



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

WHAT'S IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE?

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Mr. Richards
Head of Schools

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Last Friday, the gospel for the Solemnity of All Saints was a familiar one:

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn,
for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for
righteousness,
for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart,
for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of
righteousness,
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you
and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because
of me.

Rejoice and be glad,
for your reward will be great in heaven."--

As we read these words, we are reminded that greatness in the eyes of the Lord is different than how society defines greatness. We are reminded on this special day of the Church to live our lives as the saints who have gone before us lived their lives. Not for their personal gain, but for the benefit of others.

This gospel reading is also a challenge to us. What in our lives prevents us from becoming the saints God intended us to be? What motives, insecurities, and/or worries stop us from becoming our fullest version?

As we watched our first graders process in Church on Friday in their saint costumes, we should take some time to appreciate the sacrifices these individuals gave to benefit humanity and the Catholic Church. Let us pray to God that we may find the strength and courage to do the same.

Respectfully,

Jack Richards
Head of Schools

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](#)

Teacher Recognition

Holy Trinity Catholic School is blessed to have an amazing faculty who dedicate their time and energy for the success of our students. Today, we were able to recognize several teachers who celebrated milestone years:



Elenin Navarrete 5 years
Cristin Linebach 5 years
Meredeth Tapp 5 years
Chloe Mitchell 10 years
Lisa Moretti 10 years
Maggie McKune 10 years
Julie Melder 15 years
Carey Given 25 years
Mary French (not pictured) 35 years

Please join us in thanking and appreciating the wonderful work these individuals have given to our Holy Trinity Community.

SCHOOL NEWS

Calendar Change - 8th Grade Nativity

The 8th Grade Nativity, originally scheduled for December 19th at 9:00 am has been rescheduled for December 20th at 9:30 am. Please mark your calendar. Thank you.

Orton-Gillingham at Clifton Campus

Holy Trinity Clifton will be hosting a presentation on "The Orton-Gillingham Method at HT Clifton". Come join us to learn more about this powerful approach to the teaching of reading. Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 6PM, Eifler Theater, 2117 Payne Street, Louisville, KY 40206

PTA NEWS

Parent Letter

A group of Kindergarten parents recently read *The Anxious Generation* by Jonathan Haidt. The book provides research and examples supporting the benefits of delaying smartphones for children. The group has committed to signing the [Wait Until 8th Pledge](#) to delay giving our kids smartphones due to the harmful effects of social media and internet access for young children.

This is an important thing to talk about and share because when parents band together the pressure felt by both the kids and parents decreases. Holy Trinity has such a strong community that draws many families together. Community support is needed to ensure our children are protected from the negative impact social media has on them.

Kids at this young age are not equipped to handle the pitfalls of social media. Follow the link to sign the Wait Until 8th Pledge. You can still sign the pledge if you would like your child to have a basic phone to call and text. If you have questions or want to learn more, *The Anxious Generation* is a great place to start your research on this topic.

Join me in taking the first step to letting our kids be kids again!

Mariel Vallejo
Holy Trinity Parent & Parishioner

PTA Meeting - November 14th

Join us at the next PTA meeting where we welcome guest speaker Coach Betsy to speak with us about empowering parents to drive better relationships with their kids during early and teen years.

Art to Remember

It's not too late to order Art To Remember! Orders placed now will be shipped to your home for a small shipping fee and Holy Trinity will still get credit! Use the following link to access your student's art.

<https://arttoremember.com/school/u4wxzu>

VIP Raffle Kickoff!

The 2025 VIP raffle tickets go on sale today! AND we have a second chance to earn an extra day off school for Spring Break! If all 700 tickets are sold by December 15, 2024, we will earn Friday, March 28, 2025 off school.

Raffle tickets are \$50 for a chance to win a \$10,000 cash prize! A maximum of 700 tickets will be sold. If we do not sell at least 400 tickets, the raffle reverts to a 50/50 split the pot. The winner will be drawn live at the 2025 VIP Night on Saturday, February 8, 2025.

NEW this year...we will have a \$2,500 Early Bird drawing before Christmas! For all tickets purchased by midnight on December 15, 2024, the purchaser has a chance to win a \$2,500 cash prize on December 16, 2024, and all tickets will be returned to the February 8, 2025 drawing. By purchasing a raffle ticket by December 15, 2024, the purchaser will have two chances to WIN!

