This past school year, the gap between tuition and the actual cost to educate a child at HNJ was \$753.00 per student. We will launch our **2011-12 Drive** in September and more info will be given to you as to our "gap" figure for this school year, in addition to our expenses. Thank you for your generosity on behalf of the children of Holy Name of Jesus School. Following is a complete listing of our donors **who have completed their pledge to the 2010-11 Drive**. If you have any questions regarding the Drive, please contact Mrs. Rosalie Tomeny in the Development Office at **861-9709**, or via e-mail at rtomeny@hnjschool.org. Mr. and Mrs. David Huete have graciously agreed to serve as the PAG Chairs again this year, and we are very grateful for their willingness to serve in this important capacity. As in the past, **Visa and Master Card** are available as a method of payment. You can also log on to www.hnjschool.org and make your donation through our secure giving site, via **Pay Pal**.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel R. Adams
 Dr. Chris Algero
 Mr. and Mrs. Christopher B. Algero, Sr.
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 Mr. and Mrs. Michael C. Drew
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 Mr. and Mrs. Gregory L. Ernst
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 Mr. and Mrs. Karl J. Fasold

2010-11 Update

Total Pledges: \$104,000.00
 Total Collected so far: \$98,000.00
 Balance Remaining to be collected: \$6,000.00
 Number of Families Participating: 215

IF YOU HAVE NOT COMPLETED YOUR PLEDGE TO THE 2010-11 PAG, PLEASE DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT WE MAY CLOSE OUT THE DRIVE, BEFORE WE LAUNCH THE 2011-12 PAG DRIVE. MANY, MANY THANKS FOR ALL OF YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PAG AND HNJ!!

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Mr. and Mrs. Kurt J. Flair
 Mr. and Mrs. Marek V. Florian
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 Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wetmore
 Mr. and Mrs. Hillary Williams
 Mrs. Courtney Wolbrette (for grand-
 son Harry Miller)
 Mr. and Mrs. Keith D. Wood, Jr.
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 Dr. and Mrs. Socrates Zapata
 Mr. and Mrs. Mark A. Zelden
 Mr. Jingjing Zhan and Ms. Xiujuan
 Zhang



Holy Name of Jesus School Fourth Quarter Honor Roll 2010-2011

High Honors

Fifth Grade

Julianne Lamy
Anne Zelden
Renee Breaux
Melissa Berner
Damon Smith
Viviane Krug
Colin Wood
Sophie Ondrusek
Jeremy Baier
Madison Manale
Blake Mire
Caitlin Haik
Eddie Redmann
Nadia Haik
Madeline Donofrio

Sixth Grade

Evangeline Crouch
Christian Marks
Paulina Crouch
Samantha Conway
Madison Meyer
Victoria Crouch
Mary Catherine DeMatteo

Seventh Grade

Zachary Baier
Benji Creel
Kendall McGoey

Honors

Fifth Grade

Amelia Vallette
Hunter Babineaux
Cutty Ashley
Cara Ford
Alex Williams
Ethan Meydrich
Brenna Lauga
Madison Ezell
Jose Gonzalez
Adelyn Becker
Grey Ellis
Hannah Wright
Annie Munoz
Peter Brocato
Justin Leal
Paige Dawson
Ashley Phillips
Lillian Rigamer

Sixth Grade

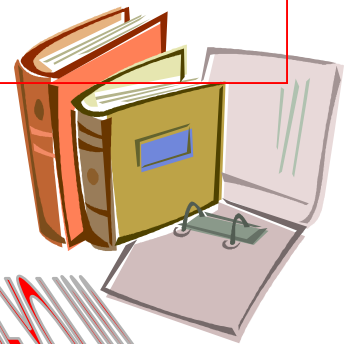
Blythe Calamari
Andrew Stahl
Jessica Vadiie
Maria Walter
Daniel DeGrange
Kaitlin Guillot
Grace Ryan
Lucy Terranova
Marcelle Kepper
Gabriella DeMatteo
Camille Nelson
Clare Kavanagh
Elizabeth Evans
Maria Pablo

Honors (Continued)

Xavier Oberhelman
Will Strout
Liam Crane
Bryce Duffy
Mason Seither
Kathryn Fasold
Mary Elizabeth Zelden
Gillian Sudderth
Patrick Brou
William King

Seventh Grade

Alexandra Bishop
Roosevelt Singleton
Amalia Skalos
Ty Bozeman
David Balaguer
Zoe Mysing
Marie Miller
Ethan Morales
Kelsey Healy
Isabel Gibson
Alexander Hildreth
Gabrielle Donofrio
James Blake
Sarah Healy
Jessica Anderson



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WHO WERE HONORED!

4th & 5th Grade Duke Talent Identification Program (2010-11)

These students scored at or above the 95th percentile in one of the selected areas of last year's TerraNova Test.

