# THE GUARDIAN NEWSLETTER APRIL 2018



As we near the end of lent and embrace the holiest week of the year, we reflect upon our journey these last thirty-some days. We can consider the ways in which we have worked toward bettering ourselves through almsgiving, fasting, prayer and reflection. Our students have reflected upon the meaning of Lent weekly and have faithfully portrayed the Passion of Christ at Stations of the Cross services. Today we enter the final days leading up to Easter, the Triduum. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops describes the later days of this week as, 'The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one-day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery.'

We are now in the last quarter of school and have made such wonderful strides in all we have done and continue to do. We have many exciting events and opportunities to share together in the remaining months of school.

We continue to be successful and give the best Education we can to our children. We hope you all have a Blessed Easter break with family and friends.

"The Education of Children for God is the most Important Business done on Earth." R.L. Dabney

# HTCS SCHOOL NEWS

#### NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2018- 2019 SCHOOL YEAR!

Please share the good news about Holy Trinity Catholic School with your friends and family! We are accepting applications now for grades PreK-8 for the 2018-2019 school year. Applications are available in the school office and on the school website.

#### **IOWA ASSESSMENTS**

The IOWA Assessments for students in grades 4 and 7 will begin Wednesday, April 4 and students in grades 2-8 Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure that your children get plenty of rest during this time. Students should eat a healthy breakfast each day and have an opportunity to go outside and get some exercise.

We cannot guarantee that we will be able to make up any tests that your child might miss due to illness. Please reschedule any dental, orthodontic, medical or other appointments that your child might have that week. Also, please be sure that your child is here on time each day since the test will begin immediately after Morning Prayer.

#### **UNIFORM SHORTS**

Students may begin wearing their school uniform shorts on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### ELEMENTARY SHADOW DAY

Our 4<sup>th</sup> graders will spend the day at the Middle School this month. HTCS Altoona will visit the Middle School on Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. HTCS Hollidaysburg will visit the Middle School on Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### STREAM NEWS:

Team *LEGO Masters* (Nick McCloskey, Ben Steinbugl and Ryan McConnell) team *Guardians of the Brick I* (Noah Kelleher and Torin Robertson) and team *Guardians of the Brick II* (Alec Jones and Aurik Steinbauer) participated in Altoona Jr Hight STEM Robotics competition in February 16th. They were given a spontaneous problem to solve by building and programming a robot in 3 hours. *LEGO Masters* and *Guardians of the Brick I* took second place in their divisions.





Our team, Guardians *of the Brick,* participated in 2017-2018 First LEGO League season and the tournament successfully. They identified a real-world problem related to water and proposed an innovative solution through research and by learning from the experts. They built and programmed a robot to do certain missions autonomously. They presented their project, teamwork skills and robot successfully at the tournament. We are proud of these students' hard work, accomplishments and growth in 21 Century skills: Holly Butler, Cristofer Diaz, Alec Jones, Noah Kelleher, Torin Robertson, Aurik Steinbauer, Nick McCloskey, Ben Steinbugl and Ryan McConnell

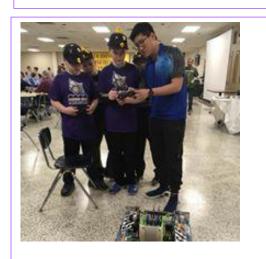


Congratulations to our students for a successful season of participating in exciting learning experiences of robotics.









#### HTCS MIDDLE SCHOOL COUNTY CHORUS

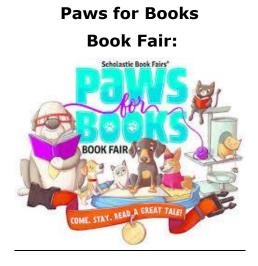


Congratulations to our Holy Trinity students and Mr. Schwind who participated in the Blair County Jr. High Chorus concert last month held in Hollidaysburg

## What's Lost CAN Be Found!

All three of our HTCS campuses have Lost and Found bins, located just outside the school's offices. They contain jackets and sweatshirts, lunch pails, notebooks, and more. If you have any items "missing," please check the bin. Parents/students are requested to check the lost and found before May 15<sup>th</sup>. After the 15th, all remaining clothes will be washed and placed in uniform exchange. Thank you for your cooperation in returning items to the rightful owner

## HTCS UPCOMING EVENTS/FUNDRAISERS:



HTCS Hollidaysburg Book Fair: April 9-13

HTCS Altoona Book Fair April 16-18

Please check the website for each school's listing of times and events.

An On-Line Fair is available for each campus visit the web address below.

http://www.scholastic.com/bf/holytrinitycatholicschoolaltoona

http://www.scholastic.com/bf/hollidaysburgcatholic

## **FUNDRAISING**



Please remember that all fundraising needs to be completed by April 30, 2018. Your \$450 fundraising goal must be paid in full before your children can participate in any May field trips, special activities, etc.

## **FUNDRAISING**



Thank you to all the CASH BASH committee members for making this year's event a SUCCESS!!



## Marianna's Hoagie Sale

Orders due Wednesday, April 11

Delivery Thursday, April 26 8:00 A.M – 11:00 A. M. Father Kelley Hall Payment is due with orders.

Special Incentive this year. For every 10 hoagies sold your child will have a chance to win a basket full of prizes.

