



# Blessed Trinity Catholic School

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## THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Many thanks to all the parents who helped with conference meals for our teachers and staff at both Penn and Nicollet. It was much appreciated and all were well fed. Muchas Gracias!

## Catholic Schools Raffle tickets—last weekend!

We are just over half way to our goal of \$15,000 for this fundraiser, and just one more weekend to sell! Last day to sell tickets is this Sunday, February 28.

**ALL TICKETS—sold or unsold—MUST be turned in to the school by Monday February 29.**

Thank you to everyone who has sold tickets, asked for more tickets, and turned in unsold tickets.

Top classroom receives a pizza party. The leaderboard at last count was:

**P4 20%**  
**2W 15%**  
**P3 14%**  
**7S 12%**  
**1W 11%**

Top selling BT family wins a Kindle Fire. A few families are neck and neck for the lead with just 15 tickets separating them!

## March 7—No School

The school is closed on Monday, March 7. Cub Club and Club Tiger will be open for those students who signed up in advance.

## Pizza Luce Night—March 14

Come have dinner with us at Pizza Luce, Richfield on Monday, March 14. From 3-8 pm on this date, 25% of receipts before tax will come back to BT. This fundraiser will support our 8th grade class. Look for flyers to come home the week before!

## Dairy Day—March 15

Save the date for a night out at the Dairy Queen Grill and Chill at 77th and Lyndale. Fifteen percent of receipts from 2-6 pm will be donated to BT.

## STEM Night—March 17

Kindergarten—fifth grade students and their families are invited to attend STEM Night on Thursday, March 17. Come and enjoy a light supper, make a leprechaun trap, create a rainbow and other fun St. Patrick's Day activities the whole family can enjoy.

6:00-6:30 p.m.-Dinner in Social Hall  
6:30-8:00 p.m.-STEM Activities  
Penn campus

Los estudiantes de Kinder – quinto grado y sus familias están invitados a asistir a la noche STEM el jueves 17 de marzo de 2016. Disfrute de una

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cena ligera mientras aprende juegos de ciencia, hacer una trampa de duende, crear un arco iris y otras divertidas actividades del día de San Patricio que toda la familia puede disfrutar.

6:00-6:30 p.m.-Cena en el salón social

6:30-8:00 p.m.-STEM actividades

Penn campus

## KoAm, Learning in your Living Room

What better way to discover the world than to do so by welcoming a Korean exchange student into your home for the 2016-17 school year. By being a KoAm Host Family, your family will be able to discover a new culture right in the middle of your own home. Experience the convenience of learning in your living room. In return, share America with an exchange student and make a difference globally!



"We loved being able to provide a home and family experience in America with kids that loved learning and teaching each other their cultures."

Host Family  
First Baptist School, MN

Please contact KoAm Regional Coordinator, Nicole Riebe at 952-217-5510 or National Coordinator, Haewon Park at 800-521-6640, and/or by email at [administrator@koameduall.org](mailto:administrator@koameduall.org). To apply online, we invite you to visit our website at <http://www.koameduall.org> and click "Apply to Be a Host Family".

## Blessed Trinity Golf Tournament

We are hosting our **first ever** Golf Tournament this spring on May 16 at MN Valley Country Club. Early bird pricing for golfers is \$175/each. You can find more information and sign up on our website <http://www.btcsmn.org/about/GolfTournament.htm>

## Brats, Beer and Bean Bag Tournament

Saturday, June 4, 4:00 pm

BT parents are invited to sign up for this exciting new event. Hosted by Chris & Amy DeCrans and Mark & Jennie Schletty, it promises to be a fun evening! The tournament is limited to 32 adults with only 8 spots remaining! Sign up [here!](#) Spots are \$25/person, adults only.

## Bowling with the Elferings

Sunday, March 6, 1:30—3:30 pm

Looking for a fun afternoon with other BT families and bowling? Sign up for this fun event hosted by Jill & Jeremy Elfering at Park Tavern. Just \$10/person. Sign up [here!](#)

## Sick kids and returning to school

We hope everyone stays healthy, but we also know students (and teachers and staff!) are bound to get sick. To help keep others healthy, please keep students home for 24 hours after they have experienced a fever, vomiting or diarrhea. For example, if your student has a fever of 102.5 at noon on Tuesday and wakes up fever free on Wednesday, s/he needs to stay home on Wednesday.

