



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Nascantur in Admirazione

"Let Them Be Born in Wonder."

November 11, 2019

Nicholas Term – Week II

School Year Theme: *Beatudinem* (Happiness)

November Virtue: Patience



Congratulations to our October Virtue Recognition Award recipients for the virtue of **Counsel** ~ Being open to the wisdom of God and His guidance in prayer and through others.
Ms. Lorang, Dimitri Johnson, Ariel Sharp, Ayleigh Osman, Benedict Rutherford, Sophia Savarino, Stasio Fil, Adriana Dudley, Francis Rutherford, Allison Wicks

Congratulations to Margaret Mary Term Honor Awards Recipients

Cum Laude

[B+ Average]

Tanner Miller
Stasio Fil
Ethan Korpela

Magna cum Laude

[A- Average]

Nathan Kelly
Victoria Maszatics
Anne Make
John Skoczylas
Michael Savarino
Melanie Karls
Gabriel Cherney
Evan Reece

Summa cum Laude

[A Average]

Allison Wicks
Jasmine Dinh
Hannah Currie
Paige Zauel
Lydia Birhanu
Alexandria Maszatics
Adriana Dudley
Francis Rutherford
Nathaniel Cherney
Emma Eustice

Note: Honors Awards are determined by averaging the three English grades into one ELA subject grade which is then averaged with the Faith Formation, Mathematics, Nature Studies, and History grades. Awards are based on the following total grade average criteria:

Summa Cum Laude 'With Highest Praise': 96% (A) overall or above with a minimum grade of 92% (A-)

Magna Cum Laude 'With Great Praise': 92% (A-) overall or above with a minimum grade of 88% (B+)

Cum Laude 'With Praise': 88% (B+) overall or above with minimum grade of 82% (B-)



Mrs. Lashaway's Upper School Spanish Elective celebrates traditional Mexican All Souls Day.

~ Events Calendar ~



Monday, November 11th

Parent Association Meeting

Has been moved to/combined with
the School Stakeholders Forum, November 13th

Tuesday - Thursday, November 12th - 14th

St. Thomas School Book Fair

Library & Media Center

Wednesday, November 13th: Afterschool 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Wednesday, November 13th: Before Stakeholders Forum 5:30 - 6:30 PM

Thursday, November 14th: Afterschool 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Wednesday, November 13th

St. Thomas School Stakeholders Forum

6:30 – 8:00 PM, Cafeteria

Sunday, November 17th

Upper School Choir Sings

St. Thomas 11 AM Parish Mass

Monday-Friday, November 18th – 22nd

St. Thomas School Food Drive

November 18th – December 10th

St. Thomas School Rome Trip

Christmas Flower, Wreath & Garland Fundraiser

(Order forms available next week.)

Wednesday - Friday, November 27th -- 29th

No School –Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, December 12th

St. Thomas School Christmas Choir Concert

6:30 PM in St. Thomas Church

Wednesday, December 18th

St. Thomas Winter Celebration of Wonder

6:30 PM in the St. Thomas Parish Hall

~ Attachments ~

Weekly Parent Schedule

Science Olympiad Event List & Interest Form

School Stakeholders Goal Area Worksheet

St. Thomas School Dress Code

From the Headmaster

**St. Thomas the Apostle
School Stakeholders Forum**

Wednesday, November 13th

6:30 PM – School Cafeteria

Bring you talent, interest and commitment to St. Thomas School to this Wednesday evening's Fall **School Stakeholder Forum at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria**. You are invited to join us in making a difference for St. Thomas School by participating on one of five different goal area working groups which include:

1. School Evangelistic Outreach to Families
2. Deepening the Parish and School Relationship
3. Fostering the School Community of Families
4. Promoting/Marketing St. Thomas School Regionally
5. School Faculty and Staff Development

Each group will serve to identify key short term action steps in each of these important areas of our future growth and development as a classical Catholic school in our Ann Arbor Region. Take a look at the attached **Goal Area Worksheet** that will serve as a starting point for each group's discussion, clarification and identification of action steps. Join us in shaping the short and long term future of our classical Catholic learning community at St. Thomas.

Science Olympiad Kickoff~!

Science Olympiad is a wonderfully enjoyable learning experience for all its participants—students and parent coaches alike! All second through fifth grade students are encouraged to join the **St. Thomas 2020 Science Olympiad Team**. Mr. Mark Meinhart will be coordinating our Science Olympiad parent volunteer coaches. Attached is an informational sheet and interest form which we ask all our 2nd through 5th grade parents to complete and turn into Ms. Cullen or Mr. Creaser by November 25th.

Parents can indicate which events their child is interested in and their availability to coach an event team of our students. Mr. Meinhart described the list of this year's events and provided students the interest form at Monday Assembly this morning. Please contact Mark Meinhart with any questions regarding coaching at meinhart@gmail.com. Mr. Meinhart will contact all coaches with additional information including the coach training date in January. Registration of our St. Thomas teams is required by December 1st, 2019, so we ask interest forms to be turned in by **November 25th**.



St. Thomas School Library Good News! Book Fair

The Good News! Book Fair is a Catholic alternative to the Scholastic Book Fairs. We want to surround our children with beautiful stories that engage their minds and hearts. Our Book Fair will run November 12th – 14th. We have scheduled classroom visits during this time but we also want to welcome you to visit the library to see the Fair first hand. Students will be bringing home Wish Lists on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please sit down with your child and discuss purchasing a book for your home reading library. ***Come and see us after school in the library November 12th-14th. We will be here until 4:30pm each afternoon.***

Winter Dress Code Wear ~ Boots/Sweaters

With the arrival of winter weather carefully review the following from our School Dress Code (attached).

Snow Boots: If snow boots are worn to or from school, dress code compliant school shoes must also be brought to school for day wear. Winter boots may not be worn in school during the school day.

Recess Wear: Outdoor recess will normally take place during winter, snow weather. If students are not dressed for winter snow weather, they will go outside for recess but not participate in activities that would risk their getting wet given that a change of clothes is not generally available.

Sweaters: White, navy or hunter green; crew, cardigan, pullover or vest; no designs, monograms or decorative buttons. Alternate color sweaters are not dress code compliant. A dress code compliant shirt must be worn with all sweaters. Sweatshirts, hoodies, non-St. Thomas pull-overs are not dress code compliant.

Foot Wear: K – 8 Boys/Girls: Black/dark toned shoes. K – 8 girls may wear all white sneakers or flats with foot covering. PE Class Only: Colored tennis shoes. Boots, sandals, clogs, roller shoes, high heels, or platform shoes are not dress code compliant. All shoes must have backs and toes. Shoes must be tied at all times.

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