

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School
1331 N. Main Street Elkhart, IN 46514
574-264-4855 Website: stselkhart.com

August 15, 2025



STS Newsletter

From the Principal's Desk.....

Happy First Friday St. Thomas Families,

We are so blessed to have all our students and staff back in the building. The positive energy is off the charts! From Back to School Night, to our staff spiritual development day, the year has started exceptionally well.

Friendly Reminders Friendly Reminders Friendly Reminders

FACTS - Please fill out the Grant and Aid section of FACTS if you are requesting additional aid (after the School Choice Scholarship). If you have not submitted your 1040 to receive a School Choice Scholarship, please do so ASAP. The window closes on September 1.

Tot Lot - Please **DO NOT** wait in line on Main St. for our gate to open. We have been advised to keep the street clear and traffic flowing. Please wait in the lot across Main St on the South Side of Lawrence. Once our gate is **FULLY OPEN** you may begin moving and pulling in. Please also do not leave our lot until dismissed.

Lunches - Begin on Monday, September 8th. Please be sure to send your student(s) with a packed lunch until that time.

After Care - Begins Monday, August 18. Please be sure to have submitted the After Care paperwork to the office (it was in the back to school packet) before your student(s) attend.

PTO Meeting. Please READ!

Monday, August 18 - 6:30pm: Fall Fest Meeting If you signed up to help with Fall Fest or are interested in volunteering for Fall Fest, please attend this meeting. We need at least 100 volunteers to make this event successful, we currently have 8 signed up. Enter DOOR J (stairs to the left of our Main Entrance).

Tuesday, August 19: Room Parents PTO Will meet in the Parish Center to discuss Room Parent responsibilities. All room parents please Enter Door G and sign in.

Thank you for your help this week pulling all the way forward at morning drop off! As we return for the school year, these little pieces help make our week start and end well. All of us at St. Thomas are truly thankful for your help keeping our kiddo's safe.

I hope you all have a restful weekend surrounded by family and friends. We'll look forward to seeing everyone bright and early Monday morning.

In Christ,

Chris

Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only Light can do that.

Hate cannot drive out hate, only Love can do that.

~Rev. King

Can we wear these
cool new shirts for
PE?

Weekly Policy Reminders
from Mrs. Morey



THESE SHIRTS ARE NOT PERMITTED
ON PE DAYS. WE WILL LET STUDENTS
KNOW ON DAYS
THEY CAN BE WORN.

*Today and in the coming weeks, please take a look at the
2025-26 Calendar for changes as the year gets going.
2 changes—September PTO meeting is changed to Sept 2.
PTO Fall Fest is being planned for Sept 26.*

A photograph of a "VERIFICATION SIGNING PAGE" form. The form is titled "VERIFICATION SIGNING PAGE" and contains a paragraph of text. Below the text, there is a line for "Student Name" with "Ethan & Wyatt Dickey" written in it. There are two columns for "Please initial below" with "Parent" and "Student" headers. The "Parent" column has four rows with checkboxes and labels: "St. Thomas Acceptable Use Policy", "St. Thomas Handbook", "St. Thomas Dress Code", and "Google Policy and Consent". The "Student" column has four rows with checkboxes and labels: "St. Thomas Acceptable Use Policy", "St. Thomas Handbook", "St. Thomas Dress Code", and "Google Policy and Consent". Below the checkboxes, there is a section for "Receipt and review of handbook and policies:" with lines for "Parent Signature" and "Date". The "Parent Signature" line has "Alicia Dickey" written in it, and the "Date" line has "8-14-25" written in it. At the bottom, there is a "Directory:" section with checkboxes for "Yes, I agree to listing our family in the STS directory" and "No". There are also checkboxes for "e-mail", "phone", and "address". At the very bottom, there is a small circular logo and a line of text: "Please sign and return this page to the St. Thomas Office within two weeks of reception. Thank you!".

Looking for the
Chrome Book
Acceptable Usage
Form???

This is it!!! All of the old forms
have been condensed into
one signing page.