## Laptops Available

Families who would like to purchase (or receive via school-awarded grant) an older Dell laptop loaded with the Linux operating system (much like Windows, internet-capable, wireless, includes an Office suite) should contact Mrs. Elfering or Mr. O'Keefe. Laptops will be available for \$50 on a first-come, first-served basis. If your family would benefit from one of these laptops at home but you will be requesting financial help, please include a note about how it would help your family.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

### Photo Contest

Catholic Schools Center of Excellence is running a photo contest for school parents and alumni. Top prizes include a \$1500 and \$750 Target gift cards. Entering the contest is easy! Just follow these steps:

1. Snap a Catholic school photo. There are two categories available. Category 1 is for photos with people (students, teachers, staff). Category 2 is for photos without people (buildings, school grounds, etc)
2. Submit your photo(s) by **April 15, 2016**. Email your photos to [catholicschoolsphotocontest@gmail.com](mailto:catholicschoolsphotocontest@gmail.com). Be sure to include the name of the school(s) pictured in the body of the email. Each entrant may submit only 1 photo per category.
3. Contest winners will be notified by May 1, 2016. The judges are: The Most Reverend Andrew H. Cozzens, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Minneapolis and St. Paul; Kate Ries, Catholic School mom and photographer; and Maureen Lodoen, Communications Manager at the Catholic Schools Center of Excellence.
4. Prizes will be mailed to winners by May 15, 2016. Prizes awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in each category.

