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The Warrior World



Thursday, April 24, 2025

Upcoming Events

[Click here](#) for the School Calendar

Key Dates 2025-26

April

Thursday, 4/24

Middle School Band Program 6:30 pm
Church
Dine to Donate
Scoop Shack 2 - 9 pm

Friday, 4/25

Fund-a-Friend

Mon. – Fri. 4/28 – 5/2

Teacher Appreciation Week

Wednesday, 4/30

Flower Pick-Up
Bus Barn 1-5 pm

May

Thursday, 5/1

Walk-a-thon 1:45 pm

Friday, 5/2

May Crowning 1:30 pm

Saturday, 5/3

First Communion

Mon., 5/5-Fri., 5/9

8th grade to DC

Thursday, 5/15

Last Day of Preschool

Friday, 5/16

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

Wednesday, 5/21

Graduation 6:00 pm
Church

Friday, 5/23

Last Day of School
1:00 Dismissal
No Extended Care

June

Mon., 6/2 - Thurs., 6/5

Vacation Bible School

Fund-a-Friend TOMORROW - 4/25!

We are having a Fund-a-Friend on Friday, April 25th to benefit the [Village of Merici](#). Village of Merici provides residential and community opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities. For a donation of \$2 or more, students can dress in non-uniform.

Spring Flower Pick-Up

Flower pick-up will be Wednesday, 4/30 in the back parking lot from 1:00 - 5:00 pm. Thank you for supporting the Class of 2026!



May Crowning

Join us for our May Crowning on Friday, May 2 at 1:30 pm in church. Our 8th grade will crown Mary and lead us in praying the rosary. This is a long-standing tradition at St. Matthew School.

Walk-a-thon - Thursday, May 1 at 1:45 pm

[Click here](#) to donate or you can send in cash or a check made payable to St. Matthew School.

Our Walk-A-Thon is May 1, so please **register now** to help our school raise as much as we can for continued technology improvements including implementing a STEM computer lab with modular desks and flexible seating for the use of iPads and Chromebooks. Between now and May 1, there will be some fun drawings and classroom incentives. Our first one is **a homeroom competition that starts today and ends Sunday at 6 PM**. Families, please register your family and send at least three emails between now and Sunday. The homeroom with the highest number of participants will receive a classroom treat on Monday. There will be raffle drawings on Monday and Wednesday for additional prizes for families who have registered and sent emails. Stay tuned for more information and thank you for your support! **Using your computer or phone's browser:**

Go to <http://pledgestar.com/stmatthew>

- Click "Not Registered For This Year's Event"
- Enter your name and email address, then click "Submit"
- Follow the instructions on-screen to register student(s) and add family and friends

When you finish, the system emails pledge requests to your family and friends, and allows them to make secure credit card donations online. You get notified each time a pledge is made, and you can track your pledge progress online. Call 1-888-598-7510 if you need help.

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

May 27th to June 27th
7:00 am - 5:00 pm

Register before May 16th

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.

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, ellis@saintmatt.org.

Social Media

Facebook: @stmattschoolindy

Twitter: @stmattschool

Instagram: stmattschool

Parent Handbook

[Click here](#) for the School Calendar

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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

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

[Click here](#) to review the policy on when a student should stay home or return to school after an illness.

Medications

If your student needs medication (prescription or over-the-counter) at school, please complete the [Medical Authorization form](#) and drop off at the school office. All medication must be in its original bottle.

Please [click here](#) for our Extended Care Policies.

Attendance Clarification

Per Archdiocese of Indianapolis guidance, students who are more than 45 minutes late OR leave more than 45 minutes early will be recorded as a half day of attendance.

School Supplies 2025-26 School Year

SMS Families: Don't Wait!

Have you seen the price of eggs lately? Everything is going up, even school supplies at Walmart, Target, and Amazon. But not at 1st Day School Supplies. We locked in the lowest price months ago!

👉 Order Here: 1stDay.sale/38235

Get everything your child needs hassle-free! Why spend more when you don't have to?

