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# The Warrior World



Thursday, November 13th, 2025

## Upcoming Events

[Click here](#) for the  
School Calendar

### November

**Wednesday, 11/19**  
1:00 pm Dismissal K-8  
Extended Care is  
available

**Thursday, 11/20**  
Open House for  
Prospective Warriors  
5:00 - 6:30 pm

**Friday, 11/21**  
Fund-a-Friend for Staff  
Service Project

**Wed. 11/26-Fri. 11/28**  
Thanksgiving Break

### December

**Mon., 12/1 -Sun., 12/7**  
PFA Book Fair

**Wednesday, 12/3**  
Grandparents'/Special  
Persons' Day  
8:30 - 10:15 am

**Thursday, 12/4**  
Poinsettia Pick-Up  
2 - 6 pm in the Narthex

**Friday, 12/5**  
First Friday Spirit Day  
Donuts with Grownups  
6:30 - 7:30 am - Gym

**Thursday, 12/11**  
K-5 Advent Concert  
6:30 pm - Church

**Friday, 12/19**  
1:00 pm Dismissal  
(PreK - 8)  
No Extended Care

**12/22 - 1/2**  
No School  
Christmas Break

### January

**Monday, 1/5**  
Return to School

## Wednesday, November 19

Early Dismissal for Teacher  
Professional Development

**K - 8th Grade:** Dismissal - 1:00 pm  
**Preschool & Pre-K:** Normal schedule  
**Extended Care:** Available after 1:00 pm

**Registration for the  
2026-27 School Year**  
Enrollment for the 2026-2027  
school year for **current students**  
will begin on Monday, January 5.  
The registration fee is \$100 per  
student until Friday, January 30  
then it will increase to \$150 per  
student on Saturday, January 31.  
One parent will be sent an email  
with a specific link for your child's  
reenrollment. If you have more  
than one child, you will receive an  
email for each child. If you have  
any questions about re-enrollment,  
please contact Elizabeth Ellis,  
[eellis@saintmatt.org](mailto:eellis@saintmatt.org).

## Grandparents' and Special Persons' Day

**Wednesday, December 3rd**

**Our Grandparents'/Special Persons'  
Day** is on Wednesday, 12/3. Special  
guests will meet their student(s) in  
the church for Mass which begins at  
8:30 am. After Mass our guests can  
visit the PFA Book Fair and class-  
rooms. The festivities should end by  
10:15 am. (These times are for K-8.  
PreK/Preschool will also have  
**Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day**  
on 12/3 but the time will be commu-  
nicated by the PreK/Preschool  
teachers.)

**Open House!**



Tell your friends and  
family about our  
[Open House](#) for  
Future Warriors!

Thursday, November 20th  
5:00 - 6:30 pm  
and  
Tuesday, January 20th  
5:00 - 6:30 pm

## Poinsettia Sale Pick-Up



Thank you for ordering poinsettias from  
the Class of 2026. Pick-up is Thursday,  
12/4 from 2:00 - 6:00 pm in the Narthex  
of the church. The Book Fair will also be  
open until 6:00 pm on 12/4.

## For Those in Need

We understand that the recent changes  
to SNAP benefits may be causing worry  
or added stress for some in our school  
community. Please know that you are  
not alone — we care deeply about the  
well-being of every student and family,  
and there are community resources  
available to help ensure that everyone  
has access to healthy meals.

If your family could use some extra sup-  
port, please [click here](#) for information  
about Food Events in the area and [click  
here](#) about options for food assistance.

If you have any questions or would like  
help connecting with these resources,  
please reach out to our school office or  
to Mrs. Fields, School Counselor  
([gfields@saintmatt.org](mailto:gfields@saintmatt.org)). All conversa-  
tions will be kept confidential — we're  
here to walk alongside you and make  
sure your family feels supported.

Together, we are a caring community  
that looks out for one another. Please  
don't hesitate to reach out — we're here  
to help in any way we can.

## Attendance Line

When a student is absent or will be late due to an appointment, please call (317)251-3997 ext. 3910 by 8:30 am. If you email your child's teacher to report an absence, please also copy Elizabeth Ellis, [eellis@saintmatt.org](mailto:eellis@saintmatt.org).

## Social Media

Facebook: @stmattschoolindy

Twitter: @stmattschool

Instagram: stmattschool

[Medical Authorization form](#)

[Extended Care Information](#)

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## Lunch Schedule

|     |             |
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| K-1 | 11:00-11:25 |
| 2-3 | 11:30-11:55 |
| 4-5 | 12:00-12:25 |
| MS  | 12:25-12:55 |

**Looking for your child's teacher or a staff member's favorite flower, cold drink or restaurant?** Many parents ask for a *Favorite Things* list for our school and parish staff — it's a great way to learn more about our staff! [Click here](#) for the list.

