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(317) 251-3997
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(317)457-3165

The Warrior World



Thursday, April 2, 2026

Upcoming Events

[Click here](#) for the
School Calendar

April

Thursday, 4/2

7th Grade Last Supper
2:00 pm in the Gym

Friday, 4/3

**1:00 pm Dismissal
NO EXTENDED CARE**

K - 8 students must be
in school uniform
(non-uniform passes
not accepted)
Good Friday
8th Grade Living
Stations 10:00 am
7th Grade Flower
Orders Due by 1:00 pm

Monday, 4/6

No School
Easter Monday

Wednesday, 4/8

Mandatory 8th Grade
Parent/Student Meeting
6:00 pm in Café

Friday, 4/10

Fund-a-Friend
Village of Merici

Mon., 4/13 - Fri., 5/8

ILEARN Testing
Window

Sunday, 4/19

Haiti Run 2:00 pm
Back Parking Lot

Thursday, 4/23

Middle School Band
and Music Concert
6:30 pm - Gym

Wednesday, 4/29

Walk-a-thon

Thursday, 4/30

Flower Pick Up
1:30 - 2:30 pm and
3:30 - 5:00 pm

Choice Scholarship Information needed from all families who are enrolling in K - 8 for the 2026-27 school year

Many of you may be aware that beginning in the 2026–2027 academic year, **all** Indiana families with students in kindergarten through 12th grade will be eligible for the Choice Scholarship (voucher program). This change removes previous income restrictions and allows every family to apply for vouchers to help cover tuition costs at participating private schools.

We have recently received clarification regarding the documentation required to process student applications.

- Choice scholarship (voucher) will open later in the spring
- Every family requires proof of address / residency

Any of the following documents with a printed address on it are acceptable as proof of residency:

- Copy of Driver's License
- Bank statement
- Credit card statement
- Loan statement
- Lease agreement
- Mortgage / rental contract
- Property deed
- Voter registration
- USPS change of address confirmation
- Insurance policy (homeowners, renters, auto, health)
- Tax statement

Please turn in this documentation to the school office as soon as possible, so that we can be prepared to process student applications when the window opens. We need this documentation from only one parent.

Summer Care 2026

May 26th to June 26th

7:00 am - 5:00 pm

Register before **May 10th** with the \$35 registration fee and receive a 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.

Friday, April 3rd

Good Friday

1:00 Dismissal for PreK - 8th
No Extended Care

Monday, April 6th

Easter Monday

No School for PreK - 8th

Holy Week Schedule



Thursday, 4/2

7th Grade Last Supper
2:00 pm in the Gym

7:00 pm Mass

Good Friday, 4/3

8th Grade Living Stations 10:00 am

Students must be in school uniform

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00 pm

Holy Saturday, 4/4

8:00 pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, 4/5

Mass at 7:30 am, 9:30 am, & 11:30 am

Social Media

Facebook:

@stmattschoolindy

Twitter:

@stmattschool

Instagram:

stmattschool

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

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.

[Medical Authorization form](#)
[Extended Care Information](#)
[Parent Handbook 2025-26](#)
[School Calendar](#)
[Faculty and Staff Directory](#)

To receive important text messages from St. Matthew School Messenger, [click here](#) for instruction on how to opt-in.

[Click here for 2026-27 Key Dates](#)

Outstanding Warriors and Honor Roll

Congratulations to our Outstanding Warriors for 3rd Quarter! The OWA is a long-standing tradition at St. Matthew School. This award is given to one student per grade each quarter who truly embodies the Warrior Way. These students were selected by their teachers for demonstrating the characteristics of kindness, leadership, compassion, and Christian behavior. We are Warrior Proud!

Kindergarten - Ada
1st Grade - Josie
2nd Grade - Natalia
3rd Grade - Leona and Josephine
4th Grade - William
5th Grade - Claire
6th Grade - Nina-Marie
7th Grade - Rylee
8th Grade - Noah



[Click here](#) to see the students who earned a place on the Honor Roll.

Congratulations to our Warriors!

