



Important Notes from Mrs. Luzzo January 16, 2025

Don't forget to ROAR!

Happy Thursday, HTCS families! Many thanks to the PTO and their volunteers for all the hard work they did to host the 2nd annual Snowball. From the photos and comments that were shared, it appears everyone had a great time and the event was a success! Now, the PTO can focus on their annual golf tournament fundraiser. If anyone would like to volunteer to assist them with this important event, you can send a message to ptohtcs@gmail.com.

Weather - Please note, leadership is closely monitoring potential weather concerns for next Tuesday and Wednesday. Just in case we need to go virtual at any point next week, teachers are preparing review packets for students to take home tomorrow. A decision about remaining open or going virtual will be made by Monday afternoon. Students do NOT need to do the packets unless we go virtual and/or they want to receive extra credit. In those cases, completed packets will be due at 8 AM the day we reopen. Thank you for your patience and understanding. Please know it is always our goal to be open as long as it is safe for our faculty, staff, and students.

Half Day - Friday, 1/17, is a half day with **noon** dismissal and no aftercare. All students must be picked up at noon. Please form two lines at dismissal and watch for faculty instructions so we can keep everyone safe.

No School - School will be closed on **Monday, 1/20**, in recognition of MLK, Jr. Day. We will reopen on **Tuesday, 1/21**, at our normal time.

MAP testing - Testing continues next week. Please refer to your child's teacher for more specific information about your child's testing dates.

100th Day - Our 100th day of school is on **Wednesday, 1/22**. This is a Mass day, so students should wear their Mass day uniforms. Teachers will let families know how they will celebrate the 100th day in their classrooms.

Catholic Schools Week - The annual celebration of Catholic schools will be held January 26-February 1. Each day's theme highlights the things that make Catholic schools so special.

Sunday, 1/26 - Celebrating Your Parish - Join us for **10 AM Mass** followed by an Open House

Monday, 1/27 - Celebrating Your Community - Annual blood drive **10 AM-1 PM** - see attached

Tuesday, 1/28 - Celebrating Your Students - Science Fair for all students

Wednesday, 1/29 - Celebrating the Nation - Parent viewing of Science Fair at dismissal **2:45-3:15 PM**

Thursday, 1/30 - Celebrating Vocations - Conversation with Deacon Richard, Sr. Marie, and Fr. Frances

Friday, 1/31 - Celebrating Faculty, Staff, and Volunteers - PTO treat for families, faculty/staff luncheon

Saturday, 2/1 - Celebrating Families - Enjoy the day together doing something fun

2025-2026 School Year - Open enrollment for new families and re-enrollment for current families (except current 5th graders moving onto middle school) will take place via FACTS at the end of January into early February. Information about tuition rates, tuition assistance, and scholarships will come out then as well. We look forward to welcoming back all current families as well as many new families for a new and exciting 25-26 school year.

Science Fair Project Parent Viewing - Please see the attached information for parent viewing of students' science fair projects after school on **Wednesday, 1/29**.

Not Your Average Joe - This year's production, *Not Your Average Joe*, will take place on **Friday, 1/31**, at **6 PM** and **Saturday, 2/1**, at **1 PM**. Tickets are \$20/adult and \$10/child 10 and under. Tickets are almost gone! Contact Ms. Nicole (nnealey@charlestandioocese.org) to purchase your tickets. If you would like to volunteer to help with the annual dinner show, either day or both, please contact Mrs. Carman at ccarman@charlestandioocese.org. She would love to have your help!

Half Day - Friday, 2/14, is a half day with **noon** dismissal and no aftercare. All students must be picked up at noon. Please form two lines at dismissal and watch for faculty instructions so we can keep everyone safe.

No School - School will be closed on **Monday, 2/17**, in recognition of President's Day. We will reopen on **Tuesday, 2/18**, at our normal time.

13th Annual PTO Golf Tournament - Please see attached information about the PTO's annual golf tournament taking place at The Long Bay Golf Course on **Saturday, 2/22**. This is the PTO's largest fundraiser and your support is greatly needed to make it a success.

Sports Opportunity - Seton Catholic is starting a Varsity and JV Lacrosse program with their first season spring of 2026. Their coaching staff for both boys and girls programs are fantastic! In the meantime, one of our coaches is offering a free skills and drills clinic Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 3:30-5:00 PM. Anyone interested in the sport is invited. Please text Rob Cottle at 203-763-9471 for more information. HTCS students are welcome!

School Website - As always, please refer to the school website for all the information you could need regarding school events, clubs, sports, etc. [Holy Trinity Catholic School | North Myrtle Beach, SC](#)

Catholic Faith Formation - As we prepare for the inauguration on **Monday, 1/20**, I ask you to join me in praying for our country.

Almighty God, bless our nation and make it true to the ideas of freedom and justice and brotherhood for all who make it great. Guard us from war, from fire and wind, from compromise, fear, confusion. Be close to our president and our statesmen; give them vision and courage, as they ponder decisions affecting peace and the future of the world.

Make me more deeply aware of my heritage; realizing not only my rights but also my duties and responsibilities as a citizen. Make this great land and all its people know clearly Your will, that they may fulfill the destiny ordained for us in the salvation of the nations, and the restoring of all things in Christ. Amen.

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.*