

Important Notes from Mrs. Luzzo March 12, 2024 Don't forget to ROAR!

Happy Tuesday, Trinity Lions! Please note, I will be out of the building this Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (3/13-3/15) to attend the annual Diocesan Principals Retreat. I will have limited access to email, but Mrs. Hines and Mrs. Carman will be on site to ensure things run smoothly during my absence. I will do my best to answer all emails in a timely manner when I return to school on Monday, 3/18. Have a wonderful rest of your week and a relaxing weekend.

Spirit Night - Please see attached for information about the PTO sponsored Spirit Night this **Thursday, 3/14**, at Crazy Mason. Come on out and socialize with your HTCS family and friends and support our amazing PTO.

Hot Lunch - All hot lunch forms are due by this Friday, 3/15. No late forms can be accepted.

Used Uniform Store - The PTO will be opening the used uniform store from **7:45-8:15 AM** on **Friday, 3/15**. As we see our students getting taller, and pants and skirts getting shorter, this might be a great time to grab a few essential pieces to finish out this school year.

Last Call - This **Friday, 3/15**, is the last day to purchase tickets to the upcoming dinner/show, *Last Will and Testament*. Please click the link for more information.

https://holytrinitynmb.com/sites/trinitynmb/files/uploads/documents/last_will_and_testament_flyer.pdf

Stations of the Cross - Thank you to those who join us for Stations of the Cross with Deacon Richard after the school Masses this Lenten season. There will be no Stations after Mass this Wednesday, 3/13, but we will have Stations presented by Laura Boronski in the multipurpose room on **Wednesday, 3/20** at **1:45 PM**. All are welcome to join us.

Volunteers Needed - We are in need of volunteers to help at our upcoming dinner/show fundraiser. Please see attached for more information. This is a great way to give back to HTCS.

Outreach Project - Our annual Lenten Outreach project (cereal box dominoes) is off to a good start, but we could definitely use more boxes of cereal. Please feel free to send in as many as you would like between now and **Wednesday, 3/27**. The more boxes we collect, the better the final project and the more we have to donate to the OLSS Food Pantry.

Seton Bus - There will be no Seton bus to/from HTCS on Thursday, 3/28.

Half Day - School will dismiss at **noon** on **Thursday**, **3/28**. All students must be picked up at noon as there is no aftercare. Please form two lines to ensure we keep all cars off 8th Avenue.

Spring Break - School will be closed **Friday**, **3/29**, through **Friday**, **4/5**. We will reopen on Monday, **4/8**. I pray you have a blessed Easter and a relaxing spring break.

24-25 School Year - All students currently in grades K4-4 will be automatically re-enrolled in March and registration fees charged in April for the upcoming 24-25 school year unless an email is sent to me advising me that your child will not be returning.

If you are intending to seek tuition assistance for the 24-25 school year, please see the information below about grants and scholarships. All families seeking assistance MUST complete the financial aid application on FACTS and MUST apply for all applicable grants and/or scholarships.

There are several grant and scholarship opportunities this year and all are due back in March. Below is a listing and attached is the information.

- Mary Gabelli Mazzolla Scholarship open to all families seeking tuition assistance
 - Due 3/29
- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Grant open to all Catholic families seeking tuition assistance
 Due 3/15
- Educational Scholarship Trust Fund Grant open to all current K4 families going into Kindergarten in the fall and seeking tuition assistance
 - Due 3/15
- **First Steps 4K Grant** open to all families with students going into K4 who will be four-years-old on or before September 1 and seeking tuition assistance
 - Due 3/29

Yearbook Pictures / Class Pictures - Last call to purchase your student's yearbook picture and/or class picture for \$10/each. Please contact Mrs. Hines for more information.

DOC Annual Report - Please click the link: <u>South Carolina Catholic Schools - South Carolina</u> <u>Catholic (charleston diocese.org)</u> to view the Diocese of Charleston 2022-2023 Annual Report.

Stay informed - Please check the school Facebook page and/or our website's calendar for all the information you might need on daily happenings at HTCS - especially for choir, clubs, sports, dress down days, and special events. **U** Thank you!

Facebook and Academic Calendar | Holy Trinity Catholic School (holytrinitynmb.com)

Save the Date - Join Deacon Richard and the HTCS faculty and staff for a talk on a Catholic saint after school on **Thursday, 4/25**. More details and an RSVP form will be coming home soon.

Holy Week - The Most Significant Week in Catholicism

Spanning from Palm Sunday to Holy Saturday, it marks the final stretch before Easter Sunday, the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection. During this sacred week Catholics pray and reflect on the profound journey of Jesus' suffering, sacrifice, and victory over death.

It starts on Palm Sunday, a day that commemorates Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Holy Thursday celebrates the Last Supper and the institution of the Eucharist while Good Friday reflects on Jesus' death by crucifixion.

Throughout this week, Catholics reflect on the emotional intensity of Jesus' Passion, contemplate His boundless love and mercy, and anticipate the joyous hope of His Resurrection. An intentional Holy Week can serve as a spiritual pilgrimage that deepens our faith. <u>A Catholic</u> <u>Guide to Holy Week 2024 | Dynamic Catholic</u>

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.