# Time to schedule Bingo! Now scheduling May - August

The 2018-2019 Fundraising Year is quickly approaching

IT'S TIME TO START THINKING About scheduling your one **Mandatory** bingo shift. Text Bob -814-935-0528 and schedule today!

PLEASE CONTACT BOB KNOPICK BY TEXTING OR CALLING (TEXT PREFERRED), OR EMAIL RAK1290@ATLANTICBB.NET.



# Check out our website as the spots fill up!

GO TO **PARENTS - FUNDRAISING - BINGO** AND WATCH AS SPOTS FILL UP FOR THE YEAR! SCHEDULE EARLY - SCHEDULING IS A FIRST-COME-FIRST SERVE BASIS.



NFL Football Extravaganza tickets will be on sale starting in MAY!

Be watching for More information.



The goal of a virtuous life is to become like God. -St. Gregory of Nyssa

We are reminded that a virtue is a way that we can grow strong in spirit. The more we practice the virtues, the stronger our souls become.

## APRIL VIRTUE- PATIENCE

"God has perfect timing. Never early and never late, always worth the wait."

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JANUARY, FEBRUARY, AND MARCH VIRTUE AWARD RECIPEINTS!

#### January Justice Virtue Award Recipients

Altoona Campus

Emmalyse Berardinelli, Gavin Stephens, Dontavia Summerville, Faith Conrad, Adelia Iannuzi, Gracie Husted, Hayden Stephens, Timothy Clossin, Kate Seidel, Brayden Andros, Rueben Manfred, Mylin Betz, and Hayden Hosgood

#### Hollidaysburg Campus

Gabriel Bueno, Grant Bryson, Kaylob Himes, Addison Eash, Jordyn Lingafelt, Alex Diaz, Karis McGhee, Lina Yanoshak, Carson Boland, Sarah Hartkorn, Adrian Diaz, and Luca Waibel

#### Middle School

Brianna Haun, Grace Broadrick, Sylvia Seymore, Alyssa Franks, Edie Manfred, Ryan Hostler, Emily Miller, Diedre Rivera, Sante Bambocci, Lia Simanski, Riley Brennan, Lauren Wood, Lucas Steinbugl, Oliva Trotter, Max Kirkpatrick, Allison Fiore, Nancy Gunnett, Eva Bagley, Abe Manfred, and Gracie Gioiosa

### February Reverance Vírtue Award Recípients

#### Altoona Campus

Levi Davis, Lucy Sprouse, Makavelli Damiano, Vincent Sprouse, Camryn Colledge, Andrew Link, Aryhianna Weigand, Luke Gioiosa, Ellie Kauffman, Mikey Hofer, Gavin Weyandt, Gabby Earnest, Gracie Price, Aidan Novak, and Jack Compton.

#### Hollidaysburg Campus

Ronan Diehl, Azella Bowers, Kate McElheny, Ella Lauver, Michael Condrin, Monroe Gates, Sophia Raneri, Luke Geishauser, Camrynn Sapienza, and Julia Wesner

#### Middle School

Elliot Farabaugh, Nicholas McCloskey, Abe Manfred, Emily Miller, Eric Pick, Holly Butler, Alyssa Franks, Ryan Hostler, Edie Manfred, Lia Simanski, Elizabeth Adams, Grace Broadrick, Nicklaus Anderson, Noah Anderson, Sophia Simanski, Lucas Steinbugl

#### March Empathy Vírtue Award Recipients

#### Altoona Campus

Ethan Baker, Lucian Noel, Landon Slep, Caitlin Earnest, Morgan Geishauser, James Charlesworth, Grant Walters, Dominic Ianuzzi, Andy Johnston, Maurie Querry, Vivienne Compton, Delaney Lechner, Taryn Carruthers, and Amelia Orr

#### **Hollidaysburg Campus**

Reagan McGroarty, Sophia Nguyen, Lydia Singer, Johna Taylor, Nicolas Taddei, Lily Davis, Sophia Fiore, Joey Lehman, Dominic Verticelli, and Aidan Schurr

#### **Middle School**

Caidence Cover, Eva Drumm, Abe Manfred, Jack Byrne, Rylee Hershey, Emily Miller, Marklin, Myers, Elise Schimminger, Ava Taddei, Grace Broadrick, Daniel Stitt, Nick Anderson, Noah Anderson, Christian Fochler, Kaitlin Jones, Jach Manna



# HTCS UPCOMING EVENTS:

#### HTCS MIDDLE SCHOOL SPRING PROGRAM

Spring Concert for the Middle School will be held Monday, May 7th

#### ONE SCHOOL ONE BOOK

HTCS Elementary buildings will once again have a special Movie Night for our One School One Book Celebration it will be held Saturday, May 12 TBD at the Middle School – Weather permitting the movie will be shown outside.

## MAY CROWNING MASS

Join our HTCS school community on Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament as we celebrate the Mother of Jesus with a special May Crowning Mass. Mass will begin at 9:30 A.M.

## HTCS UPCOMING EVENTS:





## YARD SALE 2018

We are collecting items for the end of the year yard sale scheduled for <u>Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup></u>. So start dropping off those unwanted treasures. Be watching for set up times at the end of May. This is a great time to start working on service hours.