



Brigadier General John P. Lawlor '83 Visits Holy Cross

The Holy Cross High School Speaker Series continued with a presentation and Q&A session with Brigadier General John P. Lawlor '83. The Director of Public Works and Facilities for Bloomfield, CT shared experiences from his military background with the students.

Brigadier Gen. Lawlor joined the Army when he was seventeen. He was commissioned through OCS as an Infantry Officer where he was at the Platoon level. He was deployed to Bosnia, Macedonia, Kosovo and Iraq. He was activated in October 1997 as part of the Combined Joint Civil Military Task Force, Sarajevo Bosnia-Herzegovina. He was also the Aide-de-camp and Military Assistant to Chief of NATO Operations and was recently promoted to the rank of Brigadier General in the Army.

[Watch the full presentation here.](#)



Beloved Photographer & Friend Featured

One of Holy Cross High School's biggest champions was featured in the Waterbury Republican's The Zone. We all know Derek Ward as a father, photographer and incredible person. Now, [find out what led him to be the guy behind the camera.](#) Thank you, Mr. Ward for everything you have given the Crusader community.



Door Decorating Contest Ushers in the Christmas Spirit

This year, The Christmas spirit permeated more so than usual thanks to a new competition created by the Mothers' Club. Creativity, collaboration and camaraderie were unleashed during the Christmas Door Decorating Contest. [\(Read More & View Photos from the Competition\)](#)



Feast of the Immaculate Conception Celebrated

We want to send a special thanks to Rev. James T. Gregory, Pastor of Prince of Peace Parish who led our school community through a Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

As members of the Catholic faith, this is an important day in the Advent season. The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception describes it as "not just significant, it is essential. Because of the grace of God, Mary was preserved from sin." [\(Read More\)](#)

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