



# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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

A Message from  
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On Easter Monday, we learned of Pope Francis's passing. When Pope Francis was chosen, I was teaching third grade here at HT. Many classrooms tuned in for the decision, and I recall students wanting to stay to watch for the possibility of smoke instead of going to carpool.

As the passing of Pope Francis is a solemn moment for the Catholic Church, we will take time to grieve before Cardinals begin the sacred process to choose his successor. During this time, called the "sede vacante" (Latin for "the seat being vacant"), the focus shifts to prayer, reflection, and preparing for the next step - the election of a new pope.

Here at HT, you will notice black curtains hanging on our exterior doors as you enter the Gathering Space and Church. We have covered photos of Pope Francis in our hallways and classrooms with black cloth or taken the photos down. Our prayers call for granting eternal rest upon Pope Francis. Our outside flag is at half-mast. Some classes have watched the live-stream of the Pope lying in state at the Vatican. We're reminded that the pope is not just a religious leader—he's the successor of St. Peter, the Apostle chosen by Jesus to lead His Church. His death reminds us of the continuity of the Church and its guidance through the Holy Spirit.

Over the next two to three weeks, the Cardinals under the age of 80 will gather in Rome for the conclave. Meaning "with key" in Latin, conclave involves the Cardinals being locked in the Sistine Chapel until they make their decision. To be elected, a cardinal must receive at least two-thirds of the votes. This week at Mass, Father Shayne shared with students and teachers the basic requirements to be elected - male, baptized, and not married. Who among our students may grow to be pope someday?

After each round of voting, the ballots are burned. If no one is elected, chemicals are added to make the smoke black. When the cardinals finally agree on a new pope, the smoke turns white and a cardinal will step onto the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica to announce: "*Habemus Papam!*", which means, "We have a pope!"

As Catholic families, we are invited to participate in this sacred time through prayer and unity. Here are some things families can do together:

- Pray for the soul of the departed pope and thank God for his leadership.
- Learn about the history of the papacy and the role of the pope in the Church. Here are [resources](#) compiled by our Director of Faith Formation, Chris Allison.
- Follow the conclave with reverence, watching for the white smoke and joining in the joy of the announcement. Here's a [video](#) Fr. Shayne shared with our teachers explaining the process.
- Pray for the cardinals who must discern God's will in choosing the new pope.
- Welcome the new Holy Father with love and support as he begins his ministry.

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## 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

## No School on Friday, May 2nd

School will not be in session on Oaks Day - Friday, May 2nd! Enjoy the Derby Weekend!

## JCC Club J

Club J is an after school care program at the Jewish Community Center. They will pick up students here at Holy Trinity (St. Matthews Campus) after school and take them to Trager Family JCC for their after school program. Click [here](#) for the informational flyer. The J Club is licensed by the state and they accept CCAP. They are offering an early bird promotion happening until the beginning of the summer (May 30th).

## PTA NEWS

### Art Work for Walk T-Shirts

Calling all creative students! This is your chance to showcase your incredible talents and inspire our annual Eagle Walk t-shirts. Please include the phrase "Faith in Every Footstep" in your design. Must be your own original work and on 8.5"x11" white paper. Let your faith guide your vision! Submit now through May 19th to the front office.

### Father / Daughter Dance

Tickets are now on sale now for our Luau Theme Father(Special Friend) Dance on May 9th from 7-9 pm for Prek-4th Grades. This will be held at the St. Matthews Campus.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to work the event please contact [hsexton1025@gmail.com](mailto:hsexton1025@gmail.com)

<https://www.wesharegiving.org/App/Form/df94dada-6a27-4cc7-bf5d-0d7846841e21>

# PTA NEWS

## Fun Day at Camp HiHo (not mother/son)

**Mark Your Calendar for Holy Trinity Camp Hi-Ho Day - MAY 28, 2025!!!**

**\*\*\*SPECIAL NOTE: REGISTRATION OPENS MAY 13th AT 8 P.M.**

School is almost out for summer and why not kick it off right by signing up your current Pre-K-5th grader for Holy Trinity Day at Camp Hi-Ho! Your son or daughter will love Camp Hi-Ho with its zipline, swimming, fishing bazooka ball, archery, arts & crafts and more!

This day is popular for Holy Trinity students and to ensure all families have equal access to registration, the registration site will open on **May 13th at 8 p.m.** Please note that if you sign up prior to **8 p.m. on May 13th**, your child's registration will be cancelled. There are only 225 spots available, so please set an alarm for **8 p.m. on May 13th** as these spots will fill up quickly!!! A flyer is in the Tuesday folder with a QR Code for the registration link. A link to the registration is included below.

### **Event Details:**

DATE: May 28, 2025

TIME: Meet at HT at 8:45 a.m.; bus leaves at 9:15 a.m.

Bus returns to Holy Trinity at 3:30 p.m.

ELIGIBLE STUDENT ATTENDEES: Students who are currently in Pre-K through 5th grade. When registering, please select the current grade for your child.

REGISTRATION COST: \$70; includes lunch and all activities

LUNCH: Provided by Camp Hi-Ho

REGISTRATION LINK: [Camp Hi-Ho registration](#)

One more note—don't confuse this with HT Mother-Son Camp Hi-Ho Day!

# PTA NEWS

## Mother (Special Friend) Son event at Camp HiHo

Join us on Saturday, May 10th, from 12-4pm for the Holy Trinity mother/son (PreK-5th grades) day at Camp Hi-Ho!

This will be a special time for mothers to spend quality time with their son(s) and enjoy outdoor activities and competitions.

Mothers and their son(s) will have the opportunity to fish, ride a canoe or kayak, play in the tree forts, take aim at their son in a mother vs son bazooka ball match, and participate in fun field-day themed games like potato sack races and tug-of-war! This is sure to be a special day for mothers, sons and classmates to engage in exciting activities, build stronger friendships and enjoy being together for a day at camp!

Lunch will consist of grilled chicken, hot dogs, salad, fruit and sparkling water/lemonade. Upon arrival, we will gather everyone under the pavilion and eat lunch, and a representative from Camp Hi-Ho will go over the schedule for the day and locations of all activities. Mothers and sons should wear outdoor/athletic clothing and dress for the weather! Our goal is to provide a time and space where mothers and their sons can spend quality time together and have a fun-filled afternoon with classmates. Tickets are \$50 per child, Mom is free.

We hope you can join us!

For any questions, please contact Taylor Jackson at [tflorence12@gmail.com](mailto:tflorence12@gmail.com)

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# PARISH NEWS



Registration deadline is May 9th to first 125 kids to register for VBS!  
Join us!

