



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Nascantur in Admirazione

"Let Them Be Born in Wonder."

March 2, 2020

Scholastica Term – Week VI

March Virtue: Industriousness

School Year Theme: *Beatudinem* (Happiness)



*In support of March is Reading Month the St Thomas Friends of the Library and PTA
invite your family to a Library Open House*



AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE GREAT BOOKS



A FAMILY EVENT
FOR PRESCHOOL TO 8TH GRADE

TUESDAY, MARCH 24TH

5 – 7 PM, PM PIZZA DINNER AVAILABLE

*Donate a Great Book
from our wish list to
have your name entered
in a raffle!

Travel to China with *Ping*, to Paris with *Madeline*, and to Africa with the tales in the *King's Drum*
along with other beloved children's stories recently acquired from our Great Books list that will come
alive with storytelling & puppets.

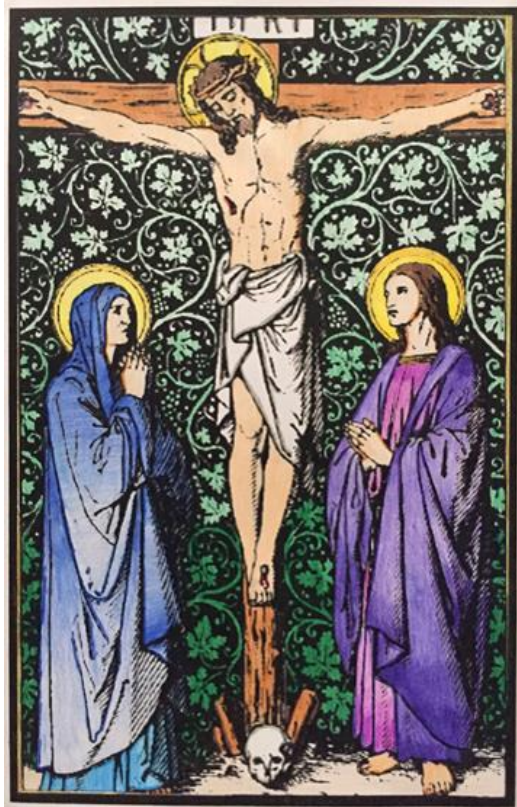
COMPLETE PASSPORTS AND MAPS,
COLLECT LITERARY-THEMED SOUVENIRS, &
ENJOY TEA AND COOKIES AT OUR COFFEEHOUSE.

Volunteers needed! More details coming soon.

Save the date for this very special, fun-filled family reading festival~!



Sophia Savarino does a great imitation of her charade word at last Friday's Angel House Day event— Students competed in grade groups playing charades for house points. Can you guess what it is? (See below.)



Our thanks to our 6th and 7th graders for their beautiful work in coloring our Stations of the Cross for our weekly Friday Stations devotion at 11:30 AM in the Parish Hall.

~ Events Calendar ~

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



Monday, March 9th

School Parent Reconciliation with Fr. Bill

8:00 – 9:00 AM in the School Chapel/Library

**2020-2021 Enrollment Registration
is Due Next Week, Friday, March 13th.**

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Please submit registration materials to [Mrs. Steffy](#) .

Tuesday, March 24th

“Around the World with the Great Books”

Family Literature Night

Upper School Floor/Media Center 4 – 6 PM

See attached Flyer for More Information

Tuesday, March 31th

All School Stakeholders Forum

7:00 PM in the Media Center

~ Attachments ~

Weekly Parent Schedule

March is Reading Month Daily Activities Calendar

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Catechist Training Information

Chess Scholars Spring Session Information Flyer

From the Headmaster

2020 St. Thomas School Parent Survey

St. Thomas is possible because of the partnership between our school faculty and parents as parents serve as the primary educators of their children. In order to make St. Thomas School as rich and effective environment as possible, we are therefore seeking parent input on our faculty, staff and the school in general as we discern how the Lord is leading us forward in creating a truly exemplary classical Catholic learning experience for all our students and families.

We therefore ask one parent from each family to complete our [2020 St. Thomas Parent Survey](#). As mentioned with last year's survey, each year we will conduct this survey for feedback for each teacher and the school in general. This feedback is entirely anonymous and will be used to support teacher instructional quality, grow our school culture and support school/parent communication. Please take the 5 to 10 minutes needed to complete this survey as we continue to make St. Thomas all that the Lord desires it to become for our children and youth. Please complete this survey by **Wednesday, March 18th**. Classrooms with surveys completed by one of each student's parents will have a class Jean Day. Thank you~!

[St. Thomas Parent Survey 2020](#)



2020-2021 School Year Registration Due Next Week

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.

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?

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.

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!



Family Reading Festival~ 'Around the World with the Great Books'

In conjunction with March is Reading Month, the St. Thomas Library and Curriculum Team with the Parent Association will host a Reading Festival and Library Open House on **Tuesday, March 24th from 5-7pm**--"Around the World with the Great Books."

This family event will feature beloved children's stories recently acquired from our Great Books list that will come alive with storytelling and puppets as well as a literary scavenger hunt and a book discussion. Passports and maps, and literary souvenirs and crafts will be provided at each 'reading country', and enjoy tea and cookies at our coffeehouse. Pizza will also be provided. Volunteers will be needed and additional information on roles and how to sign up will be forthcoming. **Save the date~!**



Chess Scholars Returns for the Spring~

See the attached information flyer for our upcoming spring session of Chess Scholars. The spring session begins Tuesday, April 7th and runs to June 2nd (no class April 14th.) Sign up at by March 30th for the early bird registration rate. Visit <https://www.learningmeansfun.com/signup> for details. (Enter course code TAA4.7.20 to register.)

Help Wanted~

St. Thomas School is seeking individuals to serve in:

- The Lunch Service Supervisor role 3 days per week,
- A period 7 (2:20 – 3:10 PM) or afterschool tutoring position 2 days per week,
- Qualified substitute teaches (60 or more hours of college credit.)

Please contact [Mrs. Laura Steffy](#) for additional information or to apply.

Sophia's charade word: 'Kangaroo'!