

What's buzzing around the halls of Saint Thomas?



Jan. 16-20, 2023

THE BUZZ!

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Next week!

Parents, we hope you can join us for chapel. The virtue this week is orderliness: Keeping oneself organized, clean and neat and one's belongings in good order.

Monday, Jan. 16 – No School. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Friday, Jan. 20 – Mass for Grades 4-8, 9:55am, Church.

Friday, Jan. 20 – 0-5ers Story Time, 10am, Ministry Center. Join Genevieve Boyle and her sidekick Anna for a good book with fun friends and a fun craft. For children ages 0-5 and their caregivers.

Friday, Jan. 20 – Home & School Happy Hour, Founders Brewery, 5:30pm. Join us for a happy hour at Founders Brewing Company on Friday, January 20, starting at 5:30pm. Then head to the Catholic Central basketball game at 7pm, or stay and hang out with STA families! Kids are welcome!



Celebrate!

We've got lots to celebrate in the next few weeks.

All in Week – Jan. 23-27

Catholic Schools Week Sneak Peek – Jan. 30 – Feb. 3

Preschool/Kindergarten Round Up! – Feb. 1

Check out the events we've got going on to celebrate these special events!

Adding Enrichment or Hornets' Nest?

The end of the quarter is Jan. 20. If you are interested in adding/dropping Preschool/Kindergarten Enrichment or changing your Hornets' Nest days, please let us know by Jan. 20.

JANUARY 2023 ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
NO SCHOOL	8:30 CHURCH & BAYVIEW ORANGE APPLES CHICKEN POTTYOON	8:30 HAMBURGERS ORANGE ORANGE	8:30 PASTA W/MEAT ORANGE ORANGE	8:30 PIZZA LUNCHABLE FRESH VEGGIE FRESH FRUIT
9:00 CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP BROCCOLI STEAK PEACHES	9:00 SOAKED TATER TOTS CORN PINEAPPLE	9:00 EGG OMELETTE BACON HASH BROWN PATATES WARM APPLES	9:00 HOT DODS FRENCH FRIES GRAPES	9:00 LITTLE CEASARS CHEESE PIZZA VEGGIES/OP FRESH FRUIT
10:00 CORN CHICKEN MASHED POTATOS/BAVY ROLL PEACHES	10:00 HAM & CHEESE SUBS FRESH VEGGIES ORANGE	10:00 WHIPPED TATER TOTS SALADINA BANANA	10:00 MAC AND CHEESE BROCCOLI PINEAPPLE	10:00 PIZZA STEAKS CORN APPLE SLICES
23 NO SCHOOL	11:00 HAMBURGERS FRENCH FRIES PEACHES	11:00 BREAKFAST DASH MUFFIN CHEESE STEAK VEGGIES/BAKED SOY	11:00 BAKED CHEESE TATER TOTS ORANGE SLICES	11:00 LITTLE CEASARS CHEESE PIZZA VEGGIES/OP FRESH FRUIT
CHICKEN STRIPS CORN MIXED FRUIT	12:00 BEEF NACHOS REFRESHED BEANS PINEAPPLE	12:00 COMBO LUNCH - \$3.00 WEEK ONLY - \$5.00 WEEK ONLY - \$5.00 WEEK ONLY - \$5.00		

Lunch menu and update!

West Catholic High School provides our food services program. **Beginning Jan. 20, WC will be accepting online-only lunch money deposits.** This means no cash or check deposits will be allowed. Depositing lunch money through Infinite Campus is the safest and most transparent practice for WC as it provides lunch services to six Catholic school campuses in the diocese. WC appreciates your patience! Check out these [instructions for depositing money into Infinite Campus](#).

Upcoming events!

Preschool/Kindergarten Round Up – Feb. 1

Spring Book Fair – March 7-9

Sunshine Swirl – April 22 (P3-Grade 4)

Middle School Corn Hole Contest – Feb. 4 – This was an Auction item. If you purchased a ticket for your child, Middle School teachers will be contacting you. If are interested in purchasing a ticket for this event (\$25), email betsyedgerton@stthomasgr.org.

Drop & Dine Valentine – Feb. 11 – This was a Silent Auction item. If you purchased it, Veronica Perdue will be contacting you. If you are interested in purchasing it (\$25/student or \$50/family), please email betsyedgerton@stthomasgr.org. Enjoy an evening out with your valentine while your children (ages 3 and up) participate in fun activities from 5:30-8pm in the school gym.



Congrats to our Saint Thomas Spelling Bee Winner Hailey B. and Runner Up Madeline W.

