

Holy Trinity Catholic School Newsletter

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2016 Governor's Achievement Award Winners!

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Message from the Principal

As we continue through the winter months and approach spring, we have noticed more and more sickness going around. Several "bugs" are being passed around as the weather can't decide what it's going to do and we are caught up indoors together more than ever. Remember that a great way to minimize the spread of these illnesses is to wash your hands, don't share food or drinks, cover your nose and mouth if you have a cough or need to sneeze and stay home if you have had any signs of flu like symptoms.

Mrs. Frank also reminded us that no child or staff member is allowed to come to school unless they are 24-hour fever free.

There are several wonderful activities at HTS this spring. We hope that everyone can remain happy and healthy.

For the kids,

Mr. Merfen

Upcoming events:

Monday, February 20

No School – President's Day Holiday

Tuesday, February 21

SVL Meeting 6:30p

1st Communion Meeting 7:00p

Wednesday, February 22

1st-6th Grade Mass 8:15a

1st Communion Meeting 7:00p

7th Grade 2018 Grad Parent Meeting 7:00p

Thursday, February 23

Faith & Family Fun Night – **No Homework**

Friday, February 24

7th-8th Grade Mass 8:15a

8th Grade Manners Luncheon 11:10a

Saturday, February 25

Science Olympiad Regional at JCCC
HT Winter Dance and Dinner 5:30p

Monday, February 27

Gambino's Night 4-8p

Tuesday, February 28

Sponsor Confirmation Meeting 7:00p

Wednesday, March 1

Ash Wednesday

All School Mass 8:15a

Thursday, March 2

SAC Meeting 6:30p

Friday, March 3

NO School Kindergarten Only

K Round Up 9:00a

K Round Up 1:00p

Stations of the Cross 2:30p

Registration

To register, please log in to your educonnect account and click on the link **Complete Family and Student Registration Information for next year.**

The registration fee remains unchanged from prior years.

1 Student - \$125

2 Students - \$250

3 or more Students - \$375

In order to guarantee your spot for next year the fee must be paid in full.

You can either pay online or via check.

Checks should be made out to Holy Trinity School and can be dropped off or sent to the school office.

A late fee of \$25 per student will be assessed after **February 15.**

Questions or concerns, please call the school office at 913-888-3250

Referral Incentive Program

If current HTS families refer a new family who is not already enrolled, they can earn a \$150 tuition coupon for the 2017-18 school year.

In order to get the referral incentive, the family must fill out the form in the enrollment packet and be officially registered. Call the office if you have questions.

TRASH BAG DRIVE!!!!

Envelopes are due back on March 1st. Please make checks payable to Holy Trinity School (HTS), no cash please. The trash bags are the same as in years past; white, yellow, blue or paper bags - for only \$10 per roll/bundle. Proceeds will go towards new/updates for technology for the school and teachers.

Please sign up to help with one of the 4 days for trash bag distribution, Mar 30-Apr 2.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080f4ba8a62ca75-2017/>

If you have any questions please contact Melanie Wassenberg [913-220-4596](tel:913-220-4596) or mwassenb@gmail.com.

Gambino's Night

Holy Trinity School's next fundraising night is Monday, Feb. 27th at Gambino's Pizza (8725 Bourgade St, Lenexa, KS). They will give 10% of sales to the school. This is available all day- lunch and dinner for dine in and carryout (NO DELIVERY). Don't forget to mention you are with Holy Trinity! Thank you for your continued support.

Protecting God's Children - VIRTUS

All employees and volunteers who have substantial contact with children and/or youth are required to attend a VIRTUS training session and submit to background checks prior to any engagement with children or teens. *Our next VIRTUS training session here at Holy Trinity will be Monday - March 6th in the GAST Social Room at 6:00 pm. Visit the Archdiocesan website at archkck.org to register on-line.* Keep in mind that you can attend VIRTUS training sessions at any of the parishes in our Archdiocese where it is offered. For more information about the VIRTUS program, call Stan in the Parish Office at [913.895.0605](tel:913.895.0605).

Box Tops for Education turn in date is approaching!

Our second and final collection date of the 2016-2017 school year for Box Tops will be Thursday, February 23rd. When turning in your labels it would be very helpful to have the label neatly trimmed and expiration date checked. During the fall collection we raised \$728.00 for our school! Let's see if we can double that amount for the spring! Remember prizes will be awarded for the 3 classrooms with the largest number of box tops turned in. Thank you for all of your help!!

