



# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## WHAT'S IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE?

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Ms. Bacigalupi

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of the Gospel

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## The Blessings of Our Catholic Education

As we have completed our first nine weeks of school, let us reflect on how much has been accomplished in such a short time.

- August 13th - The first day of the 2024-2025 school year. A day all parents celebrate newfound freedom!
- August 15th - Eagle Blast - A day-long event when our junior high students learn to lead and work as partners during team-building activities
- August 22nd - Vision Screening for all students in 1st-3rd grade
- August 26th - September 20th - MAP Testing
- August 27th and 28th - Parent Orientation Nights
- September 6th - Speech/Hearing screenings
- September 12th - Girl Scout Kick-off
- September 16th-20th - Appalachia Mission Trip for all 8th-grade students
- September 18th - Service Learning in the community for all 7th-grade students
- October 3rd - Annual Pet Blessing
- October 4th - Annual Eagle Walk
- October 7th and 9th - P-T-S Conferences

Although all of the above are impressive events/accomplishments with only nine weeks of school, I believe the most impressive event we have is our weekly Wednesday Mass. It is a time when all other events are set aside as we turn our focus to the true reason we chose to be in a Catholic school. It is a time when we gather our students from both campuses to unite in prayer. This year we have welcomed the leadership of Mr. Richards beginning our Masses with a reflection and/or reminding us of the importance of showing reverence during the Mass.

We have listened as our administrative team and teachers have modeled their faith by sharing their thoughts on the readings of the day. We see our students lead us in our choir, on the altar as servers, as lectors, and gift bearers. We witness Fr. Shayne's engagement with the students and hear the challenges he puts forth for them to live out their faith and to be witnesses to others in their lives. It is truly the best part of our week, knowing we can celebrate our faith so openly and so freely.

If you are having a challenging week or just need to be refreshed in your faith and spirit, please join us in prayer and celebration at 8:15 on Wednesday mornings. I promise you it will be time well spent.

May you feel God's blessings in your life today,  
Ms. Bacigalupi

## CATHOLIC IDENTITY

### **Weekend Mass Schedule:**

Sat. : 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 8:30 am  
11:00 am

Confession:  
Every Sat. : 3:30-4:30 pm

### **Parish Bulletin**

### **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

Please see the school calendar at the button below for the most up-to-date information regarding upcoming meetings and events.

[CALENDAR](#)

# SHARING THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL

Happy Tuesday, Parents!

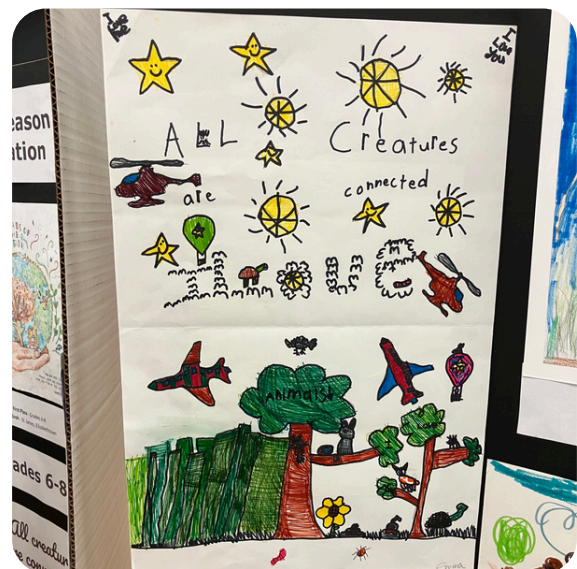
We hope you have seen the fruits of bringing Christ into your home through fostering the virtue of joyfulness. As we near the end of the month, consider trying a new suggestion for practicing joy like **Teaching the Value of Simplicity**.

Help your family find joy in simple pleasures, like spending time outdoors, reading together, or enjoying a homemade meal. Encourage activities that involve face-to-face interaction and creativity rather than excessive screen time, which can often lead to disconnection. We will be praying for you and with you as we all strive to grow in compassion this month!

