



Wildcat News

Our mission is to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ,
to provide a high-quality education, and to guide children in living the Catholic faith.

Jan 24, 2019

Principal's Corner

Upcoming Events

1/27-2/1	Catholic Schools' Week starts with the Chili Dinner after the 11:00 Mass
1/27	3K, 4K, and 5K Round-Up 1:00-2:00 in the 5K room
1/28	Social Fest meetings starting at 5:00 in the Cafe
1/30	First Reconciliation at 6:00 pm
2/1	1-8 Bowling and 3K-5K Jumping Country
2/6	D.A.R.E. Graduation at 1:45 pm
2/7	8th Grade NET Retreat
2/8	Family Bingo Night
2/9	No School (The district is in session)

Dear HTS Families:

On January 27, we begin National Catholic Schools Week, our annual celebration of what makes education at Holy Trinity School outstanding. We have a whole week of activities planned to show what our students are accomplishing and to celebrate the community we have built to educate tomorrow's citizens and church leaders.

The theme of our celebration is "Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed." The theme encompasses the core products and values that can be found in Catholic schools across the country. Not only are we teaching students to become future servant leaders, faith-filled disciples and enriched citizens in our communities, educators are growing with them. In Catholic schools, we are all learners, servants and leaders. These shared qualities are what make Catholic schools work and succeed.

The theme also focuses on key elements of Catholic education: faith development, academic excellence and dedication to service. These elements set Catholic schools apart from other educational options. They are why families make sacrifices to provide their children with a Catholic education.

I am grateful every day for the teachers, staff, board members, parents and volunteers who make our school a success. National Catholic Schools Week is a good time for all of us to thank them for their dedication and service.

Blessings,

Ms. Jennifer Crombie

Items In This Week's Folder or Attached

- Letter from Archbishop Listecki
- List of Catholic Schools' Week Activities
- Extend-A-Day information for next school year
- February lunch menu
- Box Top collection info.
- Athletic Banquet invite to all HTS athletes

Here is the special section, where each week, I will share information about what “Standards-Based Learning and Assessment” means, what it will look like for your child, and why we are making the change.

What is the purpose of a standards-based report card?

The purpose of a standards-based report card is to better communicate your child’s achievement on specific learning targets in a subject area. These learning targets are based on the standards adopted by the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. A standards-based report card provides more detailed information about a student’s progress than a traditional report card

Dear School Families,

This week Catholic Schools around the country celebrate the unique contribution that they make to the Church and the world.

The Catholic Church did not begin to really make a name for itself in the U.S. until the mid-19th century. During the second half of the 19th century, the number of Catholics in our country began to increase rapidly as immigrants began flooding into the land of opportunity. It was at this time that the Church began to construct an abundance of Catholic schools, which were united in what soon became a massive educational system. These schools played an indispensable role in assisting parents in passing on the Catholic faith to their children in a country that was sometimes quite unfriendly to Roman Catholicism. In fact, they were so important that bishops often required pastors to construct the parish school before the parish church!

During the first half of the 20th century through the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965), the Catholic education system became highly institutionalized and quite successful at forming students both in the Catholic faith and with the skills necessary to make a serious contribution to society through work and domestic life. During this period, the school system relied heavily, if not often exclusively, upon the fidelity and competency of religious sisters, brothers, and priests. Without them, the American Catholic school system would never have materialized.

In the past 50 years, the Catholic school system has been challenged by trends such as the decrease in religious vocations, the loss of practicing Catholics and the rise of secularism, the confusion of Catholic doctrine, and the increased expense of education, just to name a few. Clearly, these difficulties pose serious challenges to Catholic administrators and educators. And yet, many Catholic schools have creatively sought ways to overcome these trials so as to continue providing parents with much needed support in their primary task of educating their children and initiating them into the Catholic faith.

I consider myself a recipient of the blessing of a Catholic education at my home parish’s school. My competent teachers succeeded in offering me a rigorous education that well-equipped me for further studies and life, in general. At school, I also had the blessing of learning in a Catholic atmosphere of belief, which permeated every moment of the day thereby making my Catholic education categorically different, dare I say, superior, to education in a public school. This ambient culture was sustained by weekly Mass, regular confession, devotional practices like Stations of the Cross during Lent on Fridays, daily prayer, and Catholic values. That being said, I must honestly admit that the education I received was certainly not perfect. For example, in retrospect, I received catechetical instruction that was lacking. I mention this because it’s a constant reminder to me to do everything possible to equip our Catholic students to understand their Catholic faith well so as to live it more intentionally, especially in a society that is all too often postured against religious belief.

So this week, I invite you to celebrate the gift of Catholic education, converse about ways to continue improving it, remember the many saints (recognized and unrecognized) who have labored for it, thank our dedicated staff at Holy Trinity and other local schools who give and give and give without counting the cost, and, above all, thank God for the manifold ways that Catholic schools help sanctify our children, by helping them grow in friendship with Jesus.