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

Monday, April 6

- EASTER MONDAY
- NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, April 7

- Chicken Penne and Broccoli
- Chicken Bacon Ranch Wrap
- BLT Salad

Wednesday, April 8

- Philly Cheesesteak
- Pepperoni Pizza Kit
- BLT Salad

Thursday, April 9

- Italian Sub
- Chicken Bacon Ranch Wrap
- BLT Salad

Friday, April 10

- Cheese Quesadilla
- Cheese Pizza Kit
- Lunchie Munchie

[Lunch Policy](#)

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

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

USDA is an equal opportunity provider & employer.

If your student owes money on his/her lunch account, they will not be allowed to buy extras or snack.

Sports

CYO Track and Field



Tentative Meet Schedule: (All meets will start at 1:00 PM *Excluding City Finals Meet*)

Sunday, April 12 at Chatard-North Deanery Meet

Sunday, April 19 at Roncalli

Sunday, April 26 at Clark Pleasant Middle School

Sunday, May 3 - Location TBD but will be either at Roncalli or at Guerin

City Finals: Friday, May 15th & Wednesday, May 20th

Any questions, please contact Barrett Brown at bbbrownbsu@gmail.com or 317-903-2456.

The CYO fee for track is \$85. Register at: [Welcome | Copy of SMS CYO Registration 25-26 -](#)

Upcoming Bishop Chatard North Deanery Night Boys Volleyball - Friday, April 10th

North Deanery students receive FREE admission with their Future Trojan Pass or by wearing their school or parish's spirit wear.

Join us for our boys volleyball North Deanery night on Friday, April 10 as the Trojans take on the Cathedral Irish! The Trojan Horse will be firing up the grills and we'll have giveaways. The JV starts at 5:30 that evening, with Varsity following at 6:30 p.m.



BCHS BOYS VOLLEYBALL NORTH DEANERY NIGHT FRIDAY, APRIL 10

→ Trojan Horse Tailgate

→ Giveaways for North-Deanery Players

→ JV match starts at 5:30 p.m., Varsity at 6:30



**Come cheer on the Trojans
as they battle the Irish!**

CYO Boys' Home Volleyball Games

Tuesday, April 7th

4th Grade 7:00 pm

Cadet B 8:00 pm



Tuesday, April 14th

56A 7:00 pm

Cadet A 8:00 pm

Thursday, April 16th

4th Grade 6:00 pm

Cadet B 7:00 pm

CYO Cadet Girls Softball Games

All games are played at Chuck Klein Sports
[4702 Rockville Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46222](#)

Thursday, April 9th 5:30 pm

Tuesday, April 14th 7:00 pm

Thursday, April 16th 7:00 pm

Tuesday, April 21st 7:00 pm

Tuesday, April 28th 5:30 pm

Thursday, April 30th 7:00 pm



CYO Co-ed 5th/6th Soccer Home Games

Wednesday April 8th 5:30 pm

Wednesday, April 22nd 5:30 pm

Monday, April 27th 5:30 pm



Our 8th grade boys volleyball players were recognized at Pack the House Night this past Tuesday. Good luck this season!

[St. Matthew Athletics Facebook Page](#)

[St. Matthew Athletics Instagram Page](#)

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.

Library Volunteers Needed

The SMS library is always looking for volunteers! Volunteer shifts are available Wednesdays and Fridays, for just a few hours. You can sign up to help any day or time that's convenient for you. Volunteers read to the students (they love this!), help them find books, and reshelve books. Training is provided. Must be Safe Parish-certified. This is also a great opportunity for grandparents and a fun way to get your service hours! If you're interested, sign up [here](#).



If you are interested in volunteering in our First Aid Office, [please click here to sign-up](#).

Volunteer Service Hour Google Form
<https://forms.gle/atrsNZWT8udMSaTH8>

Click on the above link to submit your hours of service.

Fundraisers

Save the Date
Dine To Donate at 

Thursday, April 16th to benefit our sister school in Haiti
Thursday, April 23rd to benefit Blood Cancer United
Thursday, May 14th to benefit St. Matthew School

Reminder to submit your volunteer hours via this link:
<https://forms.gle/atrsNZWT8udMSaTH8>

12 volunteer hours = 1 non-uniform pass earned. Maximum of 5 passes can be earned per school year. [Click here](#) for explanation on what types of activities count (basically anything that benefits a class, the school, or the church, rather than just one individual student).