1st place: \$1500 Target gift card

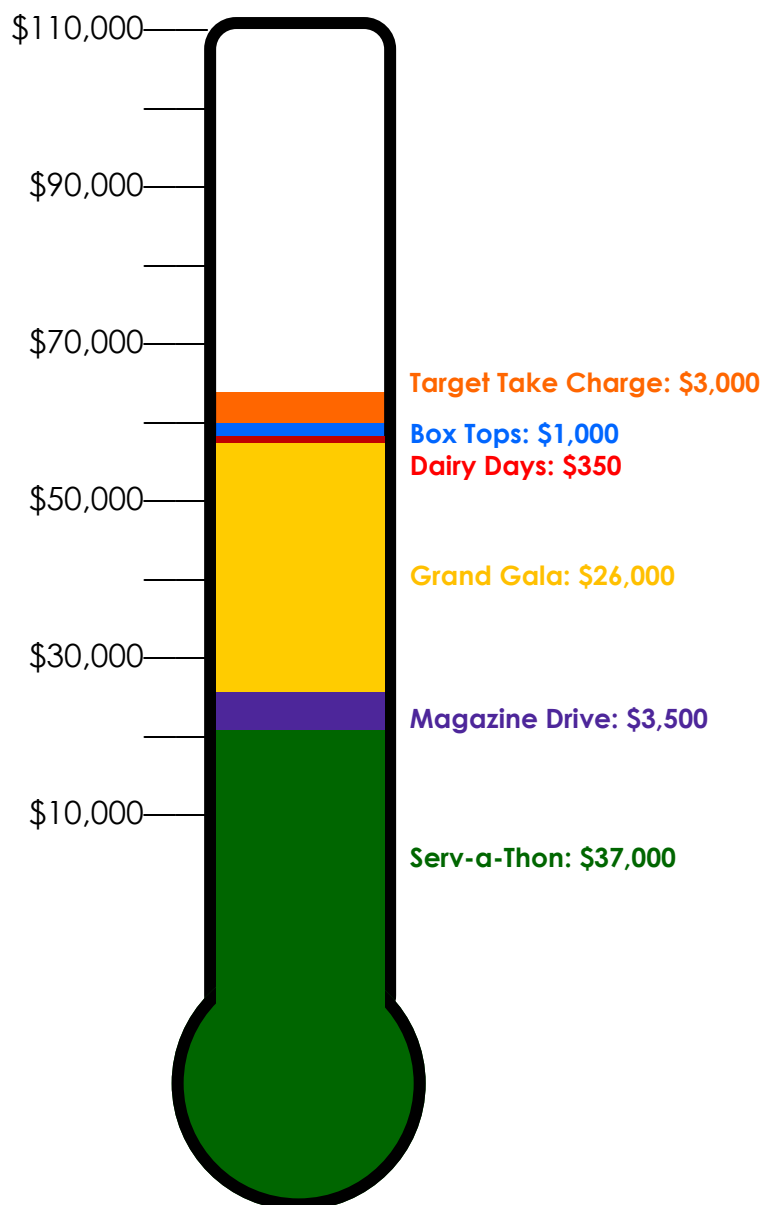
2nd place: \$750 Target gift card

3rd place: \$250 Target gift card

Note about photo rights: By entering the photo contest, you are authorizing the Catholic Schools Center of Excellence, its partners and all Catholic grade schools in the Archdiocese of Minneapolis and ST. Paul to copyright, use and publish your photos in print or electronically with or without your name for such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising and web content.

## Fundraising Update

Our overall fundraising goal for 2015-16 is \$110,000



We know you've been working hard on so many fundraisers and your efforts are paying off! We're more than half way to our goal and have yet to add these fundraising totals: Sno\*Ball, Butter Braids, Catholic Schools Raffle, Fiesta Latina and Rummage Sale. Thank you!

## St. Richard's Church

7540 Penn Avenue S, 612 869-2426

### Join Us for the Works of Mercy Challenge!

As part of St. Richard's Catholic Church's *Lent Three-Day Event*, we are gathering in the Social Hall at noon on Sunday, **February 28**, as to prepare bag lunches for Sharing and Caring Hands. We will be recording a video to post on YouTube challenging a neighboring parish to also coordinate a work of mercy during this Year of Mercy! Contact Susie Osacho in Faith Formation, [612-869-2426, ext 120](tel:612-869-2426), or [sosacho@strichards.com](mailto:sosacho@strichards.com), with questions. More details for the Lent Three-Day Event opportunities for all ages, visit [www.strichards.com/lent](http://www.strichards.com/lent).

### Reconciliation Liturgy During 24 Hours for the Lord

The St. Richard's Catholic Church Lent Reconciliation service will be held on Saturday, **March 5**, at 10:00am. It will begin with a prayer service in the church, followed by the opportunity for individual Reconciliation and absolution from one of several priests. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is always available one-on-one from 4:00—4:30pm on Saturdays (except for Holy Saturday). We will have additional scheduled opportunities for individual Reconciliation as we approach Holy Week. Find more information at [www.strichards.com/lent](http://www.strichards.com/lent).



## St. Peter's Church

6730 Nicollet Ave S., Richfield, 612-866-5089

### BT Volunteers needed at Ham Bingo

Each year Ham & Turkey Bingo is put on as a Booster to thank the St. Peter's parishioners for their involvement in the Blessed Trinity subsidy. Please sign up to volunteer to help at the Ham Bingo on March 12. Remember, it is essential to sign-up as part of your tuition agreement.

Parents and students are needed as volunteers to sell tickets, serve food, collect money for bingo cards, and deliver popcorn and pop. Please call Theresa at 612-767-1781 to sign up.

### Sacrament of Penance

Celebration and Experience of Mercy Presentation with Fr. Treco, March 2 at 7:00 pm. Refreshments following in the Social Hall.

### 24 Hours for the Lord Adoration

In conjunction with Pope Francis' invitation to all Catholic Churches to join in the 24 Hour Worldwide celebration of the Lord's Mercy, St. Peter's will have Adoration in the Chapel:

Friday, March 4, 8:30 am-7:00 pm  
Saturday, March 5, 8:30 am-4:30 pm

We need adorers for the Blessed Sacrament during this time so that the Blessed Sacrament is never left alone. Please call the parish office at 612-866-5089 to sign up for a time or just stop in when you are able. If you do know when you will be coming, please call so that we know at least one person will be there.

We will also have the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, March 5:

8:30-9:30 am (individual)  
10:30-11:30 am (with multiple priests)  
In Church.  
3:30-4:00 pm (individual)  
in the Reconciliation Room

Join us for these beautiful days of Adoration to celebrate the Lord's Mercy!