



Important Notes from Mrs. Luzzo May 3, 2024

Don't forget to ROAR!

Happy Friday, Trinity Lions! It's hard to believe we only have 18 days of school left before the summer break.... not that anyone is counting! 😄 Please see below for important information about upcoming events and school happenings. Have a great weekend!

Car Line - PLEASE... car line is a "no cell phone" time (even hands free). We appreciate families not being on their phones when dropping off and picking up students. We've had a few near misses this year and we'd like to avoid any more in the future. Thank you for partnering with us to keep our students and faculty safe.

Seton Bus - There is no AFTERNOON Seton bus transportation on **Friday, 5/3**. All students will need to be picked up from HTCS today.

May Crowning - Please join us after the 9 AM school Mass on **Wednesday, 5/8**, for our annual May Crowning ceremony which will (weather permitting) take place behind the church at the Mary statue. All are invited to bring a flower or bouquet to lay at the base of the statue in honor of Jesus' mother.

Family Math Fun - Last call to RSVP for the Family Fun event on **Thursday, 5/9**. Please see the attached form that was sent home for more details. If we do not have enough families, we will need to cancel the event.

Final Spirit Night of the School Year - Join the school community at Panda Express on **Friday, 5/9**. This is an all-day event!

Save the Date - Reserve your spot now to save lives! Our last blood drive of the 24-25 school year is set for **Monday, 5/13**. Please see attached for more information.

Talent Show - This year's show is scheduled for **1:30 PM** on **Friday, 5/17**. All are invited to attend.

EOY Celebration - Please mark your calendars for **8:30 AM** on **Thursday, March 30**. We will celebrate the end of the 23-24 school year in the multipurpose room. This usually lasts about an hour. All students will be dismissed immediately afterwards.

Stay informed - Please check your children's homework folders daily, as well as 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.

[Facebook](#) and [Academic Calendar | Holy Trinity Catholic School \(holytrinitynmb.com\)](#)

May - The Month of Mary - The month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world [pay] to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance" (Paul VI: Encyclical on the [Month of May](#), no. 1).

This Christian custom of dedicating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin arose at the end of the 13th century. In this way, the Church was able to Christianize the secular feasts which were wont to take place at that time. In the 16th century, books appeared and fostered this devotion.

The practice became especially popular among the members of the Jesuit Order — by 1700 it took hold among their students at the Roman College and a bit later it was publicly practiced in the Gesu Church in Rome. From there it spread to the whole Church.

The practice was granted a partial indulgence by Pius VII in 1815 and a plenary indulgence by Pius IX in 1859. With the complete revision of indulgences in 1966 and the decreased emphasis on specific indulgences, it no longer carries an indulgence; however it certainly falls within the category of the First General Grant of Indulgences. (A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful who, in the performance of their duties and in bearing the trials of life, raise their mind with humble confidence to God, adding — even if only mentally — some pious invocation. Excerpted from *Enchiridion of Indulgences*. [Liturgical Year : May, Month of Mary | Catholic Culture](#)

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.*