



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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

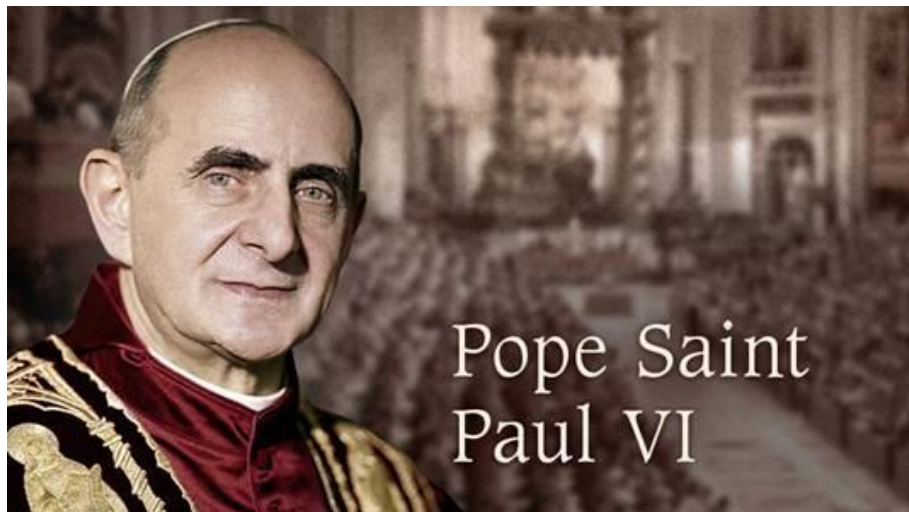
St. Thomas School Community Newsletter April 12, 2021

Boniface Term Virtue: Modesty

School Year Theme ~ *gratia cantantes* (Gratitude)

School Mission Statement

In partnership with Catholic families, St. Thomas seeks to nurture future Catholic scholars, leaders and saints. Assisted by the Holy Spirit, we inspire students to grow intellectually through a classical Catholic curriculum, forming confident youth leaders grounded in virtue. We guide children to become friends of Jesus—to love as He loves, and join our Catholic community's rich tradition of proclaiming the Kingdom and bettering our world.



'The Mass is the most perfect form of prayer.'

Pope Saint Paul VI



Congratulations to our Scholastica Term virtue award recipients for their model of ***Docility!***

From left to right—London Sharp, Reagan Barwig, Christiana Maki, Sophia Savarino, Anne Maki, Miss Cullen, Miss Block, (not present) Lola Fischer, Teresa Deemer, Fulton Deemer.

Congratulations to our Scholastica Term Academic Honors Award recipients~!

Scholastica Term Upper School Honors Awards

Cum Laude

[B+ Average]

Stasio Fil
Anne Maki
Maria Maki
Michael Savarino
John Skoczylas

Magna cum Laude

[A- Average]

Sophia Kill
Gabriel Cherney
Anastasia Eustice

Summa cum Laude

[A Average]

Charlotte Hanley
Sophia Savarino
Jasmine Dinh
Amelia Eustice
Victoria Maszatics
Lydia Birhanu
Ted Merovich
Fulton Deemer

Cum Laude 'With Praise'

88% (B+) overall or above with minimum grade of 82% (B-)

Magna Cum Laude 'With Great Praise'

92% (A-) overall or above with a minimum grade of 88% (B+)

Summa Cum Laude 'With Highest Praise'

96% (A) overall or above with a minimum grade of 92% (A-)

The March is Reading Month Door Decoration Competition Entries...! And the winner is...



Congratulations 7th and 8th graders for their winning entry~!

They will enjoy an Ice Cream Party for their fine efforts.

Thanks to all our teachers and Mrs. Savarino and Mrs. Gavigan for making this such a special event for our students!

~ Events Calendar ~

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



Wednesday, April 14th

2020-2021 Parent Survey Responses Due

Access the survey at:

[St. Thomas School--Family Survey 2021](#)

Friday, May 14th

**St. Thomas Spring Gala
with Fr. Robert Sirico**

President of the Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Liberty
Pastor of Sacred Heart Classical Academy in Grand Rapids

Save the Date!

~Tickets Available Soon~

From the Headmaster

2020-2021 Parent Survey ~ Each year we reach out to parents to obtain vital information on our progress as a school-- classroom by classroom and the school setting as a whole. We again ask your input on our annual survey which provides an anonymous and focus means to communication you and your child(ren)'s experience at St. Thomas. The survey consists of 1) five questions regarding the classroom environment, 2) six questions concerning the schoolwide setting, and 3) three open ended questions seeking your input. Thank you ~ ! Please note:

We ask *every family* to participate in this key activity that constitutes a vital responsibility in our partnership.

We ask that each family complete the survey once by either parent.

A Jean Day will be provided to each classroom with 100% participation.

We ask families to complete the survey by **Wednesday, April 14th**.

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Current COVID-19 Status ~ We renew our expression of appreciation for our entire community's diligence in implementing our St. Thomas School Re-Opening Plan protocols that have allowed us to open and continue with in-person instruction these past eight months.

