

# Trinity Times



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## **Bishop Lucia Visits Trinity**



Bishop Lucia is hoping to visit all the Catholic Schools in the Syracuse Diocese.

By Sophie DeCaire-- On Tuesday, October 26, 2021 Bishop Lucia visited Trinity Catholic School. The Bishop was able to speak with students from every grade level and students were given an opportunity to ask the Bishop questions. He spoke with students about the meaning behind Halloween or "All Hallows Eve". Students learned that the day after Halloween is referred to as All Saints Day. He revealed to students that his favorite saint is Saint Francis of Assisi. He was escorted around the school by student council representatives. Afterwards, the Bishop enjoyed having lunch in the with the principal, teachers, and student council representatives. Bishop Lucia was ordained a priest on May 20, 1989 and consecrated Bishop of the Syracuse Diocese on August 8, 2019. Bishop Lucia stated, "My goal is to visit all of the schools in the Syracuse Diocese." The Bishop was unable to visit schools last year due to COVID, but he hopes to reach his goal of visiting every school by the end of this year. The Bishop enjoyed his visit to Trinity and the students were grateful for his visit.

### **Student Council Returns**

By Rowan Mott-- Student council is back! The fifth and sixth graders will be holding an election for officer positions. Fifth graders can run for any position except president. The sixth graders in student council may run for any position. The positions are secretary, treasurer, vice president, and president. The election will be held on November 2nd. Recently, fourth grade held an election for three representatives for student council. We would like to welcome our new student council members from fourth grade: Devon Bond, Nolan Sweet, and Colton DeSantis. Altogether there are 9 student representatives. The most recent activity that student council organized for the school was a pumpkin decorating contest. Students decorated paper pumpkins for the chance to win prizes. Two winners from every class were announced on October 29th. We look forward to more activities and events organized by student council!



Devon Bond (left), Nolan Sweet (center), and Colton DeSantis (right).

# Editorial Band Back in the Gym

Last year, full band was in Priory Hall, but now it is back in the gym. I am very glad it is back in the gym. I like not having to walk to Priory Hall, especially on rainy days. Now we do not have to go outside and get wet. Also, our instrument cases can stay dry. There is nothing I do not like about full band being back in the gym. It is great. The gym is also spacious and we no longer have to sit at tables. Full band is very enjoyable.

—Ryan Deary

#### Walk to School Day

By Caroline Furlong-- Students from Trinity participated in the annual Walk to School Day, which took place on October 8, 2021. Students started at East Park at 8:20 am and walked to school. Last year due to COVID, students had to walk six feet apart. Fortunately, this year students could walk together as long as students had their masks on. This year there were 90 students who participated. The Oswego County Safety Board organized Walk to School Day. As students waited to walk to school together, they had a chance to play on the playground beforehand. Students who participated received a drawstring bag, flashlight, pencil, and a certificate of participation. If you did not get to participate in this year's Walk to School Day, we hope to see you next year!



Fifth grade students with Mrs. Merola on Walk to School Day.

# Editorial Rock Wall Fun

Last year we got a new rock wall in the gym but no one was able to use it due to COVID. In previous years we only had basketball hoops and last year if the weather was bad we stayed in our classrooms. However, this year we can have recess in the gym with something new, the rock wall! Now during recess you can play tag, basketball, play with the hula hoops, or race up the rock wall with your friends. With the new rock wall you can see how fast you can get up it. I like that you can sit at the top and move across it. I also like that you can race up the rock wall and that you can do it many times during recess. What I do not like about the rock wall is that it gets crowded very fast and you may end up sitting in one spot for a while. Also, you can possibly get hit by a basketball, so watch out! The rockwall might be a little bit annoying at Leprechaun League because it may interfere with the game. All in all, the rock wall is pretty cool and adds a whole lot to the gym. I am happy that they decided to put a rock wall in --Everett Farella the gym.

### **Upcoming Events**

November 1st - All Saints' Day Mass

November 2nd - Election Day Bake Sale

November 4th - School Banking

November 5th - No School

November 9th - Picture Retakes

November 11th - Veterans Day

November 12th, 22nd, 23rd - Half Days

November 24-26th - Thanksgiving Break

Photography By: Abraham Mays Mrs. Pritchard

#### **Craft Show 2021**

By Lillie VanGorder -- Last year, Trinity Catholic School did not have a craft show due to COVID. With the exception of last year, the craft show has been going on for about 36 years. The person responsible for organizing the first craft show was Linda Moshier. Her kids went to Trinity in 1985. Moshier's goal for the craft show was to give people around Oswego the opportunity to share their creations with others and raise money for the school. The highest amount of money the school has raised was about \$2,500 - 3,000. The money that the school raises helps to pay school expenses. Trinity Catholic School made \$2,323.01 at this year's craft show.