Sincerely,  
Nathan Hadsall  
Interim Communications Manager  
<http://htparish.org/joy>

## ARCHDIOCESE POSTER CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to 7th grader Ellie S. and 1st grader Emma S., who were recognized this month as the Archdiocese winners in their age groups for the Creation Poster Contest. Ellie was the 6th-7th-8th winner and Emma the K-2 winner.



# SCHOOL NEWS

## Halloween Sucker Sales

Student Council will be selling Halloween suckers beginning October 21st at both campuses. All suckers are \$1 each. The money raised helps pay for Derby Fun treats and activities on Thurby. At St. Matthews, students can buy them in the Gathering Space from 7:30 - 7:50 each morning. (Be sure to come early to get in line.) At Clifton, students can buy them during lunch. We will sell until we sell out, which usually happens in just a few days, so remember to shop early! Flavors include Orange, Lemon Lime, Sour Apple, Sour Mandarin, Sour Cherry, and Strawberry.

## Picture Day

Picture Day is Friday, October 25th. Ordering is done online (before and after Picture Day) at [inter-state.com/order](https://www.inter-state.com/order) using order code 86940GB. You can pay online with your electronic check, debit card, credit card, PayPal, Apple Pay or Google Pay.

Picture Day is a Non-uniform Day. Below is an excerpt from the Parent/Student Handbook regarding Dress for Non-uniform Days and School Picture Day.

"On special occasions, students will be given a Non-uniform Day. On those days, students may ONLY wear:

- Long jeans, resource day sweatpants - (joggers and track pants)
- If shorts are worn, they must be their resource day or uniform shorts.
- Shirts must have sleeves. No tank-tops/spaghetti straps should be worn.
- Shoes must have closed backs and closed toes. No cleats, boots, crocs, clogs, mules, roller skate shoes, moccasins, slippers, sandals or flip flops are permitted.
- All items must be neat and clean.
- Clothing must not be torn/ripped, be too revealing, or have inappropriate messages.
- On Picture Day, girls may wear dresses for their pictures. They may not wear spaghetti strap dresses. The Administration will make the final decision as to the appropriateness of dress items."

# Idle-Free Zone

As Fr. Steven shared with us in his September newsletter article during the Vatican's International Day of Prayer regarding Care for Creation, we are encouraging drivers on our campuses to be idle-free. With October's focus on St. Francis of Assisi and his work to care for creation in mind, we want to remind everyone of our goal to create school parking lots to be idle-free zones. From KAIRE, "To protect the health of students and others on school campuses, idle-free zones reduce exposure to vehicle exhaust by limiting unnecessary idling of all public and private vehicles on school campuses. Drivers are advised to turn off vehicles when parked on school property and not restart vehicles until necessary to depart." We've put up signs at afternoon carpool locations on both campuses to help us remember this goal. Ideally, we'd like families to consider this goal anytime they're on our campuses for athletic activities, school meetings, carpool, Mass, and parish events, as well as anywhere else they find themselves putting their car in park. Obviously, there are exemptions important to our health - - and the reason for waiting to launch this idea during October's cooler weather - - so please know when necessary, we absolutely respect the use of cars' heaters and air conditioners for the safety of vehicle occupants. Thank you for your support and commitment to helping us create a better environment for ourselves and those we care about, too.

Sincerely,

The Student Council Green Environment Committee

## KYA Service Drive Oct. 7 - 17

Our KYA Candidate for Governor/Presiding Officer, Ellie S., invites all Holy Trinity families to donate to our optional all-school KYA October Service Learning Drive. This year's drive will support Wayside Christian Mission, an organization that works with those experiencing houselessness, a platform on which Ellie is focused. We are collecting paper towels, toilet paper, diapers, and baby formula from October 7th through October 17th. Students can drop off donations on their way to class at the Clifton School Office collection bins or the St. Matthews collection bins under the Service Learning bulletin board near the Lost and Found by the Cafeteria. If you have any questions, please contact 7th grader, Ellie S, or Y Club/KYA advisors, Mrs. Davenport and Ms. Haydon. Thanks, in advance, for your support!

