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GREETINGS FROM CORKTOWN

Dear Friends,

The atmosphere of Most Holy Trinity Catholic Academy was filled with excitement and joy as our students returned on August 26 for the first day of school. I spent the morning visiting each classroom to welcome both new and returning students. I asked about their summer. I asked if they missed us and were happy to be back. I can honestly say that the response of each class was a resounding yes. This is the sixth elementary school that I have been responsible for as a priest. I have not always heard from students that they are happy to return to school at the end of summer. (Usually, the parents are more excited!) Why this response at our school?

First, our school has a clear Catholic identity that supports a Christian environment. This environment assures stability, respect, safety, affirmation, and compassion. This becomes even more important because many of our students are being raised in unstable families who are experiencing hardships such as the death of parent, financial insecurity and serious medical issues.

Second, we have quality teachers to assure strong learning. We often take students a year or two behind grade level and bring them to grade level so that they can succeed in high school. Our graduates are accepted at some of the best high schools in metro Detroit including Cranbrook, Academy of the Sacred Heart, University of Detroit Jesuit, Cristo Rey and Cass Tech. I continue to preach that the best way out of poverty is a quality education. I also preach that we educate the whole child -- head, heart and soul!

Third, our school administration provides good leadership and has an effective relationship with our parents.

I would like to share a real story, with names changed to protect the students' privacy. Juan and Antonio are brothers who come from a very unstable and chaotic home. Their dad finds it difficult to maintain employment. Mom has been in a long-term care facility for several years. They receive financial aid and our parish conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has occasionally helped the family with basic needs. The boys have thrived at MHTCA and are able to put their God-given intelligence and talent to use. We have helped them to flourish under difficult family circumstances. Now, Juan is succeeding as a high school student at U of D Jesuit. Antonio is still with us at MHTCA. These two young men have bright futures because of our school.

I recognize that it is only because of the support of people like you that we can continue the incredible legacy of Most Holy Trinity. Thank you!

Yours in Christ,

Msgr. Chuck Kosanke
Pastor



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL AT MOST HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Since 1838, our school has been serving the children of Detroit. We were pleased to welcome our students back for another year of growth and learning!



Support Fr. John in the Detroit Free Press Marathon



Our very own Associate Pastor, Fr. John Herman, will be running a half marathon (13 miles) on October 20!

Fr. John would like to make the race more meaningful by using it as an opportunity to support student scholarships at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Academy and the Ste. Anne Food Pantry.

You can help by sponsoring him! Go to the Donate page at MHTdetroit.org or scan the QR code. Fr. John's first sponsor is Msgr. Chuck Kosanke, who has pledged \$10 per mile for a total of \$130.



MHTCA Invests in School Safety and Classroom Necessities

Safety is a high priority at MHTCA. Over the past few years we have invested in school security with improved locks, cameras and coordination with the Detroit Police Department.

This year we also invested in life-saving training and equipment by acquiring an automated external defibrillator (AED) machine and training all school staff in CPR. This was done through a partnership with the Detroit Fire Department and the American Heart Association. In addition to our fire and tornado drills, the teachers have completed two cardiac emergency drills and are ready to jump into action in the event of an emergency.

Through the COVID relief funding that we received in 2022, the school was able to purchase all new desks and chairs for students as well as new whiteboards. This will allow teachers and students to have greater flexibility in classroom seating so they can more easily collaborate and engage in learning.

Calling Members of the Irish Community!

If you are active in the Detroit Irish community, we would like to enlist your help in planning a Celebration of Celtic Culture at the Basilica of Ste. Anne de Detroit next summer.

Please contact Colleen at Colleen.Moore@MHTdetroit.org if you would like to get involved!

Most Holy Trinity Youth Attend National Eucharistic Congress

The 10th National Eucharistic Congress was a profound moment for the whole Church in the United States as our Catholic family united in prayer. 60,000 Catholics gathered in Indianapolis for this generational event, and countless more across the nation joined us via livestream. We were proud to send a group from the Southwest Detroit Family of Parishes to the event. Led by Antonio Guzman, our young people were able to experience the joy and camaraderie of this holy event.



Quinceañera Retreat Rivers of Living Water



Saturday 5 October • 9am - 5pm
Most Holy Trinity Catholic Academy
 1229 Labrosse Street, Detroit

Sponsored by Most Holy Trinity Parish
and the Basilica of Ste. Anne de Detroit

Register at MHTdetroit.org or use the QR code

Contact Daniel.Magareno@SteAnneDetroit.org
 or (313) 356-4940 for more information.



Trinity Outreach Ministries

Under the leadership of Fr. John Herman, our programs for people in need in Southwest Detroit have been reinvigorated.

The free legal clinic, which has been blessed with many volunteer attorneys since the 1970's, is growing. The clinic helps parishioners and other people in the community who do not have access to basic legal advice or assistance. It is held on the first and third Thursdays of each month in the parish rectory beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Through the generosity of our many volunteers and benefactors, Most Holy Trinity Parish also operates a food pantry and clothing room for the people of our community who are in need. The food pantry and clothing room operate on Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

If you are interested in learning more or volunteering, please go to MHTdetroit.org/outreach.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

9:00 AM in Spanish and 11 AM in English

**You are always welcome to join us for
 Mass in Corktown!**

**Daily Mass is offered at our sister parish, the Basilica
 of Ste. Anne de Detroit, 1000 St. Anne Street, Detroit.**



Most Holy Trinity Parish
1050 Porter Street
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Founded in 1834 to minister to the people of Detroit and dedicated to the service of our merciful and loving God, Most Holy Trinity Parish is a community of missionary disciples that provides corporal and spiritual care to people in need.

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OFRENDAS ON DISPLAY

Ofrendas open every Sunday
from October 20 -
November 3 after
10 am and 12 noon Mass

DOCENT LED TOURS

October 31 - November 1
9:30 am - 3 pm
Tours must be scheduled in advance
To schedule a tour, email
Yuliana.Bautista@SteAnneDetroit.org

DAY OF THE DEAD - NOV 2

12 noon Mass
Celebration on Plaza after Mass
Pan de Muerto - Coffee
Mexican Hot Chocolate

1000 Ste. Anne Street, Detroit - 313-496-1701 - Ste-Anne.org/Events