Depicted are some of the goods that were sold by a vendor at the craft show.

Trinity chose Priory Hall because it is handicap accessible and it has good lighting. Due to COVID, this year attendees were required to wear masks. There weren't as many vendors this year, but hopefully more will sign up to participate next year. Trinity advertises the craft show information on Facebook, signs around the city, and through the Oswego Shopper. Mrs. Crouse and Mrs. Sugar organized the craft show this year. Mrs. Sugar was so happy to see the craft show and the vendors return. Mrs. Sugar stated, "Even though I'm retired I still try to help as much as possible." Thank you to all who participated and all who attended. Hopefully we will have another successful craft show next year!

#### **Monthly Virtue**

Our virtue for the month of October was Respect.

"Respect is how you treat others. Treat others the way you want to be treated."



October 10th Mrs. Annal October 13th Mrs. Pasco October 20th Mrs. Baer

There are no staff or faculty birthdays for the month of November.

#### Better Breakfast Month Readers

Students had the opportunity to win prizes by entering the Cabrini reading contest for the month of September. Congratulations to all the following participants:

Emilie Sprowson (K)
Claire McCaffrey (1)
Elsie Verburg(1)
Knox Miller (1)
Clare Carroll (1)
Samuel Terpening (1)
Kalin Sprowson (1)
Alea Casper (1)
Claire Crouch (2)
Allen Reebel (2)
Claire Sprowson (3)

Claire Sprowson (3) Maddox Miller (3)

Nora Kelly (3) Apollo Avery (3)

Kerrigan Pritchard (3)

Hannah Bourdon (3) Jason Crouch (4)

Lucas Kelly (5)

Nora Newell (6) Morgan Mills (6) Kaelyn Bond (6) Giada Smith (6) Michael Geiss (6) Alex Allain(6)

Wilson Metcalf (6) Anna Canale (6)

Chloe Carson (6)

Brody Pauldine (6) Gabby Martin (6)

Hollie Meyer (6)

Sophia Otokiti (6) Matilda Tunis (6)

Nicholas Docos (6)

Photography By: Lillie VanGorder Mrs. Sugar

#### Meet Mrs. Lower



Mrs. Lower is our new cafeteria worker! She lives in Scriba with her dog named Rosy. She likes to talk with students while they get their lunches, play with her dog, and mow her lawn. When she was little she liked to ride horses. Her dream job would be to drive the Clydesdale horse hitch. She has three sisters and two brothers. Her favorite artist is Carrie Underwood. Her favorite animal is a dog. Her favorite kind of food is Italian. She has been in the food service industry for almost 50 years. She loves her job at Trinity Catholic School. Make sure to say "hi" next time you see her!

-Lucas Kelly

#### **Meet Miss Emily**



Miss Emily is the supervisor of The Kid Zone which is the new before and after school program offered to Trinity families. Miss Emily runs this program every weekday, and she is very happy with how it is going. Miss Emily stated that she is very honored to work here at Trinity. She thinks getting to know everyone has been so much fun and she feels at home here at Trinity. She was born in Syracuse, NY, but currently lives in Oswego with her parents and her cat, Luna. This is Miss Emily's first job. At night this program ends at 5:00 pm. We are very thankful to have Miss Emily here at Trinity!

--Agnes Terpening

### **School Banking Back at Trinity**

By Jackson Duggan-- The first day of school banking this year was on Thursday, October 7, 2021. Students may sign up for school banking with Compass Credit Union at any time throughout the school year. Students who make a deposit will win a small prize and be entered to win a larger prize at the end of the year. If students bring money to school for banking, please write the amount on an envelope. The money students would need to make a deposit for school banking is unlimited, but it's very often that students will come with under \$30. Years previously, school banking was located downstairs in front of the cafeteria, but the table is now set up in hallway in front of the stairs. Banking will always be on the

first Thursday of each school month. If you need a sign up sheet please content Margie Sincavage 342-5300 or email msincavage@compassfcu.com.

Photography By: Lucas Kelly

#### Halloween Spooktacular Parades



Owen Colloca dressed up as a cowboy for the Halloween Parade.



