



# Holy Trinity

Catholic School

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

## From the desk of Mrs. Luzzo: March 20, 2023

- **Tuition Assistance** – For those who requested assistance for next year, and who completed the necessary steps, letters will be coming home with your children today. Please sign and return ASAP to claim the assistance.
- **Stations of the Cross** – Families are invited to join us in the church after the **9 AM** Mass on **Wednesday, March 22, 29, and April 5** for the Stations of the Cross.
- **Field Trip** – **4<sup>th</sup> grade** students will be going to the Museum of Coastal Carolina and the Ingram Planetarium on **Tuesday, March 21**. **3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade** students will be going on **Wednesday, March 22**.
- **Sunglass 5k Run** – Join Mrs. Rand, Miss Carman, our Trinity Twirlers, and our cheer squad on **Saturday, March 25**, for the NMB Sunglasses Run (<https://coastalraceproductions.com/race/run-north-myrtle-beach-the-sunglasses-half-and-5k/>). If you would like to run, visit the website listed above and use the discount code HTCS.
- **Lenten Social Outreach Project** – Thank you to all those who have already sent in boxes of cereal for our social outreach STREAM project. Feel free to keep sending in (new) boxes of cereal through **Tuesday, March 28**. 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.
- **Spelling Bee** – Parents are invited to join us for our annual Spelling Bee in the multipurpose room on **Thursday, March 30**. Students in **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades** will participate at **10 AM** and students in **3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades** will participate at **1 PM**. Words for each grade have been sent home with the students. They can also be found on the school website. Parents can assist students practicing at home by ensuring they use the "sandwich technique" required for the bee... they will step up to the microphone, they will be given a word, the student then says the word, spells it, says the word again. They will be allowed to ask for the word to be repeated or used in a sentence for clarification. All students will be expected to participate as HTCS is a safe place to practice the skills the Spelling Bee teaches.
- **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 6**. 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.
- **Fiesta 5k Run** – Join Mrs. Luzzo, Mrs. Rand, Miss Carman, our Trinity Twirlers, and our cheer squad on **Saturday, May 6**, for the [3rd Annual Fiesta 5K Run/Walk \(runsignup.com\)](https://runsignup.com). These events are great opportunities for our school to be more visible in the local community, which in turn helps increase enrolment. If you would like to join Mrs. Luzzo by running the 5k, visit the website listed above and use the discount code GOTRSC. Note... this run will be over before the Whodunit curtain call that afternoon.



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Please note... picture day is coming up in April. All students will be in their Mass day uniform. Please ensure that your child has a uniform tie. If not, they can be purchased on-line from French Toast as we have none in the used uniform store.

**Catholic Faith Formation: *Why do Catholics have a Pope?*** For Catholics, the Pope is more than a ceremonial leader. The Pope is considered the spiritual successor to the Apostle Peter. As successor to the "Chair of Peter," he is the Supreme Pastor of the Catholic Church, God's steward ordained to authoritatively teach, unify, and protect God's people, keeping them free from error and deception (CCC 882, 890). Of his many official titles, the Pope is the Bishop of Rome and the head of the Magisterium (the teaching authority of the Church made up of the college of Bishops). He holds the final word on matters of faith and morals (known as "papal infallibility"). In the words of the Catechism of the Catholic Church (937): *The Pope enjoys, by divine institution, 'supreme, full, immediate, and universal power in the care of souls' (CD 2).* There's a lot of strong wording here, but before we dive into some of the details, it's important to clarify that Catholics, in fact, do not worship the Pope or see him as a replacement of Christ or the Heavenly Father. From the Catholic perspective, the office of the papacy affirms Christ's Kingship and the Church's confidence in the Holy Spirit to guide believers. [Why Do Catholics Have a Pope? \(crosswalk.com\)](http://www.crosswalk.com)

**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.*