



ACADEMY OF THE HOLY FAMILY

150th

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER MAY/JUNE 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As the school year draws to a close, and we approach the joyous occasion of graduation, I want to take a moment to reflect on the blessings and milestones we have shared, particularly in this special month of May, dedicated to Our Blessed Mother, whose last spoken words in the Bible were “Do whatever He tells you” (John 2:5) . The reason our school exists is because we are doing what Our Lord told us to do...namely, proclaim his Gospel to all ends of the earth, which is the core of our mission at AHF. This year holds a unique significance as we celebrate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Academy of the Holy Family. For a century and a half, this institution has been a beacon of faith, learning, and community, shaping young women to be leaders, thinkers, and compassionate individuals.

Our school is uniquely situated within the Motherhouse of the Religious Sisters of Charity of Our Lady, Mother of the Church. We are profoundly grateful to the dedicated Sisters who literally open their house to us. Their unwavering commitment to service provides a powerful model for our students and the entire Academy of the Holy Family community. I also extend my sincere gratitude to our amazing faculty and staff for their unwavering dedication in carrying out the school's mission and for caring for all of our students each and every day.

To the parents and guardians of our graduating seniors: your sacrifices in providing your daughters with a Catholic education at the Academy of the Holy Family are deeply appreciated. We recognize the commitment this represents, and we thank you for partnering with us in forming these exceptional young women. And to our dedicated Advisory School Board members, thank you for your selfless contributions of time, talent, and expertise, which are instrumental in maintaining the growth of our school and strategically planning for its future. Your guidance ensures that the Academy of the Holy Family continues to thrive and provide an excellent educational experience.

I would be remiss if I did not add that the recent passing of Pope Francis has brought a profound sadness to our school community. His leadership, humility, and compassion for global unity resonated deeply with our values, which have inspired our students and faculty to embody these principals in their daily life. He will be deeply missed, but his legacy will undoubtedly continue to shape our AHF community.

Thank you for entrusting us with the amazing young ladies under our care. May God's abundant blessings be upon you and your families throughout this summer and beyond.

Henry Fiore, Jr.

Principal

May 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon 11am Volleyball 3:30	2 First Friday Mass 9:30 4 th Quarter Interim reports sent	3 Junior class carwash fundraiser Taftville 9am- 3pm
4	5 Sophomore Outing 2pm	6 Volleyball 3:30 AHF Advisory Board Meeting (virtual)	7	8 Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon 11am Volleyball 3:30	9	10 Spring Concert & Art Show 7pm St Michael Center
11	12	13 AP Pre-Cal exam 8am Volleyball 3:30	14 May Crowning 1pm St. Mary's	15 Celebrate Marist Day 11:40-2:50 Student Council & Ambassador Induction, Academic Awards & JAM activities Spring Dance 6-9pm	16 FIT DAY	17 FIT Hike
18	19	20 Senior Final Exams →	21 Senior Final Exams →	22 Enviro-challenge 7:15 (tent.) Senior Final Exams	23 Senior Trip	24 Senior Trip
25 Senior Trip	26 Memorial Day No School	27 Graduation Rehearsals	28 Graduation Rehearsals	29 Ascension Thursday Mass GRADUATION 3PM	30 End of 4 th Quarter HALO AWARDS	31

June 2025							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2 Underclassmen Final Exams	3 Underclassmen Final Exams	4 Underclassmen Final Exams	5 Underclassmen Final Exams LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	6	7	

End of the Year Travel Arrangements

Students must make ground travel (train) arrangements no earlier than 2 p.m. on June 4 (provided they do not have an exam on June 5), 2025. Flights must leave no earlier than 4pm. Anyone traveling on June 5th or 6th must make their departure times between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

We provide transportation on directly to TF Green International Airport (PVD) in Providence (Warwick), RI, and Bradley International Airport (BDL) in Windsor Locks (Hartford), CT. For flights departing from Logan International Airport (BOS) in Boston, the students will need to board the Logan Express bus for Framingham, MA. We only provide transportation to Framingham, not Logan airport. Please be sure to email all travel arrangements for the end of the year departures to Sr. Rafael (smraf@ahfbaltic.org). Please be aware that any travel arrangements outside of the dates provided will be the responsibility of the parents and guardians, and other transportation methods (Uber, taxi, etc.) must be made. Please contact Sister Rafael at the email address above at your earliest convenience.

2024-2025 Final Exam Schedule –Underclassmen

Dress code for exams will be appropriate dress down attire.

The 4th quarter/2nd semester ends on May 30, 2025.

Final Exams are 10% of the 2nd semester grade and are listed separately on report cards.

Turn in your textbooks to your course teachers BEFORE your exam! Be sure there are no marks in the book. Erase what can be erased and remove the protective book covers.

Homeroom: 7:45-8:08

Exam 1: 8:15-9:45

Break: 9:45-10:15 (Everyone to Hanlon Hall for break time)

Exam 2: 10:15-11:45

Lunch: 11:45-12:15 (Hanlon Hall for lunch)

Exam 3: 12:30-2:00

	Monday 06/2/2025	Tuesday 06/3/2025	Wednesday 06/4/2025	Thursday 06/5/2025
Exam 1	E	D	A	I
Exam 2	B	C	G	J
Exam 3	F	H	L	

Students must be on time and remain in their classroom, silently, until the end of the exam period.