Nicholas Filkins dressed up as a Pirate.

By Isabella Solazzo-- Every year before COVID, Trinity Catholic students would participate in a Halloween carnival. Students were able to dress in their Halloween costumes and play various games in the gym. The sixth grade students would be responsible for manning the games and passing out little prizes and candy. Unfortunately due to COVID, everything changed and we were no longer able to have a Halloween carnival. Instead, Trinity students participated in a Halloween spooktacular parade on Friday, October 29th! Students brought their Halloween costumes to school for the parade. Costumes were not allowed to include weapons and violent or gory costumes were also prohibited. Students walked with their class throughout the school. Each class received a different time slot for their parade. The students got to show off their costumes and all of the teachers passed out either candy or prizes to students as they walked past. Every student was given a bag so they could easily collect their prizes and candy. Students could also dress down the rest of the school day. If some students didn't have a dress down pass, it was okay. All students had a free dress down day! Next year Trinity may do the carnival, but the school may do the Halloween parade again instead. Some younger students have never had a chance to go to the Halloween carnival. However, everyone had a lot of fun at this year's Halloween parade!

#### **Computer Lab Upgraded**

By Nina King- This year the computer lab has been upgraded! The computer lab was used last year as the fifth grade classroom due to spacing issues concerning COVID. Since then, the computer lab received individual cubicles for students, comfy chairs, and new computers. The cubicles and chairs were donated to the school. The computer lab had to have wiring done to accommodate the new set up. Senora F stated, "I love the new computer lab!" Senora said she wanted to make the computer lab better because she wanted a place where students could really focus on technology and learn. She came to Trinity to teach Spanish originally, but was also hired as the technology teacher soon afterwards. Her favorite part about the computer lab is how colorful it is. The computer lab does have many colorful decorations. There are several new technology and robot posters that make the room feel very welcoming and fun. According to Senora, the decorations cost around \$600 for the computer lab. Something she would like to add in the future for the computer lab would be a 3D printer. She says the students at Trinity love the new computer lab, especially the little kids!



One of the new cubicles and some of the new decorations in the lab.

Photography By: Abraham Mays

### Spotlight -- Mrs. Filkins Brings Back Library!



Mrs. Filkins is our new librarian this year and has put a lot of effort into organizing the library.

By Jacob Ignacio--We have a new librarian at TCS, her name is Mrs. Filkins. She worked here last year as the 4 year-old preschool teacher and still is, for the mornings. She has three kids that all go here, Grace, the oldest is in 3rd grade, Cooper, the middle child is in 1st grade, and Nicholas, the youngest is in Pre-K. She also has a husband, Eric and a Newfoundland dog, Max. Last year, library was not offered to students over COVID restrictions. The library was also being used as the sixth grade classroom because of COVID spacing regulations. Cases of books had to be moved to a different location last year and then moved back into the library for this school year, so lots of books got mixed up. She said that putting all the books back in the correct spot wasn't hard, but it took a lot of time. She estimated how many books were in the library, she said that it would be around 15,000 books. Her favorite genre is adventure and her favorite book is A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle. I asked her about her personal thoughts about being the new librarian, she said "I love it. I like to see all the kids here and

reading books." Her favorite part of being the new librarian is "sharing the love of learning." She has also put a lot of hard work into decorating the library with colorful posters and labels. All the students at Trinity are looking forward to having library again, especially with our new librarian!

#### **Book Review**

by: Brody Beshures

The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate is a good book that I really liked. The book is about a gorilla who lives in a zoo that was located in a mall. An elephant named Stella befriends him and he has another friend, Bob, who is a dog. Later in the book, another elephant named Ruby comes to the zoo and this makes Ivan happy. All of the animals tried to escape twice. The first time, they were hauled back to the zoo but after the second attempt, all of the animals are placed in a better zoo. This book is based on a true story. The book is sad, funny, and one of my favorite books.

Rating:  $\star\star\star\star$ 



#### **Movie Review**

by: Nicholette Licatese

This month's movie review is *Addams Family 2*. This movie was funny, sad and happy. It is based off of the original 1960's TV show with the memorable characters Uncle Gordon, Cousin It, Wednesday Addams, Morticia Addams, Lurch, Pugsley Addams, and Grandmama. You can rent this on YouTube or Apple TV or VUDU for \$19.99. So if you want to watch a movie a good Halloween movie, this is definitely one of the best!

Rating: ★★★★

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