



# Trinity Catholic School

Preschool – Sixth Grade

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Dear Parents & Guardians,

We have been carefully watching and listening to multiple sources (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), Oswego County Health Department, New York State Education Department, etc.) regarding the new 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV). The situation is rapidly evolving. As of today, there have been 22 individuals diagnosed with this new coronavirus in New York State.

While we do not want to cause any unnecessary fear, we do want to inform you of some things we are doing at Trinity Catholic School in an attempt to be proactive. They are as follows:

- ~Increasing cleaning and sanitization of our school.
- ~Encourage students to bring their own water bottle from home every day. Please label with your child's name.
- ~Displaying posters throughout the school as reminders and to educate everyone about good hygiene.
- ~Sending students, teachers, and staff home when they have flu-like symptoms.
- ~Monitoring levels of absenteeism.
- ~Communicating with the local health department as needed.
- ~Reviewing our school's emergency response plan.
- ~We will post updates on this situation on our website, [www.oswegotrinitycatholic.org](http://www.oswegotrinitycatholic.org).

According to the NYSDOH, while there is no current vaccine to prevent this virus, these simple steps can help stop the spread of this and other respiratory viruses:

- ~Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- ~Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- ~Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- ~Stay home if/when you are sick.
- ~Cover your cough or sneeze with your elbow or a tissue. If you use a tissue, be sure to place it in the trash once you are done using it.
- ~Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

The following websites will provide you with additional information regarding the new 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV):

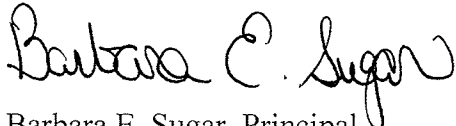
~<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>  
~<https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/coronavirus/>

If you have any additional questions, you are encouraged to call one of the following:

~The Novel Coronavirus Hotline at 1-888-364-3065.  
~Your healthcare provider.  
~Mrs. Chamberlain, our School Nurse.

Please be sure to discuss the importance of good hygiene and personal protective measures with your children. Thank you for your time and attention to this letter and its contents.

Sincerely,



Barbara E. Sugar, Principal



Christina Chamberlain, RN, School Nurse