



Holy Trinity Catholic School

A Ministry of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

From the desk of Mrs. Luzzo: October 31, 2022 – Thank you to all those who attended last week’s conferences and a special thank you to those who supported our Book Fair. Through your generosity, not only did your children receive lots of new books, posters, and trinkets, but our classrooms and school library received 122 new books, and our ROAR store received 78 new items. Your support is greatly appreciated.

- **No school** – As per the school calendar, there is no school on **Tuesday, November 1**, in recognition of All Saints Day. For Catholics, this is a Holy Day of Obligation and Mass attendance is required.
- **MAP Results** – Fall MAP data has been compiled and analyzed. We are very pleased with the outcome. Please see attached for more details.
- **Attendance** – If your child is going to be absent, please call the front office or e-mail your child’s teacher, as well as Mrs. Hines and Ms. P by 8 AM each day of the absence. Thank you.
- **Advent Social Outreach Project** – Information will be coming home this week about our next social outreach project – Operational Christmas Child. This is a wonderful global outreach activity that helps spread the Gospel across the globe. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Hines at ehines@charlestandioocese.org.
- **Hearing Screenings** – We are happy to announce that we are partnering with students from Francis Marion University to provide hearing screenings for all students on **Thursday, November 3**. If you do not wish for your child to have the free hearing screening, please e-mail Mrs. Hines at ehines@charlestandioocese.org.
- **Photos of Veterans** – Don’t forget to send in your photos to Mrs. Hines. We will be honoring these amazing people on Veterans Day, **November 11**.
- **Family Faith Formation Activity** – Forms went home to sign up for the Chrismon ornament making activity with Deacon Richard scheduled for **Tuesday, November 15**. Please return forms ASAP if you are interested in participating.
- **Mark your Calendars** – **Tuesday, November 22**, if a half day with noon dismissal and no after care. We will be holding our annual Teaching Safety class for all K-5th grade students and our biennial Native American Pow Wow celebration that day. If you would like to help with the Pow Wow, please contact PTO President, Marisa Slawiak, at mslawiak@charlestandioocese.org. Information about the Teaching Safety class for K-5th grade students will be sent home this week.
- **Save the Date** – **Tuesday, November 29**, is National **#iGiveCatholic** Giving Day. All schools in the Diocese are participating in this event and we need your support to help our school shine! Our goal is to have 100% of our families and faculty make a donation of some amount to be used for various campus projects to improve security, as well as to provide assistance to families in need. On Tuesday, November 29, you can visit our landing page at: <https://charleston.igivecatholic.org/organizations/holy-trinity-catholic-school-573194c8-4994-4156-ade6-abd711e397ee> to make your donation. Thank you!

Catholic Faith Formation: All Saints' Day is a solemn holy day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1. The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. It should not be confused with All Souls' Day, which is observed on November 2, and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven. Although millions, or even billions of people may already be saints, All Saints' Day observances tend to focus on known saints --that is those recognized in the canon of the saints by the Catholic Church. Generally, All Saints' Day is a Catholic Holy Day of Obligation, meaning all Catholics are required to attend Mass on that day, unless they have an excellent excuse, such as serious illness. <https://www.catholic.org/saints/allsaints/>

HTCS Mission: 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.