Phone: (317) 251-3997 Ext. Care: (317) 457-3165

The Warrior World



Thursday, October 30th, 2025

Upcoming Events

Click here for the School Calendar

October

Friday, 10/31

Special Dress Day

November

Mon.- Fri., 11/3 - 11/7 Disability Awareness

Week

Wednesday, 11/5

All Saints' Day Presentation by 4th Grade 8:30 am during All-School Mass

Thursday, 11/6

First Reconciliation 6:30 pm Church

Friday, 11/7

First Friday Spirit Day

Saturday, 11/8

Casino Royale Gala Northside Events and Social Club 6:00 - 11:00 pm

Monday, 11/10

Poinsettia Orders Due

Wed., 11/12 & Thurs., 11/13

Vision and hearing screenings

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

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

TOMORROW!

Students may wear a Halloween costume OR a Halloween shirt/ orange & black with school appropriate shorts or pants. NO accessories (weapons), face paint, masks, or hair coloring allowed! *Please note that students must be able to function for a regular school day, such as sit in their chair, write, use the restroom, etc.

First Friday Spirit Wear Day November 7th

Show Your School Spirit! Let's represent St. Matthew with pride! Students are encouraged to wear SMS spirit wear or **red** and **black** to show their school spirit. This includes hoodies, sports shirts, and sweatshirts even if they're from out-of-season sports.

All Saints' Day Observed

We will celebrate All Saints' Day on Wednesday, November 5, at our 8:30 a.m. All-School Mass. Our 4th grade students will be dressed as their chosen saints and will share a short presentation about them. We invite all families to join us for this special celebration of faith and community.

Poinsettia Sale

Our Class of 2026 is selling poinsettias to brighten your holiday season! These poinsettias come in red, pink, and white and are \$13 per plant. Orders with payment are due Monday, 11/10 by 3:00 pm. Pick-up is Thursday, 12/4 from 2:00 - 6:00 pm in the Narthex of the church.

Orders must be prepaid with cash or a check made payable to St. Matthew School. If you do not want an actual plant but would still like to donate to the class, you can purchase poinsettias to be used in the church.

<u>Click here</u> for the Poinsettia Sale order form.

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
Open House!



Vision and Hearing Screening

Marion County Department of Health will be here Wednesday, November 12 and Thursday, November 13 to conduct our annual vision and hearing screening.

- Hearing screening will be for all students in 1st, 4th, and 7th
- Vision screening will be for all students in 1st, 3rd, 5th and 8th Vision and Hearing screening will also be available for other students (Grades 1-8), if requested by a parent or teacher. Please send your request to Kathy Gray, kgray@saintmatt.org and note the reason for the request (i.e. "can't see the board").

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.

Lunch Schedule

K-1 11:00-11:25 2-3 11:30-11:55

4-5 12:00-12:25 MS 12:25-12:55

1013 12.23-12.33

Social Media

Facebook: @stmattschoolindy Twitter: @stmattschool Instagram: stmattschool

Medical Authorization form

Extended Care Information

Parent Handbook 2025-26

School Calendar

Faculty and Staff Directory

Looking for your child's teacher or a staff member's favorite flower, cold drink or res-

taurant? 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.

Reminder

Wednesday, November 19

Early Dismissal for Professional Development

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

Hall of Heroes

The reality of war in our country has impacted many families in our school community. Many children at St. Matthew Catholic School have friends and family that are currently serving or have served our country. We would like to honor them for Veteran's Day.

Please bring in a COPY of a picture of friends and relatives to go up in our Hall of Heroes. Please label the picture with the name of the person, the student(s) that the person is related to and the war in which they participated.

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The pictures will be used to create a Hall of Heroes and will be on display in the lobby for the month of November. Please send a copy of your pictures to Mr. Arrowood no later than November 7th.

Disability Awareness Week - November 3rd - November 7th

We are excited to partner with Joseph Maley Foundation again this year for Disability Awareness Week.

There will be a puppet performance on **Monday** for PreK through 4th grade, as well as 7th grade.

We will have speakers on **Thursday:**

- Zach Curtis will be speaking to 8th grade about autism
- A student from Indiana School for the Deaf will be speaking to 5th grade about Deafness
- Suzy Falendar will be speaking to 6th grade about blindness
- Eli Acklin will be speaking to 7th grade about dyslexia

A big thank you goes out to Colleen Middleton who organizes this each year.

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

Monday, Nov. 3

- Orange Chicken
- Turkey & Cheese Sliders and Hardboiled Egg
- Chef Salad

Tuesday, Nov. 4

- Beef Soft Tacos
- Pizza Kit
- Chef Salad

Wednesday, Nov. 5

- Pulled Pork Mac and Cheese
- Turkey & Cheese Sliders and Hardboiled Egg
- Chef Salad

Thursday, Nov. 6

- Spaghetti with Garlic Bread
- Pizza Kit
- Chef Salad

Friday, Nov. 7

- BBQ Chicken Flat Bread Pizza
- 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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Volunteers are needed for the Gala! Anyone signing up will receive a Promo Code for an \$80 ticket OR just come for your shift time to enjoy the atmosphere! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DADA622A5FE3-59596364-2025



Fundraisers

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.

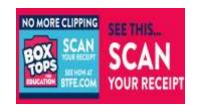
If you are new to the program or have been inactive, please contact RaiseRight@saintmatt.org to request a registration form (which must be completed to tie your rebates to St. Matthew) and/or to learn more about the program. We're happy to help!

