



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Nascantur in Admirazione

"Let Them Be Born in Wonder."

February 24, 2020
Scholastica Term – Week V

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



Upper School locker inspection!
Alexandra Maszatics, Allison Wicks, Paige Zauel and Emma Eustice show off their wonderfully organized lockers during one of Mr. DiLaura snap locker inspections.



Mr. Burton's 6th and 7th grade class has taken up the service project of coloring 11" x17" images of the Stations of the Cross for display in the parish hall during the Lenten Season. Students will be participating in the Stations of the Cross devotion each Friday at 11:30 AM.

~ Events Calendar ~

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



Monday, February 24th

March Lunch Orders Due

See attached lunch order form.



Thursday, February 27th

!~Happy Birthday Mrs. Steffy~!

Sunday, March 1st
Diocesan Tuition Assistance Application Due Date
[Diocesan Tuition Assistance Website](#)

Monday, March 9th
School Parent Reconciliation with Fr. Bill
8:00 – 9:00 AM in the School Chapel/Library

Only 18 days remaining before
enrollment registrations are due.

Friday, March 13th
2020-2021 Enrollment Registration Due
Please submit registration materials to [Mrs. Steffy](#).

Tuesday, March 31th
All School Stakeholders Forum
7:00 PM in the Media Center

~ Attachments ~

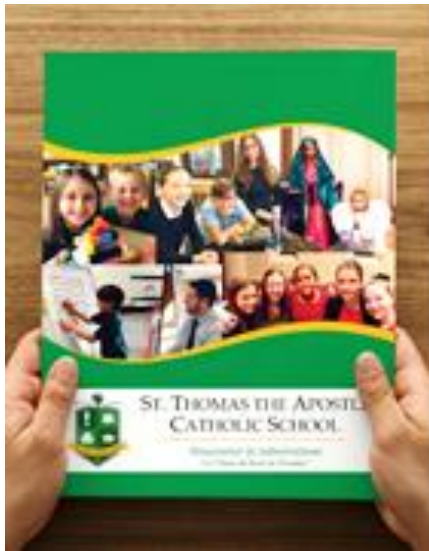
Weekly Parent Schedule
March Lunch Order Form
March is Reading Month Daily Activities Calendar
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Catechist Training Information

From the Headmaster The Holy Season of Lent

God has sanctified time through the Incarnation of His Son—making the passage of time itself, in its seasons and celebration of sacred actions, a vehicle of particular graces to all who would simply attend to this gifting. The Lenten Season is such a passage of time, marked by *a special anointing for self-awareness* in which we are given the grace to see ourselves as God does, to come to a deeper discovery that we are loved, that mercy has vanquished every failure, and that Christ Himself now resides within those places within our hearts that we ourselves often fear to enter.

Jesus awaits us in an openness precisely in those areas of our past and present where wounds and responsibility for sin weigh us down--waiting to grant us 'the freedom of the Children of God' in those places we have been rejected or reject ourselves. Let us each seek this freedom this Lent—create time to be vulnerable and intimate with Him who knows you and loves you, being open to the healing emotion that may naturally accompany this encounter with His love.

Romans 3:32 If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things? Who will bring a charge against God's elect? If God is the one who justifies; who is the one who condemns? Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us.



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.

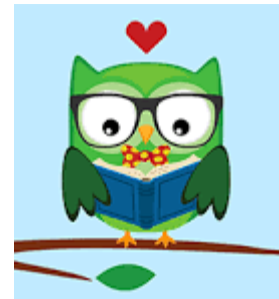
Diocesan Catholic Schools Tuition Assistance ~

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 your enrollment materials to also learn more about our St. Thomas School Tuition Assistance Program.

Whooo's Ready for March is Reading Month?

Packets will be going home with students this Friday for the Whooo's Reading Fundraiser! Please take time to help students log into their Whooo's Reading account and start sending out invitations for sponsors to support our students reading! This is the only fundraiser that supports the Parent Association student enrichment activities so your efforts are greatly appreciated.



Along with the Whooo's Reading fundraiser, March is full of reading themed activities. Please see the attached March is Reading calendar. Take note of days to bring extras for special reading events (WOW word, books for book swap, towel for beach read, joke, flashlight) as well as the Friday dress up day themes.

Classrooms will be busy decorating their doors with their favorite book theme. Please ask teachers if they need any supplies/decorations!

The Parent Association is collaborating with the St. Thomas Friends of the Library for a special literary experience on March 24th. Please mark your calendars and join us for an evening of adventure in reading, Around the World with the Great Books! More details to follow...

Disciple Maker Index Survey

St. Thomas School parents and students who are also members of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish are asked to participate in a survey which will allow both parish and diocesan leadership to grow in our service to you and our parish community. Please visit bit.ly/STA2DMI to take the 10 minute survey of your experience of our St.

Thomas parish life of worship, fellowship and service. If you would prefer to complete the survey using a hard copy, please feel welcome to pick one up at the school office. Thank you~

Help Wanted~

St. Thomas School is seeking individuals to serve in the Lunch Service Supervisor role 3 days per week, in a period 7 (2:20 – 3:10 PM) or afterschool tutoring position 2 days per week and for qualified substitute teaches. Please contact [Mrs. Laura Steffy](#) for additional information or to apply.