

WHAT'S BUZZING AROUND THE HALLS OF SAINT THOMAS?

The BUZZ

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Mar. 4-8, 2024

This week!

MARCH IS READING MONTH! Check out our [March is Reading month calendar](#).

This week's virtue ~ fortitude: the ability to overcome fear and remain steady in our will in the face of obstacles.

Monday, March 4 –

- **Celebrate Dr. Seuss day!** The Cat in the Hat visits Saint Thomas!
- **Grades 1-3 Mass**, 10:10am, Church. Please remember Mass attire.

Tuesday, March 5 –

- **March is Reading month uniform holiday** (comfy clothes but **NO pajamas**)
- **Read a fiction book day!**

Wednesday, March 6 –

- **Read a fairytale day!**
- **0-5ers Gym Time**, 11am, Saint Thomas Gym
- **4th Grade Songfest Performance**, 7pm, West Catholic High School (1801 Bristol Ave NW, GR, MI 49504)

Thursday, March 7 – Read to a friend day!

Friday, March 8 –

- **Read a comic day!**
- **Grades 4-8 Mass**, 10:10am, Church. Please remember Mass attire.

Looking ahead!

March 12-14 – Spring Book Fair

March 13 – State of the School, 8:30am or 6pm

March 15 – State of the school, 8:30am

March 18 – Home & School meeting, 8:15am, Ministry Center

March 19 – 8th Grade Confirmation Mass, 7pm, Cathedral

March 21 – Rock your Socks Day!

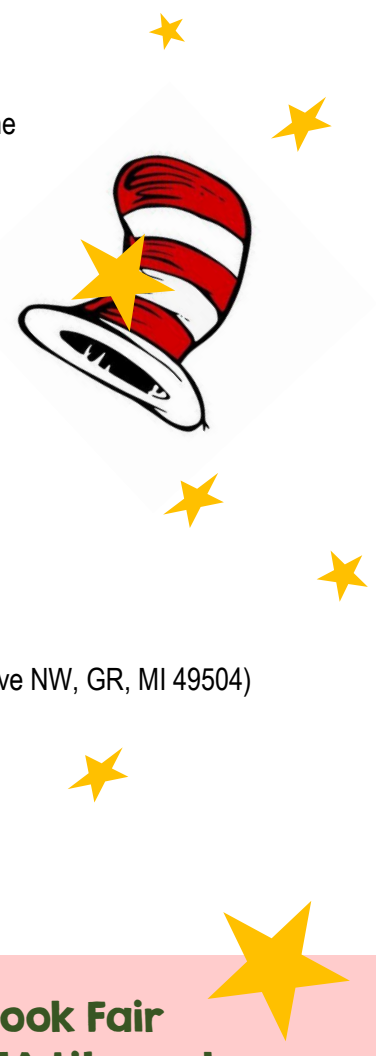
March 21 – P3/P4 Dinos with Dads, 6pm, Ministry Center

March 23 – Party in your Parka, 5-7pm, Southside Ice Arena

March 29 – April 7 – Spring break

May 10 – Middle school dance, IHM

May 17 – Golf "FORE" Sports Golf Outing, 9am, Quail Ridge



Spring Book Fair at the STA Library!

Stop by the Saint Thomas Library during our Spring Book Fair! Dates and times are:

- Tuesday, March 12 - 12-4pm
- Wednesday, March 13 - 8am – 4pm
- Thursday, March 14 - 8am – 4pm

Cash, check, and card accepted.

Volunteer using our [STA Spring Book Fair Sign Up Genius](#).

March lunch menu!

Here is our [March menu](#). If your child wants school lunch, remind them to order it in the morning with their homeroom teacher.

Mr. Ted has a new title!

Guess who's a grandfather – our own Mr. Ted! His first grandchild, Mya Ann, arrived on Feb. 21 to Mr. Ted's son, Max. Welcome to the world, Mya! Congrats to Mr. Ted and his entire family!



Home and School News!

Stock the Lounge: Let's show our appreciation for our teachers by stocking the lounge! Families with last names beginning in **S** can bring treats **March 4-15**. This year, you will only be asked to stock the lounge one time. Sign up using our [Stock the Lounge Sign Up](#). Thank you!

Meeting: Home & School Meeting, Monday, March 18 at 8:15am in the Ministry Center. Please join us!

Volunteer opportunities!

Boosters President: We are looking for a Saint Thomas Boosters President. If you are interested or know someone who would be, please email our Athletic Director Jeremiah Sluggett (jeremiahsluggett@stthomasqr.org).

Book Fair Volunteers: The Spring Book Fair is back! We're looking for volunteers. Please use our [STA Spring Book Fair Sign Up Genius](#).

GRACEAC Tennis Coaches: GRACEAC is looking for tennis coaches for the Spring season. If you or someone you know is interested, please email Athletic Director Jeremiah Sluggett (jeremiahsluggett@stthomasqr.org).

Party in your Parka - March 23!

Party in your Parka, March 23, 5-7pm, Southside Ice Arena
(566 100th St SW, Byron Center, MI 49315).

Thanks to the Slobodnik family - skates and ice are provided. **You must [sign this waiver](#) to participate.** Dress warmly. Consider bringing bike helmets for any novice skaters. The concession stand will be open for business.





Where in the world is Principal Corcoran?!

During our March is Reading Month, we will be looking for our friendly Principal Corcoran in all the places there are to read! All of our students received a copy of this picture. Snap a photo of your child reading with Principal Corcoran and email it to betsyedgerton@stthomasgr.org for our social media. Mr. Corcoran LOVES to travel – let's count how many places he travels to with all of our March is Reading Month readers!

Grand Rapids Public Museum tickets!

We've got Grand Rapids Public Museum tickets for STA families. Please stop by the office if you are interested in these tickets! We will give them away on a first-come, first-served basis.

STA alums in West Catholic performance!

West Catholic High School will be performing the musical *Bells are Ringing*, March 6-9. There are a few friendly faces involved in the show: STA alumns Claire Buehler, Evan Buehler, Jolie Mondroski and Sarah Jager. Congrats to these students and West Catholic!

Other stuff!

- ♥ **Parish events/opportunities:** Visit the [Saint Thomas parish website](#) for upcoming events.
- ♥ **West Catholic Events:** Visit the [West Catholic High School website](#) for upcoming events/admissions info.
- ♥ **Catholic Central Events:** Visit the [Catholic Central High School website](#) for upcoming events/admissions info.