



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Chris Allison
Director of Faith
Formation

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Holy Trinity Catholic School Community,

Last year I wrote to you in the newsletter about celebrating 936 Sundays with your children. This is the number of Sundays you have to pray with your child from birth (Baptism) until they graduate high school. But then, I learned this statistic from National Catholic Reporter and I realized we don't have as long as we think:

"A 2018 study on young adults leaving the Catholic Church found people stopped identifying as Catholics at a median age of 13, long before they ceased attending a parish."

My heart dropped when I realized most of our students are deciding if they will be Catholic before receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

I like a good challenge, and I hope you do too because I'm calling on you, as the primary educators of your children's faith journey, to pause and reflect. How are you doing as a family on prayer and celebrating Mass together on Sundays? Do you make your faith a priority? Do you celebrate Feast Days, Holy Days, and Baptismal Birthdays as a family? Are you praying purposefully for your children?

In the last several weeks during Catechesis of the Good Shepherd lessons with our preschool students, we've invited them to talk to Jesus and offer prayers. Over and over, I've heard them pray for their families, mothers and fathers, their pets; but mostly I've heard them pray out loud so many times. "I love you, Jesus."

Our children have a desire for us to foster in them a love and relationship with Jesus Christ. I beg you to give them the opportunity to truly know him by how you live your faith at home and in our parish community. After all, you made this promise to them, God, and your faith community when you presented your child at their Baptism.

Our Formation Team is always here to support you in your faith journey. Reach out, we'd love to help you where we can!

Faithfully,
Chris Allison
Director of Faith Formation

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](#)

SCHOOL NEWS

Interested Family Tour - November 19th

Our next Interested Family Tour will be on Tuesday, November 19th. If you know anyone who is interested in learning about Holy Trinity Catholic School and all of the exciting things we have to offer, please have them call the school office to sign up for a tour.

Congratulations 8th Grade Quick Recall Team

Congratulations to our 8th grade Quick Recall team who advanced to and competed in the Archdiocese Final 4 last week! We're proud of your accomplishments this season.

Spirit Day

Monday, November 18th is a Spirit Day.

Holiday PEP Classes

Holiday PEP Classes will be offered in November and December. Class descriptions can 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.

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

Thanksgiving Fun Days

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!

8th Grade Poinsettia Sale – Benefitting the Washington D.C. Trip

The 8th Grade Poinsettia Sale Fundraiser is underway! Students in the 8th grade will receive approximately 50% of the cost of each Poinsettia sold. This will help alleviate a portion of their expenses. Order forms and payment must be turned in to the office by Thursday, November 21st. (Click [here](#) for order form.) Pick up will be at the Holy Trinity Multi-Purpose Building on Saturday, December 7th between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., rain or shine. If you would like more information, contact Somer Neff at somersetneff@gmail.com, 502-794-5710 or Kimberly Sternberg at kgsternberg@gmail.com, 502-386-8720.

Recycling News



Over the past 8 years, our school has recycled 1,359 ink and toner cartridges, 380.8 lbs. of markers, and 705.42 lbs. of crayons. Now we will begin recycling batteries here at school! The container is located outside the Art room door next to the ink cartridge bin. We can recycle single use, rechargeable, and watch batteries. The can is metal, but the

inside is a thick plastic, so there will be no accidental discharges inside of the can. We also recycle ink, crayons, markers and the Art room can upcycle your empty egg cartons! There is a bin for all of the items in the gathering space, or you may send them in to school with your child(ren).

Help Design This Year's Yearbook Cover

Help design this year's yearbook covers! All entries are due in paper form to the school office by Thursday, November 21st. The organization and design of the yearbook this year will be led by Ms. Miedaner, Mrs. Brown, and Ms. Graham. If you have any questions you can contact us at smiedaner@ht-school.org, hbrown@ht-school.org, hgraham@ht-school.org.

Requirements for Yearbook Cover:

- Must be completed in black ink (no pencil)
- Submitted on 8 1/2 x 11 white printer paper only, design up/down to fit on the cover of our yearbook (don't turn the paper sideways)
- Must include Holy Trinity Catholic School and 2024 - 2025 on the cover in some way
- Make your design unique - include ideas and images of what you love about HTCS
- Include the artist's name on it in the lower right-hand corner (can be done with a friend, if you want)
- Know this yearbook includes Clifton & St. Matthews campus classes

PTA NEWS

PTA Meeting - November 14th

Join us next Thursday Nov 14th at 7pm (MPB- St Matthews campus) for the PTA meeting with special guest speaker Coach Betsy Baird Smith. Its a short talk/ Q&A regarding raising teens in a social media world, Fitting In, Standing Out: Helping Kids Feel Belonging Without Losing Themselves Raising an Everyday Leader, etc.