You can find the policies to
review with your kiddos in
the STS Handbook ———>

2025-2026 HANDBOOK



STS PTO CORNER

Welcome back Spartan Families!! It was so wonderful to see so many new faces and returning families at our Back to School Night. Thank you to everyone who has signed up to be a room parent or to help us on a committee... it truly helps so much. If you haven't yet found a way to help or a committee you'd like to join, hop onto our FB page ----> [STS PTO](#) to learn more about the opportunities we have available. We cannot wait to make this an amazing year, celebrating the 75th anniversary of our school.



Our Fall Fest Committee will meet next Monday, August 18 at 6:30 in the PTO room (Enter through Door J to the left of the main office doors). If you didn't get a chance to sign up, it's not too late to join us!!

Room Parents will meet next Tuesday, August 19 at 8 AM. We will likely be meeting in the Parish Center (outside of the gym, enter door G).



TUESDAY, AUGUST 19 @ 8 AM

MEET YOUR CO-ROOM PARENT, GET IMPORTANT DATES,
AND FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR PLANS FOR THE
2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR!!

Oops!! We need to make a change! Our first PTO meeting will be held on September 2 at 8 AM in the PTO room. Everyone is welcome!! We hope to see you there!!



**Our September PTO
meeting will be
Tuesday, September 2
at 8am**



Ordering lunches has never been easier!

St. Thomas the Apostle has partnered with BOONLI to provide a secure, fast, and easy-to-use online ordering system that allows parents and guardians to view our lunch menu, order, and manage student lunches from their smartphone, tablet or computer.

Hot lunches will begin on September 8th after Labor Day.

Important Note before You Begin:

If you are eligible for free or reduced meals register first & do not add items to your shopping cart. Please email ldykes@stselkhart.com so your status can be updated. Once your status is updated you will receive a confirmation email and can begin ordering.

GET STARTED

NEW PARENTS

1. Go To: WWW.BOONLI.COM - (please bookmark this page)
2. Click on Register: Password is: STMIN326 add account, profile(s) information
3. Sign In with your username & password
4. To begin ordering click on the calendar date — First Lunch Date is 09/06/2022

RETURNING PARENTS

1. Go To: WWW.BOONLI.COM - (please bookmark this page)
2. Sign In with your username & password
3. Choose student that needs location, add their grade for the new school year & click "update profile"
4. If a student has graduated, select their name & click "remove profile"
5. Once all profiles are updated you can begin placing orders

ORDERING WILL BE WEEKLY

PROGRAM INFO - (also available online once you are logged in to your account)

- TECHNICAL SUPPORT (help navigating the site): email support@boonli.com
- Ordering for more than 1 person? Please be sure to add all items for your student(s) into the shopping cart BEFORE checking-out.

- **PAYMENT INFORMATION** If paying with a credit card please pay through Boonli, if paying with a check please send in payment to the school office and include a note stating, "Lunch Order Payment. Please contact the School office at 574-264-4855 with question or assistance.

Thank you for participating in our school lunch program!

2025-2026 Household Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals
Complete one application per household. Please use a pen (not a pencil).

Prescribed by State Board of Accounts School Form No. 521/2025
Apply Online:
Return to:
Address:

Instructions for each step including income examples can be found on the Parent Letter and Instructions page.

STEP 1 List ALL children, infants, and students up to and including grade 12. Attach another sheet of paper if you need space for more names.

List ALL children in the household. Do not forget to list infants, children attending other schools, children not in school, and children not applying for benefits. This includes children not related to you in your household.

Child's First Name	MI	Child's Last Name	Grade	Check all that apply.	Foster	Migrant	Runaway	Homeless	Only for Students	Name of School Building	Birthdate	Living with parent or caretaker relative?	
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STEP 2 Do any household members (including you) participate in: SNAP or TANF?

NO ☐ → Go to STEP 3.

YES ☐ → Write case number here and proceed to STEP 4.

CASE NUMBER (NOT EBT NUMBER):

Write only 10-digit case number in this space.

