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Volunteering at Holy Trinity Church and School

Like most Catholic communities, volunteerism drives the mission of Holy Trinity. We depend on volunteers to enhance the ministries of our church, and our school thrives with the dedication of parent volunteers. I will not list all the ways that parent volunteers support this community, as this letter is supposed to be brief. However, I must share that one way Holy Trinity parent volunteers are unique is their ability to host successful fundraising and community building events.

At Holy Trinity, our students have access to programs and resources that are considered luxuries at an elementary school, and we are able to provide these things because our PTA works tirelessly to plan events to raise funds. As we approach our Eagle Soirée on February 8th, I am in awe of the immense effort that has been put forth by our amazing group of volunteers. This team has been working together since our last VIP night to ensure that this event is fruitful. With just two weeks to go, we're still working hard and always need help on the many events we have currently and what we will have in the future. Please know that no amount of time is too small to help with these events.

This is my 23rd year as a parent at Holy Trinity, and I continue to be blown away by the work that God does through the hands of this community. While volunteering often results in things that can be measured or seen: a successful Eagle Walk, money raised, auction items obtained, etc., there are many unseen benefits to volunteering. Giving your time to your community strengthens not only your connection to others but also deepens your sense of belonging. I have heard many times that new families feel overwhelmed when trying to find their way in this large community and throughout all my years at Holy Trinity, I can sincerely say that the parents who are truly fulfilled by this community are the ones who volunteer their time at the school and/or church. I have watched some of the most amazing relationships form.

As we enter into 2025, I encourage you to find a way to give time to your community. Not only do we need volunteers, but more than that, I want every parent at Holy Trinity to fully experience the true meaning of community and working together to make great things happen.

So grateful to our many volunteers that make GREAT things happen!

Molly Willer

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

Book Study Tuesday, March 18th: The Anxious Generation

Who: Parents of Holy Trinity Students

What: Book Study of Jonathan Haidt's The Anxious Generation

When: Tuesday, March 18th

Where: 8:15-9:15 am in MPB or Virtually

This book has been called a must read for parents, and opens our eyes and thoughts to so many topics in helping our children. Not a reader? No worries, we have compiled a list of podcasts, articles, and a TED talk that cover this book as well. Warning: This book is a hefty read, getting started early can help with that. As well, at the end of each chapter there is a summary of key points that chapter makes. We look forward to discussing this book with you!

If you have any questions or want further information please contact one of our counselors, Rebecca Khoury at rkhoury@ht-school.org, Kary Scinta at kscinta@ht-school.org, or Katie Moore at kmoore@ht-school.org.

Governor's Cup District Medal Winners

Congratulations Governor's Cup District Medal Winners - This past week, we were proud to cheer on our 7th and 8th graders who competed in District Governor's Cup Academic Competitions in essay writing, subject-specific test taking, and Quick Recall. All students who earned 1st - 5th place medals advance to Regional competitions in February.

- Benjamin Tsai Mathematics, 1st Place
- Jack Schneider Science, 2nd Place
- Bob English Social Studies, 2nd Place
- Tysen Smith Social Studies, 4th Place & Language Arts, 5th Place
- Emma Frey Language Arts, 1st Place
- Harper Wintergerst-Weston Language Arts, 3rd Place & Composition Essay Writing, 4th Place
- Sophie Kimmer Composition Essay Writing, 3rd Place
- Quick Recall Team Hume Sportsmanship Team Award

Winter MAP Testing

Winter MAP testing is still going on in some grades. We ask that you plan accordingly and not plan any trips, appointments, etc., during these dates. Please be sure your child arrives at school on time, is well-rested, and has a good breakfast. If your child is in 6th-8th grade, please ensure their iPad is fully charged.