CYO TRACK & FIELD REGISTRATION AND UNIFORM PICK-UP

All Holy Trinity Parish and School 5th-8th grade kids are invited to join our CYO Track & Field team! Our strong program helps kids try a new sport, improve speed and fitness, and have fun with friends while competing in a variety of running events as well as high jump, long jump, football/softball throw, and shot put. Practices start the week of March 6 with meets on April 1, 8, 22, and May 6. Teams practice typically 2-3 times a week but coaches will work with kids with other commitments.

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN. Please go to www.cyojwa.org to register. There is a Holy Trinity fee of \$60 per participant. CYO also has a \$40 fee and a pre-participation physical requirement if your child has not played a fall or winter sport this school year.

UNIFORM PICK-UP DATES: *Your child must be registered and paid before they can get their uniform.* Come to the CHURCH SOCIAL ROOM on either MONDAY, FEB. 27 from 5-7 p.m. OR TUESDAY, FEB 28 from 2:30-4:00. We also have a spike loaner program available, so please bring in any track shoes you are no longer using to share with others.

Contact Kristi Burritt (kkburritt@yahoo.com) or Deb Niesen (gdniesen@sbcglobal.net) with any questions. On behalf of all the coaches, we look forward to seeing the kids on the track!

You're invited...*To our Annual*
SPIRITS Dance Clinic!

Saturday, February 18th, 2017
9:00am-12:00pm
Saint Thomas Aquinas High School
11411 Pflumm Rd
Overland Park, KS 66215

CLINIC DETAILS:

Our annual Spirits dance Clinic is open to grades K-8 and offers a memorable morning of dancing! This will feature a combo taught by the Spirits (groups will be split by age), a FUN craft and other exciting activities! All dancers are invited to perform their combos with us on Saturday, February 25th at our Winter Finale Showcase!

FEES & DEADLINES:

\$20 Registration (day of registration is welcome!)
Includes workshop, snack, craft/activity, keepsake t-shirt.
Pre-Registration due February 13th.
T-shirt guaranteed for all dancers registered by February 13th.
Registration is accepted until the morning of the clinic, tshirts will just be distributed at the performance.

DANCER'S NAME: _____

(First) (Last)

DANCER'S GRADE: _____ TSHIRT SIZE: _____

PARENT'S NAME: _____

(First) (Last)

CONTACT INFO: _____

(Phone) (Email)

Please mail your registration form and CHECK payment to:
(Checks should be made out to Saint Thomas Aquinas High School)

ATTN: Tara Yantis

Saint Thomas Aquinas High School
11411 Pflumm Rd Overland Park, KS 66215

Questions? Email us at tschroeder@stasaints.net or call/text Coach Tara at 913-205-9785

Registration form can also be EMAILED to tschroeder@stasaints.net

Wholehearted Living in the Midst of Grief:

A Grief Support Group Exploring Love, Loss and Connection On Tuesday, Feb. 28th from 7-8:30pm, first floor, Father Quigley Bldg. (Look for the signs) Brent Doster, Bereavement Coordinator of Catholic Community Hospice, will be facilitating a grief support session over the theme of love and loss. Through an interactive conversation, the group will explore the nature of love and grief and will also focus on ways in which our love transforms, connects and continues to shape our lives in the midst of grief and loss. If you have lost a loved one and would like to attend this support group session please RSVP Brent Doster at [913-433-2058](tel:913-433-2058)."

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SAINTS SOFTBALL

2017 Instructional Spring Clinics

7th and 8th Graders

to train directly with current STA Players
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

March 6th, 7th and 8th

4:30-6:30 pm

Saints Field

\$25

K-6th Graders

Saturdays

March 25th and April 1st

10:00-NOON

Saints Field

\$25

Take this opportunity to brush up and fine tune your offensive and defensive skills with the 2017 Saints Softball squad and staff.

You are encouraged to bring your own equipment:
glove, bat, and batting helmet if you have one.

Register by February 23rd to receive 2017 Saints Softball t-shirt.

To reserve your spot contact Head Coach, Chris Orel,
at corel@stasaints.net. Send registration and payment to Saint Thomas
Aquinas High School, Saints Softball,
Attn: Coach Orel, 11411 Pflumm Road, Overland Park, KS 66215.
When registering by email please include the following information:

Name: _____ Grade: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Address/City/ST/Zip: _____
School: _____ Summer Team: _____
T-Shirt Size: Please *Circle* Adult or Youth *Check* Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ XLarge _____
Payment Type: Cash _____ Check _____ Credit Card: _____

*To request information to be placed in future newsletters, please contact Mr. Merfen

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