

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School

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

St. Thomas School Community Newsletter

January 3, 2022

Nicholas Term Virtue: Foresight
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.



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School 2021 Christmas Choral Concert



Congratulations and thanks to Mrs. Herrmann and to all our students for the gift they provided our entire school and parish community in the Christmas Choral Concert! We also thank Bishop Boyea for his joining us in this time of faith and song, and for his episcopal blessing on our school community.

\sim Events Calendar \sim View the complete St. Thomas School Calendar here.



Wednesday, January 5th Leadership Dress Day

Monday, January 17th

De. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Half Day of School

Dismissal at 11:40 AM

St. Thomas School Open House

<u>Sunday, January 30th – Saturday, February 6th</u> **Catholic Schools Week**

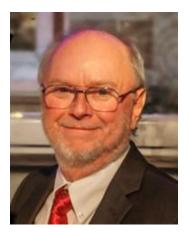
From the Headmaster

A Blessed and Happy New Year to each and all our St. Thomas School Community~!

As we begin the New Year of 2022, it is important to recall the truth that we abide in a deep, supernatural life that Jesus Christ has established for us in Him. In this life we 'measure' our experiences and circumstances, not by the qualities extolled by the world and mere personal satisfaction, but by a standard that is grounded in *relationship*. In our capacity for and attunement to others—beginning with the Person of Jesus—we can know a supernatural peace, wisdom and meaning that transcends both the pleasures and griefs of the world. These supernatural qualities are a shining of that Light which the world deeply desires but seeks in all the wrong places. As we come back together as a community of faith and learning at St. Thomas, we re-commit our self to each other—and first to Jesus. In the mystery of that unity which is His Body, we serve each other in Christ-and find our own blessing therein.

Welcome Mr. Stokes~

This week we welcome Mr. Don Stokes who will join Mrs. Block in teaching our Upper School Mathematics curriculum. Mr. Stokes will teach 8th grade Algebra and 6th Grade Math, while Miss Block continues teaching 7th grade and 8th grade Pre-Algebra. Mr. Stokes and his wife are parishioners at Christ the King parish. Mr. Stokes is a computer scientist by profession, and has taught upper and high school mathematics in a substitute capacity. We welcome Mr. Stokes and look forward to his joining us in our mission at St. Thomas School.



COVID-19 Communication Update:

- School wide information is available on our <u>COVID-19 Dashboard</u>.
- COVID Case History:

| Week of: | Number of Cases |
|----------|--------------------|
| NOV 28 | 0 |
| DEC 6 | 0 |
| DEC 13 | 0 |
| DEC 20 | 2 |

 Positive student COVID cases are reported in 1st grade and 4/5 year old preschool classes. No exposures.