



THE BUZZ!

Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic School | Dynamic Education Centered in Christ

Next week!

The week's virtue is patience: the ability to wait or continue doing something despite difficulties, without complaining or becoming annoyed.

Sunday, May 21 – Springtime Celebration Concert and Ice Cream Social (K-4th grade), 3pm, Saint Thomas Gym. Hear our music classes perform songs they've been working on with Mrs. Emily Brunner. See flyer on last page.



Monday, May 22 –

- **Parent Rosary, 8:15am** (at Marian Grotto if weather permits)
- **No Mass for grades 1-3 (All-School Mass on Friday)**
- **Field Day (uniform holiday because it's Field Day!), Wilcox Park.** Parents, we are looking for Field Day volunteers! We need afternoon helpers (1-2:45pm) for our 4/5 multiage and grades 5-8. Please contact Ashley Emmerson at (231) 629-1796 or ashleyemmerson@stthomasgr.org.

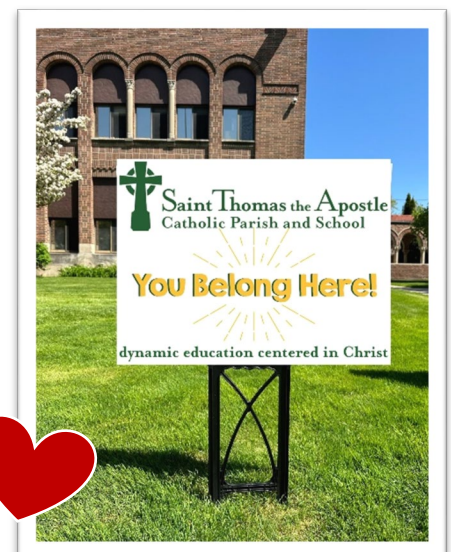
Tuesday, May 23 – 3rd Grade Famous Americans, 1-3pm and 4-5pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

Friday, May 26 –

- **All-School Anointing Mass, 9:55am, Church** – Every year, our 8th graders pass on their role as leaders of the school to our 7th graders in this beautiful anointing ceremony to follow mass. Please join us to celebrate.
- **0-5ers Storytime, 10am, Ministry Center**
- **Spirit Assembly, 2:30pm, Gym.** Parents are welcome to attend.

Yard signs!

Show your Saint Thomas pride with a Saint Thomas "You Belong Here" yard sign. Use our [STA Yard Sign Google form](#) to order no later than Wednesday, May 24. Signs are double sided and come with a wire stake. You can pick them up in the office the week of June 5.



Shout out to Dr. App!

We want to give a special thanks to Dr. Michael App, who administered our Spring Sports Physicals for the millioneth year in a row. We LOVE you, sir, and we appreciate your knowledge and dedication to Saint Thomas. Thank you!



MAY 2023		ST. THOMAS		LUNCH	
 School Information: Type your school information here.		 May is National Egg Month. Eggs can be eaten in a salad, as part of a breakfast sandwich, as an omelet, mixed into fried rice or simply boiled, fried or scrambled. How do you like to eat eggs?			
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
Chicken Nuggets Corn Roll Peaches	French Toast Cheesy Potatoes Sausage Applesauce	Pizza Sticks Salad Apple Slices	Pasta w/ meatballs Green Beans Orange Wedges	Oven Dr. Mays Soft Shell Tacos Refried Beans Pineapple	
Chicken Sandwich Green Beans Frozen Peach Cups	Pancakes Hash Browns Bacon Applesauce	Hot Dogs Baked Beans Watermelon	Ham and Cheese Subs Smiley Fries Cantaloupe and Mango	Pizza Bagels Salad Watermelon	
Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes w/gravy Breadstick Frozen Strawberry Cups	Cereal, Yogurt Cheese Potatoes Apple Juice Applesauce	Nachos w/ taco meat Refried Beans Pineapple	Hamburgers Tator Tots Apple Slices	Bisco Sticks Salad Orange Wedges	
Chicken Strips Green Beans Roll Mango	Waffles Sausage Tator Tots Applesauce	Corn Dogs Corn Fresh Fruit	Pasta w/ meatballs Broccoli Strawberries	Mac & Cheese Roasted Carrots Pineapple	
Memorial Day	Grilled Cheese Corn Peaches	Hamburgers French Fries Fruit			

Lunch menu!

West Catholic High School provides our food services program.

West Catholic now only accepts online-only lunch money deposits. Check out these [instructions for depositing money into Infinite Campus](#).

Questions about your lunch account? Contact Mary Wieber (marywieber@grwestcatholic.org) at West Catholic.

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Mark your calendars!

Memorial Day / No school – May 29

Uniform Holiday – May 30

P4 Last day of school – May 31

P3 Last day of school – June 1

All-School Mass / 8th Grade last day and Mass – June 2

Preschool Picnic – June 2

Outdoor Movie Night – June 2 at dusk

Middle school exams – June 6, 7, 8
(dismissal at 11:30am)

Last Mass / Volunteer appreciation Mass / Last day of school – June 9

West Michigan Whitecaps Game!

Students who participated in the West Michigan Whitecaps Reading Program have received their tickets for the Sunday, May 28 game at 6:05 pm. Anyone who is not able to use these tickets can pass them along to another Saint Thomas family or turn them into the office and we will find other families who can use them. Any families who need extra tickets or who don't have any would like to attend, please contact Sue Edgerly (sueedgerly@stthomasgr.org).

Other stuff!

♥ **Diaper drive:** Saint Thomas' Respect Life ministry is coordinating a diaper drive to support HELP Pregnancy Aid. Donate by dropping off disposable diapers in the hallway of the school the week of May 22. Diaper sizes from newborn to 5 are appreciated, as well as wipes. Questions? Contact Helen Milanowski at (616) 774-8471.

♥ **Salvation Army Summer Camp Information:** The Salvation Army offers a 6-week day camp for 1st -7th grade students during June and July. Visit <https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/FultonHeights/empower-youth/> and check out this [GROW Summer Camp flyer](#) for more information.

♥ **Catholic Central information:** Check out these Catholic Central Summer Camps: [CC STEAM Summer Camp](#) and [CC Athletic Summer Camps](#). For more CC information, visit [Catholic Central News & Events](#).

♥ **West Catholic information:** Check out our [West Catholic Summer Camps](#) to keep your students busy! Visit our [Future Falcon page](#) to find out more about West Catholic! Applications are accepted all year round!

♥ **The Raspberry Pi Youth Camp** aims to ignite a passion for technology and programming through the use of a Raspberry Pi device (a low-cost, credit-card-sized computer). The 5-hour camp will focus on a variety of coding challenges. All campers will receive a camp t-shirt, lunch, and a Raspberry Pi computer. [Register here](#).

♥ **Catholic Services Appeal:** Saint Thomas parishioners received a pledge packet for Catholic Services Appeal (CSA). If you haven't responded yet, please do so today. Please return your pledge card or visit <https://community.dioceseofgrandrapids.org/als/donation-page---csa2023-single-page> to pledge online.





Join us for a Springtime Celebration

Sunday

21

May

3:00 pm

St. Thomas the Apostle School

Grades K-4 will perform a concert in the gym
Ice cream social in the parking lot to follow
Bring a book for fun book swap!

*Rain location: church basement