Please contact Nick McCallum (nicholas_mccallum@hotmail.com) with any questions.



Enroll Your Kroger Plus Card!
St. Matthew School just received a quarterly check from Kroger for **\$546** — all thanks to families who have registered their Kroger

Plus Shopper's Card. We can earn even more at **no cost to you** if all of our families sign up! [Click here to register your Kroger Plus Shopper's Card](#). Our organization number is **RQ009** or simply search for **St. Matthew**. Thank you for supporting St. Matthew School every time you shop!

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.



Looking for trusted help with home projects, maintenance or the unexpected?

Join Neighbor Club!

It's never been easier to care for your home. Join or gift Indy's home service club for just \$96 per year, and **Neighbor Serve will donate 50% of proceeds back to St. Matthew School.**

NEIGHBOR
SERVE

Why Neighbor Club?

- VIP access to top, vetted contractors across Indianapolis
- Over \$13 k in member offers and savings
- FREE HVAC tune-up included with membership
- Direct access to local team ready to help anytime

Locally Owned -
St. Matthew Family

Learn more and join the club [here](#).



Geranium Planter

Combination Sun Loving Planter



Gerbera Daisy, Mixed Colors, 12" Patio Pot

St. Matthew FLOWER SALE

[Click here](#) for the order form.

Combination Planter \$35

Gerbera Daisy Planter \$35

Red Geranium Planter \$35

Begonia—Green Leaf Flat \$25

Begonia—Bronze Leaf Flat \$25

Impatiens Flat \$25

Spring Mix Hanging Basket \$25

Impatiens Hanging Basket \$25

Geranium Hanging Basket \$25

Petunia Hanging Basket \$25

Dragon Wing Begonia Basket \$25

6 in Geranium flat:
red, white, pink, violet, salmon
(6 plants/flat) \$50



Petunias, Various Colors



Spring Mix, Various Mixes



**FUNDRAISER FOR 7TH GRADE'S
WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP**

PAYMENT DUE UPON ORDERING



1801 Bedding Impatiens



1801 Bedding Begonias



Dragon Wing Begonias



Impatiens, Various Colors

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 for donuts 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.

This Lent, the St. Vincent de Paul Society is buying new beds for those without one. Sadly, many poverty-stricken individuals and families are forced to sacrifice the pleasure of a suitable place to sleep. Without this, they suffer the consequences of sleep deprivation. St. Vincent de Paul is making it their duty to provide more beds for those in need through their 40 Days for 40 Beds Drive. An effort like this cannot succeed without support from the community. Therefore, we pray that you are able to assist our sisters and brothers at this time. A \$100 donation will provide one twin bed for a child; a \$200 donation will provide a double or queen bed for adults. Donations for this drive are being collected now through Easter Sunday. Please designate how your donation should be used by making checks payable to "St. Matthew SVDP" with the memo "Lenten Bed Drive." Thank you for your support and generosity.



St. Carlo's Corner

Join us in our St. Carlo Acutis Family Lenten challenge! Click here to see the challenge <https://stcarlo.link/lent-2026>

This is our last week of the challenge! This week we look at "using technology to do good." What are some ways we can use technology to further the gospel message? As we journey through Holy Week could we perhaps learn into technology to help deepen our faith or share it with others?

The Hallow app has an immersive seven part video series on Holy Week in the Holy Land, could we make time as a family to watch one video?

If you took part in the Lent challenge we'd love to hear about it! Feel free to reach out to Katie O'Brien at kciresi@gmail.com or any of the other SCPN parents!

St. Carlo pray for us as we navigate our tech journey! Missed a Corner? [Find previous ones here.](#)



Year-End Tax Statements

2025 year-end tax statements for tuition payments and childcare payments are available online through your FACTS account and your Smartcare Account. Tuition statements can be accessed by logging into your FACTS account and clicking on "View Details" and then "View Payment Summary." You can then enter a date range and click "View."

For instructions on how to access **Extended Care statements**, please [click here](#).

