



For Every Child
An update on Holy Trinity's Campaign

Campaign Summary	
Campaign Goal:	\$4,000,000
Raised to Date:	\$2,275,752
Remaining:	\$1,724,248

As we approach the one year mark of our lives being affected by COVID-19, there is a glimpse of a light at the end of the tunnel. This past year has been difficult in so many ways, but it has also allowed us the opportunity to slow down and reflect on what truly matters to each of us. During Lent, as we practice prayer, reflection, fasting, and almsgiving, may we look forward to Easter with hope and continue to find ways to share our gifts.

In Pope Francis' *Message of the Holy Father for Lent 2021* he says, "Dear brothers and sisters, every moment of our lives is a time for believing, hoping, and loving. The call to experience Lent as a journey of conversion, prayer, and sharing of our goods, helps us - as communities and as individuals - to revive the faith that comes from the living Christ, the hope inspired by the breath of the Holy Spirit, and the love flowing from the merciful heart of the Father."

Our **For Every Child** initiatives continue to change lives, as is evident by our wonderful playgrounds and ever growing Clifton Campus school. We are blessed with a beautiful theater, and a nursery space that can serve many purposes for our parish and school. We are incredibly grateful to the generous donors who have supported us thus far! The campaign initiatives remain an important part of our parish goals, and we ask for your continued support to keep the momentum moving forward to serve more children.



The success stories in this update demonstrate that our **For Every Child** initiatives are restoring faith, providing hope, and showing God's love to more people. Please prayerfully consider how you can be a part of our mission.

HOLY TRINITY CLIFTON SCHOOL

We are so proud of the progress we have seen in our students. When measuring our success, feedback from our school families is incredibly important to us. In a survey of families this fall we asked families to describe their experience with the Clifton school thus far. Here are a few of the responses we received...

"Carter is doing really well academically - improved confidence and independence, very positive, accepting, structured learning environment - he knows what is expected. Carter enjoys going to school! He loves his classmates and we like the individualized instruction." ~Jo-Dee Jackson

"This has been almost indescribable! My son has blossomed into a very happy and confident child since starting (at Clifton)!"
~Melissa McClellan

"I would recommend Holy Trinity Clifton because not all kids learn the same way and at the Clifton Campus they adapt to the child's needs. They figure out what works best for each student and follow that so that each child can reach their full potential."
~Amy Taylor



"I celebrate Holy Trinity Clifton because they are the answer to my prayers. I prayed for my child to enjoy school. Since we've been at Clifton, I never have to fight with Julia about going to school in the morning. She is excited when I drop her off, and happy when I pick her up."

I prayed for my child to be confident. Because of the constant encouragement from Mrs. Paula, all the teachers and therapists, and the positive energy in the classroom that is uniquely Clifton, Julia's spirit is stronger than it has ever been. Thank you, Clifton, for giving me this gift and for being the answer to so many of my prayers. For these reasons, I celebrate you!"

~Kathleen Colby, Holy Trinity Clifton Campus parent

This quote was published in the February 4th edition of *The Record*, in a section titled "Why We Celebrate Catholic Schools".

HOLY TRINITY EIFLER THEATER

Our Eyrie Theatre Company continues to do great things! The Junior High spring musical, *Rock of Ages, Middle School Edition*, is in full swing. Last week our cast and crew had the opportunity to meet over Zoom with Diana Huey, a professional actor and singer. Diana, who played Ariel in the First National tour of Disney's *The Little Mermaid*, met with our Eyrie Theater Company back in 2017 and has remained connected to our program. She played Sherri in *Rock of Ages* and was thrilled to watch our cast rehearse and answer their questions last week. Our students begin rehearsals this week at the beautiful, historic Eifler Theater to prepare for their live show in April.



"Remember, you are all one big team - from the people making the props, to the members of the ensemble, to the kids playing the lead roles - you are all one family. Support each other, appreciate each other, and most importantly, have fun!"

~Diana Huey



In December 2019 we held our first ever Eyrie Theatre Alumni Reunion, with hopes of making it an annual event. Over 40 theater alumni and many parents returned to the Eifler Theater to catch up, and there were even encore performances of scenes from their junior high musicals. It was wonderful to see everyone and we're hopeful for another reunion when COVID allows. We asked our alumni and parents what Eyrie Theatre has meant to them...



"Holy Trinity Theater was one of the best experiences of my life. I made some of the best friends ever. It really brings together all types of people and forms a community." ~Gracie '18

"Theater at Holy Trinity has absolutely changed my life. I'm now studying musical theater and hope to get a BFA from Belmont University. Working with my classmates and Mrs. Harrington really brought me to life. Before, I didn't know what I wanted to do, but once I did one show with Eyrie Theatre Company I was hooked!" ~Alex Ann '15



"My daughter was involved with Eyrie Theatre since 7th grade. She went on to audition and perform at SHA and St. X, and has come back to choreograph for Holy Trinity productions. She was accepted into and attended the Governor's School for the Arts program. Emily will pursue musical theater in college, and it all started here at Holy Trinity with Mrs. Harrington giving her opportunities on and off the stage. It is a hidden gem that we need to continue for years to come." ~Sharron, '16 parent

Eyrie means "Eagle's Nest" and we are so proud of how our Lifetime Eagles are soaring following their time with Holy Trinity's Eyrie Theatre Company!

YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED

The Clifton school currently serves students in grades 1-5, with plans to add Kindergarten and 6th grade in the 2021-22 school year. Ultimately, it will operate as a full K-8 Catholic elementary school for students with language-based learning differences, and we need your support to prepare and outfit additional classrooms in order to accommodate growing enrollment and advance our existing students.

We are incredibly grateful for our beautiful, historic Eifler Theater, but it needs some TLC. In order to begin restoring the theater and bring the building to code, we must secure at least \$500,000 by May 2021. With your help, we can provide a beautifully renovated, state-of-the-art theater where our students can continue to build a strong community, showcase their talents, and successfully soar into their future!

Please continue to pray for the success of our campaign, spread the word about the great things happening, and consider making a gift to assist with our ongoing growth and development. For more information or to set up a tour, please contact Shannon Klimek at sklimek@htparish.org or 897-5207 ext. 1104.