



Important Notes from Mrs. Luzzo

March 11, 2026

Don't forget to ROAR!

Happy Thursday, Trinity Lions! Since I will be traveling to the **State Science Fair** with Mrs. Maguire and our 5th-grade students all day tomorrow, I wanted to send our weekly update a day early. I ask for your prayers for our 5th graders as they present their projects to the judges tomorrow. They have worked incredibly hard to prepare for this state-level competition, and I know they would appreciate the support of the HTCS community!

Upcoming Principal Retreat - Please note that I will be away attending the annual **Principals Retreat** from **Wednesday, March 18, - Friday, March 20.**

- **Email Access:** Because this is a spiritual retreat, I will not be checking school email or conducting business during this time.
- **Absence Coverage:** I have full confidence in Mrs. Hines and Mrs. Carman to manage school operations while I am away.
- **Weekly Communication:** There will be **no Friday update on March 20.** Our regular communication will resume the following week.

Thank you for your understanding and for your continued prayers for our students and staff.

Please see below for important updates regarding grants, enrollment, and upcoming events. As always, you can find these communications, school calendar, and news on our website: [Holy Trinity Catholic School | North Myrtle Beach, SC](#). You can also follow our [Facebook](#) page for quick reminders and photos of all the exciting things happening in our classrooms!

St. Patrick's Day - Students may enjoy a "Dress in St Patrick's Day Attire" day on **Tuesday, 3/17**. This is not a free dress down day to wear anything, but rather a day to recognize St. Patrick by wearing green, or other St. Patrick/shamrock/leprechaun themed attire. Students who do not choose to participate, should wear their regular uniform for that day.

Report Cards - Today marks the end of the 3rd quarter. Report cards will be emailed from the front office on **Friday, 3/20**. The date for our recognition of Honor/Merit Roll recipients is pending the availability of the mpr. Please watch for further communication from Mrs. Carman.

MPR - It appears the Church renovation is nearly complete... ahead of schedule! While all the chairs in the mpr will not be taken down until after the Easter Masses taking place there are over, we *should* be able to go back to having lunch there within the next week or so. Everyone has done a great job partnering together to support this wonderful and necessary Church renovation.

Referral Program - Current families who refer a new **PK-5th grade** family for the **2026-2027 school year** will receive a **\$100 tuition discount**. Families who refer a new **6th grade** family for the **2026-2027 school year** will receive a **\$400 tuition discount**. The referral discount will be applied to your overall tuition balance and

credited to your **FACTS account** once the new family has officially enrolled and begun attending HTCS. Word of mouth is a powerful motivator, and we are truly grateful to our families for speaking positively about HTCS within the community.

Visit Day - Our annual Visit Day is scheduled for **Tuesday, 3/24**. All students will visit the classroom they will be in next year between **9-11 AM** to get a sense of what the expectations are and to spend some time with the teacher. This is always a fun event as students start to think about moving up to the next grade.

Scholarships - Please return completed applications by **Friday, 3/27**.

Stations of the Cross - Please join us after the **9 AM Wednesday school Masses** during Lent as we recite the Stations of the Cross with Deacon Richard. All are welcome.

New Spirit Wear - If you haven't been on their site lately, please note that some new items have been added to our Spirit Wear selections. See attached for a sample of one of the new t-shirts available. <https://843printingandmore.com/collections/holy-trinity-catholic-school>

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Reading I - 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a: *The LORD said to Samuel: "Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen my king from among his sons." As Jesse and his sons came to the sacrifice, Samuel looked at Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is here before him." But the LORD said to Samuel: "Do not judge from his appearance or from his lofty stature, because I have rejected him. Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart." In the same way Jesse presented seven sons before Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any one of these." Then Samuel asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?" Jesse replied, "There is still the youngest, who is tending the sheep." Samuel said to Jesse, "Send for him; we will not begin the sacrificial banquet until he arrives here." Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them. He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold and making a splendid appearance. The LORD said, "There—anoint him, for this is the one!" Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.*

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6: *R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. R.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side. With your rod and your staff that give me courage. R.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. R.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come. R.

Reading II - Ephesians 5:8-14: *Brothers and sisters: You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the fruitless works of darkness; rather expose them, for it is shameful even to mention the things done by them in secret; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says: "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light."*

Verse Before the Gospel - John 8:12: *I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.*

Gospel - John 9:1-41: *As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" —which means Sent—. So he went and washed, and came back able to see. His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, "Isn't this the one who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is," but others said, "No, he just looks like him." He said, "I am." So they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?" He replied, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went there and washed and was able to see." And they said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I don't know." They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." So some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a sinful man do such signs?" And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, "What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." Now the Jews did not believe that he had been blind and gained his sight until they summoned the parents of the one who had gained his sight. They asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How does he now see?" His parents answered and said, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. We do not know how he sees now, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him, he is of age; he can speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone acknowledged him as the Christ, he would be expelled from the synagogue. For this reason his parents said, "He is of age; question him." So a second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give God the praise! We know that this man is a sinner." He replied, "If he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see." So they said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too?" They ridiculed him and said, "You are that man's disciple; we are disciples of Moses! We know that God spoke to Moses, but we do not know where this one is from." The man answered and said to them, "This is what is so amazing, that you do not know where he is from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if one is devout and does his will, he listens to him. It is unheard of that anyone ever opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he would not be able to do anything." They answered and said to him, "You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?" Then they threw him out. When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him. Then Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind." Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not also blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you are saying, 'We see,' so your sin remains.*

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.*