## Thank You to our Gala Committee!

Hundreds of hours go into the planning the Gala and we would like to thank the chairpersons and committee members, as well as the volunteers and our sponsors. We also had tremendous support from parish and school families with donations for the auction, games, class artwork, and baskets - Thank you all !



### Committee:

Noelle Sykes  
Lisa Lecher  
Katie Clark  
Charlie Renie  
Katie Behlmer  
Brandi Hillard  
Jennifer Jester  
Victor Neff  
Amy Molloy  
Marielle Riedle

**Chairs:** Crystal McCallum,  
Victoria Whaley, Sharece  
Phillips & Michelle Boyd



Milk Only: \$0.50  
Student Lunch: \$4.50  
Adult Lunch: \$5.50

### Monday, Nov. 17

- Pancakes and Sausage Patty
- Turkey & Cheese Sliders and Hardboiled Egg
- Chef Salad

### Tuesday, Nov. 18

- Chicken Tinga Tostada
- Pizza Kit
- Chef Salad

### Wednesday, Nov. 19

- Cowboy Burger and Baked Beans
- Turkey & Cheese Sliders and Hardboiled Egg
- Chef Salad

### Thursday, Nov. 20

- Chicken Tortilla Soup
- Pizza Kit
- Chef Salad

### Friday, Nov. 21

- Pizza Calzone
- Turkey & Cheese Sliders and Hardboiled Egg
- Lunchie Munchie

### Lunch Policy

[Free/Reduced Lunch Application in English](#)

[Free/Reduced Lunch Application in Spanish](#)

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O'CONNOR TEAM



# PFA Scholastic BOOK FAIR

## Hours & Events

**Monday, 12/1 – Preview Day for K – 5<sup>th</sup>**  
Book Fair Hours: 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Tuesday, 12/2- Preview Day for 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>**  
Book Fair Hours: 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Wednesday, 12/3 – Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day Hours:**

OPEN to ADULTS ONLY- 7:15 am - 8:15 am.

CLOSED to everyone from 8:15 am - 9:30 am.

Opens back up at 9:30 am. Students must be with their special person if they are in the Book Fair anytime between 9:30 am & 10:15 am.

Book Fair Hours: 7:15 am – 3 pm (Closed 8:15 – 9:30 am)

**Thursday, 12/4 - Shopping Day for All Grades**

Book Fair Hours: 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

Poinsettia Pick-Up in the Narthex of the Church

**Friday, 12/5- Donuts with Grownups Hours:**

Event: 6:30 am - 7:30 am (All students must be accompanied by a “grownup” in the Book Fair.)

Book Fair Hours: 6:30 am – 3:00 pm

**Saturday, 12/6 - After 5:00 pm Mass - Family Friendly Happy Hour**

Book Fair Hours: 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

**Sunday, 12/7- Final Day to Shop**

Book Fair Hours: 10:30 am – 1:00 pm



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2<sup>nd</sup> GRADERS WHO RECENTLY CELEBRATED THEIR FIRST RECONCILIATION!

Skye Attobra  
William Ball  
Wade Driscoll  
Natalia Flores  
Maya Greenlee  
Olivia Hammes  
May Hennessy  
Madelyn Jester  
Olivia Maldonado  
Ryan Middleton  
Byron Morton  
Hadley Nentrup  
Cooper O'Brien  
Carmen Reyes  
Evelina Robinson  
Finnegan Stout  
Kennedy Tarpey  
Benjamin Tasker  
Mena Young



# Sports

## CYO Boys Home Basketball Schedule

### Sunday, November 16th

Cadet C 1:00 pm  
 Cadet B 2:00 pm  
 Cadet A 3:00 pm  
 56A 4:00 pm  
 56B 5:00 pm



### Thursday, November 20th

56C 6:00 pm  
 4th Grade 7:00 pm

### Sunday, November 23rd

Cadet A 1:00 pm  
 56B 2:00 pm  
 Cadet B 3:00 pm

### Saturday, December 6th

56C 9:00 am  
 Cadet C 10:00 am

### Saturday, December 13th

56A 9:00 am  
 56C 10:00 am  
 4th Grade 11:00 am

## CYO Girls' Volleyball Tournament Games

### TONIGHT! November 13th

56B 6:30 pm at Nativity  
 Cadet A 7:00 pm at St. Matthew

### Saturday, November 15th

56A 2:00 pm at Little Flower

### Tuesday, November 18th

Cadet C 7:00 pm at St. Monica

Go Warriors!



