HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Welcome!

Dear Holy Trinity Families,

May God bless you! Welcome back! The summer has come and gone and here we are, once again, back together. I hope and pray that this school year will be one of peace, faithfulness, hope, and joy. I pray that the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph will guide us, protect us, and keep us safe from all harm.

Last year we focused on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and this year we will focus on the "Joy of the Gospel", specifically virtues and a variety of Saints who lived joyful and virtuous lives. Last week, before the start of school, our faculty and staff spent a day together preparing for our task at hand, which is being joyful people ourselves. The Joy of the Gospel will not only be shared and taught in our classrooms, but hopefully in our homes, in our church, and in our community. All of us can benefit from being more joyful and joy-filled!

We have so much to be thankful for here at Holy Trinity and I look forward to serving you and your loved ones this upcoming year and beyond. Please pray for me and know of my prayers for you!

Father Shayne Pastor



CATHOLIC IDENTITY

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:30 am 11:00 am 6:30 pm

Confession: Every Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm

<u>Parish Bulletin</u>

Vision Statement of Holy Trinity Catholic School

To be a school of excellence that encompasses the whole child by modeling Jesus through our Catholic teachings, commitment to academics, service to the community, and devotion as life-long servants of God.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Wednesday, August 21 8:15 am All School Mass
- Thursday, August 22 8 am to 12 pm PTA Vision Screenings (LRC) (1st - 3rd Grade)
- Friday, August 23 8 am to 12 pm PTA Vision Screenings (LRC) (1st 3rd Grade)
- Tuesday, August 27 6 pm to 8 pm Parent Orientation (Clifton)
- Wednesday, August 28 8:15 am All School Mass
- **Tuesday, August 28** 6 pm to 8 pm Parent Orientation (St. Matthews Grades 1st 8th)
- Friday, August 30 Spirit Day
- Monday, September 2 Labor Day No School
- Tuesday, September 3 Room Parent Orientation (MPB)
- Wednesday, September 4 8:15 am All School Mass
- Thursday, September 5 6 pm VIP Meet & Greet (Off-Campus)
- Friday, September 6 8:15 am to 2:30 pm Speech/Hearing Screenings (LRC)
- Friday, September 6 6:30 pm to 8 pm Youth Group Kick-Off Event

CALENDAR



Congratulations!

We are thrilled to announce that Claudia Alfaro has been honored with the 2024 Outstanding Spanish Teacher of the Year Award by the Kentucky Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (KY-AATSP) and the Kentucky World Language Association (KWLA). This prestigious recognition reflects

Claudia's exceptional dedication, passion, and excellence in teaching Spanish. Please join us in congratulating her on this well-deserved achievement!

Eagle Blast!

Eagle Blast 2024 was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who made the event possible. It was an honor to bring back this storied tradition and witness the connections and relationships being built among our Jr High students, faculty and staff. We hope everyone left feeling energized, renewed in their faith, and hopeful for an amazing school year ahead!

-HT Counseling Department

Living Rosary - Save the Date

All are invited to join Archbishop Shelton J. Fabre in celebrating the 73rd Annual LIVING ROSARY! This year's event will be held on Sunday, October 6, 3 p.m., at St. Michael Catholic Church, 3705 Stone Lakes Drive, Louisville, 40299. Youth in grades 1-12 are particularly invited and encouraged to participate. Parents should register them on-line at <u>www.MaryLouisville.com</u>. Let's all love Jesus through Mary's heart!

Get Involved with VIP Night

Save the date! VIP Cocktails and Information Night on how you can meet new people and get involved. Thursday, September 5th 6:30-8:30 location TBD

Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts

Both <u>Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana</u> and <u>Cub Scouts</u> will have presentations in September at Holy Trinity for students interested in joining troops. Flyers will be coming home in Tuesday folders soon. Be sure to complete the "Interested in Scouts" portion of the flyer and return it to HT. Questions can be directed to Mrs. Davenport, Director of Student Activities.

Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana invites you to learn more about Girl Scouts in the Louisville area during their Free Family Fun at the Field event on Saturday, August 24, from 10 am—2:30 pm EDT at Louisville's Lynn Family Stadium. Families will love their special day of hands-on adventures, face painting, cool booths from community partners, games, cotton candy, rock climbing, experiments from the Kentucky Science Center, animal cuddles, Girl Scout Cookies, soccer stadium access, a virtual video tour from Amazon, and a whole lot more. Kids must accompany their grownup at this event. Rain or shine, the fun goes on with covered and airconditioned spaces. Event parking for all is free and easy at the stadium's VIP Purple Lot. Attendees may drop in anytime between 10 am—2:30 pm EDT. No RSVP is required and the event is open to current Girl Scouts and girls interested in joining Girl Scouts.

3rd - 8th Grade Book Bee

While our Archdiocese Book Bee competition does not occur until May, it's never too early for students to start reading and taking notes on their books, should they be interested in being on the team. Often, students will choose the Book Bee books when they have free choice book reports or reading choices throughout the year. Book lists are <u>available online</u> and all books can be checked out from Mrs. Davenport's office, our HT library, and/or the public libraries. Happy reading!

Quick Recall

Quick Recall is an Academic team focused on knowledge and speed, competing in a jeopardy-style game with teammates (led by parent coaches). Practices are on Mondays from 3:00-4:00 pm. Grades 7-8 matches are on Tuesdays at 3:30 pm; 6th Grade matches are on Wednesdays at 3:30 pm. Archdiocese finals are during the first week of November. The required book reading for 6th grade is The Accidental Apprentice by Amanda Foody, and the required book to read for Jr. High is A Wizard's Guide to Defensive Baking by T. Kingfisher. Parents must apply on behalf of students to agree to pay fees to participate.

Applications for Student Council, Quick Recall and Y Club (Grades 6-8)

Student Activity applications for Student Council, Quick Recall, and Y Club (Grades 6 - 8) are open again for any students new to HT, students who missed the spring deadline to apply, and/or students who heard how awesome these activities are after their classmates signed up in the spring and want to join now. We'd love to have you! (If your child already applied in the spring, they do NOT need to reapply.) All applications are due Friday, August 23 at 12 Noon. Questions should be directed to <u>Mrs. Davenport</u>, <u>Director of Student Activities</u>

Student Council

Student leaders lead our school in faith, academics, community, environment, and service projects (led by teachers, Mrs. Davenport & Mrs. Graham). Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month from 3:00-4:00pm, September through December, then the first Monday of the month from 3:00-4:00pm, January - March (to accommodate spring musical practices). As a student leadership group, students must be logged into their Google account to complete the application. Parents cannot apply for students.

Y Club

Students learn about civic engagement through participation in Kentucky Youth Assembly (KYA three-day conference in December) writing bills they believe should be laws in Kentucky - and presenting them in Frankfort - and/or Kentucky United Nations Assembly (KUNA three-day conference in March) when they adopt a country to represent and write U.N. resolutions after reviewing the UN's Global Goals (led by Mrs. VanTrease and other interested parent coaches, Ms. Haydon, and Mrs. Davenport (teachers). Meetings are held every Thursday of the month from 3:00-4:00pm, except the first Thursday of the month August through November (to accommodate Student Council members doing both activities), then switch to all Mondays from 3:00-4:00pm, except the first Thursday of the month for December - April (to accommodate Spring Musical practices). As a student leadership group, students must be logged into their Google account to complete the application. Parents cannot apply for students.

Updated COVID Guidelines

The CDC updated their COVID guidance on March 1st of this year. The new guidelines are stated below.

When people get sick with a respiratory virus, the updated guidance recommends that they stay home and away from others.

For people with COVID-19 and influenza, treatment is available and can lessen symptoms and lower the risk of severe illness. The recommendations suggest returning to normal activities when, for at least 24 hours, symptoms are improving overall, and if a fever was present, it has been gone without the use of a fever-reducing medication. Once people resume normal activities, they are encouraged to take additional prevention strategies for the next 5 days to curb disease spread, such as taking more steps for cleaner air, enhancing hygiene practices, wearing a well-fitting mask, keeping a distance from others, and/or getting tested for respiratory viruses.