



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Nascantur in Admirazione

"Let Them Be Born in Wonder."

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School Mission Statement

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School exists to form disciples of Jesus Christ. Educating in the Eucharistic culture and classical intellectual tradition of the Catholic Church, students are led to encounters with the transcendental good, true, and beautiful. In wonder, confidence, and virtue, students are prepared to engage our broken world for the glory of God, the good of others, and for their own sanctification.

Virtue for the School Year: *Devotio* (Devotion)

- Having the will to give oneself readily in the service of God

Virtue for Nicholas Term: Studiosusness

- A keen and moderated desire to know



~ Events Calendar ~

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

Wednesday, January 11th

Registration Opens

Christmas choral concert, 6:30 in the church

Monday, January 16th

Half Day – 11:40 Dismissal

Open House – 8-11 AM

Friday, January 20th
Last Day of Nicholas Term
(9th Grade Midterms Jan. 17th-20th)

NWEA Testing (Round 2)
January 23-Feb. 3

Happy New Year and Epiphany!

As I have been reminding the students, the Christmas/Epiphany season really lasts through February 2nd, the Feast of the Presentation. We continue to focus on God Who became Man, our King and Savior, throughout Epiphanytide.

Thank you!

From all the faculty and staff, I want to extend our deepest gratitude for your generous Christmas gifts. Thanks in particular to the Parents Association for helping to organize the gift-giving. We are truly blessed to have the wonderful support that all the parents provide at home and at school!

Registration Opens January 11th

Registration packets for our existing families will be sent home with the oldest child this Wednesday. Returning families will have until February 16th to return all necessary registration materials and payment.

Christmas Concert This Wednesday!

I am very much looking forward to hearing the results of the hard work that Mrs. Herrmann and the students have been putting into the concert music!

St. Thomas Open House

Prospective families are invited to tour the school and see it in action next Monday (1/16) between 8 and 11 AM. Thanks ahead of time to parents volunteering to help with tours and with showing off our great school!

ESP Area Improvements

Many thanks to Mrs. Gayle McNally, Mrs. Steffy, and Mrs. Denise Gruetzmacher for helping to design and arrange a new-and-improved space for our Extended School Program!





Future Added Day Off

The diocese is asking all K-8 schools to take April 24th off for a professional development day for the teachers. This day will be used to introduce teachers to Sophia Press's *Spirit of Truth* series (which we already use at the school), textbooks that the diocese wants all schools to use or align their instruction with.

Washtenaw Elementary Science Olympiad (2nd-5th Grades)

Looking ahead to the spring, I am wondering if there is any interest among parents of 2nd-5th graders to coordinate a St. Thomas Science Olympiad team. At this point, I am simply looking for someone willing to be the coordinator, whose role would be to organize teams and coaches, schedules, and registration. Let me know if this is something you might be interested in taking on. We would want to start organizing it sometime in January.