## Save the Date - Girls Basketball Evaluations

CYO girls basketball evaluations will be on **Sunday, Dec. 7th** in the St. Matthew Gym. Those eligible to participate include 4th - 8th grade girls who are St. Matthew parishioners or are students at St. Matthew School. Times/details will be announced next week.

## ST. MATTHEW

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK:

## EMMY BARTENBACH



Congratulations to LJ, Cooper, Kellen and Jude, SMS Class of 2022! They were on the Bishop Chatard Class 2A State Runner-Up Soccer team! We are Warrior Proud!

Hey Warrior Fans! St. Matthew Athletics has a Facebook and Instagram page all its own.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61580649914166>

[St. Matthew Athletics \(@stmatt\\_athletics\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)



**Former SMS athlete you look up to:**  
 My sister Reagan

**Favorite coach at SMS:**  
 My dad

**Favorite school subject:**  
 Science

**Favorite sports memory:**  
 Advancing to the Kickball City Championship

**Favorite quote:**  
 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"  
 -Philippians 4:13



# Volunteers

## SAFE PARISH Training Program Required for Volunteers

St. Matthew Catholic Church and School and the Archdiocese of Indianapolis utilize Safe Parish as part of our ongoing commitment to the care and protection of children.

All employees and volunteers who have contact with children (including but not limited to coaches, classroom volunteers, field trip chaperones, nurses, and café workers) are required to complete the training prior to their first day of employment, service, or ministry, even if they have taken Virtus, Safe & Sacred, or other child protection programs. The course takes about 45 minutes to one hour to complete and includes video training and quizzes, a background check, and acknowledgement of a Code of Conduct. [Click here](#) for details and the link to Safe Parish.



If you are interested in volunteering in our **First Aid Office**, [please click here to sign-up](#). On the job training will be provided. You can work for a few hours or all day! We are flexible! Thank you for your time!

## Library Volunteers Needed

If you are willing to volunteer in our Library, please [click here](#) for the sign-up genius or contact Liz Lichtenberger, [ehv1215@yahoo.com](mailto:ehv1215@yahoo.com).



## Volunteer Service Hour Google Form

<https://forms.gle/atrsNZWT8udMSaTH8>

Click on the above link to submit your hours of service. If you already submitted on paper, those have been entered on the google form.

## Volunteer Information

All St. Matthew School families are expected to contribute **at least 12 hours of volunteer service** to the school and/or parish, and this year we're adding some new **special incentives** to make it even more worth your while to lend your time and talents! [Click here](#) for more info on our volunteer service program, as well as a [detailed list](#) of different ways you can contribute depending on your availability, skills, and what speaks to your interests!

Please reach out to Nick McCallum, St. Matthew PFA President, with any additional questions not addressed in the attached documents, [nicholas\\_mccallum@hotmail.com](mailto:nicholas_mccallum@hotmail.com)

We so appreciate our dedicated families who help make St. Matthew a wonderful place for both our children AND adults!

# Fundraisers

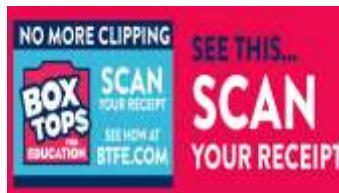
## Enroll Your Kroger Plus Card!

[Click here to register your Kroger Plus Shopper's Card](#). Our number is RQ009 or search for St. Matthew. Contact [Kathy Gray](#) with questions.



## Box Tops for Education

[Click here](#) to read more on how you can help SMS earn money!



Wish your student Happy Birthday with a message on the new and improved St.



Matthew School sign on Forest Manor. The cost is \$10 per name. The funds will support Student Council. [Click here](#) for information.

## Raise Right Gift Card Fundraiser

The Saint Matthew Raise Right fundraising program (formerly Scrip) is an ALL-online gift card program in which you can purchase gift cards, not just as gifts but also for everyday expenses (gas, groceries, restaurants, clothing and so much more), and a rebate is provided back to St. Matthew. It's easy and convenient! The amount of rebate varies by brand, and there are over 700 brands who participate.

If you are new to the program or have been inactive, please contact [RaiseRight@saintmatt.org](mailto:RaiseRight@saintmatt.org) to request a registration form (which must be completed to tie your rebates to St. Matthew) and/or to learn more about the program. We're happy to help!