STEP 3 List ALL household members and income for each member (before taxes and deductions)

A. All Adult Household Members (Anyone who is living with you and shares income and expenses, even if not related, including you.)
List all Adult Household Members not listed in STEP 1 (including yourself) even if they do not receive income. For each Household Member listed, if they receive income, report total gross income (before taxes and deductions) for each source in whole dollars (no cents) only. If they do not receive income from any source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Name of Adult Household members (First and Last)	Earnings from Work	How often received?					Public Assistance, Child Support, Alimony	How often received?					Pensions, Retirement, Social Security, SSI, VA Benefits, All Other Income	How often received?				
		Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	2x Month	Monthly	Annual		Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	2x Month	Monthly	Annual		Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	2x Month	Monthly	Annual
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Total Number of Household Members (Children and Adults)

Last Four Numbers of Social Security Number of Primary Wage Earner or other Adult Household Member (If Applicable)

Check if no Social Security Number: ☐

B. Child Income
Sometimes children in the household earn or receive income. Include the TOTAL income (before taxes and deductions) received by ALL children listed in STEP 1 here.

Child Income	How often received?				
	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	2x Month	Monthly	Annual
\$	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

STEP 4 Contact information and adult signature. RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL:

"I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that this information is given in connection with the receipt of Federal funds, and that school officials may verify (confirm) the information. I am aware that if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted under applicable State and Federal laws."

Print Name of Adult Signing the Form

Signature of Adult:

Today's Date:

Mailing Address (if available)

City

State

Zip

Phone (optional)

Email (Optional)

STEP 5 Other Benefits- This section does not need to be completed to receive free or reduced price meal benefits.																													
Do you want to receive Textbook Assistance? <input type="checkbox"/> YES If yes, sign to the right → <input type="checkbox"/> NO *Textbook signature is only required for students attending nonpublic schools.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; min-height: 40px;"> I certify that I am the parent/guardian of the child(ren) for whom application is being made. My signature below authorizes the release of information on this application for textbook assistance. I give up my right of confidentiality for this purpose only. This application information will be shared with the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration pursuant to I.C. 20-33-5-2 and I.C. 12-14-28-2, solely for purposes of complying with 45 C.F.R. Parts 260 and 265. </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 5px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 35%; height: 30px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 15%; height: 30px;"></div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; font-size: small; margin-top: 2px;"> Signature of Adult Completing Form Today's Date </div>																												
Optional Children's ethnic and racial identities. This information is kept confidential and may be protected by the Privacy Act of 1974.																													
<p>We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals.</p> <p>Ethnicity (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino (A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish Culture or origin, regardless of race) <input type="checkbox"/> Not Hispanic or Latino</p> <p>Race (check one or more): <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> White</p> <p>Return this completed form to your child's school. *Do <u>not</u> mail, fax, or email completed applications to the U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights.</p>																													
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Use of Information Statement

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires that we use information from this application to see who qualifies for free or reduced price meals. We can only approve complete forms. We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them deliver program benefits to your household. Inspectors and law enforcement may also use your information to make sure that program rules are met.

Please be sure to provide the last four numbers of the Social Security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult does not have one, 'Check if no Social Security Number'. Applications for a foster child do not need to list a Social Security number. Applications for children in households receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) do not need to list a Social Security number.

Some children qualify for free meals without an application. Please contact your school to get free meals for a foster child, and children who are homeless, migrant, or runaway.

The contact information below is solely to file a complaint of discrimination

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the State or local Agency that administers the program or contact USDA through the Telecommunications Relay Service at 711 (voice and TTY). Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at How to File a Program Discrimination Complaint and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

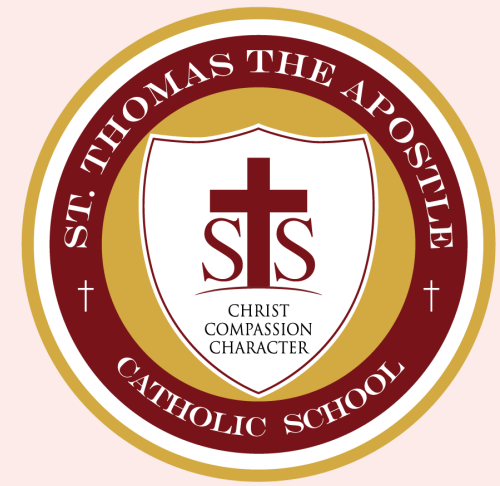
(1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture,
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Mail Stop
9410, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410

(2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or

(3) email: program.intake@usda.gov

* Do not mail applications to this address, only complaints of discrimination.