Blair Anderson
Alexander Doll
Gabrielle Duhe
Josef Ernst
Richie Foley
Hannah Jacquet
Alan Krug
Gabrielle Marullo
Katherine Mazzanti
Connor Onstad
Duncan Royster
Dex Webster
Haley Williams
Cutty Ashley
Paige Dawson
Viviane Krug
Sophie Ondrusek



Duke TIP 7th Grade Recognitions

The following 7th graders are qualified to participate in the Duke University Talent Identification Program this year (2011-12). To be selected, these children have scored at the 95th percentile or higher in one or more selected areas of the TerraNova Test or other tests. They have received an invitation to participate in the program and take the ACT or SAT with area high school students this school year. The 7th grade students are:

Luke Becker
Taylor Bonnet
Blythe Calamari
Samantha Conway
Liam Crane
Evangeline Crouch
Paulina Crouch
Victoria Crouch
Daniel DeGrange
Elizabeth Evans
Thomas Gravois
Clare Kavanagh
Christian Marks
Camille Nelson
Xavier Oberhelman
Dominic Salamone
Will Strout
Lucy Terranova
Maria Walter
Mary Elizabeth Zelden

A Big HNJ "Welcome" to our New Teachers :

Ms. Wendy New-Kindergarten
Mrs. Paula Sherman-Middle School
Ms. Katie Torres-Art
Mrs. Stephanie Vlosich-Third Grade

We are glad you are with us!

Rice Bowl Update, Lent 2011

Rice Bowls are cardboard boxes distributed at the beginning of Lent to each student. Seventy-five percent of Rice Bowls proceeds are sent to Catholic Relief Services and help fund projects designed to increase the food supply in communities around the world. Twenty-five percent stays in our diocese to fight local poverty and hunger.

Last year HNJ families hit an all-time high for generosity. We collected \$1,993.32 to feed the hungry via Rice Bowls. Thank you to all who donated money. We were able to give more than twice as much as we did last year.

A special thank you to HNJ 4th graders Elise Landrum and Grace Wood. The girls graciously spent several days over the summer counting money. They wanted to donate their time to this worthy cause. Many thanks, Grace and Elise!!



2010-11 Holy Name of Jesus School Middle School End-of-the-Year Awards

Fifth Grade Duke Talent Identification Participants

Liam Crane
Madison Meyer
Lucy Terranova
Maria Walter

Seventh Grade Duke Talent Identification Participants who received state recognition.

Benji Creel
Gabrielle Donofrio
Isabel Gibson

Zachary Baier– Grand Recognition

Perfect Attendance

Alec Dunham
Zander Hildreth

St. Thomas Aquinas Medals

3 years of hard work and dedication to Quiz Bowl
St. Thomas Aquinas is the patron saint of students and schools

Benji Creel
Roosevelt Singleton

Later Gators

Marie Miller
Roosevelt Singleton



Casie Arnona in Mrs. Hunleys' Second Grade Class, cut off over 11 inches of her hair and donated it to Locks of Love. This organization helps in providing hairpieces to children in the United States and Canada. Casie, we are very proud of you!

National Junior Beta Club Medals

Seventh grade Beta members who have fulfilled the requirements for the year.

Kendall McGoey
Gabrielle Donofrio
Benji Creel
Jessica Anderson

Choir Awards

Jessica Anderson
Gabrielle Donofrio
Kendall McGoey
Amalia Skalos
Marie Miller

Sacristan Award

Benji Creel

Christian Values Awards

This award is presented to a student who has displayed outstanding Christian Values throughout the school year.

5th Grade

Renee Breaux and Colin Wood

6th Grade

Marcelle Kepper and Sean Cremaldi

7th Grade

Grace Hendricks and Jonathan Campi

2010-11 Holy Name of Jesus School Middle School End-of-the-Year Awards (Continued from Page 11)

Outstanding Overall Achievement

These students had the highest overall average

5th Grade

Julianne Lamy



6th Grade

Evangeline Crouch

7th Grade

Zachary Baier

Mother McCauley Award

Kendall McGoey

Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizenship Award

Canaan Frizzell

Academic Achievement Awards

Math—Kelsey Healy
 Reading—Kendall McGoey
 English—Zachary Baier
 Science—Benji Creel
 Social Studies—Roosevelt Singleton
 Religion—Alex Bishop
 Computer—James Blake
 PE—Gabrielle Donofrio
 Spanish—David Balaguer
 Art—Amalia Skalos



Later Gator News

Please remember that the classes offered at Later Gators (Art, Chess, Karate, Manners, Piano, Tumbling and Violin) will not begin until after Labor Day. Please contact the teachers of the classes directly.

