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The Warrior World



Thursday, May 15th, 2025

Upcoming Events

[Click here](#) for the
School Calendar

Key Dates 2025-26

May

Friday, 5/16

1:00 Dismissal
No Extended Care
Field Day
Last Day of PreK

Wednesday, 5/21

Graduation 6:00 pm
Church
8th Grade Awards and
OWA at 9:30 am in the
church
No All-School Mass
Thursday Specials
Schedule

Thursday, 5/22

Last All-School Mass
8:30 am
Wednesday Specials
Schedule

Friday, 5/23

Last Day of School
K-7th
1:00 Dismissal
No Extended Care

**All non-uniform
passes will expire
at the end of this
school year. We
will have new
passes for next
school year.**

June

Mon., 6/2 - Thurs., 6/5
Vacation Bible School

August

Wednesday, 8/6

First day of school
(K-8)



[Choice Scholarship](#)
**WE NEED YOUR 2024
TAX RETURN ASAP!**

If you are applying for a school voucher for 2025-26 school year, please turn in the first two pages of your federal tax return to the school office. [Click here](#) for FAQs and [click here](#) for the eligibility requirements for 25-26.

Join the St. Matthew Athletic Committee!

We're currently seeking volunteers for the following positions:

- Gym Manager
- Track Coordinator
- Girls Volleyball Coordinator
- Boys Volleyball Coordinator

If you're interested in getting involved, please contact Lizzie Muller at mullere13@gmail.com. We hope to have all roles filled before the start of next year!

Awards Day - Wednesday at 9:30 am

Join us for our Awards Day on Wednesday, May 21st at 9:30 am and help us congratulate our 8th grade class as they will be presented with academic awards. Awards will also be presented for Outstanding Warrior. Lastly, our 8th grade students will share words of wisdom and pass leadership over to the 7th grade class. St. Matthew School families are welcome to attend.

Order your 2024-25 yearbook now!
The cost is \$20. **Last day to order is May 31st.** A limited number are available, so get yours now!

Purchase online at: <https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/SMS25>
Yearbooks will be delivered in August.



Upcoming Early Dismissals
Friday, May 16th - Field Day
Last Day PreK
1:00 pm Dismissal (K-8)
No Extended Care

Friday, May 23 - Last Day (K-7)
1:00 pm Dismissal
No Extended Care

Summer Care 2025

5/27 to 6/27 - 7:00 am - 5:00 pm
Register before TOMORROW
with the \$35 registration fee
and receive a free camp shirt.

[Click here](#) for the registration form and details. If you have any questions, please contact our Summer Care Director, Sam Padgett, spadgett@saintmatt.org.

Win Free School Supplies for Life Sweepstakes

👉 Order Here: 1stDay.sale/38235

All you have to do is order by May 31st and you'll be automatically entered to win! Hurry, you don't want to miss out on this!



This program is optional. If you don't purchase the kit through 1st Day School Supplies, the supplies listed for your student's grade level will need to be purchased and brought to school on the first day of school. See the 2025-26 list by [clicking here](#).

IMPORTANT!

Any outstanding tuition is due TODAY. All other fees (lunch, extended care, and band fees) must be paid in full by Friday, May 23rd. You may not receive your child's final report card if you have an outstanding balance. If you have a question about your balance, please contact Kathy Gray, (317) 251-3997 ext. 3904,

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, please also copy Elizabeth Ellis, eellis@saintmatt.org.

Social Media

Facebook: @stmattschoolindy

Twitter: @stmattschool

Instagram: stmattschool

Parent Handbook

[Click here](#) for the School Calendar

Key Dates 2025-26

Lunch Schedule

K-11:00-11:25

2-311:30-11:55

4-512:00-12:25

MS12:25-12:55

[Click here](#) for the faculty and staff directory and email addresses.

Summer EBT (SUN Bucks) Discontinued

The Summer EBT (SUN Bucks) program will be discontinued in 2025. Certain locations throughout the city will offer the SUN Nutrition meals program. [USDA Site Finder Map](#)

Hunger Hotline - families seeking food assistance for their children can contact the USDA National Hunger Hotline, operated by Hunger Free America.

- **By phone:** Call 1-866-3-HUNGRY (1-866-348-6479) (for English) or 1-877-8-HAMBRE (1-877-842-6273) (for Spanish). The line is available Monday through Friday 8:00 am - 8:00 pm ET.
- **By text:** To receive an automated response to resources located near an address or zip code, text keywords such as "food," "summer," "meals," to the automated service at 914-342-7744.

Field Day is TOMORROW!