Return completed form to your child's school.



2025/2026 STS SPECIALS CALENDAR

AUGUST

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FEBRUARY

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PE Days

K Miller C day

K Vickers D day

1 Culp A day

1 Zimney B day

2 Yeakey C day

2 Martinez D day

3 Yeakey A day

3 Szymanowski B day

4 Wilsey A day

4 Whetstone D day

5 Hammer B day

5 Kummeth C day

6 Malinowski C day

6 Foy D day

7 Ponce A day

7 Kiefer B day

8 Camp C day

8 Oxley D day

A Day

B Day

C Day

D Day

2025/2026 STS CASUAL DAYS

2025

9/11 (free)

9/25 (\$2)

10/9 (free)

10/23 (\$2)

11/6 (free)

11/20 (\$2)

12/4 (free)

2026

1/15 (\$2)

1/29 (\$2)

2/12 (free)

2/26 (free)

3/12 (\$2)

3/26 (free)

4/16 (\$2)

4/30 (free)

5/14 (\$2)

5/28 (free)

2025/2026 STS CASUAL DAYS

2025

9/11 (free)

9/25 (\$2 St. Vincent de Paul)

10/9 (free)

10/23 (\$2 Sleep in Heavenly Peace)

11/6 (free)

11/20 (\$2 Turkey Run)

12/4 (free)

2025/2026 STS CASUAL DAYS

2026

1/15 (\$2 Catholic Women's Care)

1/29 (\$2 American Heart)

2/12 (free)

2/26 (free)

3/12 (\$2 Michiana Down Syndrome)

3/26 (free)

4/16 (STS Youth Group)

4/30 (free)

5/14 (\$2 St. Jude)

5/28 (free)

Uniform Guidelines Below

Click [HERE](#) for more details and order options

STS Dress Code- Shoes

All students should wear flat-soled shoes that have a closed toe and a full back. Athletic, dress, or loafer style shoes are acceptable. Shoes are permitted to be solid or a combination of black, white, navy, brown, or gray. Accent colors are acceptable in the logo of the shoe only (not the soles or laces). Shoes must have heels of less than one inch. Must have separate pair of sneakers specifically for PE.

Approved



Not Approved



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE 25/26 UNIFORM GUIDE

K-5



SHORT SLEEVE POLO



LONG SLEEVE POLO



QUARTER ZIP FLEECE



FULL ZIP FLEECE



POLO DRESS, SKORT*, SKIRT, JUMPER



BELT (4/5)



SHORTS*, PANTS

*Denotes seasonal item permitted BOY-10/31 and 4/13-EOY

School logo is an option but not required

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

25/26 UNIFORM GUIDE

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SHORT SLEEVE POLO
(GOLD PERMITTED FOR 8TH GRADE ONLY)



LONG SLEEVE POLO



QUARTER ZIP FLEECE



FULL ZIP FLEECE



BELT



POLO DRESS, SKORT*, SKIRT, JUMPER

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PE OPTIONS



**DEADLINE for SCHOOL CHOICE SCHOLARSHIP
INFORMATION TO BE INTO THE STS OFFICE IS
TODAY!!! Please complete As Soon As Possible**

**The Indiana School Choice Scholarship DOES NOT roll
over each year, it must be applied for.**

**If the deadline for the state is missed, there is no
opportunity for a Semester 1 scholarship.**

To Apply for School Choice Scholarships...


Please be sure that your student(s) are enrolled in the FACTS
management program.

- FACTS account: Please create your FACTS account, making sure you have added all children attending St. Thomas to your account and verifying payment plan and type of payment is current and active. All families must have a FACTS account, please use the link to create your account:

<https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3XWY9>

- Complete the FACTS Grant and Aid Application which is used to determine scholarship funding for both School Choice and any other scholarships.
- Please complete your 2024 Federal Taxes to apply for a School Choice or any other scholarship. A copy of your 2024 Tax returns must be provided (the top two pages - which includes the Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) and all children's names listed). Upload in FACTS, bring to Mrs. Gleason in the office, or email to MGLEASON@STSELKHART.COM as soon as can be done.
- THIS INFORMATION IS FOR THOSE THAT HAVE NOT YET COMPLETED THE FACTS APPLICATION AND GIVEN MRS. GLEASON THEIR TAX RETURN.