# PTA NEWS

## Grandparent & Special Person Day

Please join us for our annual Grandparent or Special Person Day on November 3rd. Come for Mass at either 8:30am or 11:00am. There will be an all school open house in between the Mass times from 9:30-10:50am. We will have coffee and donuts and cannot wait to see you and your Grandparent(s) or Special Person.

## Eagle Walk

A special thank you to our Eagle Walk team, Elizabeth Rauch, Lisa Summers, Anissa Brown, Jessica McKenzie, Andrea O'Daniel, Megan Peters, Jessica Brelage and Sara Bowman for all of their amazing hard work, time and passion. We are so grateful.

## Art to Remember

Attention Parents!

Holy Trinity is participating in the creative fundraiser, Art to Remember! You can purchase keepsake products customized with your child's art. There are over 50 products and many are less than \$15. These make great gifts and a percentage of every purchase goes right back to our school. Look for your student's personal order form in Tuesday's folder. If you have any questions, please email Michelle Frisbie-[michcarr16@yahoo.com](mailto:michcarr16@yahoo.com)

# STUDENT ACTIVITIES & OPPORTUNITIES

## Thanksgiving Fun Days with Mrs. Davenport & Mrs. Watkins

Looking for a fun activity for your children to be involved in the first two days of Thanksgiving break? Let your kids join Mrs. Davenport and Mrs. Watkins at our St. Matthews campus for some Thanksgiving fun while you do what you need to do at home or work.

- Dates: Monday, Nov. 25 and/or Tuesday, Nov. 26 (Students can attend one or both days), 8 AM – 3 PM
- Where: Holy Trinity Catholic School Cafeteria, Gym, & Playgrounds (St. Matthew's Campus)
- Activities will include: Active Play, Games, Crafts, & a Fun Snack
- Lunch: Students must bring a packed lunch from home to enjoy.
- Cost: \$60/child, per day
- Open to all HTCS students in grades K - 4

Space is limited! While applications and payment are due Nov. 10, please send in your payment as soon as possible and [complete the online registration](#) to reserve your child's spot in the days of fun!

## Sugar Skull! A Dia de Muertos Musical Adventure

Message from Senora Alfaro: I would like to invite you to a family event. This is a great opportunity for your kids to learn more about this beautiful tradition in my country, Mexico, and it will be performed at the Kentucky Performing Arts Center. Sugar Skull! A Dia de Muertos Musical Adventure is a touring bilingual/bicultural musical for young audiences and families that uses traditional regional music and dance from Mexico to tell the story of twelve-year-old Vita Flores. Vita thinks her family has gone loco planning a celebration for deceased loved ones. Why throw a party for the dead? But when a spirited candy skeleton suddenly springs to life, Vita finds herself on a magical, musical journey to unravel the true meaning of Dia de Muertos.

# Parish News

## Advent Wreath Decorating Event

We welcome families to sign up for this year's Advent wreath decorating event! The cost is \$35 per family and you get your wreath (from North Carolina), candles, decorations and a prayer booklet. It will be held on November 24th, between the morning Masses. Please register at: <https://holyltrinitycatholicchu25.flocknote.com/signup/179950> The event fills up quickly, so please register as soon as possible!



## Mass for the Commemoration of All of the Faithful Departed

Holy Trinity Catholic Church invites you to a Mass for the Commemoration of All of the Faithful Departed.

Saturday, November 2, 2024 10:00 AM

Please join us as we fondly remember and pray for all of our beloved parishioners who have died.



# Parish News

## Remembrance for Bereaved Parents

If you, or someone you know, has experienced a miscarriage or stillbirth, we want you to know you are not alone. Holy Trinity Catholic Church would like to personally, privately, acknowledge this loss with a small token of remembrance for bereaved parents. For more information, please contact Mary Scott Herrington at [mherrington@htparish.org](mailto:mherrington@htparish.org)