Dismissal is at 1:00pm with No Extended Care

- **Students should wear their Field Day/Walkathon t-shirts**, school-appropriate shorts or sweats and sneakers. Please bring a water bottle. Because of some water activities, students may want to bring an extra set of clothes. Students may also wear a Superhero cape or accessories (no weapons, please) – Label with their name; they are responsible for keeping track of their items throughout the day.
- **Please apply sunscreen at home** before school. Students will be outside for extended periods, and we want everyone to stay safe and comfortable.
- **In case of inclement weather**, we will enjoy modified activities, but we will not reschedule our day.
- The first Field Day event will begin at 8:30am and end at 11:00 am
- **Lunch** will be from 11:10-11:50 am
- The 7th Grade Kickball game in the back parking lot starting at 11:55 am



Congratulations to our Class of 2025 who graduate on Wednesday, May 21st. We will miss you! You are always welcome to visit us!

Milk Only: \$0.50
Student Lunch: \$4.10

Monday, May 19

- Meatloaf and Mashed Potatoes
- PBJ
- Chef Salad

Tuesday, May 20

- Bacon, Hash Browns with Pancakes OR Cinnamon Rolls
- Chicken Wrap
- Chef Salad

Wednesday, May 21

- Pasta with Meat Sauce
- PBJ
- Chef Salad

Thursday, May 22

- Calzone OR Pita Pizza
- Chicken Wrap
- Chef Salad

Friday, May 23

Last Day of School 1:00 Dismissal No Extended Care

- Corn Dog OR Pretzel Dog
- PBJ
- Chef Salad (**No** Lunchie Munchie)

If your student owes money on their lunch account, they will not be allowed to buy extras.

Lunch Policy

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

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

USDA is an equal opportunity provider & employer.

Sports



Congratulations to Rowan Carver who has had 100 strike outs this CYO season! Our girls are still in the playoff hunt. The next game time and place to be announced.

CYO FOOTBALL CALLOUTS

If your incoming 3rd - 8th grade son is interested in playing CYO football for St. Matthew this fall, please contact SMS Football Coordinator Charlie Vannice at (317) 557-4007 or ckvannice@gmail.com.

3rd & 4th grade play 7 vs 7 on a smaller field with a focus on safety and fundamentals and all see plenty of playing time.

CYO Championship Track Meets

Friday, May 16 - 5:00 pm

Field Events at Guerin Catholic

Saturday, May 17 - 9:00 am

Prelims for Running Events at Guerin Catholic

Wednesday, May 21 - 5:30 pm

Finals for Running Events/Relays at Marian

St. Matthew Cheer Callouts and Mandatory Parent Meeting!

Any incoming 5th-8th grade girls interested in cheerleading for next year should attend this call-out.

Monday, May 19th 5:15-7:15 pm

St. Matthew Gym

MANDATORY PARENT MEETING from 6:45 - 7:15 pm to discuss immediate coaching needs and cheerleader expectations.

If interested, but unable to attend please email Becky Alerding at michael.alerding@sbcglobal.net

Join [Devon Summer Swim Team](#)

No Pool Membership required!

Boys & Girls Age 4-17 [Click here](#) for details.



CYO Physicals Scheduled at SMS

Physicals are a requirement for CYO athletics and need to be updated every year. Don't delay and get your child taken care for the upcoming 25/26 school year. Please have your child registered with the [link](#) provided and contact [Renee Miller](#) with any questions or if you would like to volunteer! We are in need of any nurses, PTs, ATCs or medical professionals able to take vitals. Volunteers please email warriorkb123@outlook.com if you can help.



Offseason Basketball Training

Attention St. Matthew **basketball families!** Looking to keep your son or daughter's skills sharp over the offseason? Coach Gray, head coach of the Cadet A basketball team, is offering 1-on-1 and small group training sessions this offseason!

Whether your player wants to improve shooting, ball-handling, defense, or overall game IQ, these customized sessions are a great way to grow confidence and elevate performance in a focused, supportive setting.

Training Options:

- Individual Sessions – personalized, high-intensity skill development
- Small Group Sessions (2-4 players) – skill development, competitive drills and team play focus

Open to: St. Matthew students/parishioners (2025-26 boys and girls grades 4 through high school)

When: Weekday evenings & weekends (May-August)

Where: St. Matthew Gym

Cost: Competitive rates – contact for details

Spots are limited! To reserve a spot or ask questions, email Coach Gray at

dylangray0124@gmail.com or text (317) 408-9249.