Kindergarten will take MAP Reading Fluency and MAP Growth Math 1st-2nd will take MAP Growth Reading and MAP Growth Math 3rd-7th will take MAP Growth Reading, Language Usage, and MAP Growth Math

8th will take MAP Growth Reading, Language Usage, and MAP Growth Algebra I

Grade - Testing Dates

K 1//13, 1/14, 1/22

1st - 1/17, 1/24

2nd - 1/21, 1/23

3rd - 1/21, 1/23, 1/28, 1/30

4th - 1/14, 1/16, 1/23

5th - 1/16, 1/17, 1/23

6th.- 1/17, 1/24, 1/27

7th - 1/14, 1/16, 1/23

8th - 1/14, 1/16, 1/23

Friendzy

This month we are starting Unit 5 of the Friendzy Curriculum. This unit, KNOW YOUR LIMIT, teaches us about the importance of setting healthy boundaries by listening to our mind, body, and heart so we live within our limits and thrive! Click here to <u>learn</u> more.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

CSW Service Collection Efforts

Next week for Catholic Schools Week, Jan. 26 through Feb. 1, we'll have our annual grade-level service drives for our various community partners. To celebrate our 100th day of school next week, we're challenging each grade/Clifton Campus to collect 100 items for their organization! All families are invited to shop with their children for the requested items. Students can drop off donations on their way to classes in the Gathering Space bins at St. Matthews and office bins at Clifton. Learn about each organization's needs by visiting

https://tinyurl.com/HTCSWServiceDrive2025 or reviewing the flyers coming home this week for each grade/organization.

Adult volunteers (parents and grandparents welcome) are needed to help students find the correct bin throughout the week at St. Matthews before school or box up and count items after morning Mass on Sunday morning. If you can help, please sign up here:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4CAEAA2AAB9-54431289-catholic

Catholic Schools Week Sunday Mass Volunteers Needed

Student Council will be serving donuts after both Sunday Masses this weekend on Jan. 26, as well as leading Mass in all the roles during the 11:00 am Mass, but we need more student help! If your family or child would like to join us in these leadership roles, please sign them up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4CAEAA2AAB9-54530223-catholic

Catholic Schools Week Activities & Traditions

Be sure to refer to your <u>calendar</u> sent home last week for all of next week's fun activities and traditions that Student Council has planned to celebrate National Catholic Schools Week!

Tiny Saints CSW Competition

Tiny Saints is a business that sells tiny saint keychains and other saint-focused items. They're having a Catholic Schools Week competition and giving away 1500 tiny saint items to the winning school. Want to help HT win? <u>Visit their website</u> and choose "Holy Trinity School - Louisville KY 40207". Thanks for the support!

PTA NEWS

Eagle Soiree (formerly called VIP)

We are fast approaching our BIGGEST EVENT OF THE YEAR! Our 2025 Eagle Soiree is February 8th, 2025 at the OMNI Hotel at 6:00 pm. Here are some quick facts.

- *This is our biggest fundraiser and Community Builder of the year. All proceeds support the school.
- *Get your tickets now! http://bidpal.net/2025vip
- *Our WHEEL OF CHANCE will open this Friday at 6:00 pm (fun raffle items that will be drawn the day of the event) The items are so amazing and they will sell out FAST! http://bidpal.net/2025raffle
- *Our SILENT AUCTION will open on January 31st .
- *Be looking for Class Art and Teacher Experiences....They are AMAZING and your kids will love them.

****Just for clarification. Because of Kentucky Gaming Laws, we have two different bidpal websites that we have to use. So to buy tickets to the event and to bid on silent auction you will use http://bidpal.net/2025vip and for wheel of chance, Jordan Klein Blinky Ring Raffle and our exciting new, Morgan Stanley, The Derby City Group casino at the event you will use http://bidpal.net/2025raffle Lic#ORG0827

PARISH NEWS

Women's Paint and Pray



Come join us for fellowship and faith as we paint a picture, with the help of Pinot's Palette, and spend some time reflecting on hope in our lives. Food and drinks will be available. We'll be gathering in the Multipurpose Building on Tuesday, March 4th at 6:30 pm. Pinot's Palette will be providing all we need to do a beautiful picture. No experience in painting is necessary.

Altar Server Training

