



### **DON'T MISS THE BOAT!!**



Because of last week's snow and PREP cancellation the deadline for receiving the tuition discount has been extended until today, Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. Until tonight the tuition is as follows:

One child - \$75.00

Two or more children - \$105.00

In order to receive the discount **both the registration form and the tuition payment must be received.**

After tonight tuition and until April 18<sup>th</sup> tuition is:

One child - \$85.00

Two or more children - \$125.00

After April 18<sup>th</sup> in order to register a late fee of \$10.00 must be paid in addition to tuition.

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Monsignor Eckert will lead all Levels of Prep in the Stations of the Cross next Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. Students should report to their classrooms as usual and they will then go over to church with their catechists. We welcome any parents who would like to join us. If you wish to join us we ask that you enter church through the shrine room door as this is the only door that will be open.



## **CONFIRMATION UPDATES**



The final two items for Confirmation that are due this PREP year are the Sponsor Certificate of Eligibility which is due on April 4<sup>th</sup> and the Service Project **and** accompanying questions which are due April 18<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions regarding either of these items please do not wait until the due dates to contact Mrs. Gnida. Please call her at 215-295-3079 or email her at [HTCRE@aol.com](mailto:HTCRE@aol.com) before the due dates.

The two remaining service opportunities at Holy Trinity are:

Help will be needed on Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7:00-9:00 PM and again on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM-Noon transferring food and assembling the Easter Food Baskets.

Easter Lilies will be distributed on Good Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup> to families in the parish who have lost a loved one since last Good Friday. Anyone interested should contact Deb Stanton

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LEVEL 2 AND SPECIAL SACRAMENTS II**

On Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> our Level 2 and Special Sacraments II students along with Holy Trinity Grade 2 received the sacrament of Penance for the first time. We send them our prayerful good wishes and congratulations.



## **COMMUNION RETREAT**

Recently our Level 3 and Special Sacrament students along with Holy Trinity School Grade 3 had their First Communion retreat in preparation for First Communion on April 21<sup>st</sup>. They had song practice with Mrs. Merk, they pressed the hosts to be used for their First Communion Mass, they made their banners and sacrifice beads and had a tour of the church with Monsignor Eckert.



## FOOD PANTRY AWARD

Since PREP was cancelled last week we do not have a winner for the Food Pantry. Check back next week to see who will be this week's winner!

**IN MARCH OUR THEME IS ST. PATRICK'S DAY  
AND GREEN AND WE ARE COLLECTING:**

**CANNED TUNA  
MAYONNAISE  
CANNED GREEN VEGGIES  
GREEN OR ANY OTHER TEAS**



**GOSPEL SNEAK PEEK FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018**

## **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

### **HEARING THE WORD**

#### **JOHN 12:23 – 24**

Jesus [said], “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.”

### **REFLECTING ON THE WORD**

Jesus shows us how life and death are much more closely linked than one might think. We have been taught that they are opposites, but not so in this case. The life of a plant requires the death of a seed, the life of a butterfly requires the death of the caterpillar and so with us a new way of being in the world requires the death of bad habits patterns of speech, and hurtful ways. Lent is a wonderful time to die to something that does not bear fruit in our lives.

### **FOR REFLECTION**

What do seeds need to grow? How is light important to the growth process?

What “fruit” do you hope to have ready in time for Easter this year?