Students are also expected to attend all study halls, except on the last day of exams.

Make-up exams will be by appointment with the class teacher.

Day students may be dismissed after the second exam period (11:45) on Monday and Tuesday if they don't have an afternoon exam. If they don't have any exams on Thursday, June 5th, they may leave on Wednesday, June 4th.

Academy of the Holy Family
Alumnae and Concert Choir

Spring Concert & Art Show

Come Celebrate 150 Years!



Saturday, May 10, 2025

7pm, Saint Michael Center

200 School Hill Road, Baltic, CT

860-822-9272

AHF SENIOR UPDATES



May God bless our graduating seniors: Chanelle, Akinyi, Jackie, Ariyana, Yamkela, and Bitsiat, as they embark on their new adventures; may they carry the light of Christ and the values of the Academy of the Holy Family in their hearts always.

To date, our seniors have received acceptances from the following colleges and universities: University of Maryland, Quinnipiac University, Iona University, Assumption University, University of Mass, Amherst, St. Thomas Aquinas College, College of the Ozarks, University of Pittsburgh, Stonehill College, University of Illinois, University of Central Florida, University of Connecticut, Baylor University, Franciscan University, Eastern CT State University, University of California at Berkeley (which has a 1% acceptance rate!), Pace University, Penn State University, Elms College, Dominican University, University of Dallas, University of Kentucky, Baylor University, Purdue University

End of the School Year Prayer

Good and gracious God,

As another year at the Academy of the Holy Family draws to a close, the Sisters of Charity, Our Lady, Mother of the Church, along with our faculty, and staff, remain in prayerful gratitude.

We thank you for your constant presence, guiding us through moments of learning, growth, and community.

Bless our students, may they carry the values instilled in them, as they continue to pursue knowledge, embrace the truths of Christ, and respond to the needs of others.

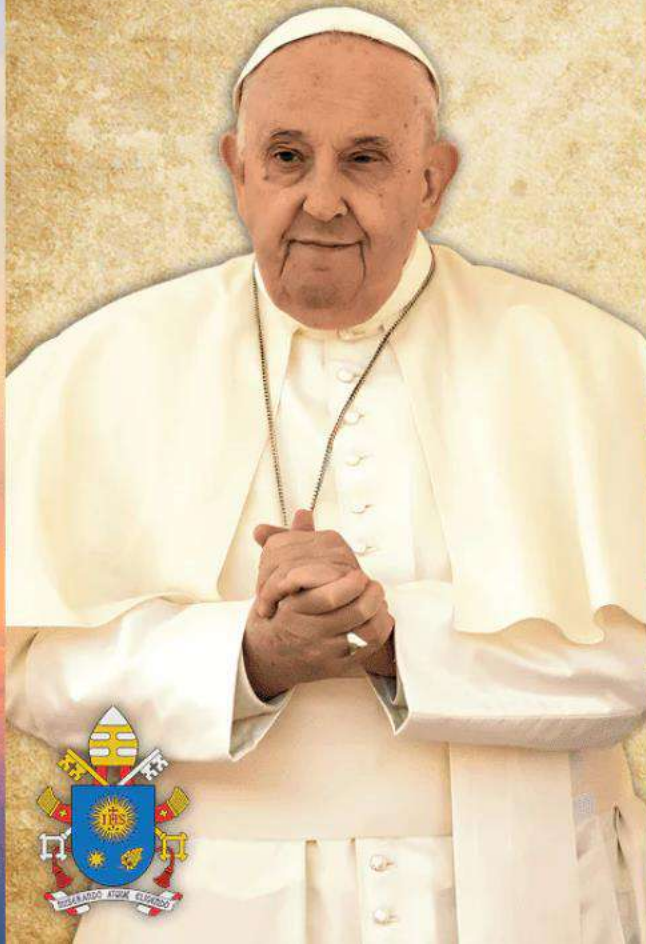
We ask for your continued blessings on our families, may they be strengthened by your love and grace, and may their homes be filled with your peace.

Guide our faculty and staff, who have dedicated themselves to the education and formation of our students. Grant them rest and renewal, and inspire them to continue their work with dedication and joy.

We entrust ourselves to the protection of the Holy Family, for whom our beloved Academy is named, asking Jesus, Our Blessed Mother, Mary, and St. Joseph to intercede for us, that we may always live in Your love.

Amen.

POPE FRANCIS
1936 - 2025



Franciscus
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O God, from whom the just receive an unfailing reward, grant that Your servant Francis, our Pope, whom You made vicar of Peter and shepherd of Your Church, may rejoice forever in the vision of Your glory, for he was a faithful steward here on earth of the mysteries of Your forgiveness and grace. Through Christ our Lord.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

May he rest in peace.

Amen.



Born: December 17, 1936
Ordained Priest: December 13, 1969
Ordained Bishop: June 27, 1992
Elevated to Cardinal: February 21, 2001
Elected Pope: March 13, 2013
Entered Into Eternal Life: April 21, 2025

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