



# Blessed Trinity Weekly Update

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"Light the Way"

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## Calendar

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### Happy New Year!

-*Chomp at Champps*

-Second Mid-Trimester

-Mass (1-8) at St. Peter's at 12:15 p.m.

-**No School– Club Tiger Closed**

### *Martin Luther King Day*

-PAWS Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at Nicollet

-Mass (1-8) at Assumption at 12:15 p.m.

-Latino Family Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Nicollet

-Ski Trip for Grades 4-8

-**Catholic Schools Week Begins**

-**Pack the Pews** at St. Peter's, 4:30 p.m.,  
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Masses

-**No School– Club Tiger Open**

-Mass (K-8) at St. Peter's at 12:15 p.m.

-Learning Fair, 6:30 p.m. at Nicollet

-Book Fair, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

-Spirit Wear for Sale, Nicollet Campus

-**Spirit Wear Day**

-**Pack the Pews** Mass at Assumption,  
4:00 p.m.

-**Sno-Ball Dance & Silent Auction at  
Assumption, 6:00 p.m.**



can. Our goal is to earn as much as we can but hopefully bring a profit of \$10,000 to the school from participation in the dance and silent auction.

Here is what you can do....

1. Buy your family ticket by returning the blue sheet.
2. Volunteer to help on this night or to help with the set up on the Friday before. We need many volunteers!
3. Donate items for the silent auction baskets – each class has a specific theme but we will also accept any great items that your family is willing to give in addition (gift cards, passes to events, items of interest to kids and adults).
4. Kids can buy a raffle ticket for as little as \$.25 for some prizes throughout the night.

Let's join together to make this year one of the greatest Sno-Balls yet!

Every class has been assigned a specific theme for the silent auction baskets. A bright pink idea sheet will come home with this packet for your specific class but.... here is an outline of what we are looking for at the various grade levels:

## From the Desk of Kim Doyle

Dear Parents,

### What is the Sno-Ball?

This week you are receiving several blue information sheets about our annual Sno-Ball Dance and Silent Auction event. Please be sure to look through this information. The Sno-Ball is a family dance. Many of our newer families have asked about this and are wondering who this event is for. Yes – this is for all of you and for your children as well. Please bring your family and your friends and neighbors along with you too. The evening consists of dancing to the music of the White Sidewalls Band, food such as taco dinner and authentic tamales, corndogs, popcorn and candy treats, beverages including beer and wine, and participation in our silent auction. The Sno-Ball takes place at Assumption's activities building.

We need your help with this evening to make it a successful time for the school community. The Sno-Ball is one of the school's main fundraising events. By attending and participating, you are helping to meet the needs of the school budget which helps keep the school operating in the best way that it



Preschool– Family Fun

Kindergarten– Be Mine!-Valentine

First Grade– Eat Dessert with your Coffee First

Second Grade– Let's Go On a Road Trip

Third Grade– High School Musical

Fourth Grade– That's Italian!

Fifth Grade– E-I-E-I-O Animal Lovers

Sixth Grade– Slumber Party (one boy & one  
girl basket)

Seventh Grade– Mexican Fiesta

Eighth Grade– Gift Certificate Basket

## Thank You to M & I Bank

Blessed Trinity Catholic School would like to thank M & I Bank for selecting our school to receive their collection of milk caps, box tops, etc. We are so grateful for their generosity to our community. The collection of these small items makes a huge difference to our school. We are so thankful for their support. Thank you M & I Bank for making a difference!

**Chomp at Champps on January 13**

Blessed Trinity Catholic School has again partnered with Champps in Richfield for a great fundraising event. On Sunday, January 13, from 10:00 a.m. to midnight, Blessed Trinity will receive 15% of all food and non-alcoholic beverage sales from BT-affiliated folks who dine in or order take-out from Champps Restaurant (790 West 66th Street). To qualify, you MUST identify your party as part of the Blessed Trinity community. This is not just for Blessed Trinity families. So help spread the word and plan to bring grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends to this delicious fundraiser. All money raised will go toward improvements in our computer labs. Let's fill the restaurant with our school spirit!

**Check Your Child's Supplies**

The school year is approximately half over. Many of our students are low on their basic school supplies, such as pencils, markers, and erasers. It's disruptive to learning when some of the students are continually needing to borrow from others. Please help by asking your child which supplies he or she might need. Thank you!

**Revise los Útiles Escolares de su Niño**

Hemos terminado aproximadamente la mitad del año escolar. Muchos de nuestros estudiantes se están quedando cortos en los útiles escolares básicos, como lápices, marcadores, y borradores. Es una distracción para el aprendizaje el que algunos estudiantes necesiten continuamente prestar de otros. Por favor ayúdenos preguntándole a su niño cuáles útiles podría necesitar. Gracias!

**Preschool and Kindergarten Open Houses**

Do you have friends or neighbors who have a little one ready for school next fall? Pass the word around about Blessed Trinity Catholic School's preschool and kindergarten open houses.

Kindergarten open house will take place on Thursday, February 7 at 6:30 p.m. and the preschool open house will be on Tuesday, February 12, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. both events are at the Blessed Trinity Penn Campus.

**Coming Soon!**

It's time again for our **Scholastic Book Fair**. It will be held at the Blessed Trinity Nicollet Campus during Catholic Schools Week. The Book Fair starts **Saturday, January 26** and ends **Sunday February 3**. Please mark you calendars!

**Old Spirit Wear Needed**

If you have Blessed Trinity spirit wear that needs to be retired, please send it to school for a special project for the Sno-Ball.