Back to School Vaccine Clinics Announced

Marion County Health Department is hosting several back to school vaccine clinics throughout July, August and September. Below are the dates and times. **If your children are due for updated vaccinations, these clinics provide an excellent opportunity.**

Eskenazi Grande Clinic: 6002 E. 38th St. 46226
July 2nd, Wednesday: 3 PM - 7 PM

Pike High School: 5401 W 71 St, 46268
July 12th, Saturday: 9:30 AM - 12 PM

George Washington High School: 2215 W Washington St, 46222
July 19th, Saturday: 10 AM - 1 PM

Matchbook Learning: 1163 N Belmont Ave, 46222
July 25th, Friday: 12:30 PM - 4 PM

Shortridge High School: 3401 N Meridian St, 46208
July 31st, Thursday: 2 PM - 5:30 PM

Eskenazi Grande Clinic: 6002 E. 38th St. 46226
August 6th, Wednesday: 3 PM - 7 PM

Eskenazi West 38th St Clinic: 5515 W. 38th St. 46254
August 14th, Thursday: 3 PM - 7 PM

Eskenazi Grande Clinic: 6002 E. 38th St. 46226
August 16th, Saturday: TBD

Eskenazi West 38th St Clinic: 5515 W. 38th St. 46254
September 11th, Thursday: 3 PM - 7 PM

BLAZE: Bible Study for Middle School Girls

Calling all parents of 7th and 8th-grade girls! We are excited to offer our second year of BLAZE, a Catholic Bible study program from "Walking with Purpose" designed specifically for middle school young women. BLAZE provides a welcoming space for girls to connect with each other and explore their faith through relevant discussions on topics like relationships, social media, and their identity as daughters of God, all rooted in Scripture and Catholic teachings. Our first year was a wonderful experience, and we look forward to another enriching year starting in September (ending around April/May 2026). Sessions will likely be held every other week in the evening, starting around 5:30 PM. The cost for the 20-week study is \$50 to help offset the cost of materials needed for the study. If your daughter is interested, please email theresa.r.neff@gmail.com to register and indicate your preference for Monday, Friday, or Sunday evenings as a meeting time. Please also let me know if you'd like to host Blaze or help with this ministry. I'm more than happy to help onboard anyone who feels particularly called to this ministry. For more information or to register, please email Theresa Neff, theresa.r.neff@gmail.com.



SAVE the DATE! Electronics Recycling Event St. Matthew Bus Barn Saturday, June 21st

St. Matthew Parish is hosting an electronics recycling event on Saturday, June 21, from 9:00 am to 12 noon in the Bus Barn. [Click here](#) to see a list of acceptable items. Recycle Force does ask for a donation if you are dropping off a TV or refrigerator as they incur additional costs on those, but everything else is free.

Indianapolis Public Library 2025 Summer Reading Program

Reading should be a part of everyone's summer! With the library's **free** summer reading program, kids can accelerate their reading, explore great stories, and be ready to learn in the fall — all while earning prizes!

Students can now register online at indypl.beanstack.com or visit any Indianapolis Public Library branch to sign up. Go to indypl.org/srp to learn more!

Service Opportunity for High School and 7th & 8th Grade Students



WHERE: St. Vincent de Paul
WHEN: Saturday, May 17th 9:00 am to noon
WHY: To be the hands and feet of Jesus

If you are interested in helping with the St. Matthew SVdP ministry, please meet in the St. Matthew Parking lot at 8:30 am for prayer and carpooling. For more information and Travel Guidelines, [click here](#) or contact Kara Tappel, 317-914-7028.

There will be an opportunity to go to lunch afterwards. If you'd like to go, please bring money for food.



Our
PreK
Class is
waving
to
Pope
Leo
XIV.

Volunteers

Volunteer Service Hour Form

[Click here](#) for the form that can be completed and dropped off at the school office.

SAFE PARISH Training Program

Required for Volunteers and Coaches

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. www.Archindysafeparish.org Passcode: Archindy2021

Fundraisers

 **RaiseRight!**
It is a gift certificate fundraiser. For more information on how to enroll, please email: raiseright@saintmatt.org or stop by the school office.

Wish your student Happy Birthday with a message on the St. Matthew School sign on Forest Manor. The cost is \$10 per name. The funds will support Student Council. [Click here](#) for info.



haulstr

Spring is here! If you purchase mulch from Haulstr, they will donate back to St. Matthew! Haulstr also has other services. Click on the following link.

[Saint Matthew Indianapolis - Haulstr](#)




Box Tops for Education

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

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.

Community


Happy Anniversary, Fr. Bill!

All Parishioners are invited to a special celebration for our beloved Pastor, Rev. Msgr. William F. Stumpf. After the 5pm Mass on Saturday, May 31st, we will have a gathering in the Gym to celebrate his 40 years of service in the Priesthood. Fr. Bill, we thank you for all you do!

If you plan on coming, Please RSVP by sending an email to bulletin@saintmatt.org. Thank you!

Weekend Mass Schedule

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

*Coffee and donuts in the Café following 9:30 Mass.

VBS 2025

Mama Mary: Holy & Blessed

REGISTER NOW!

VOLUNTEERS (\$0)

PARTICIPANTS (Ages 3 - completed Gr. 2)

MARCH 1 - APRIL 20 (\$25 per child)

APRIL 21 - MAY 23 (\$30 per child)



[Click here](#) for VBS registration form.

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to our Walkathon Sponsors



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