

TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL THURSDAY BULLETIN



November 18, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual auction fundraiser last weekend! Despite being held in a virtual format, it was a great success and helps to support the mission of Trinity. A very special thank you to Shannon Hughes and Suzi Castelo for their tireless efforts to make this event a success! We are truly grateful for your time and talents!

If you have not yet found the fundraiser or committee that speaks to your heart or fits your busy schedule, please reach out so we can discuss the many options to have you involved in our community. All hours devoted to fundraising efforts count towards your mandatory volunteer hours. Please find a way to share your talents with Trinity!

A few reminders for the coming days and weeks:

✿ School will dismiss at 11:25/11:30 next Wednesday, November 24th. Educare is open, with pre registration required.

✿ Both school and Educare are closed next Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

✿ Picture retake day and Educare picture day is December 1st.

✿ Christmas vacation runs from December 18th through January 2nd. Classes resume on January 3rd.

✿ We are holding two different drives to support local charities. Please make an effort to participate. Hygiene Drive for the VFW- bring any hygiene items before Thanksgiving to support homeless veterans. Gently used blanket drive for Rising Strong- bring clean, gently used blankets, preferably teen or adult sized.

Remember to have your child(ren) in school uniform and dressed appropriately for the weather. We do not have staffing to keep children inside due to inadequate clothing.

Due to the short week and the holiday, there will not be a bulletin next week. If any questions arise, please contact the office.

A Thanksgiving Prayer:

O God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry.

When I have work, help me to remember the jobless.

When I have a home, help me to remember those who have no home at all.

When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer.

*And remembering, help me to destroy my complacency;
be concerned enough to help;
by word and deed; to those who cry out for what we take for granted.
Amen.*

Thanksgiving blessings on you and yours. We are truly blessed to share this community with you.

Stacie Holcomb

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

November 25, 2021

St. Joseph Catholic Church

10:00 a.m.

Once again, we will come together to give thanks to God for this country and the freedom to worship! Our trilingual Thanksgiving Day Mass will be at 10:00 (with masks required for everyone). Please bring canned food or hygiene items for the offertory procession; these items will be shared between St. Vincent de Paul and Our Place food and clothing bank. We are manifesting our prayers in gratitude and by sharing with those less fortunate than us. Father Sattler will bless food items during the Mass, so please bring bread, wine, or a pie that will be part of your Thanksgiving dinner.



Are you registered for St. Anthony's Turkey Bingo yet?

When: Sunday, November 21

Time: After 11:00 a.m. Mass until the turkeys are gone!

Place: Trinity Gym

Cost: \$2 per card or \$5 for 3 cards

Other: hotdogs, egg rolls, chips, cookies, pop, coffee, and water for purchase



Reserve your seats by tomorrow, November 19, by emailing tmcneiece@dioceseofspokane.org

THANKSGIVING WEEK

11/24 - 11:30 a.m. release for Thanksgiving. Educare open.

11/25 - Thanksgiving. School & Educare closed.

11/26 - Friday after Thanksgiving. School and Educare closed.

FREE WINTER HATS

We have had a donation of 40 handmade winter hats. Stop by the office to grab one!



FREE HOME COVID TESTS

The Spokane Regional Health District is offering free at-home covid tests. These tests will be mailed to your home at no cost to you. Be safe this Holiday Season before gathering with your family. Order your test kit at

sayyescovidhometest.org

MORNING DROP OFF TIME

Just a reminder that students can not be dropped off before 8:20 a.m. unless they are registered for Educare.

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

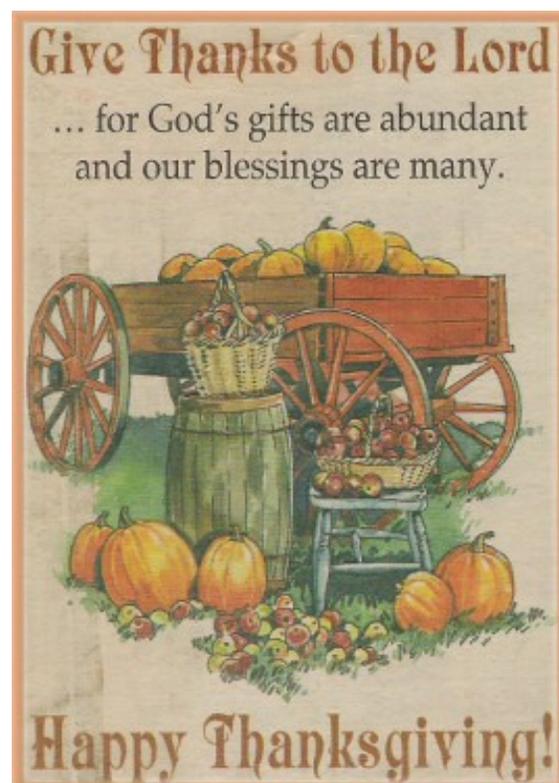
We are so happy to have our Library back open again this year. Volunteers are needed! *(A great way to get in your volunteer hours)* Library hours are Tuesday, 10:15 - 1:30 and Wednesday, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Please contact Nancy Likarish at 509-220-7267 if you can help.

