

Trinity Tidings



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Fall Events and Program Start-Ups

Mark your calendars and come on out for these upcoming events!

For Pets & Pet Lovers!

**St. Francis Day
Blessing of Animals...**



Bring your pets and join us for our annual St. Francis Blessing of Animals at **10:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 30.**

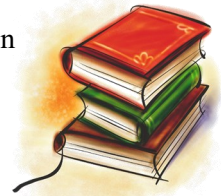
The blessing of pets will be held on the plaza if the weather permits, and in the parish hall if it doesn't. Children are also invited to bring any cherished stuffed animals that might be in need of a blessing. Refreshments and "treats" for everyone will be served after the service, and an offering will be taken to benefit local animal shelters. The Feast of St. Francis is a time for us to ask for God's blessing on the pets that so enrich our lives. **It's a great and easy event to share—why not invite a friend?**

It's Bookfair Time! Lots of Help Needed...

On Saturday, October 7th Collingswood will hold its annual Book Festival and Holy Trinity will be part of it. **Our used book sale will be held on the plaza beginning at 10:00 a.m. (Setup begins at 8:00 a.m.)**

Set-up help, clean-up help, and help during the day are needed! Please sign up in the back of the church or call or email the church to indicate when you are available to help. You may contact Carol Staszewski if you need more information.

Used books in good condition are REALLY NEEDED for the sale!! Please drop them off at the church anytime before the sale.



Ministries for Children & Youth... Returning this October!

Sunday School and Youth Fellowship

We had such a great time last year that our Sunday School and Youth Fellowship program will return! We'll meet from 4:00 to 5:30 on two Sunday afternoons per month. Activities will include a children's chapel service, followed by age-appropriate activities for children and youth from pre-K through high school. **Our first session will be held on Sunday, October 1st.**

If you are interested in helping, or have children or grandchildren who might be interested in attending, please contact Theresa Chattin.



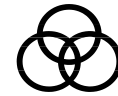
First Communion Class

Do you have a school-aged child who is not yet receiving Communion, but has expressed an interest in doing so? A special Communion class for children is forming soon. Contact Theresa Chattin as soon as possible if you are interested in registering your child/children so that we can find a date and time that will work for everyone.



Confirmation Classes...

Although we're not scheduling yet, classes for youth and adults that are interested in being confirmed or received into the Church are in the planning stage. Look for more information in the coming months.



Friends Helping Friends! Boscov's Fund Raiser Get Your Coupons Now...



Boscov's *Friends Helping Friends* event is a special day filled with fun and fundraising to benefit area non-profit organizations. This year's event will be held on Wednesday, October 18 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. **Discount shopping passes for 25% off just about everything in the store cost only \$5 and are available at Holy Trinity now. 100% of the ticket donation goes directly to us!**

You can get your discount shopping passes on Sunday mornings at church or by calling the church office. Passes can be used at all local Boscov's stores including Deptford, Moorestown, and the Voorhees Towne Center. Be sure to take advantage of this great fundraiser that benefits both Holy Trinity and your pocketbook!

Ditty Bags for Seafarers Supporting the Seaman's Church Institute...



Every fall, the Seamen's Church Institute of Philadelphia collects contributions for Ditty Bags - assorted Christmas presents for the merchant sailors who are in the port of Philadelphia that year. We've been collecting ditty bag contributions for years, and early every November we deliver them to SCI's offices. Here are some suggestions (from SCI's web site) of things you might like to donate...

WISH LIST FOR DITTY BAGS

- ◆ Hats and scarves in dark colors
- ◆ Work socks, work gloves
- ◆ ChapStick
- ◆ Nail clippers
- ◆ Razors Shaving cream
- ◆ Playing cards
- ◆ Hand lotion
- ◆ Toothbrush, toothpaste
- ◆ Deodorant
- ◆ Shampoo
- ◆ Comb Pen & writing paper
- ◆ Mini sewing kit
- ◆ Hard or boxed candy, gum, cough drops

Please bring your contributions to Holy Trinity by the end of October!

Soup's On!!! Order Your Tomato Bisque Now!...

Our Soup Team is back in the kitchen and making fall soups for sale! (Well, they're not really in the kitchen at this very moment, but they will be on September 22nd.)

To order your Tomato Bisque (\$4 per pint), please call or email the church office right away. Our soup crew always makes some extra, so it's likely there will be some available, even if you're not able to pre-order.



Remember, you can also pay for your soup using the Vanco app online if that's easier for you. Information can be found on the Holy Trinity website.

A Stitch in Time... The Holy Trinity Knitting Group is Back!!!

THINGS THAT HAVEN'T HAPPENED FOR YEARS. AND YEARS.

Back in 2020, Covid19 sent everyone's lives off kilter. There were so many things we all had to stop doing! One of them was getting together every month to knit or crochet warm hats or scarves or vests for the Seamen's Church Institute's ditty bag program.

But guess what? The knitting group (really, knitting *and* crocheting) is back! What's more, we have new patterns (and copies of the old patterns, for anyone who lost their old ones). If you need patterns, talk to Sharon Wolfgang or Charlotte Sink.

And if you're making anything for the Ditty Bags, please bring finished items to Holy Trinity by the end of October.