High School Information

Wednesday Walk-Thru

Apr. 8 & 22
Time: 8:15 – 10:00 am



Parents/Guardians of 7th and 8th-grade students, are invited to spend a morning getting to know Bishop Chatard High School. During the Wednesday Walk-Thru, parents/guardians will hear a brief presentation from school leadership and current students, followed by a tour of the school. Throughout the morning, there are opportunities to ask questions. [Click here](#) to register.

BCHS Summer Camp Registration is now Open

It's a great time to start thinking about summer! We're excited to offer an awesome lineup of summer camps for students in grades 1-8, featuring several new options along with all of our longtime favorites. Click [here](#) to learn more.



L.J. DEYPALUBOS
SALUTATORIAN

Congratulations to 2022 SMS graduate **LJ Deypalubos** on being named Salutatorian at Bishop Chatard High School!

We also celebrate fellow SMS graduates who ranked in the Top 10% of the BCHS Class of 2026:

Ari Finn
Jude Forestal
Clare Kirchgessner
Sophia Reed
Cooper Teeple

We are incredibly proud of their hard work and achievements-Warrior Proud!

6th, 7th & 8th GRADE NORTH DEANERY LUAU



Who: All 6th, 7th & 8th Graders of the North Deanery

When: April 17th from 7 - 9 p.m.

Where: Immaculate Heart of Mary- Activity Center

Cost: \$10.00 admission **AND** an item for Birthline

(suggested birthline items: pacifiers, baby wash, board books, baby wipes)

Snacks and beverages will be for sale at the concession stand!

DJ – Games – Door Prizes – Photo Booth

All participants, including guests, must fill out a Permission Form

I give permission for my daughter / son _____ to attend the North Deanery 6th, 7th & 8th Event on Friday, April 17 from 7-9 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary. I have read the North Deanery Guidelines on the back of this permission form. In case of emergency, I give permission to the North Deanery Youth Ministers, and/or adult chaperones, to transport my child to the hospital for treatment and contact me as soon as possible.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Contact _____

Numbers (2): _____ / _____ Parish: _____

_____ OR Guest of: _____

Please contact your parish Youth Minister for more information

North Deanery Youth Ministry Event Guidelines 2025-2026

The policies listed below are for all North Deanery Junior High events. These are meant to ensure a safe, healthy and Christian environment for North Deanery Youth Ministry (NDYM) events. We appreciate your participation in NDYM events and your assistance in following these rules!

***Proper Dress Policy:** Your attire and dress code should always reflect Christian Modesty, both in how the clothing covers your body and in what your clothing says. Appropriately dressed students will be welcomed and admitted. Appropriate attire is at the discretion of the NDYM members. When in doubt, please bring alternative attire.

***Electronics Policy:** Cell phones are encouraged to be in your pocket, as we want you to enjoy and be *unplugged* at NDYM events. All other electronic devices are requested to be left at home.

***Entrance and Exit Policy:** All attendees must arrive with the NDYM **Permission Form**, or a parent's note that includes an emergency phone number and a parent's signature, prior to admittance. Only those with written parental permission will be allowed to leave early from the event.

***Guest Policy:** North Deanery Junior High Students are allowed to bring one (1) guest. The guest must arrive with a NDYM signed Permission Form, as well as a signed Events Guidelines Form. The North Deanery Student and their Guest are to arrive and depart the NDYM event together.

***Behavior Policy:** The purpose of all NDYM policies is to create a Christian atmosphere and an attitude of consideration and respect for others. Discipline is as fundamental to Catholic education as it is to the Christian way of life. The following behavior is considered inappropriate at NDYM events: bullying; cheating, lying, or dishonesty; damage or destruction to property; fighting; foul language; groping; inappropriate dancing; kissing; leaving the property without permission; possession or use of any weapon, illegal substances (alcohol, drugs, tobacco, or other); stealing; verbal harassment; and any other behavior or incident deemed to be serious in nature by the NDYM members.

Displaying any of the above type of behavior will result in parent notification and the student and any guest will be dismissed. Additionally, all involved could face suspension from future NDYM events.

