

Trinity in Touch Monthly

January 2024

Trinity Catholic School-St. John-St. Luke-Holy Trinity-OLMC-St. Mary's-ABVM

PO Box 246, 116 N. Main Street, Protivin, Iowa 52163 * 563-569-8556 563-569-8477 (Fax) * www.trinitycs.pvt.k12.ia.us

Upcoming Events...

January 3 rd	Classes Resume
January 10 th	2 nd Grade Reconciliation Retreat
January 11 th	Report Cards go home today
January 15 th	No School
January 17 th	1 st Reconciliation – Lawler
January 18 th	4:00 PM School Bd. Mtg.-Protivin
January 22 nd - 26 th	FAST Testing
Jan. 28 th -Feb. 3 rd	Catholic Schools Week
Feb. 2 nd	Swimming at Cresco Fitness Ctr.
Feb. 3 rd	6:00 PM Mass – Ft. Atkinson

A Note from the Lead Teacher

Trinity Catholic school staff wish all of you a very Merry Christmas! We send prayers that 2024 brings more joyous moments and special memories with your families. We are so appreciative that you send your child/children to Trinity. We are already working to make the second semester a time of educational growth for each student and a time to have fun with our Trinity family.

Supporters of our school continue to astound us with their generosity. Our Annual Fund, which is sent out to present and past supporters of our school, has already brought in 32,000.00 for our school. This is a sign of tremendous love and support for all our students. We will continue to take donations into the new year. We also had another amazing Festival of Friends celebration on November 18. This will go a long way in helping the Booster Club pay their monthly subsidy, provide field trips for the students, recognition for the staff, snacks for testing weeks, classroom materials and much, much more. We are blessed to have Colleen Stika and the Booster board working together to make all our fundraisers run so smoothly. Thanks to all our families for serving our school community and working with your assigned group for each fundraiser.

We know the students are excited for Christmas and all the family time and PRESENTS, but they have also learned a lot about the reason we celebrate this season, JESUS! May our light shine for Jesus this Christmas as we spread His love by giving to others.

Mrs. Riehle



TK-K-1st Advent Retreat

The TK/K/1st celebrated the beginning of Advent with a retreat on Nov. 29th led by Mrs. Smith. They retold the Nativity Story through songs, prayers, dances, and art activities. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents that volunteered.



Turkey Trot

On Nov. 11th the Protivin and St. Lucas Knights of Columbus councils worked together to host their third 5K Turkey Trot. They raised just over \$1,900.00 for Trinity and gave out several prizes. Thank You to the Knights of Columbus for organizing this event.



Santa and Mrs. Claus visited with all the students before Christmas break. They each received a candy cane from Santa.



Simply Christmas

Great job to Mrs. Karels and the TCS students for putting on another excellent music program in celebration of Jesus' birth!

Letters to Santa/Baby Jesus

Students in K thru 2nd grade were excited to write letters to Santa and Baby Jesus. They were published in the Cresco Times Plain Dealer and in the Calmar Courier

Christmas Cards to area nursing home residents

The 3rd thru 6th grade students made Christmas cards for area residents from Christ Our Hope Cluster that are in a care facility.

Thank You

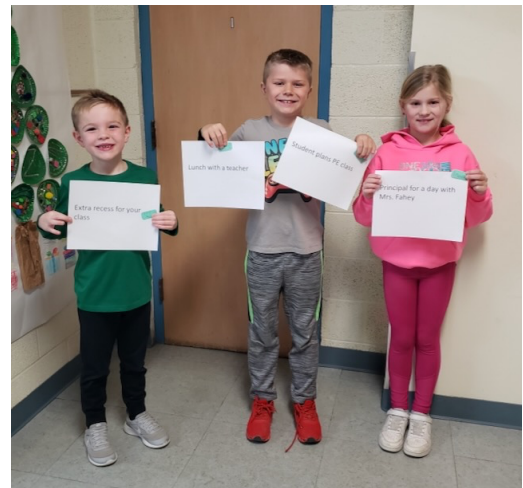
TCS teachers and staff would like to say "Thank You" to students and their parents for the gift card they received as a gift for Christmas. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Enjoy your time off with friends and family.

**Trinity Catholic School
Annual Fund Drive**

Envelopes can be found in the back of churches or mail your donation to the address on the front of this newsletter.

Care Center visit

The students sang to the residents at the Evans Memorial Home and Cresco Assisted Living Facility.



Advent Service Project

We raised money for a group called the Clip and Stitch Quilt Guild from New Hampton. The group makes and donates quilts to people in our area that have health issues or have lost a loved one. Students who brought in money could put a ticket in a bucket of their choice of; 1) Lunch with a teacher, 2) Principal for a day with Mrs. Fahey, 3) Extra recess for your class, or 4) Student get to plan PE class. The lucky winners were Brayden, Canton – who won twice, and Amelia. We were able to raise \$1121.00 for the Quilt Guild!