Other stuff!

♥ **King's Table Thank You:** *On behalf of all of us at King's Table, we would like to thank the Saint Thomas School community for sponsoring the Lincoln Pines Campus students and families this holiday season. With your support, we were able to sponsor 67 students! This generous act of kindness brings hope and joy to these families who are hurting. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ. We pray the students and staff at Saint Thomas are off to a fantastic start to 2023!*

♥ **Home & School event:** Dads, we need you! We are looking for a group of dads, uncles, grandpas, and anyone else who would like to help plan the Mother/Son event this year! It would be a fun way to connect with others and do something special for your wife and son! Please contact Becca at rebecca.maguire11@gmail.com if you are interested or if you'd like to learn more. Thank you for considering!

♥ **Parish News: Winter Community Dinner, Jan. 28, 6-8pm.** Join us for fellowship, fun and a free spaghetti dinner, hosted by The Knights of Columbus! RSVP by Jan. 23 by calling (616) 459-4662 or using our [2023 Winter Community Dinner RSVP Form](#). To volunteer to help or bring a dessert, please use our [Winter Community Dinner Sign Up Genius](#).

♥ **Catholic Central Musical Auditions:** Catholic Central is looking for 5th-8th graders to audition for CC's performance of Wizard of Oz. Group Auditions will take place on Thursday, Jan. 19, 3:45-5pm, in the Choir Room at Catholic Central High School. Questions? Contact Jason Marlett at jcmelway@yahoo.com.

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ROUND UP! 2023

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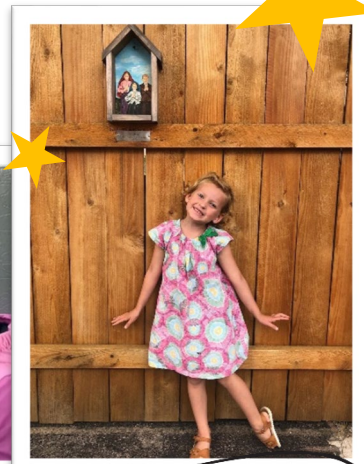
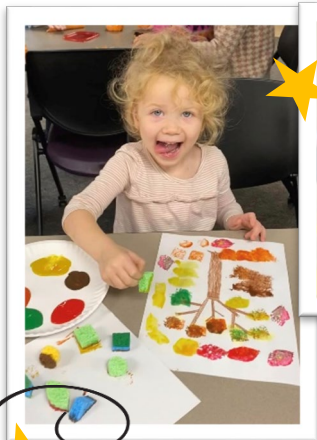
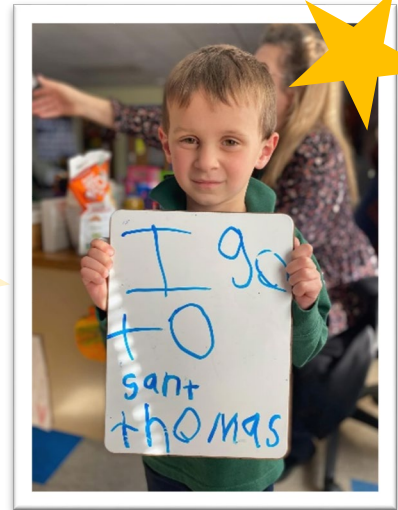
Join us for Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic School's Preschool/Kindergarten Round Up 2023, to learn more about our early childhood programs!

When: Wednesday, February 1, 2023
9-10:30am OR 6-7:30pm

Where: Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic School
Ministry Center (behind school)
1429 Wilcox Dr. SE

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/JustuyaytdXmPR5x8>

Parent information session while your future preschooler/ kindergartener participates in a mini-classroom session with their teachers! (Childcare for younger siblings is not provided.)



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ALL IN WEEK!

January 23 - 27, 2023



Monday

Chapel: "Hear us out!" Welcome to ALL IN WEEK!

Lunchtime Story:
Invisible Boy

Tuesday

Chapel: "I Hear You," Emma Schmuker

Lunchtime story:
Stand Tall,
Molly Lou Melon

Wednesday

Chapel: "[Listening: Drumming a Story](#)," artist Josh Dunigan

Drumming Experience for 1st-8th Grade

Thursday

Chapel: "Now Hear This!" Mr. Drew and Ms. Miranda

ESS Family Appreciation Lunch

Lunchtime story:
The Big Umbrella

Friday

Chapel: "Harmonizing voices," CC Acapella group

Lunchtime: "Being heard: Karaoke"