You won't want to miss it!



Trivia

We want to thank Tiffany Cecil and Brittany Metten for a successful Trivia Night this past weekend. The competition, costumes and decorations were amazing! Such a fun night for our parents!

2025 Eagle Soiree Raffle Tickets - We Need YOU!

We need your help, Eagles! If all 700 raffle tickets are sold by December 15, 2024, we will earn Friday, March 28, 2025 off school. We have had a great start, but still have over 500 tickets to sell.

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 Eagle Soiree 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.

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The Candy Cart is Back!!

The famous Candy Cart will be back this Friday, November 15th! If your family buys/sells TWO raffle tickets, by midnight on Wednesday, 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 tomorrow 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.

Questions? Email Molly Willer at mwiller@ht-school.org or Jennifer Kuerzi at Jennifer.Thomas@cbh.com

PARISH NEWS

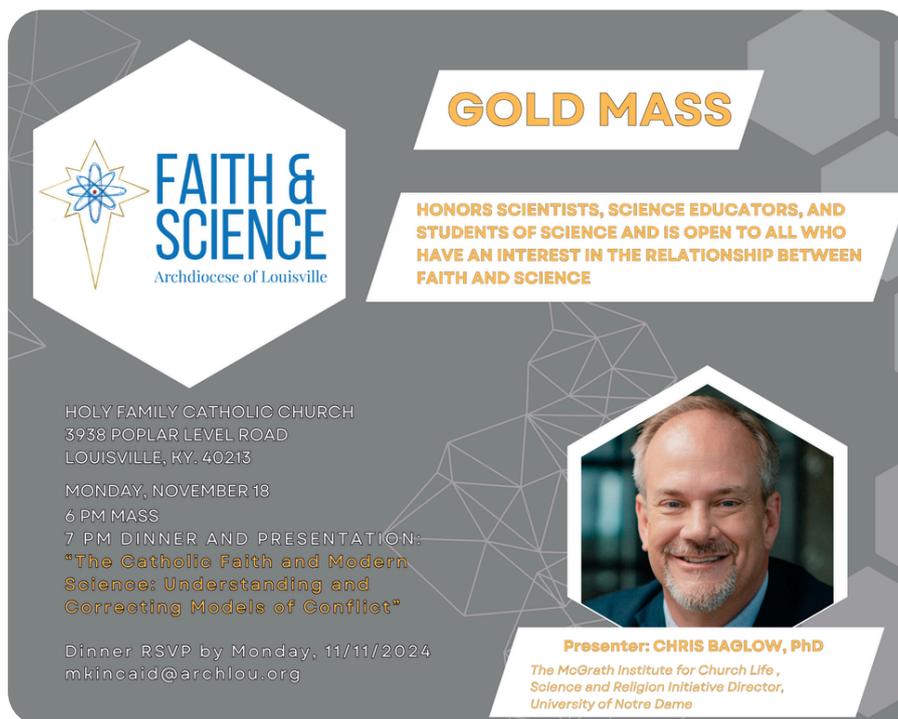
Advent Wreath Decorating

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.



Annual Gold Mass



FAITH & SCIENCE
Archdiocese of Louisville

GOLD MASS

HONORS SCIENTISTS, SCIENCE EDUCATORS, AND STUDENTS OF SCIENCE AND IS OPEN TO ALL WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FAITH AND SCIENCE

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH
3938 POPLAR LEVEL ROAD
LOUISVILLE, KY. 40213

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18
6 PM MASS
7 PM DINNER AND PRESENTATION:
"The Catholic Faith and Modern Science: Understanding and Correcting Models of Conflict"

Dinner RSVP by Monday, 11/11/2024
mkincaid@archlou.org

Presenter: CHRIS BAGLOW, PhD
The McGrath Institute for Church Life,
Science and Religion Initiative Director,
University of Notre Dame



The annual Gold Mass will take place on Monday, November 18 at 6 p.m. at Holy Family Parish. This Mass invokes blessings on scientists, science educators, and students of science and is open to all who have an interest in the relationship between faith and science.