AROUND THE PARISH...



HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
THE SOLEMNITY OF
The Assumption
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

ELKHART COUNTY MASS SCHEDULE


Thursday, August 14th

St. Thomas	5:30pm
St. Vincent	5:30pm
St. Mary	6:00pm

Friday, August 15th

St. John	6:30am
St. Vincent	7:00am
St. John	8:00am
St. Thomas	8:15am
St. Mary	9:00am
St. Thomas	12:00pm
St. Vincent	5:30pm
St. Mary	6:00pm
St. John	7:00pm


STILL
TIME!




Ladies!
Join us in August for
Kingdom Builders

We were created for peace and joy, but there is so much suffering in this world. How do we journey through this Valley of Tears with peace and joy? Ladies, come join us as we unveil the wisdom offered to us through the Seven Sorrows of Mary.

St. Thomas the Apostle Church
August 18, 2025 7 - 8:30PM

 Kingdom Builders

www.BuildingThroughHim.com



AROUND THE PARISH...



**St Thomas the Apostle Church
School Commons- Door A
Sunday, August 31st
8:00AM-1:00PM**



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Blood Center of Indiana

Becoming Catholic Classes

Becoming Catholic (OCIA) is open to any non-Catholic wanting to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

**Come & Hear Session
Tuesday, August 19th, 6:30 PM
Steelyard Café,
916 N. Michigan St., Elkhart**

This "Come and Hear" session is a no obligation info session about the why and what of the Becoming Catholic process.

AROUND THE PARISH...

Join us for St. Thomas Movie Night!!

September 5th at 9pm

Indiana Jones &
the Last Crusade


Bring chairs, blankets, snacks, drinks, your
family, your friends and your "one."
We will provide popcorn and the movie!



TMIY
THAT MAN IS YOU!
BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

SATURDAYS
6:45AM TO 8:00AM IN ELLIOTT HALL
STARTING SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH!!!

Click here to sign up!




walking with purpose
SO MUCH MORE THAN A BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, join our bible study! Walking with Purpose bible studies combine personal study with small group discussion. This is a great opportunity to grow in your faith in a supportive community of Catholic women.

Thursday
1:30pm – 3:00pm (childcare available!)
OR
6:30 – 8:00pm

Sessions meet in Elliot Hall starting September 11th.
Click here to sign up.



AROUND THE PARISH...

Sunday Leisure

With Your St. Thomas Church Family

September 14th, 1:30- 3:30pm:

Walker Park

3419 E. Bristol St., Elkhart
Games & Pot Luck

Bring your families and friends and especially consider
bringing your "one."

ST THOMAS INVITES YOU TO THE

WELCOME

Retreat

WOMENS RETREAT SEPTEMBER | 13TH-14TH |
MENS RETREAT SEPTEMBER | 20TH-21ST |

WELCOME WEEKENDS ARE IN THE SCHOOL.
SIGN-IN IS AT 7:15 AM ON SATURDAY AND WE END AT
ABOUT 3:00 PM ON SUNDAY.

THERE IS NO COST TO ATTEND.

EVERYONE WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
ATTEND RECONCILIATION, ADORATION, AND AS
A GROUP, WE ATTEND MASS.

SIGN UP HERE!