The current surge in case numbers are approaching those of last fall in Michigan and Washtenaw county, fortunately the hospitalization and mortality rates are much lower. The most recent data from the Washtenaw Department of Health is provided below. The very large majority of current cases remain in the young adult to mature adult

group. However, our vigilance in monitoring our children’s temperature and display of any symptoms remains critical to our being able to avoid any potential spread within the school setting—thank you for your collaboration in carrying out our protocols. I attach a FAQ for Parents in regard to quarantining and provide below a reminder of the profile we are using to track potential COVID symptoms. If you have any particular questions RE your child’s health, please call your pediatrician for clarification of your child’s health status.

SYMPTOMS PROFILE:

High Risk Symptoms~

- Fever--temperature 100.4 F or higher/chills/body aches
- Cough--new onset or worsening
- Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
- Change in ability to taste or smell

If demonstrating any **one or more** high risk symptoms, isolate individual and seek medical evaluation. Notify school.

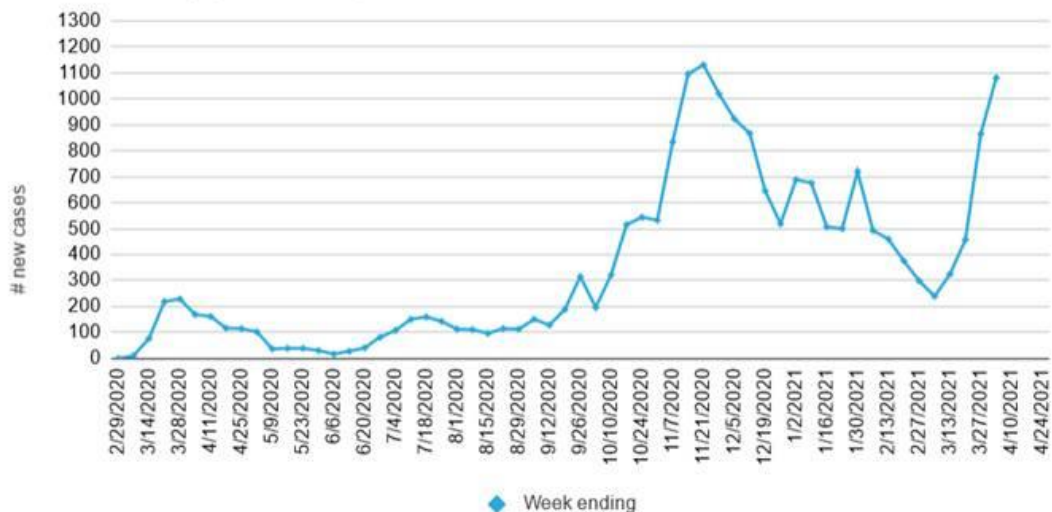
Lower Risk Symptoms~

- Headache
- Sore Throat
- Nausea/Vomiting/Diarrhea
- Congestion/Runny Nose
- Fatigue

If yes to **one** of the lower risk symptoms stay at home and monitor for resolution or development of additional symptoms. If yes to **two or more** of the lower risk symptoms isolate symptomatic individual and seek medical evaluation. Notify school.

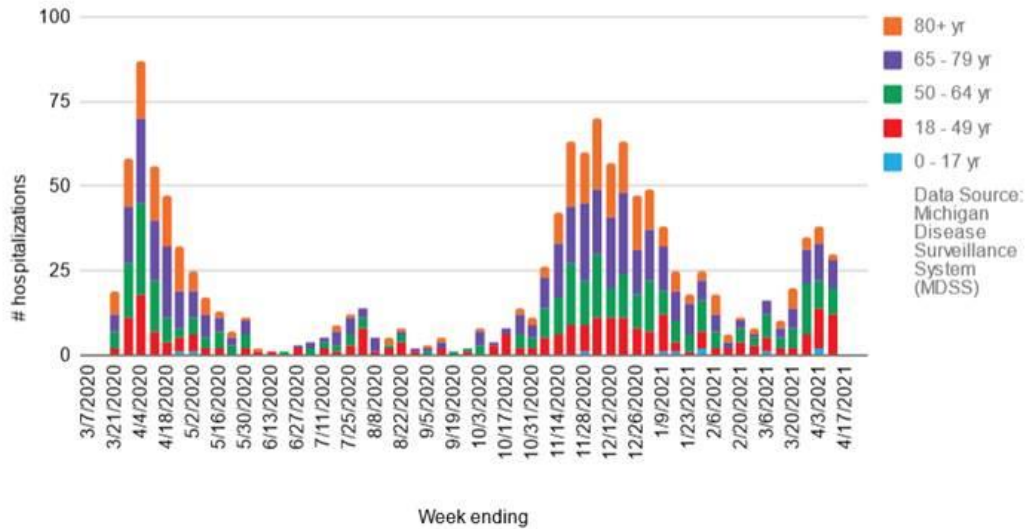
New Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Washtenaw County Residents (by Symptom Onset Week)* (as of 4/8), updated weekly

Washtenaw County (total N =20332)



New COVID-19 Hospital Admissions by Age Group in Washtenaw County Residents (by Admit Week)* (as of 4/9)

Washtenaw County (N = 1274)



New Confirmed COVID-19 Deaths by Age Group in Washtenaw County Residents (by week of Death)* (as of 4/9)

Washtenaw County (N = 248)

