



## Important Notes from Mrs. Luzzo December 5, 2025

***Don't forget to ROAR!***

*Happy Friday, Trinity Lions! Thank you to those who supported us during the #iGiveCatholic Giving Day. Thanks to the generosity of so many, we will be able to accomplish some of the important goals we have planned. If you did not have a chance to make your donation, you still have time to do so before **Monday, 12/8**. Please utilize the link: [Holy Trinity Catholic School \(North Myrtle Beach\) | #iGiveCatholic](#) or email me and I can charge your FACTS account. All donations make a difference. We had 100% support from our faculty and we'd like to say the same for our families. Thank you for your support!*

*Thank you also to those who have already completed the annual parent survey. **In order for us to retain our accreditation with Cognia, we need at least one adult from each family to click this link: [eProve™ surveys](#) to complete the required annual survey.** It only takes a few minutes. All faculty and 5th grade students have completed similar surveys as well. Thank you in advance for your support and valuable feedback.*

*Reminder, these communications, as well as all school related news, can be found on our school website ([Holy Trinity Catholic School | North Myrtle Beach, SC](#)). You can also check our school Facebook page ([Facebook](#)) for quick reminders and photos.*

**St. Nick's Day Event** - The OLSS Columbiettes are hosting a St. Nick's Day event after school today, **Friday, 12/5**, in the multipurpose room. Students must be picked up at the normal time and brought to the mpr at **3:30 PM** when the doors open. Aftercare students will attend and can be picked up from the mpr. This is not a school event, but it is being held for our students. I will be there until 5 PM. Parents are not required to stay, so this is a great opportunity to enjoy some time to yourselves or to get some Christmas shopping done.

**School Mass** - Please note, students will be attending Mass on **Monday, 12/8**, versus Wednesday, 12/10, in honor of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. Students should wear their Mass day uniforms on Monday, not Wednesday next week. As always, families are welcome to join us for weekly Masses and students may sit with you during the Mass.

**Basketball and Cheer** - Practices begin on **Tuesday, 12/9**. Basketball practices will be held at the NMB rec center and parents should pick up their students at **4:30 PM** from the rec center lobby. Cheer practices will take place at HTCS and parents should pick up their students at **4 PM** using the car line in front of the school office.

**Christmas Show** - Students and parents should plan to arrive at **5:15 PM** on **Thursday, 12/18**, for PTO sponsored activities, information, and socialization. At 5:45 PM, students will be sent to their homerooms to get ready for the show. **The show will begin promptly at 6 PM and there will be no one at the front office to let in late arrivals.**

**Student Christmas Party** - The PTO is hosting their annual Christmas party for the students on **Friday, 12/19**. Students may enjoy a dress down day and wear their favorite Christmas attire. Please be sure your student wears shoes appropriate for play... no heels, crocs, or boots. Thank you for helping us keep our students safe at school.

**School Break** - We will begin Christmas break at noon on **Friday, 12/19**. There is no aftercare that day and we will form two lines for dismissal. School will be closed from noon on **Friday, 12/19**, and we will reopen on **Monday, 1/5/26**.

**Save the Dates:** Mark your calendars for some upcoming family events that you are invited to attend:

- **Friday, 12/5** - 1:45 PM - K3/K4 Gingerbread Event w/Leadership in the mpr
- **Friday, 12/5** - 1:45 PM - St. Nick's Day Event w/the Columbiettes in the mpr
- **Thursday, 12/18** - 5:15 PM PTO activities/meeting, 6 PM - Christmas show in the mpr
- **Friday, 12/19** - Half day, noon dismissal, no aftercare
- **Monday, 12/22-Friday, 1/2** - No school, Christmas/New Year break
- **Sunday, 1/25/26** - Catholic Schools Week begins, 10 AM School Mass, Open House

## **Sunday's Readings - Second Sunday of Advent (Peace)**

**Reading 1** - [Isaiah 11:1-10](#): On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom. The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD, and his delight shall be the fear of the LORD. Not by appearance shall he judge, nor by hearsay shall he decide, but he shall judge the poor with justice, and decide aright for the land's afflicted. He shall strike the ruthless with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked. Justice shall be the band around his waist, and faithfulness a belt upon his hips. Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the young lion shall browse together, with a little child to guide them. The cow and the bear shall be neighbors, together their young shall rest; the lion shall eat hay like the ox. The baby shall play by the cobra's den, and the child lay his hand on the adder's lair. There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea. On that day, the root of Jesse, set up as a signal for the nations, the Gentiles shall seek out, for his dwelling shall be glorious.

**Responsorial Psalm** - [Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17](#): **R.** Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

O God, with your judgment endow the king, and with your justice, the king's son; he shall govern your people with justice and your afflicted ones with judgment. **R.**

Justice shall flower in his days, and profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. **R.**

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save. **R.**

May his name be blessed forever; as long as the sun his name shall remain. In him shall all the tribes of the earth be blessed; all the nations shall proclaim his happiness. **R.**

**Reading 2** - [Romans 15:4-9](#): Brothers and sisters: Whatever was written previously was written for our instruction, that by endurance and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus, that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I say that Christ became a minister of the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, to confirm the promises to the patriarchs, but so that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written: Therefore, I will praise you among the Gentiles and sing praises to your name.

**Alleluia** - [Luke 3:4, 6](#) - **R.** Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see the salvation of God. **R.**

**Gospel** - [Matthew 3:1-12](#): John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: A voice of one crying out in the desert, Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones. Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand. He will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

**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.