



March 2024



**Registration Week** begins March 4, and we look forward to welcoming new families from our community. We are asking our parents to tell your friends that registration for PreK3 through Grade 6 is beginning now. Share your positive TCS experiences with

friends! If you know of someone that is interested in our school and would like a tour, please have them contact the school and we'll be happy to schedule them. If they are ready to register, please have them check out our website, [www.trinitycatholicsschool.net](http://www.trinitycatholicsschool.net) to learn about our online registration process. **PLUS....If you DO tell another family and they enroll their child(ren) for the 2024-2025 school year, you will receive \$100 towards your tuition for that same year, if they mention your family.**

On March 4th, you should receive an email with directions and the link for registration. If you have any trouble with this process, please call the school at 315-769-5911. All of the needed forms are in the FACTS parent portal. The bonus is you will only need to fill them out once, then they will be carried over to the next year. You will just need to update any changes. Once you start the process, it does autosave so if you can't finish it in one sitting, you can return to it later. You can re-enroll current students and register new students within the same account. \*Remember FACTS Management has two pieces, the Family Portal for registration, and Payment Plans/Financial Aid. Your login information may or may not be the same for both, depending on how you set it up.

**Current families will receive priority placement now through April 30th. As of May 1st, all spots will be open and students will be registered on a first come/first served basis.**

### IMPORTANT DATES

3/1	Noon Mass
	Yearbook orders due!
3/4	Registration Week
	Wellness Week
3/3	Super Sunday, 9am St. Mary's
3/4	Lenten Morning Prayer - 8:45am
	Led by Mrs. Lippasaar's PreK4
3/5	PTC Meeting, 6pm
3/6	Be a Knight for a Day
	Wellness Wednesday
3/7	Trinity Signing Day/Take Time Thurs
	5pm-7pm
3/8	Get Fit Friday
	Noon Mass
	KIDS Health and Fitness Fair
	6pm-8:30pm TCS
3/9	ADULT Health and Fitness Fair
	10am-6:30pm TCS
3/10	Daylight Saving Time, Spring ahead!
	Spaghetti Dinner at TCS
	1pm-3pm, to benefit cafeteria
3/11	Lenten Morning Prayer - 8:45am
	Led by Mrs. Christy's 3rd Grade
3/13	Advisory Council 5:30pm
3/15	NO SCHOOL, Staff Day
3/18	Lenten Morning Prayer- 8:45am
	Led by Mrs. Marsh's 2nd Grade
3/19	Youth Choir Practice 3:10-3:45pm
3/21	Chrism Mass, 5th & 6th Grade
3/22	Noon Mass
	End of the Marking Period
3/24	Palm Sunday
	Youth Choir, 9:30am Mass
3/25	Holy Week Morning Prayer - 8:45
3/27	Living Stations, 6th grade
	1:30pm, 6:30pm
3/28	Seder Meal - 9:30am
	Report Cards
	NO AFTERCARE
3/29	Good Friday
	No School, SPRING BREAK

# A Student's Guide to Lent



## What is LENT?

The 40 days of Lent take place prior to the celebration of Jesus' resurrection on Easter. The 40 days recall His temptation in the desert and rejection of sin. It is used as a time to reflect, renew, and reach out.

## 3 Themes of Lent



### Prayer

While we should always be active in our prayer life, Lent serves as a great time to recommit to good habits we may have let lapse. The renewal concept reminds us to do better in areas where we have been weak.



### Fasting

The reflective practice of Lent involves simplifying our lives to focus on what is critical. We fast from and give up material things to show sorrow for our mistakes and to think of God when we miss what was sacrificed.



### Alms Giving

Loving God through serving others is a critical Catholic ideal. Observing Lent serves to renew that commitment. Matthew 25:31-46 reminds us to help the needy through time, talent, and treasure.

## Ash Wednesday

### WHAT'S WITH THE ASHES?

The ashes recall the shortness of our time on earth to do God's work. They symbolize a repentant mindset of turning away from sin and towards God.

"All came from the dust and all return to the dust."  
Ecclesiastes 3:20

### DID YOU KNOW?

Often palms from the previous year's Palm Sunday liturgy are burnt and then used for Ash Wednesday.



## Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a major focus of Lent. While we should always participate in the sacrament, seeking God's forgiveness for our failings better prepares us for celebrating Christ's resurrection on Easter.

## Holy Week

### DID YOU KNOW?

Technically, Lent ends at the Holy Thursday liturgical service but often people continue their Lenten sacrifices through Holy Saturday.

Holy Week often refers to the week before the Easter celebration. The Easter Triduum includes Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter. While these days recall Jesus' suffering and death, the Triduum is suppose to be a joyful season because the resurrection of our Lord brings the avenue of our salvation.

## Lent 101



### STATIONS of the CROSS

They began as pilgrims traveled to Jerusalem & reflect on the crucifixion. Later, they developed into the form of the fourteen stations currently found in churches.



### PALM SUNDAY

The last Sunday before Easter is Palm Sunday. The Mass recalls Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem in which palm branches & cloaks covered the road.



### FISH FRIDAYS

The tradition began as money saved by fasting from meat during Lent was given to the poor. Fish was a cheap protein replacement.



### LENT

The word Lent actually traces it's meaning back to "Spring." The imagery is for the rebirth and renewal of our faith.

# TCS Sneak Peek day

March 4, 2024

Classes will spend some time in the classroom for the grade they'll be attending next year, to get a sneak peek at what that grade will be like!



## YEARBOOK ORDERS DUE

If this isn't a reminder that the school year is speeding by, I don't know what is! Yearbooks are for sale (online) until March 1st and via paper order form until March 5th. Instructions for ordering online are below or on our website, or you can email Mrs. White for an order form.

### ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK NOW!

Order Your  
Trinity Catholic School 2023-2024  
To order a Yearbook Online

Visit <https://shop.memorybook.com/home>  
Either create an account,  
or log in using your email (if you ordered last year)  
our school code is 078820M

Buy a yearbook for \$30.00  
Buy a "Love Line" for \$4.00 more (optional)

You can order online through 03/01/23. If you would prefer ordering directly from the school, please email Mrs. White below or call the office for an order form.

If you have any questions about ordering your yearbook, please contact Tammy White at [twhite@trinitycatholicschool.net](mailto:twhite@trinitycatholicschool.net)

### ORDER NOW

DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 2024

What a great year!

If you have any questions about ordering your yearbook, please contact Mrs. Tammy White at [twhite@trinitycatholicschool.net](mailto:twhite@trinitycatholicschool.net)

## GALA UPDATE!

We are so excited about our 2024 *Past, Present, Future* Gala, and look forward to this fun evening! Our committee has put so much thought into this event. Here are a few things you need to know:

- If you haven't already seen it, the date of the event is **APRIL 27th!**
- The Gala is an elegant night, and one of our largest fundraisers of the year. After a delicious multi-course meal, including appetizers and dessert, you will have the opportunity to bid on beautiful items created by our students, as well as some great prizes donated by local businesses and supporters.
- In addition, you can purchase a chance to possibly win a treasure box holding items such as a \$500 tuition voucher, or a chance to unwind with a relaxing get away package.
- You don't want to miss our entertainment, featuring the SCHINE performers, who are presenting a murder mystery!
- Dress is semi-formal, as usual. For both men and women, elegant and glitzy fashion is the name of the game! Men will be fine in shirt and tie. Think Trinity colors: Royal Blue, White or Silver/Gray.
- **Tickets will go on sale on in early April**, in the school's Advancement Office. If you are interested in purchasing tickets for this event, I suggest you plan to do so on as early as you're able to, since tickets sell out quickly! Stay tuned for more details about pricing.
- **Please help our classroom teachers!** Each classroom teacher and/or room parent is putting together an item, many created by students, to auction off at our Gala. These items brought in over \$3000 at our last event. Teachers may ask for a small monetary donation or items to complete these creations. Please keep an eye out for notes being sent home from your child's teacher in regards to this.



## TAKE TIME THURSDAY REMINDER

Trinity Catholic School

# Signing Day!



Join Trinity Catholic School, along with Ms. Mather for an extra fun **Take Time Thursday**, on **March 7th from 5pm-7pm**.

