



# Holy Trinity

Catholic School

*A Ministry of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish*

## From the desk of Mrs. Luzzo: February 27, 2023

- **Golf Tournament** – Special thanks to the PTO for organizing and hosting the annual golf outing at Long Bay Golf Club this past Saturday. Thank you to our amazing families, faculty, and staff for supporting the PTO by providing donations of all sorts. While the weather wasn't the best, the rain held off and we had a great day! Save the date for next year's tournament at Long Bay – **Saturday, February 24, 2024.**
- **Basketball - Final Game** – Please join us at the NMB Possum Trot rec center at **4 PM** tomorrow, **Tuesday, February 28**, for the final basketball game of the season – *players versus faculty!* It promises to be a fun time so come on out and cheer on your favorite players and/or teachers!
- **AHA Social Outreach** – This is the last week for the American Heart Association social outreach fundraiser. Please be sure your student has signed up and is gathering donations. Contact Mrs. Rand with any questions.
- **No school** – There is no school this **Friday, March 3**, as teachers will be attending an all-day teacher education conference. I ask you to keep our teachers in your prayers on Friday as they use this time to learn about new strategies, techniques, and resources for ensuring student success and well-being.
- **Stations of the Cross** – Families are invited to join us in the church on **Wednesday, March 8, 22, 29**, and **April 5** after the 9 AM Mass for this beautiful Lenten activity. Families are also invited to join us in the multipurpose room after the 9 AM Mass on **Wednesday, March 15**, as the Stations are sung by Mrs. Laura Boronski.
- **Field Trips** – Our 4<sup>th</sup> grade students will be going to the Museum of Coastal Carolina and the Ingram Planetarium on **Tuesday, March 21**. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will be going on **Wednesday, March 22**. Permission forms and information are being sent home today. Completed forms need to be returned by **Friday, March 17**.
- **Lenten Social Outreach Project** – Please feel free to keep sending in (new) boxes of cereal to be utilized for our next social outreach project (Cereal Box Dominoes). The more boxes we have, the more exciting the project will be for our students and the more we can donate to Our Lady's Pantry. We will accept boxes until **Tuesday, March 28**.
- **Tuition and Grant Info for the 23-24 School Year** – Last call - ALL families (Catholic and non-Catholic) seeking tuition assistance MUST complete the online FACTS tuition aid application before **March 1**. Catholic families seeking tuition assistance must also complete the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Grant form that was sent home a few weeks ago. Completed forms should be returned to me prior to **March 1**.



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- **Annual Fund Campaign** – Thank you to all those who have already returned their donation card. If you need an additional card, please let me know. If you would like to make monthly payments, you may elect to do so via FACTS. Just write the amount you would like drafted each month on the donation card and return it to me. Funds raised via the campaign will be used for projects around the school to enhance the learning experience and facility, as well as for tuition assistance for families in need. **We are seeking 100% participation from all families and faculty.** Any amount given allows us to reach that goal, and when added together makes a HUGE impact on what we can do here at HTCS. Please visit: [https://issuu.com/htcs/docs/htcs\\_21-22\\_annualreport](https://issuu.com/htcs/docs/htcs_21-22_annualreport) to view the annual report/annual fund campaign.
- **Whodunit** – Tickets are now on sale for the dinner/show being presented by HTCS students and staff taking place in the multipurpose room at **6 PM on Friday, May 5**, and at **1 PM on Saturday, May 7**. Tickets are \$25/adult, \$15/kids 10 and under. A form will be coming home if you would like to purchase tickets, or you may stop by the school office between 9 AM and 2 PM to purchase them.

**Catholic Faith Formation: Stations of the Cross (Way of the Cross)** - The Stations of the Cross are a 14-step Catholic devotion that commemorates Jesus Christ's last day on Earth as a man. The 14 devotions, or stations, focus on specific events of His last day, beginning with His condemnation. The stations are commonly used as a mini pilgrimage as the individual moves from station to station. At each station, the individual recalls and meditates on a specific event from Christ's last day. Specific prayers are recited, then the individual moves to the next station until all 14 are complete. The Stations of the Cross are commonly found in churches as a series of 14 small icons or images. They can also appear in church yards arranged along paths. The stations are most commonly prayed during Lent on Wednesdays and Fridays, and especially on Good Friday, the day of the year upon which the events actually occurred.

**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.*

**HTCS Vision:** *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.*