



# ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

*Nascantur in Admirazione*

"Let Them Be Born in Wonder."

## St. Thomas School Community Newsletter October 12, 2021

### ***Margaret Mary Term Virtue: Kindness***

School Year Theme ~ *Beneficentia* (Generosity)

#### *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.



As our Second Graders study the Midlevel period, Miss Cullen takes the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders back in time to a Medieval festival to experience the medieval way of life along with puppet shows, jousting competitions, and other amusements of the time.





Two sunflower studies resulting from Mrs. Mangan's instruction in drawing and coloring technique.  
Left—Heidi Reimold, right—Tad Merovich.

## ~ Events Calendar

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



Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>

**Tonight!**

**St. Thomas Parent Orientation & Fellowship**

7:00 PM

(Note later start time~)

Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

**St. Thomas School Fall Festival**

Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup>

**School Development Teams Meeting**

7:00PM ~ Parish Hall

Wednesday--Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>

**Margaret Mary Term**

**Parent ~ Teacher Conferences**

Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup>  
**No School – Records Day**

Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>  
*See the attached flyer to purchase tickets~*

**St. Thomas Parent Evening**  
with **Dr. Mary Healy**  
Made in the Image of God: *Faith, Gender and Education*  
Wine and Hors D'oeuvres  
7:00 PM ~ Parish Hall

## From the Headmaster

### **St. Thomas Parent Orientation & Fellowship— This Evening at 7 PM in the Parish Hall**

All our parents are invited to the parish hall, Tuesday evening October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM to have the opportunity to come together and receive an update on our activities for the new school year, receive an update from our school development team leaders, chat with teachers, learn about upcoming Parent Association activities, as well as have the opportunity to visit with parents. Please note that this evening is for adults only. Light refreshments will be provided. We look forward to gathering and discussing our school year ahead.

### **St. Thomas 2021-2022 Parent/Student Policy Handbook:**

All families should now have submitted the Parent/Student Handbook signatory page with parent and student signatures. We have asked that all families review the policy documents, sign the signatory page and return it to the main office. Thank you.

### **ESP Update:**

ESP Parents ~ Please note that ESP payments to be made based on your monthly billing are to be made via your eFunds account. Please feel welcome to contact [Mrs. Teresa Ordiway](#), our book keeper if you have any questions. Thank you.

## Fighting Irish Faithful~

### **The 2021 Boys Basketball and Girls Cheer seasons are fast approaching!**

**Boys Basketball** will begin on **Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**. Coach Brian Stange will not be returning this year. (If you know a candidate or are interested in coaching, have them [contact me](#) as soon as possible.) I encourage any and all **4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders**, that might be interested in playing basketball, to come out and give it a try. This is also an excellent way to stay in shape or get ready for other sports. **Practice times are from 3:30pm until 5:00pm, Monday through Friday.** If you are not able to make every practice due to other commitments, please don't let that stop you from playing. Many of our families are in that situation and we practice every day to make sure as many players can come as often as they are able.

Please come dressed in appropriate athletic attire and practice jerseys. If you didn't play basketball last year, you will be able to buy a practice jersey. I will host a parent meeting

at **4:30 pm on Monday, October 25th** to go over important info and answer any questions.

To play school sports, participants are required to pay a \$50 fee and provide an up to date sports physical. The sports physical must be dated after April 15, 2021 and clear the student for physical activity.

Please make your \$50 fee payment through eFunds by Friday **November 12th**. If that will be a problem of any kind, please let me know as soon as you can.

Thanks and Go Irish!!

Conrad Miller, St. Thomas Athletic Director

## **St. Thomas Development Plan Update ~ Join us!**

We invite everyone interested in the future of St. Thomas School to join us at our upcoming team meetings at which we will develop

- a new mission statement,
- statements of our cultural values for students, faculty and parents,
- operational and crisis management plans, and
- marketing and development plans

As we look to the continued growth and development of St. Thomas School. Please feel welcome to contact our team leads for more information. Join us in the parish hall at 7:30 PM on~

**Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Thursday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Mission and Vision:** Lead ~ [Mike Hanley](#)

**Cultural Values:** Lead ~ [Lindsey Robitaille](#)

**Operational & Crisis Management Plans:** Lead ~ [Tim DiLaura](#)

**Marketing & Development Plans:** Lead ~ [Chris Russ](#)