We, (Parent and Student), are committed to the fun, safe and Christian environment of all North Deanery Events. We have read the above policies and guidelines, and agree to abide by them.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Youth Signature: _____ Date: _____

Permission to walk: I hereby release and hold North Deanery Youth Ministry Association and their employees, directors, volunteers, and/or others acting on their behalf, harmless from negligence and any and all claims that I or my child may have arising from walking to the event and/or home from the event host site.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

2026 3K Run/Walk to Support Haiti

Join us for the second Haiti 3 K Run/Walk to support Saint Matthew's sister parish in Haiti. Funds will go towards building a playground and courtyard for school children at the Viv Ansamn School at Jede and additional funds will be used to support the many needs of the school to support its students. The project will make the area safer and clear for the children and teachers. The fundraiser is being organized by teens from the Saint Matthew parish.

- **When: Sunday, April 19th, at 2 pm**
- **Where: Saint Matthew Catholic Church - parking lot behind the church/school, located 4100 East 56th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46220**
- **Cost: Walkers/Runners are encouraged to contribute or raise \$25. If you have multiple people in your family participating, the family rate is \$50 (please register two people on the event page- link below).**

Please email sophiareednov2@yahoo.com or text 317-908-3195 how many people in your family will participate, and confirm that you understand the waiver on the registration page applies to all participants. Donations: Participants are encouraged to seek donations for this great cause. When registering, you have the option to donate an additional amount. Participants raising at least \$50 will receive a T-Shirt. *Please come out for this great cause and support the Saint Matthew young leaders who are leading this event!*

Please follow this link to register:
<https://tinyurl.com/nhak2vb6>



NEW DANCERS WELCOME
RICHENS/TIMM IRISH DANCE
INDIANAPOLIS

SPRING
APRIL 13, 20, 27 & MAY 4, 11, 18
4:45 - 5:30PM (AGES 5+) \$100

SUMMER
JUNE 10, 11, 12
12:00-12:45PM (AGES 5 & 6) \$50
12:55-1:40PM (AGES 7+ UP) \$50

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!
COME AND LEARN YOUR FIRST DANCE!

CLASS SIZE LIMITED.
ENROLL: RICHENSTIMM.COM

INDY STUDIO: 4369 W 96th St.

Open House
April 13
4:45-5:30pm
New dancers
welcome to try this
class!



Irish Dancers

On March 13th, our K-5 students had an opportunity to experience the energy and tradition of Irish dance when performers from the Richens/Timm Academy of Irish Dance visited our school!

If you'd like to learn more about their program, visit their website:
<https://www.richenstimm.com/>

Local classes in Indianapolis:
Classes for both children and adults are held locally, making it easy for families to get involved. Whether your child was inspired by the performance or you're interested in trying something new yourself, Richens/Timm provides a fun and welcoming way to experience Irish dance.

VBS 2026
PARTICIPANT
&
VOLUNTEER
REGISTRATION

Jesus, Tell Us a Story

Parables of Jesus



For more information,
please contact Pam Fleming.
pfleming@saintmatt.org

VBS participants:
Ages 3 YEARS OLD (potty-trained) - completed GRADE 2
Student volunteers:
Completed GRADES 5 - 6 - 7
Adult volunteers:
HS Juniors and older, yet young at heart

MONDAY, JUNE 1 -
THURSDAY, JUNE 4
9:00a - 11:30a

VBS ADULT VOLUNTEER	VBS STUDENT VOLUNTEER
Name: _____	Name: _____
Cell: _____	Grade completed: _____
Email: _____	Student cell: _____
Safe Parish trained YES ___ NO ___	Parent email: _____
	Parent cell: _____

Participant

Student name: _____

Grade completed: _____ Age: _____

Birthdate: _____

Allergies: _____

Participant

Student name: _____

Grade completed: _____ Age: _____

Birthdate: _____

Allergies: _____

Participant

Student name: _____

Grade completed: _____ Age: _____

Birthdate: _____

Allergies: _____

REGISTRATION FEES	
VOLUNTEERS (\$0)	
PARTICIPANTS	
MARCH 5 - APRIL 20	(\$30 per child)
APRIL 21 - MAY 25	(\$35 per child)

CONTACT INFORMATION

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: _____

CELL: _____ EMAIL: _____

CELL: _____ EMAIL: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____

CELL: _____

Our 3-year-olds will be led by Margaret Stempky and Laura Legault.

Please return this registration form with payment to Pam Fleming in the Parish Office.
Make checks payable to St. Matthew Catholic Church.