- Your Saint Matthew Raise Right Committee



## Talent Show [Permission Slips](#) Due Tuesday, 11/25

The annual Talent Show hosted by Student Council will be during Catholic Schools Week on Tuesday, 1/27 at 1:15 pm. If your child would like to participate, a permission slip is needed. [Click here](#) for permission slip and details. **The permission slip is due Tuesday, 11/25** and auditions will take place after school on 12/10, 12/11, 12/17, and 12/18. There is a sign-up sheet for an audition time outside Mrs. Middleton's classroom (Room 302).

## Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day Stars!

Brighten your student's day with a special note and treat for just \$1.00!

How to order:

Send your note and \$1 in an envelope to Mrs. Middleton.

You may write your note on any type of paper — or print and use the form below!

Stars will also be sold:

At the school office — starting Monday, November 17th

On Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day — Wednesday, December 3rd (all morning)

All proceeds support the Student Council, helping make future school events special!

## Grandparents & Special Person Day Star!

To: \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_

Note:

**K-5 MUSIC PROGRAM**

# **IT CAME UPON A MIDNIGHT CLEAR**



**DECEMBER 11**  
**6:30PM**  
**AT ST. MATTHEW CHURCH**

### St. Matthew Women's Group Save the Date - Friday, Dec. 5th

Join us on Friday, December 5 at 6 p.m. for an [evening of fellowship and Christmas Card making](#). Fellow parishioner, Sandi Patel will guide us through the steps for making handmade Christmas cards to send to some special people in your life. The only skill required is a willing spirit. A \$10 fee is requested to cover the cost of materials. Please RSVP [here](#) by Tuesday, December 2.

### Weekend Mass Schedule

- Saturday at 5:00 pm
- Sunday at 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am

Coffee and Donuts in the Café after 9:30 Mass on Sundays. Meet other families and donations help support our 8th grade.



Parents and kids of all ages are invited to join us for the Children's Rosary. Meetings are held in the Chapel on the first Saturday of every month at 9:00 am. Donuts and fellowship follow the Rosary. Please direct any questions to Kara and Tim Tappel at (317) 914-7028. **The next meeting is Saturday, December 6th at 9:00 am.**

## High School Information

### BISHOP CHATARD HIGH SCHOOL KEY ENROLLMENT DATES

- November 15** High School Placement Test
- November 25** Admissions Application Deadline
- December 1** Financial Aid Application Deadline
- December** Acceptances sent out - watch for your Big Blue Envelope!
- February 9** Deadline to submit Trojan Intent Forms/Deposit

BISHOP CHATARD HIGH SCHOOL

### Cathedral High School

Class of 2030 - Applications are OPEN!

Application deadline:

Decisions sent December 1st



### CALLING ALL DADS!

#### Northside Fraternitas House

Join other men of the north deanery for an [event](#) each month this fall at Liter House in Broad Ripple. The next [event](#) will be **Friday, November 14th**, from 6:30 am to 8:15 am. The theme: "Equip your family for Spiritual Battle." Our speaker, Jonathan Conrad, founder of The Catholic Woodworker, grew up building alongside his dad and grandfather. Married to high-school sweetheart Carey, he's father to three boys. He'll share his insights on how fatherhood ignited his zeal for prayer, the rosary, and sacraments inspiring him to build handmade wooden rosaries, home altars, and devotional items to arm souls in spiritual battle.

To Jesus through Mary! The mission of Fraternitas is to empower dads to pass their faith to their families. Pray, learn, and discuss how to be a better father... and enjoy a delicious **FREE breakfast!** Hosted by Marian University's Franciscan Leadership Institute.

Please RSVP TODAY, 11/13 by clicking on the link: <https://tinyurl.com/FraternitasHouse>. For more information contact Mark Bridenstine, St. Matthew Parishioner and Director of Fraternitas at [mbridenstine@marian.edu](mailto:mbridenstine@marian.edu) or 317-361-8084.

### Would you like to *Walk with Mom's in need?* Consider donating to Birthline

Item's most needed are:

- Diapers size NB or 1
- Boys or Girls clothes size 24 months or 2T
- Baby Books
- Hi-chairs, strollers, port-a-cribs

Other gently used or new items which are always accepted include:

- New OR clean gently used maternity clothing (**Especially in L, 1XL, and 2XL**)
- New OR clean gently used clothing (boys and girls) newborn through 2T
- Bouncy Seats or Swings
- Baby and toddler toys and books
- Bath Tubs
- Training Potties
- Receiving Blankets and Baby Blankets
- Baby and Toddler Coats and Jackets and Hats
- Bottles/sippy cups

A donation box is located in the back of church or we are happy to pick up your donations upon request. Simply call or text 317-775-5080.

You may also donate via amazon with this link : [Check out my list on Amazon](#)