In Christ,

Father Strand

Calendar Of Cash Winners

1/14	Marlene Rohlinger
1/15	Ron Amerling
1/16	Tim Wildt
1/17	Caitlin Wheeler
1/18	No School

Builders of God's Kingdom Winners

3K-2nd	Carl Pankratz 4K & Camille Miofsky 5K
3rd-5th	Addison Butschlick 4th & Derek Trapp 5th
6th-8th	Aubrey Evans 6th & Hannah Staehler

**3K/4K and 5K Round-Up
On Sunday, January 27, 2019
1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**Following the Kick-Off to Catholic Schools' Week Chili Dinner
We will begin with a short presentation at 1:00 p.m. in the 5K Classroom**



Chili Dinner/Catholic Schools' Week

Come help kick off Catholic Schools' Week by attending the Chili Dinner on Sunday, January 27 after the 11:00 am Mass at Holy Trinity. Funds from this dinner will go back to Home and School to help fund future family events.

The committee has informed us that they still need the following food items:

- 4 batches of Chili with beans**
- 4 batches of Chili without beans**
- 2 Veggie trays**
- 2 desserts**

They are also looking for help in the following areas:

Sunday from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm

Donation table and tickets– 2 people to hand out tickets and collect donations. Tickets are to only keep track of how many people attended.

Food Servers– 3 people to scoop chili and noodles into bowls.

Runners– 2 people to cook noodles, and back fill items as needed.

Servers & Bussers– 4 people to stock dessert tables, keep milk and coffee flowing. Wait tables for refills and clear tables.

Sunday from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm

Cleanup– 4 more people to tear down tables and chairs, sweep floors and wash dishes.

Please contact Jenny Anderson at serwej@gmail.com or 920-979-3057

Or

Michele Okrent at michele_okrent@bradycorp.com or 262-707-6597

Social Fest Volunteer Meeting

We would like to invite all school families to attend the Social Fest Volunteer meeting this coming Monday, January 28, in the Café at 6:30 pm. Social Fest committee members will be present to provide information and answer any questions you may have. There will be sign-up sheets there for you to pick the activity and shift that fits your schedule. Any help and time you can give, is very much appreciated. If you don't have a sitter, please feel free to bring the kids along. Any questions please call Jen Chamblee at 262-388-2199.

Class Projects for Social Fest Meeting

As mentioned in the last two newsletters, the class projects are very popular items in the live auction at Social Fest. There will be an informational meeting about these projects on Monday, January 28, in the Café at 5:00 pm before the Social Fest volunteer meeting. If you cannot make the meeting, but would still like to help or lend a hand in anyway, please contact Sharyl Zillmer at 262-483-8966 or zillmerboyz@gmail.com.



Art Class Donations!

Mrs. Koebel is looking for the following items to use in art class. If you have any of the items listed below, and would like to donate them to the art program, it would be wonderful!

Items needed:

Plastic water bottles

Pantyhose

4 x 4 inch blocks of wood

Wire coat hangers

Watercolor paint sets

Thank you!

Mark Your Calendars

The next Home and School meeting is February 26, at 6:30 p.m. in the Café. Here are a few more dates and events that Home and School would like you to keep in mind.

Family Bingo and Pizza Night on 2-8-19 @ 6:30 –7:30p.m. in the HT Parish Center.

Family Magic Night on 3-29-19 @ 6:30 - 7:30p.m. in the HT Gym.

Mrs. Zillmer, the H&S president, is looking for a few families to help spearhead the two events listed above. If you can help out, please contact her at zillmer5boyz@gmail.com or 262-483-8966.



Catholic Schools' Week

January 27th through February 2nd

Please see the yellow sheet in this week's folder explaining all the special days for Catholic Schools' Week.



Please, also see the letter in your Family folder, from Archbishop ListECKI regarding Catholic Schools' Week.

Up Coming Basketball Games

1/25 B Boys 5:30 and 7:30 against Holyland 2 and Holyland 1 at the Holyland.

2/1 A Boys 5:30, A Girls 6:30, and A Boys again at 7:30 all here at HTS. Both A Boys games will be against Holyland and the A Girls will be against WCHSA. (**The Dance Team will perform at halftime during the both Boys A games**).

Come cheer on our teams!

GO TEAM!



Athletic Banquet Invite

Attention all Holy Trinity School athletes: There is an invite in this week's home folder to the Holy Trinity Athletic Banquet and Dance on Saturday, February 23. **Please fill out and return the bottom portion to the school office by Friday, February 8.**

Thank you!

Lunch Program Looking for Help!

The lunch program is looking for help on Tuesday's from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm with food prep and serving. Please contact Wendy Muckerheide at 262-626-4919 or her cell at 262-626-6772.



Note the Change

Beginning on Monday, **January 28, 2019**

ALL STUDENTS will be dismissed at **2:40 pm**. That means all students who ride the bus, walk, or are picked up will be dismissed at **2:40 pm**.



Box Tops for Education!

The Box Tops for Education program, is a great way for our school to earn extra money. This past week we received a check for \$459.90. Our school coordinator, Megan Sargent, informed us that through the years that HTS has been in this program, we have raised over \$16,000. To help boost our collection this year we have enclosed a sheet to make it a little more fun for your kids. You will also find a list of the items that carry the Box Top coupons in your family folder with the collection sheet.



Family Handbook

2018-2019 School Year

BIRTHDAYS

Students' birthdays are recognized with the morning announcements. Many students enjoy bringing a small treat for their classmates on their special day. While these small celebrations are appreciated, please refrain from sending class lunches, flowers, balloons and gifts, as these distract from the learning environment. When inviting children to parties, please be sensitive to all the children's feelings. Consider inviting all the girls or all the boys if not the whole class.

Extend-A-Day

You will find an informational letter in this week's folder about the Extend-A-Day 3K & 4K Full Day Option for the 2019-2020 school year.