



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Nascantur in Admirazione
"Let Them Be Born in Wonder."

February 10, 2020
Scholastica Term – Week III

February Virtue: Docility
School Year Theme: *Beatudinem* (Happiness)



Mr. Pietryga and our wonderful Kindergarteners celebrated with joy and discovery the 100th day of school with beautiful poster projects helping them see and understand the amazing number **100**.



During Kindergarten rest time, Simone Robitaille decided to take the time for prayer instead. Her example became an inspiration to others as they joined her in prayer before their classroom prayer altar.

An example for us all~

Matt 19:14 "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."



"The body, and it alone, is capable of making visible what is invisible: the spiritual and the divine. It was created to transfer into the visible reality of the world the mystery hidden since time immemorial in God—God's love for man, and thus to be a sign of it." St. Pope John Paul II

Eighty guests enjoyed Saturday evening's Theology of the Body teaching by Fr. Tom Wray with comments including "This is so exciting—what an engaging presentation.", "This was really a wonderful, a beautiful evening.", "I cannot wait to learn more—could I be involved in the next training?" *Very special thanks* to Carlotta Maki, Jane and Chris Reimer, Jamie and Conrad Miller, Anne Perez and Erin Savarino who made this evening possible with the gift of their time, talent and support.

~ Events Calendar ~

View the complete *St. Thomas School Calendar* [here](#).



Friday, February 15th

Half Day ~ Dismissal at 11:40 PM
Faculty Professional Development

Monday, February 17th

No School

Presidents Day

Saturday, February 22nd

St. Thomas Daddy Daughter Dance
6:30 – 9:30 PM Parish Hall

Sunday, March 1st

Diocesan Tuition Assistance Application Due Date
[Diocesan Tuition Assistance Website](#)

Friday, March 13th

2020-2021 Enrollment Registration Due
Please submit registration materials to [Mrs. Steffy](#).

~ Attachments ~

Weekly Parent Schedule
ETWN Catholic Schools Week Radio Interview
Theology of the Body K-5 Curricular Themes
Theology of the Body 6-8 Curricular Scope and Sequence
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Catechist Training Information
St. Thomas Daddy Daughter Dance Information

From the Headmaster

St. Thomas on the Air ~ Attached is an audio recording of an interview conducted on EWTN radio during Catholic Schools Week sharing with the national EWTN radio audience our experience of Catholic classical education here at St. Thomas.

2020-2021 School Year Registration ~ Enrollment registration materials for the new school year are due to the school office by **Friday, March 13th**. If your registration is submitted by the 13th the \$150 registration fee will be credited toward your tuition for the new school year. Please feel welcome to contact Mrs. Steffy if you have any questions in regard to the enrollment process or materials.



Diocesan Catholic Schools Tuition Assistance ~ Bishop Boyea is committed to making Catholic education an option for every Catholic family and to this end has raised the funding provided to support families with tuition. Please visit the tuition assistance website at <https://dolcatholicschools.org/#catholic-schools-tuition-assistance> for additional information and to apply. **Applications for tuition assistance are due by March 1st.**

Please see you enrollment materials to also learn more about our St. Thomas School Tuition Assistance Program.

Theology of the Body Curriculum for the 2020-2021 School Year

With Fr. Tom Wray's introduction for adults to St. Pope John Paul's teaching on the Theology of the Body, we look ahead to being launching RuahWoods Press TOB curriculum for our Kindergarten through 8th graders next school year. Attached are the scope and sequence of this curriculum which will be integrated into our religion and literature instructional themes and resources. Teachers will receive instructional training in the curriculum on Thursday, March 19th in Lansing. We will be providing parent resources for reference at home with your children in conjunction with the material and instruction that students receive in the classroom. We look to fully engage our parent community in incorporating the Theology of the Body teaching of 'Person as Gift' into our school and homes as a

Come Support Our Girls St. Thomas Basketball~!

We have 2 games this week. On Tuesday we play St. Mary's at home with the Varsity playing at 4:30 pm and the JV playing at 5:30pm. On Thursday, we play Rudolf Steiner at home with games starting at 4:15pm and 5:15pm. Please consider supporting our athletics program by visiting our [Sign Up Genius link](#) to help at our home games, which also includes the Varsity Tournament schedule that we will host next month. Go Irish~!

Winter Conferences

Teachers seeking to conference with parents on an as needed basis will be contacted accordingly to arrange a time to meet and discuss your student's progress through the second half of our school year ahead. Parents interested in meeting with a teacher are more than welcome to contact the teacher (emails and phones are on their respective class web page) at any time to arrange a time to meet and partner in the success of your student.