Winners do not need to be present to win, so this is the perfect opportunity to ask family and friends to purchase tickets and support our school. Use the link below to purchase your tickets and send to supporters: <https://one.bidpal.net/2025raffle/browse/featured>

Supporters will receive an email within 24-48 hours of purchase with their raffle ticket number(s) and confirmation of their student seller name(s). Due to limitations in the BidPal software, we cannot track student seller(s) at the time of raffle ticket purchase. When the Holy Trinity volunteer emails the buyer their raffle ticket number, they will confirm/ask for the student seller name(s) at that time.

Soup & Salad

The Teacher and Staff Appreciation Committee are organizing Soup and Salad Day again this year! Please consider making your favorite homemade soup or salad to treat our wonderful teachers to a delicious lunch! This day is always a huge hit with our staff. Details on the sign up genius links below.

[St. Matthews Campus - Wednesday, November 20th](#)
[Clifton Campus - Tuesday, November 19th](#)



Candy Cart

The famous Candy Cart will be back on Friday, November 15th! If your family buys/sells **TWO raffle tickets**, your child(ren) can earn a visit to the Candy Cart!

The two raffle tickets do not need to be purchased by the same person or on the same day. Grandma can purchase one today and Uncle John can purchase one on Friday and your child(ren) can earn a visit to the Candy Cart. Also, all children in a family will receive credit for each raffle ticket sold.

The Candy Cart visits will be on Fridays from November 15th – December 20th. The 2nd raffle ticket needs to be bought/sold by midnight the Wednesday before Candy Cart Friday to give volunteers time to organize the data. See below for the Candy Cart schedule:

Buy/Sell 2nd Raffle Ticket Between:	Visit Candy Cart On:
Start – 11/13	November 15th
11/14 – 11/20	November 22nd
11/21 – 12/4	December 6th
12/5 – 12/11	December 13th
12/12 – 12/15	December 20th

Questions? Email Molly Willer at mwiller@ht-school.org or Jennifer Kuerzi at Jennifer.Thomas@cbh.com | Holy Trinity Parish School – Lic # ORG0827

STUDENT ACTIVITIES & OPPORTUNITIES

Congratulations to our Quick Recall Teams

Congratulations and good luck to our Quick Recall Teams, which are still competing in the Archdiocese Tournament! Go Eagles!

- 6th Grade Dryden played St. Edward in the Final 4 at Lourdes on Monday at 6:30 pm. They won the Final 4 match and then played the City Championship immediately afterward, winning to be named Tourney champs. (They were undefeated regular season champs, too!)
- 8th Grade plays St. Edward at HT on Tuesday at 3:30 (Elite 8 Match).
- 7th Grade plays St. Mary at St. Albert on Tuesday at 3:30 (Elite 8 Match).

Good Luck to 6th-8th Grade KYA Student Delegates

Good Luck to our grades 6 - 8 KYA student delegates who will be representing their views at their middle school conference this week with around 1,000 peers from across the state! Our bills include:

- Allowing "Granny Cams" at assisted living facilities in Kentucky if installed by interested families to prevent elder abuse
- Allowing speech therapy services to continue if needed because of a physical difference/disability (Ex: speech impediment) and not have it based on one's ELA grade (discontinued if you have an A)
- Requiring monthly intruder drills at schools, increased from the 1 per year currently required, to align with the monthly fire drill requirement

We're excited to have our first elected presiding officer in Holy Trinity history, 8th grader Bob English serving as Lt. Governor. We'll be cheering on and campaigning for next year's presiding officer candidate, 7th grader Ellie Smith. Good Luck, Eagles!

Service Learning Drives

Service Learning Drives for each grade level's community partner will be held Nov. 11 - 16. Wishlist items will come home with your child and/or be emailed to parents. Please consider shopping with your child(ren) to donate much-needed items to support our community partners: Clifton - Nazareth Home, PreK - Animal Care Society, K/1 - Schuhmann Center, 2 - Sister Visitor Center, 3 - Fr. Jack Jones Food Pantry, 4 - Golden Arrow, 5 - Assisted Living Facilities, 6 - Migration & Refugee Services, and 7 & 8 - St. Vincent Depaul of Louisville.

Holiday PEP Classes

Holiday PEP Classes will be offered in November and December. Classes being offered are coming home in today's folder. Class descriptions can also be [found online](#). All students must be [registered online](#) to attend, and payment sent to the hosting teacher to reserve your child's space in the class. Registrations and payments are due Friday, Nov. 15.

PARISH NEWS

Change to Safe Environment Training

The previously scheduled Safe Environment Training at St. Margaret Mary on November 5th has been moved to St. Albert the Great on Monday, November 11th.

Advent Wreath Decorating

Sunday, November 24th at 9:30 am in the school cafeteria. The cost is \$35 to cover the cost of materials. Spots are limited to the first 50 families or individuals that register.

Scan the QR code
to register.