We're having our *1st Annual TCS signing day*. Come "sign" with Trinity Catholic School for next year, complete with a great photo op!

(Think college signing day for sports. Why should the big kids have all the fun?!)

Then stay to make your own Knight Shield, and enjoy light refreshments with Ms. Mather!

Please RSVP to Ms. Mather at [lmather@rcdony.org](mailto:lmather@rcdony.org) by **March 4th**, so we can plan for enough supplies. This event is open to the community!



### Youth Choir News

Attention all students in grades 3-10 who would like to participate in St. Peter's Parish Youth Choir:

Schedule as follows:

**Rehearsal:** Tuesday, January 16, 3:10-3:45 Sacred Heart Church

**Sing at Mass:** Sunday, January 21, 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart Church

**Rehearsal:** Tuesday, March 19, 3:10-3:45 Sacred Heart Church

**Sing at Mass:** Sunday, March 24, 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart Church

Come and be part of our youth choir, and learn how to lead songs at mass.



## Living Stations of the Cross



LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS WILL BE PRESENTED BY TRINITY'S 6TH GRADE CLASS ON **MARCH 27TH AT 1:30PM AND 6:30PM** AT SACRED HEART CHURCH.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS MOVING PRAYER OF JESUS' PASSION, CRUCIFIXION AND RESURRECTION. ALL ARE WELCOME AT BOTH TIMES.



# KID'S HEALTH & FITNESS FAIR

**MARCH 8TH 6PM-8:30PM**

TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL,  
188 MAIN ST, MASSENA

**KIDS/FAMILIES**

\$5 PER CHILD OR  
\$20 IMMEDIATE FAMILY

REGISTER HERE:



## CLASSES

KID'S DANCE CLASSES  
KID'S GYMNASTICS  
KID'S JIU JITSU  
GAMES  
COOL DOWN STRETCH  
H.S. SPORTS REPS  
DOOR PRIZES  
RAFFLES

THANK YOU TO TAP TO TOE STUDIO OF DANCE, TEMPLE  
GYMNASTICS, NORTH COUNTRY MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY, HIGH  
SCHOOL SPORTS PLAYERS, MASSENA YOGA STUDIO.

HOSTED BY ZUMBA WITH MONICA B. | TO BENEFIT TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

# ADULT HEALTH AND FITNESS FAIR

**MARCH 9TH 10AM-6:30PM**

TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

188 MAIN ST, MASSENA

16 YEARS OLD AND UP

\$25 PER PERSON

REGISTER HERE:



## CLASSES

YOGA AND SOMATIC STRETCH,  
HIIT, BOOT CAMP, KICKBOXING,  
ZUMBA, PIYO,  
SENIOR FITNESS,  
PROPER FORM TECHNIQUES,  
SELF DEFENSE,  
GRATITUDE COMBATING ANXIETY,  
GUT HEALTH, FOOD PREP,  
TEEN/YOUNG ADULT HEALTH,  
PRE/POST MENOPAUSE,  
TRAIN YOUR BRAIN

THANK YOU TO ZUMBA WITH MONICA B, MASSENA YOGA STUDIO,  
HOLISTICALLY FIT WITH AIMEE ASLANIAN, KAYLA LABIER,  
NORTH COUNTRY MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY, EVOLUTION FITNESS BOOT CAMP,  
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3TK NUTRITION MASSENA, HAPPY EETS  
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# Spaghetti Dinner

**MARCH 10, 2024**

1pm-3pm

Trinity Catholic School Dining Hall

**\$10**

per person

Spaghetti &

Meatballs,

Eat in or

Green Beans,

Take Out

Bread & Dessert

call 315-764-0012



\*To benefit Trinity's Cafeteria



# WEAR PURPLE ON FRIDAYS

during Lent



Thank you to former TCS parent, Denise Laneuville, for providing us with the Her\*petology Show during Catholic Schools Week! The students loved it, and it was a great educational experience. Shhh. Don't tell the students :-)

Thank you to parents, Christy Laguador and Kelli Ramsey, and the PTC, for organizing the Titus trip and for securing a grant for us! Both were a lot of work and we appreciate them taking the time to make sure our students get to experience this annual trip!