



Important Notes from Mrs. Luzzo April 4, 2025

Don't forget to ROAR!

Happy Friday, HTCS families. Below you will find lots of important information about upcoming school events and activities. Have a wonderful weekend!

Lenten Outreach Projects - We still have two (2) outreach projects taking place during Lent - collecting new (full) cereal boxes for Our Lady's Food Pantry and collecting new and gently used sneakers for St. Jude. All donations may be dropped off in the front office if your students cannot carry them in via the car line. Thank you for partnering with your children to learn the importance of caring for others in need as Jesus taught us to do.

PTO Spirit Night - Please see the attached information regarding the PTO's next Spirit Night on **Tuesday, 4/8**.

Stations of the Cross - All are invited to join Deacon Richard and the school community for our annual tradition of walking the Stations of the Cross in the church after the 9 AM school Mass on **Wednesdays, 4/9** and **4/16**.

Tuition Assistance Letters - Tuition assistance award letters for the 25-26 school year were sent home yesterday. All awards are provided thanks to the generous donation recently made to the *Mary Gabelli Mazzola Scholarship Fund*. Please review, sign, and return award letters to me by **Wednesday, 4/9**, to accept the assistance gifted to your family. Funds are very limited and those not claimed by 4/9 will be forfeited. Thank you for your understanding.

Discount on Tuition - If your family would like to take advantage of a 10% discount off the total tuition due for the 25-26 school year, please let me know and I will send a tuition agreement letter home for your review. Payments must be received by **7/31/25** to receive this discount.

ESTF Grant - As instructed, all families living in SC who were seeking tuition assistance from HTCS were required to complete the online ESTF grant application. I have been informed that families should have received an email from ESTF recently with an approval and/or request for test scores. Please let me know if you receive an approval email, or if you need assistance with uploading test scores.

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

Catholic Faith Formation - A Catholic's Guide to Holy Week - Holy Week is the most important week in Catholicism. This week of great reverence and reflection spans the final eight days of Jesus' life—from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday. It is astounding how much wisdom, insight and inspiration are available to us during this one week. Here is just a sample of what happens during Holy Week:

- Palm Sunday - Jesus triumphantly enters Jerusalem
- Monday of Holy Week - Jesus clears out the temple with a whip
- Tuesday of Holy Week - Jesus is anointed with oil at Bethany and preaches on the Mount of Olives
- Spy Wednesday - Jesus is betrayed by Judas
- Holy Thursday - Jesus celebrates the Last Supper, prays in the Garden of Gethsemane, and is arrested
- Good Friday - Jesus is sentenced to death, scourged, beaten, crucified, and dies on the Cross
- Holy Saturday - Jesus is buried in the tomb and descends into hell
- Easter Sunday - Jesus rises from the dead

We are all trying to make sense of life. One way for us to understand our lives is to look at them through the great experiences that happen during Holy Week. Just try this exercise—at the end of every day, ask yourself, “What sort of day did I have today? Did I have an Ash Wednesday day, or did I have an Easter Sunday day? Did I have a Good Friday day, or did I have a Holy Saturday day?” What defines those sorts of days? Good Friday is an easy one—it's a day of suffering and sacrifice. There are some days you get to the end of, and you feel like that's the kind of day you've had. What's Holy Saturday? It's a day of darkness, doubt, anxiety, confusion, and a day where faith is tested. What's Easter Sunday? It's a day of new life. Maybe there's a birth of a child in the family, and we see it as a miracle, a gift from God. We're trying to make sense of our lives, and God is constantly trying to help us make sense of them. These great moments in the life of the Church and the life of Jesus provide powerful lenses through which we can see our lives in a new way, expanding our understanding of ourselves and others. [A Catholic Guide to Holy Week 2025 | Dynamic Catholic](#)

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.*