PICTURE RETAKES

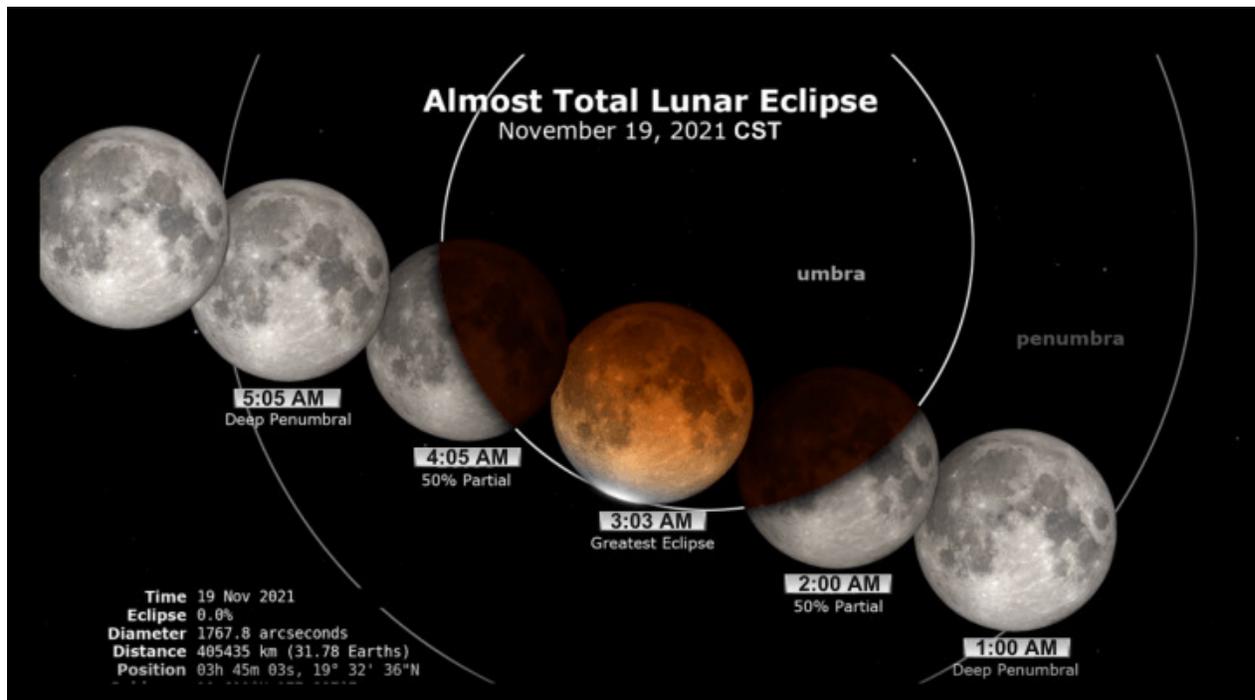
Retakes are scheduled for Wednesday, ***December 1.***

CHRISTMAS VACATION EDUCARE CLOSURES

Educare will be closed on ***December 24, 25, 27, 31, and January 1.***



FINALLY, A FABULOUS ECLIPSE! AN ALMOST-TOTAL LUNAR ECLIPSE NOVEMBER 18-19 HOW TO SEE THE BEAVER MOON LUNAR ECLIPSE!



Finally—a lunar eclipse worth watching! We’re talking about an almost-total lunar eclipse (97% coverage!) on November 18–19, 2021—during the Full Beaver Moon. And North America has the best location for viewing! But it’s oh-so-strange, just the kind of thing we need right around now.

This is a fabulously odd eclipse set to coincide with the full Beaver Moon. It’s technically a “partial lunar eclipse.” The Sun, the Earth, and Moon are lined up in almost-perfect alignment so that the Moon passes through the Earth’s shadow and turns dark.

However, what’s unusual in the case of this partial eclipse is that it will be up to 97% covered by the Earth’s shadow—almost total! Don’t feel any disappointment that the Moon will not get totally 100% eclipsed. Sure, when it comes to solar eclipses, totality is everything. It’s super important because that’s when all the fantastic stuff happens. But not with the Moon.

At 97% coverage, this is an unusually deep partial eclipse and almost total. A tiny bit of sunlight will strangely hit a small piece of the Moon. Yet wait till you see it. It’ll look like a brightly lit polar cap on an otherwise red sphere.

Very cool. This will deliver all the visceral dramatic punch you could want.

WHAT TIME IS THE LUNAR ECLIPSE?

This lunar eclipse is worth setting the alarm for! And this is where another oddity kicks in: since it's after midnight in most of the U.S. and Canada, it's technically happening early the morning of Friday, November 19, so make sure you set the alarm on the correct night.

The first dot of Earth's shadow will start touching the Moon at 2:19 AM Eastern time. (Note: That's 11:19 PM Pacific Time.) The Moon will be high in the sky. See when the Moon rises and sets in your location. You may see the Pleiades star cluster (the Seven Sisters) near the Moon.

For the next hour and a half the Moon will get increasingly blacked out, until at very nearly 4:00 AM EST (or 1:00 AM PST), the eclipse will reach its maximum. So that's the sweet spot, the early hours of Friday morning, November 19, with the Moon now lowish in the west and looking distinctly reddish since Earth casts a red shadow into space. You can certainly set the alarm nearer to the time of the eclipse's peak. Whenever the alarm rings, look out a window facing the southwest.

And here's a final oddity. This is the longest partial lunar eclipse within a stretch of 1,000 years. It's over 6 hours in total. The last time a partial lunar eclipse lasted that long was in the year 1440, when the Incas were building Machu Picchu. The next time will be on February 8, 2669.

The main reason this eclipse is super-long is because of the positions of the Moon and Earth. In this case, the Moon is at its furthest point from Earth in its orbit (apogee). At a further distance, the Moon travels more slowly; thus, it takes longer to pass through Earth's shadow and remains covered for a longer duration.

So, set the alarm for 4 and it'll look weirdly worthwhile, guaranteed, and there's nothing that a true complete totality would add.

Then you can go back to sleep having begun the day with a spectacle we haven't seen in years.