Art: missdebdots@yahoo.com

Chess: EFer7777@aol.com or cdwester@cox.net

Karate: taisabaki50@aol.com

Manners: Lisette@later-gators.com

Piano: sschwartzmann@hnjschool.org

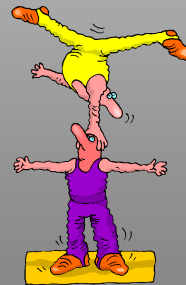
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Your child has to be registered with Later Gators in order to take part in the class. If your child attends a class, there is a \$2/day charge to cover supervision and snack. Children are not to leave and return for their classes.

Thanks for your support.

Ms. Lisette A. Charbonnet
 Director, Later Gators



High School Scholarship Recipients:

Kendall McGoey— Ursuline Academy

Zachary Baier—Brother Martin

Roosevelt Singleton—St. Augustine

Congratulations to all—we are very proud of you!

GATOR GLOSSARY

Acronyms and terms you might hear around school...

PTC – Parent Teacher Club

PAG – Parent Annual Giving. A voluntary, tax-deductible donation to the school that makes up the difference between the tuition and how much it costs to education a student, aka the Gap

BBQ - Annual Back to school Barbeque

Gator Fest – A three-day event at school with bands, rides, and games, aka the fair

The Basement – The room where the K–7th grades eat lunch, aka the cafeteria or the lunchroom

The Lobby – The room outside of the office with the statues of Mary and Jesus

The Swamp – The bookstore located off the basement

Middle School – Grades 5–7

Lower School – Grades 2-4

Early Childhood – Pre-Kindergarten (Pre-K), Kindergarten (K), and 1st Grade

The Big Yard – The biggest yard used by lower school for recess, aka the teacher’s parking lot.

The Little Yard – The medium-sized yard on Cromwell Place and Calhoun Street, used primarily by 1st grade and Kindergarten

The Pre-K and K Yard – The small yard on Cromwell used by Pre-K and Kindergarten, closest to Loyola University

Later Gators – Holy Name’s after-school program

The Parish Center – The building across Calhoun Street from school on LaSalle Place; this is where the parish priests live and work. It is also houses the offices for the parish, with meeting rooms, aka the Rectory

Kid Mail – Sending something to school in your child’s folder to the office, a teacher or another child at school.

Edline—Official site for all school info (can be accessed through www.hnjschool.org—Holy Name of Jesus School website)

The Gator Gazette – A monthly newsletter about the goings on at HNJ sent via e-mail, aka The Gazette (what you are reading right now!)

Please, please, please, for the **safety** of our children and everyone at HNJ,
 ■ **DO NOT** talk and/or text while you are in the carpool line. Thank you for
 ■ your shared cooperation in helping us make sure carpool is safe for all.

■ Also, please **do not cross** your child, morning or afternoon, in the middle of
 ■ Calhoun Street. We ask that you please go to either corner (LaSalle or
 ■ Cromwell) and cross him/her there. We are trying to make sure that the
 ■ children are as safe as possible. Thank you for your cooperation in this mat-
 ■ ter.



This and That...

We are delighted to welcome **92 new families and 125 new students** to HNJ this year. We hope that you will get involved in the many activities at HNJ so you can truly experience what is special about this school!

Special thanks to Marcelle Kepper, Camille Nelson, Elizabeth Evans and Kathryn Fasold for their assistance as tour guides at the new student Orientation on Friday, August 12. Their smiles and friendliness made all the new children feel very welcome!

Alumni News

Kudos to ...

Sydney Jones, who was selected as an honorary recipient of the 2011 Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos eighth Grade Scholarship Award at Dominican High School

DeLaSalle High School bestowed the following awards to HNJ alums:

Brooke Miller—Sedes Sapientiae Award
Mario Ramirez-American Legion Award
Michael Olejniczak-Valedictorian-2011 Class and Signum Fidei Award

Amalia Skalos' team won the One Nation Cup Soccer Tournament in Germany this summer.

Congratulations to all of these students. We are very proud of you!



GO GATORS!!!

HNJ Chess Club News

Dex, Don, and David Webster, along with Josef Ernst participated in the US Junior Open Chess Tournament this summer in Houston, TX and won a first place team trophy for Holy Name of Jesus School. Congratulations, boys, we are very proud of you!



Kudos to...

Mrs. Lisa Petagna, who participated in the Women's "B" Singles Club Tennis Matches at New Orleans Lawn & Tennis Club recently and is the **Champion** of the Women's "B" Singles!! Congratulations, Mrs. Petagna, we are very proud of you!

Upcoming HNJ School Masses and Other Religious Events:

September 7—8:30A.M. Mass-Nativity of Mary
 September 14-8:30 A.M. Mass-Triumph of the Holy Cross
 September 21-8:30 A.M.-Mercy Day
 September 28-8:30 A.M.-St. Vincent DePaul

Parents are welcome at all of our weekday Masses and other religious events.