St. Thomas the Apostle School 2025 - 2026 Academic Calendar

8/15/25 Release

August 2025						
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PTO Meetings take place the 2nd **TUESDAY of the month at 8 AM from Sept.—May. *Sept. Changed***

***All dates subject to administrative change by St. Thomas.
* Additional emergency make-up days will be added to the end of the school year, if needed**

August	
6	New Family Orientation
8	PTO Back to School Movie Night
11	Back to School Night/ Parent Night
11 & 12	Teacher work days
13	1st Day of School K—8 Preschool Meet the Teacher 9—11 AM
14 & 15	Preschool Half Days-Pickup Main Entrance 11:05 AM
15	All School Mass—Assumption 8:15 AM *Tax Returns Due for Sem 1 Indiana School Choice Scholarship Eligibility
18	First Full Day Preschool PTO FALL FEST COMMITTEE MTG @ 6:30 PM
28	Curriculum Day—No School
29	Mission Day—No School

September	
1	Labor Day - No School
2	UPDATE—Changed PTO Meeting
11	Picture Day
19	Early Release Day 12:30 PM Faculty Prof. Dev. (No Aftercare)
19—21	8th Grade Confirmation Retreat
26	PTO Fall Fest Time TBD

October	
10	End of Quarter 1 NO AFTERCARE due to Fall Break
13	Fall Break
16—20	8th Grade Washington DC Trip
23	Parent Teacher Conferences 4—7 PM
24	Early Release Day 12:30PM (No Aftercare) Parent Teacher Conferences 1:30—4:30 PM
31	Last Day to Wear Shorts Halloween Costume Day

November	
7	PTO Grandparent/ Special Person Day Early Release Day 12:30 PM Faculty Prof. Dev. (No Aftercare)
14	Picture Makeup/Retake Day
22	NO AFTERCARE due to Break
24—28	Thanksgiving Break Confessions after Mass—5(3rd Gr.), 12(4th Gr.), 19(5th Gr.)

December	
17	Preschool/Pre-K Christmas Program 6:30 PM
18	K—3 Christmas Program 6:30 PM
19	End of Quarter 2 All School Mass, Procession, & Sing Around the Christmas Tree Early Release Day 12:30 PM (No Aftercare)
Dec 20- Jan 4	Christmas Break— No School Confessions after Mass—3(6th Gr.), 10(7th Gr.), 17(8th Gr.)

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January	
5	Classes Resume
16	Early Release Day 12:30 PM Faculty Prof. Dev. (No Aftercare) Martin Luther King Jr. Day No School (Built In Snow Day)
23	PTO Daddy Daughter Dance
25-31	Catholic Schools Week
30	8th Grade Vs. Staff Volleyball 2:15 PM

February	
13	Early Release Day 12:30 PM Faculty Prof. Dev. (No Aftercare)
16	President's Day— No School (Built In Snow Day)
18	Ash Wednesday

March	
6	Early Release Day 12:30 PM Faculty Prof. Dev. (No Aftercare)
8	STS Open House 11:30AM-1PM
13	End of Quarter 3
18, 19, 20	Kindergarten Placement Testing Days
20	Current Preschool/PreK/ Kindergarten classes—No School Gr 1-8 Early Release Day 12:30 PM Faculty Prof. Dev. (No Aftercare)
26	4th/5th Music Program 6:30 PM Confessions after Mass—18(3rd), 25(2nd) *Adjust depending on 1st Communion date

April	
2	NO AFTERCARE due to Holy Thursday
3	Good Friday—No School
6—12	Spring Break
13	1st Day to Wear Shorts
	Confessions after Mass—1(4th), 15(5th), 22(6th) 29(7th) *Adjust depending on 1st Communion date

May	
10	Confirmation Mass 10:30 AM
14	Middle School Music Program 6:30 PM— Tentative
16	PTO Nerf Battle
22	Last Day for Preschool/PreK NO AFTERCARE due to Holiday
25	Memorial Day—No School
26	Preschool/PreK Family Picnic See information from your teachers
27	8th Grade Graduation Mass & Ceremony - Time TBD
28	Field Day
29	Last Day of School Early Release Day 12:30 PM (No Aftercare) Confessions after Mass—6(8th)

Key

No School

Built in Snow Day (School in session if needed to replace snow days.)

End of Quarter

Parent Teacher Conferences

First & Last Day of School

Early Release Days (No Aftercare)

Important Dates

PTO Events

Class Confessions

End of Grading Periods

1st Quarter	October 10	40
2nd Quarter	December 19	44
3rd Quarter	March 13	48
4th Quarter	May 29	48
Total Days		180