- Your Saint Matthew Raise Right Committee

Enroll Your Kroger Plus Card!

<u>Click here to register your Kroger Plus Shopper's Card.</u> Our number is RQ009 or search for St. Matthew. Contact <u>Kathy Gray</u> 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.

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Sports

CYO Season Passes on Sale!

Purchase a family season pass for all home volleyball and basketball games for \$50. This includes admission for parents, grandparents and siblings of the player. Payment can be cash or a check made payable to St. Matthew School and dropped off at the school office.

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

3rd Grade Football Team Plays for the City Championship on Saturday!

Good luck to our 3rd grade football team who will be playing at Bishop Chatard H.S. this Saturday, 11/1 at 9:00 am in the City Championship Game! Come cheer on our Warriors!







Girls Volleyball Home Matches

TONIGHT!!

PACK THE HOUSE NIGHT

Cadet B Black vs. Holy Spirit Geist 6:00 pm Cadet B Red vs. Christ the King 7:00 pm 8th Grade Recognition between these 2 games

Cadet A vs. Little Flower 8:00 pm

Saturday, 11/1

Cadet C vs. Our Lady of Greenwood 10:00 am 4th Grade vs. St. Charles 11:00 am

Thursday, 11/6

Cadet C vs. St. Mark 6:00 pm Cadet A. vs. St. Mark 7:00 pm

Saturday, 11/8

Cadet B Black vs. St. Roch 9:00 am Cadet C vs. St. Monica 10:00 am 56 A vs. IHM 11:00 am 56B vs. Holy Name 12:00 pm 4th Grade vs. St. Malachy 1:00 pm



Fans in the Stands! We had a wonderful turnout for the 3rd grade football game last Saturday. Our fans cheered the Warriors onto a victory!















What a Super (Mario) Evening!

THANK YOU to our Chili Supper chairperson - Stephanie Mills! She along with our amazing volunteers of Becky Alerding, John Mills, Haylee Teeple, Beth Walsh, Carly and Peter DeFazio, turned our gym into a game room. The decorations were amazing and the chili was delicious! Thanks to our chef, Bridget Dugan. We also want to thank Sharee Gwin was in charge of the kitchen! We appreciate ALL your hard work to make this family favorite a success!

We sincerely appreciate The Men's Club for serving drinks, our 8th graders and their parents for the fun haunted hallway and game room and all the volunteers who served food and drinks, helped clear tables, took out the trash and monitored the parking lot! Thank you to parishioner, Victor Neff for volunteering to DJ! Thank you all for giving your time and energy to this amazing evening of fun and fellowship!

Thanks to the firefighters, who are stationed across the street who judged our Pumpkin Decorating Contest.

We love this annual tradition of our Chili Supper! This has been going on for such a long time that Stephanie, our chairperson attended this event when she was a student at St. Matthew!





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.

First Aid Office, please click here to signup. 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!

Trunk or Treat Last Saturday A BIG thank you goes out to Pam Fleming who organizes this fun family event!

Library Volunteers Needed

If you are willing to volunteer in our Library, please <u>click</u> <u>here</u> for the sign-up genius or contact Liz Lichtenberger, <u>ehv1215@yahoo.com</u>.

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 <u>special incentives</u> to make it even more worth your while to lend your time and talents! <u>Click here</u> for more info on our volunteer service program, as well as a <u>detailed list</u> 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

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





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, November 1st at 9:00 am.

High School Information





Future Trojan families! Interested in becoming a part of the next class of Trojans? Bishop Chatard High School is now

accepting applications and welcoming shadow students for the Class of 2030.

Key Enrollment Events:

NOW-JANUARY - Schedule a Shadow Day NOW-APRIL - Attend a Wednesday Walk-Thru NOVEMBER 15 - High School Placement Test NOVEMBER 25 - Admissions Application Deadline DECEMBER 1 - Financial Aid Application Deadline DECEMBER - Watch for your Big Blue Envelope! FEBRUARY 9 - Deadline to submit Trojan Intent Forms/Deposit

To learn more or register for enrollment events, visit BishopChatard.org/enrollment.

Cathedral High School

Class of 2030 - Applications are OPEN!



Application deadline:

Decisions sent December 1st

Dates and Events to Remember:

• Cathedral Coffee/Campus tour/Q & A

November 5th

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

High School Hockey Game

This is a special invite to root on the <u>Central Indiana</u> <u>Knights</u> Varsity A & B high school hockey teams for Cathedral & Bishop Chatard! The Knights are playing against rink rivals HSE varsity A & B teams Thursday, November 13th at the Fishers event center where the Indy Fuel plays! It will be a barn burner of a match for both games for just \$8 a ticket for the entirety of the event!

St. Matthew Alumni (Class of 2024), Van Driscoll and Joseph Rues play on the Knights Varsity B team so come cheer the former Warriors onto victory! Hockey is a special sport that combines speed, physicality, and skill all in a fast paced game.

Hope to see you there!

Click here for information on how to purchase tickets. Tickets may also be purchased on Ticketmaster. Tickets bought via Venmo can be picked up at the St. Mathew School Office. Contact Angela Driscoll, angelalorena07@aol.com for information about the event and how to get your tickets delivered to SMS.