

Dear AHF Families,

We continue our Lenten journey at AHF this month followed by the Triduum. The Triduum marks the end of the Lenten Season, and leads us to the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, and the Mass of the Resurrection on Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday. We recognize that our students are living in a world filled with distraction now more than ever. By encouraging solid Lenten practices and teaching the true wisdom of the cultural roots of our faith, we are helping to expand not only their minds, but also their souls. Lent is more to them than just "giving up candy." It is a time for growing closer to Our Lord, who sacrificed His life for us. We expose our students to the value of silence in this distractive society by taking the time to listen to God. By teaching these lessons, it is also beneficial to us, as we reinforce our own beliefs within the teaching of them and by living them daily. Accordingly, we rejoice in the celebration of Easter, which occurs on the last day of the month, and brings us the promise of eternal life for our beliefs.

Our Easter break this year runs from Wednesday, March 27 to Sunday, April 7. Our availability for drivers is limited during this time. If you haven't already, please contact Sr. Rafael at [smraf@ahfbaltic.org](mailto:smraf@ahfbaltic.org) as soon as possible with transportation arrangements. It is important to note that our drivers can only transport on Tuesday, March 26 and Wednesday, March 27. The dorms close on Wednesday, March 27. We are not able to transport on Holy Thursday, March 28. We will arrange pickups on Sunday, April 7, and Monday, April 8. After the 8<sup>th</sup>, separate arrangements will have to be made such as a taxi or Uber for transportation back to AHF. Please keep the lines of communication open with Sr. Rafael if you have any questions.

Our Drama Club has been rehearsing for months for a very special dinner theater presentation of "Murder at the Pie Auction, which will take place Friday, March 15 and Saturday, March 16 at 6pm at Hanlon Hall. It includes a four course dinner, a comedy show, and a live and silent pie auction. "Pie money will even be supplied. It is an advanced ticket sales only event. The cost is \$30 a person, and \$50 per couple. All proceeds benefit AHF. For ticket reservations or more information, contact 860-822-8241.

My prayer for you this month is that your Lenten journey is a fruitful one and may the joy of the Resurrected Savior permeate your households in a very special way.

God Bless!

*Henry Fiore, Jr.*

## March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 First Friday Mass 9:30	2
3	4 4pm New Years Club	5 Confessions 10:22 <hr/> Drama Club 7pm <hr/> Softball practice 3:15-4:30	6	7 Drama Club 7pm	8 End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter <hr/> NHS Talent Show <hr/> Service hours with essays due	9
10	11 4pm New Years Club	12 Money Madness Jrs. & Srs. Conn. College 8am-2pm <hr/> Softball practice 3:15-4:30 <hr/> Drama Club 7pm	13 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report Cards go home	14 Drama Club 7pm	15 Drama Club presents Murder at the Pie Auction Dinner Theater 5pm Hanlon Hall	16 Drama Club presents Murder at the Pie Auction Dinner Theater 6pm Hanlon Hall
17	18 4pm New Years Club	19 NHS Induction 1:15 <hr/> Softball practice 3:15-4:30	20 CT March for Life	21 Final Submission of Yearbook	22	23
24	25 4pm New Years Club	26 2:50 pm dismissal for Easter Break	27 Easter Break Dorms Closed	28 Easter Break Dorms Closed	29 Easter Break Dorms Closed	30
31 Happy Easter! 	<b>Reminder: Easter break ends on April 7. Dorms will be closed. Travel pickups back to AHF will be provided Sunday, April 7 and Monday, April 8.</b>					



AHF is enthusiastic to participate in Girls Softball. Practices for the time being will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3: 15- 4:30 pm as indicated on the calendar.

We have two games scheduled so far (click on “Directions” for directions):

Acad. of the Holy Family 2023-24 Softball Schedule						
<p>2 Events Listed</p> <p>☒ Level(s): All</p> <p>☒ Event Types: Game, Scrimmage, Postseason</p> <p style="text-align: center;">   <a href="#">Go Back</a>   </p>						
Date	Sport	Opponent	H/A-Facility	Time/Result	Bus Time	Note
Tue., 4/9	V Softball	<a href="#">Kolbe Cathedral</a>	Home - TBA <a href="#">[Directions]</a>	4:15 p.m.		
Thu., 4/11	V Softball	<a href="#">Kolbe Cathedral</a>	Away - Cal Ripken Field-Cal Ripken Field <a href="#">[Directions]</a>	4:15 p.m.		

## HOLY THURSDAY PRAYER

Loving God,

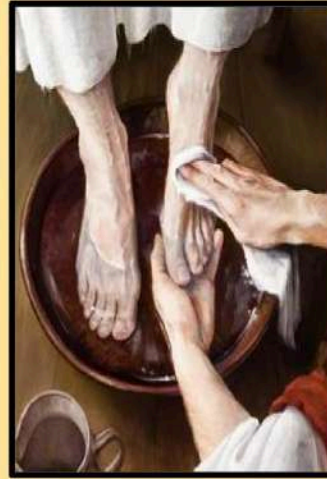
You show us by example how to love others.

Today as we celebrate Holy Thursday, we remember when you washed the feet of your disciples.

Give us the strength to wash each other's feet, not only in the ritual moment of today, but in all moments of our lives.

May we as a family recommit ourselves to the service of others.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.  
Amen.



Prayer Adapted from Liturgical Press

## GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER

Help us to remember this great sacrifice

Our Father in heaven,

We give you all the glory for the love you showed the world by sending your only son to die for us so we might have everlasting life.

Although he never sinned against anyone, he was punished for our sake and he endured so much pain. He made the ultimate sacrifice by dying for us

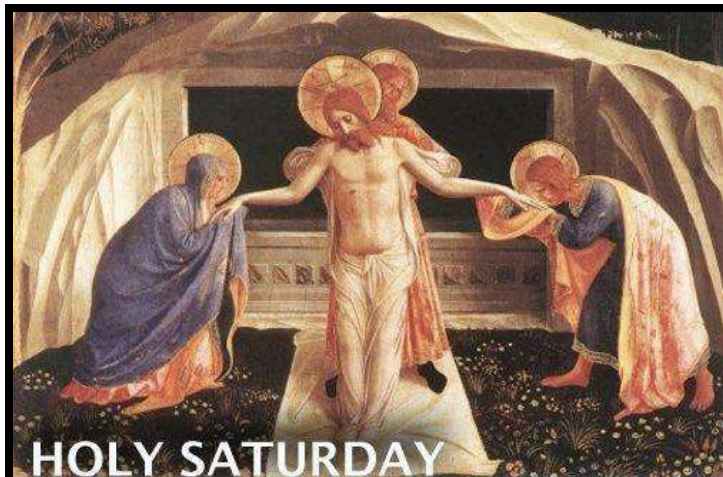
Help us to remember this great sacrifice all the days of our lives

Help us to live a right and just life that will honor your Holy name so that this sacrifice will not be in vain.

Thank you for answering our prayers through Jesus Christ, our Lord

*Amen*

THE GRACEFUL CHAPTER



## HOLY SATURDAY

O God, Creator of heaven and earth:

Grant that, as the crucified body of your dear Son was laid in the tomb and rested on this holy Sabbath, so we may await with him the coming of the third day, and rise with him to newness of life; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen



## *Easter Prayer*

Dear Lord, may I realize afresh today what Your death and resurrection mean for me. Forgiveness, freedom, and the ability to walk with You through this fallen world into eternity. May I always find my satisfaction in You and Your willingness to offer Yourself to me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

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