

Trinity in Touch Monthly

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

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Upcoming Events...

November 1	All Saint's Day Annual Fund mailed today
November 2	8:45 AM Mass All Souls' Day 1:50 PM Early Dismissal 2:00-7:30 PM Parent Teacher Conferences
November 3	No School
November 5-11	Vocation Awareness Week
November 5	10:30 Little Turkey Mass
November 8	Nov. B-Days
November 9	8:45 AM Veterans' Mass Rolls and Juice
November 11	9:00 AM Turkey Trot
November 13	No School
November 16	4:00 PM School Bd. Mtg.-Protivin
November 18	Festival of Friends
November 22	12:50 Early Dismissal
November 23-24	Thanksgiving Break

A Note from the Principal

Welcome to the month of November! It was great to see all of you last week at conferences. Conferences are a great way to make school to home connections and discuss each student's progress thus far in the 23-24 school year.

Our monthly weekend Masses at our 6 Cluster Parishes have been going very well. It is so nice to watch the students do their parts in such a confident manner in front of the whole congregation. Thanks to all the parents who bring their children to our weekend masses. Please take pride in watching your children visibly live out their faith.

Linda, along with the help of Kristi Reicks, have gotten all of our mailings ready for our Annual Fund. This mailing is mailed out to family, friends, and alumni of TCS. The amount we received last year was amazing! Please know that all funds donated are working to promote God's message of faith and touching the lives of students daily.

As Thanksgiving Day approaches, please let Thanks and Giving be more than just a season and pray that it lasts all year long. Here at Trinity, we are thankful that all of our families, supporters and parishes believe in providing a place for students to grow in their faith and building a positive academic base for their future.

Candi Riehle, Lead Teacher

Festival of Friends

Saturday, November 18th

No Mass

5:00 Social

6:30 Prime Rib Dinner

Tickets are available here at School, Citizens Savings Bank in Ft. Atkinson and Protivin, or Bank 1st - St. Lucas

Red Ribbon Week

We celebrated Red Ribbon Week the last full week of October. Each class discussed the importance of being drug free. Officer Hollenbeck gave all the students a glow in the dark bracelet with a drug free/bully free message. To end the week, we played Family Group Mind Games. Teams received riddles and rebus puzzles along with pieces of a puzzle. As they solved them the younger students ran to turn them in and receive more puzzles and riddles as they crawled thru a tunnel and threw a ball in the basket. The winning group is pictured. They had a great time!



Turkey Trot for Trinity Catholic School Saturday, November 11th

Registration at 8:00 AM at The Place in Protivin,
Run and Walk starts at 9:00AM

\$25.00 with long sleeve shirt if paid by Nov. 5th;
\$15.00 without shirt. Contact the school for
registration form or for more information.
contact Alan Schmitt 319-215-7526 or email
chschnit@acegroup.cc

Annual Fund Drive

Trinity needs your participation in this year's Annual Fund Drive to help bridge the gap between the tuition parent's pay and what it actually costs to educate our area children. With the continual support of our parishes, parents, and the community, we will realize our goals.

Last year, we raised over 50,000.00! These donations provided tuition assistance to needy families, replaced bathroom sinks, helped purchase iPads for the kindergarten students. With the iPad purchase we can keep the 1:1 computer program in place with MacBook Pros available for the 3rd thru 6th grade and iPads for the K thru 2nd grade. The students learn many lifelong technology and work related skills with the iPads and laptops. Monies also supported the school budget to alleviate some of the burden from the supporting parishes, funded the parent alert system, alumni newsletter and Trinity in Touch parish newsletter, provided resources and professional development for teachers, and much more.

Our goal this year is for our Annual Fund Drive to continue to support our school. First and foremost, funds from the Annual Drive will again be used for tuition assistance for families that might otherwise be unable to send their child to Trinity, missing out on the strong Catholic education that we hold so dear. Secondly, it is used for academic advancement, providing for learning opportunities that might otherwise be unaffordable. Finally, the Annual Fund Drive allows for special building projects and other general operating expenses. We are also committed to helping the churches keep future subsidies at a reasonable level.

Mailings are being sent out on November 1st. If you do not receive a mailing, purple colored donor cards and brochures will be available in area churches. Thank you for your dedication to Trinity and a quality Catholic education for area youngsters.

Trinity in Touch and Journeys Newsletters

The fall edition of the Trinity in Touch parish newsletter was available in area churches the weekend of October 21st/22nd. If you did not receive a newsletter and would like a copy sent home with your child, please contact the school office. The fall issue of Trinity in Touch and the Journeys alumni newsletter are available in area churches. Both newsletters are also available on our website: www.trinitycs.pvt.k12.ia.us under the Annual Fund tab.

Trinity Christmas Program

Wednesday, December 13th

7:00 PM

Piano recital at 6:30 PM



Fire Prevention Week

Thank you to members of the Protivin Fire Department, for taking time out of their schedules to educate our students on fire safety. K thru 6th visited the new fire station and then got to check out the fire trucks. This year's theme was "Cooking Safety Starts With YOU". They also did a cooking demonstration in their mini kitchen at the station to show how fast things can start on fire. Our local winners in the poster contest were Layne Weissenfluh and Cole Dietzenbach. Special guests were Lydia and Elijah Chicken. They got to ride to school on the fire truck on Fri., Oct. 13th. Thanks to Brad Moudry, and Mike Panos for providing the transportation.





Happy Halloween or All Hallows' Eve, or All Saints' Eve, is a celebration observed in a number of countries on October 31st. It begins the three-day observance of the time in the liturgical year dedicated to remembering the dead, including saints (hallows), martyrs, and all the faithful departed. The students watched videos about different saints, and we had popcorn and juice for a snack.

Tis the Season!

A friendly reminder from your RaiseRight (formally Scrip) coordinators that Christmas is right around the corner. Get your Christmas shopping done early and easily this year with gift cards from your family and friend's favorite stores!

**Target, Under Armour, Ulta, McDonald's and Applebees to name a few.

**Local rebates for The Fort (10%), Polashek's Locker (5%), and Fareway (3%) are great ideas too!

**Ordering Christmas cards? Shutterfly currently offers 9% rebates and often has additional rebates through the year!

Order forms available at all local churches and the school. Ordering online is made simple through the RaiseRight app as well!

Contact Kayla Hackman at 563-380-8137 or tcscripprogram@gmail.com for questions or to get help with the app setup.



Walk to School Day

Oct. 4th was Walk To School day so our bus driver dropped the students off by the mill in town. The teachers and staff meet them there and then we walked to school together.



Kindergarteners reading their ABC stories.



Reicks View Farms visited the kindergarten class. They were able to pet a pig and received a goody bag.