



Important Notes from Mrs. Luzzo October 26, 2023

Don't forget to ROAR!

Happy Thursday, Trinity Lions! I will be out of the building tomorrow for some minor surgery on my thumb, so I wanted to get these notes out to you today. I hope you all have a wonderful, relaxing, and safe weekend.

A Papal Plea for Peace - Pope Francis has invited all Christians to pray, fast, and do penance for peace in the Holy Land this **Friday, 10/27**. A special hour of prayer will take place in St. Peter's Square at 6 p.m. (Rome time), invoking peace on the world.

Half Day - Tomorrow, **Friday, 10/27**, is a half day with no aftercare. All students will be dismissed at noon. As we do on all half days, please form two lines for pick up so that we can keep as many cars off 8th Avenue N as possible during the dismissal process.

Trunk or Treat So People Can Eat - This PTO sponsored event takes place tomorrow, **Friday, 10/27**, and is open to HTCS families (HTCS families include students enrolled at HTCS and their siblings even if they attend other schools). All those attending are asked to bring a non-perishable food or papergood item to be donated to Our Lady's Food Pantry.

Baby Bottles for Life - All filled baby bottles are due back by **Monday, 10/30**. Thank you for partnering with your child on this wonderful October (the month we respect life and honor Jesus' mother, Mary) social outreach project to support moms and babies in need in the Grand Strand.

Halloween - All faculty, staff, and students are invited to enjoy a dress down day and wear their favorite Halloween clothes on **Tuesday, 10/31**. Please be sure all items worn are Catholic school appropriate. No costumes allowed!

Little Caesar Pizza Kit Fundraiser - Kits are due to be delivered to the school on **Tuesday, 10/31**. Please be prepared to pick up your orders from the multipurpose room after school that day. All orders must be picked up by 5 PM as we cannot store any kits here.

Operation Christmas Child - Our annual Advent social outreach activity will be taking place next month. Look for more information coming home from Mrs. Hines next week.

No school - There is no school on **Wednesday, 11/1**, in honor of All Saints Day. Please see below for information about this important holy day of the Catholic faith.

Family Faith Formation - Our annual Advent faith formation activity is taking place after school on **Thursday, 11/30**. Deacon Richard will teach us about the Jesse Tree, and we will make ornaments to take home for a family Jesse Tree. If your family would like to join us, please complete and return the form by **Friday, 11/10**. Space is limited and no late forms can be accepted as supplies need to be ordered in advance. Thank you for your understanding.

All Saints' Day is a solemn holy day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1. The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. It should not be confused with All Souls' Day, which is observed on November 2, and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven. Although millions, or even billions of people may already be saints, All Saints' Day observances tend to focus on known saints --that is those recognized in the canon of the saints by the Catholic Church.

All Saints' Day is also commemorated by members of the Eastern Orthodox Church as well as some protestant churches, such as Lutheran and Anglican churches. Generally, All Saints' Day is a Catholic Holy Day of Obligation, meaning all Catholics are required to attend Mass on that day, unless they have an excellent excuse, such as serious illness. Other countries have different rules according to their national bishop's conferences. The bishops of each conference have the authority to amend the rules surrounding the obligation of the day.

All Saints' Day was formally started by Pope Boniface IV, who consecrated the Pantheon at Rome to the Virgin Mary and all the Martyrs on May 13 in 609 AD. Boniface IV also established All Souls' Day, which follows All Saints. [All Saints' Day - Saints & Angels - Catholic Online](#)

MISSION STATEMENT: *Holy Trinity Catholic School, a ministry of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, offers to early childhood and elementary school students of diverse ethnic, economic, and religious backgrounds a superior academic program based on Gospel values. Within a family atmosphere, the school strives to develop the spiritual, academic, personal, creative, and physical growth of each student.*

VISION STATEMENT: *Holy Trinity Catholic School students will be fully prepared to transition to middle school possessing critical thinking skills, an ability to work independently as well as collaboratively, and an awareness of what it means to actively live the Gospel values.*