**Nicollet Campus Ski Trip**

The ski trip is Friday, January 25, for Grades 4-8 at Buck Hill. Letters and permission slips went home this week. Please read the information carefully and return the permission slip by Friday, **January 18, 2008**. All the details are included in the letter. Should you have additional questions, please e-mail Patty Armbrust, fourth grade teacher, at ArmbrustP@btcsmn.org. Parents are welcome!

**News on the Korean Exchange Program**

We have made arrangements to work with a new organization which sponsors the education of Korean Students in American Schools. This agency is called KoAm Educational Alliance. We have met with the local area representative and believe that this agency is solid and will be very supportive to our school and to the families who choose to host a student from Korea. Blessed Trinity Catholic School is seeking school families who wish to be host families for students of South Korea. Becoming a host family is very easy and will be a life changing experience for you and your children. Many Korean students are waiting to attend a school in the United States. Blessed Trinity Catholic School has proven to be a wonderful place for these students to come. Having the students in our school has proven to be just as wonderful for our school. If you would like to become a host family, please go to <http://www.koameduall.org/> to apply. You may also speak with Kim Doyle to obtain information about the program. As soon as your family is matched with a student, you will have a new son or daughter and Blessed Trinity Catholic School will have another student to share their life and culture with all of us.

**March for Life**

The annual March for Life takes place once again at the Cathedral and Capitol on Tuesday, January 22. We encourage everyone to attend this. Unfortunately, this year we will not be taking a bus from the school. Students who wish to attend, however, are encouraged to do so and will be excused from school on this day. A bus will be sent to the rally from St. Peter's Church and you can call to RSVP for your ride to the rally. The day begins with a prayer service at the Cathedral. Students attending must be accompanied by an adult. The bus leaves at 9:30 a.m. The prayer service begins at the Cathedral at 10:30 a.m.

**Latino Family Meeting**

**Thursday, January 24 at 6:30 p.m.** This family meeting takes place in Spanish. Come to learn more about events taking place in school and to get all of your questions answered.

**PAWS**

Attention all PAWS members – We need you to attend our next meeting. Mark your calendars for Tuesday, January 22 at 7:00 p.m. PAWS meetings are open to all school parents. Coming to the meetings is a great way to find what is going on in the school, to meet other school parents, and to get a bit more involved in your child's school. At the next PAWS meeting, we will feature a guest speaker, Mrs. Wyrick, who will talk about educational games and tricks to learning and practicing math, spelling and vocabulary with your children. All parents, join us for this exciting information.

**A Note from Mrs. Myott**

Fourth graders began their study of recorder this week. They are allowed to bring their instruments and music home to practice, but need to be sure to put them back in their backpacks so they have them for the next music class!

Fifth graders will soon begin learning songs to celebrate Minnesota's sesquicentennial. They will perform at the Pines in April.

6th Gold religion class sent homemade cards to our wounded troops via the Red Cross. This was an activity centered around the Catholic social teaching about the dignity of every human. They are now continuing their study of Moses and the Ten Commandments.

**Destination Imagination**

The DI teams are working hard on their challenges. We are still in need of some large cardboard boxes (it's OK if they've been flattened). Let Mrs. Myott know if you can help us out. She will pick them up. Please call 612-202-2663.

**School Closings**

It is time to remind everyone that school closings and late starts will be announced on WCCO radio (830 AM) and all television stations (4, 5, 9, & 11). At least one of these stations will post our closing.

If the Academy of Holy Angels closes, we will do the same. The administration reserves the right to make decisions differing from the Richfield School District in unique situations and because many students and staff live a distance from school. When Blessed Trinity Catholic School is closed, Club Tiger and our preschool will also be closed.

Please do not drop your child off at school on such days. Often our staff cannot get into school and there is no supervision available for students. If you suspect we might have to close early because of bad weather, please keep your radio on and tuned to WCCO throughout the day.

**Subway Stars**

This week's "Subway Stars" are:



Andy Phan– read 15 accelerated reader books  
Garrett Burns– read 15 accelerated reader books  
Kozette Carrillo– read 15 accelerated reader books

**Faith Community News****Why Do Catholics Do That?*****Why Do We Say the Nicene Creed at Mass?***

The original Nicene Creed was issued by the Council of Nicaea in 323 in response to Arian heresy. Led by Arius, Arians believed that the Son of God was not truly divine but was created. This creed was the Church's response.

Today, the Nicene Creed summarizes what Christians truly believe and we pray it at Mass after the Word of God is proclaimed. It is our positive response to all that the Scriptures ask us to do and believe.

***Por qué recitamos el Credo de Nicea en la Misa?***

El Credo de Nicea original fue promulgado por el Concilio de Nicea en el año 323 como respuesta a la herejía arriana. Siguiendo a Arrio, los arrianos creían que el Hijo de Dios no tenía naturaleza divina sino que fue creado. La Iglesia corrigió la herejía con el Credo.

Hoy el Credo de Nicea resume las creencias de los católicos y lo rezamos en la misa después de la proclamación de la Palabra de Dios. Es nuestra respuesta positiva a lo que las Escrituras nos piden que hagamos y creamos.

**Rainbows for Children**

RAINBOWS Winter Session for children will begin on Monday, January 14 at 4:00 p.m. and will continue for six Mondays.

RAINBOWS is a FREE support group for children and youth who have experienced a significant loss in their lives through death or divorce. There is no restriction on how long it has been since the loss occurred.

RAINBOWS gives children and youth an opportunity to work in small support groups with caring and sensitive adults who are trained to help children put their feelings of loss into words, to build a stronger sense of self esteem and to accept what has taken place in the family.

Each child must be registered in order for them to attend. For more information about this program, please call Ann Muller-leile, 612-869-2426, at St. Richard's Faith Formation Office.