[Click here](#) to place your order! Deadline is July 1st.

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](#).



**YEARBOOKS
ON SALE NOW!**

Order your 2024-25 yearbook now! The cost is \$15 if ordered before May 9th or \$20 if ordered between May 10th - May 31st. Last day to order is May 31st. A limited number are available, so get yours now!

You can purchase online at:

<https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/SMS25>

Yearbooks will be delivered the first part of August.

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

Monday, April 28

- Chicken Patty on Bun and French Fries
- PBJ
- Chef Salad

Tuesday, April 29

- Pancakes with Bacon and Hashbrowns
- Chicken Wrap
- Chef Salad

Wednesday, April 30

- Carnitas and Churro
- PBJ
- Chef Salad

Thursday, May 1

- Corn Dog and Baked Beans
- Chicken Wrap
- Chef Salad

Friday, May 2

- Lasagna Roll-Up and Garlic Knot
- PBJ
- 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.

I scream – You
scream – we all
scream for ICE
CREAM!



With the weather turning warmer – it will be a perfect day for an ice cream treat – TODAY! [Scoop Shack](#) at 71st and Binford will be donating a portion of all sales to St. Matthew School. Go after school, after dinner or after the band concert – or all three!! They are open from 2:00 - 9:00 pm. Their address is 7002 Lake Plaza Dr .

Please support this local business while they support us!!

ATTENTION 5th Grade Parents

As we begin planning for next school year, Mr. Arrowood wanted to share some exciting information about **Band in 6th Grade at St. Matthew!** Band is a required part of the 6th grade curriculum, and we are so blessed to be able to offer this opportunity for all students.

We are fortunate to have a limited number of school-owned instruments available for rental (\$160 per year), which helps make band accessible to everyone. However, many families choose to rent or purchase an instrument for their child, and we partner closely with **Paige's Music** to make that process easy and affordable.

To help you understand the options and get all the necessary details, we ask that at least **one parent attend an important Band Information Meeting** on:

Wednesday, April 30th

6:00 PM

St. Matthew Community Room

Representatives from **Paige's Music** will be there to walk you through the rental process, answer questions, and share helpful advice as your child begins their band journey. This evening will be packed with valuable information, so your attendance is strongly encouraged. Thank you for supporting your child's musical growth! We look forward to seeing you there.

If you have any questions before the meeting, please don't hesitate to contact Mr. Arrowood, narrowood@saintmatt.org

[Choice Scholarship](#)

Information Needed!

[2025-26 Eligibility
Requirements Released](#)

When you get your 2024 taxes completed and you are applying for a school voucher, 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.

Attention 8th Grade!

The North Deanery Youth Ministry Association, a collaboration between the ten North Deanery Parishes, along with financial support from the North Deanery Priests; awards up to ten scholarships to North Deanery 8th Grade Students. This award is presented to an outstanding young person who will be a freshman, at any high school, in the fall.

The scholarship is for the amount of \$250.00, to be used at an Archdiocesan event (ie: National Catholic Youth Conference - NCYC), at a Deanery event (ie: March for Life Trip, Retreat) or at a Parish sponsored spiritual event, during your freshman or sophomore year. [Click here](#) for information.

Deadline is tomorrow, 4/25!

**All non-uniform
passes will expire
at the end of this
school year.**



TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

OUR TEACHERS ARE DA BOMB!

STUDENT PARTICIPATION IDEAS:

MONDAY, 4/28- STOCK THE TEACHER'S LOUNGE WITH "SODAPOP"

(A MEMBER OF THE PFA WILL BE AT CARPOOL WITH A CART)

TUESDAY, 4/29- BRING YOUR TEACHER(S) A SPECIAL THANK YOU NOTE

**WEDNESDAY, 4/30- SNACK WEDNESDAY, LET'S FUEL OUR TEACHERS LIKE
THEY FUEL US**

THURSDAY, 5/1- BRING A FLOWER, DRAWING, OR CANDY FOR YOUR TEACHER(S)

**FRIDAY, 5/2- FRUIT-FUL FRIDAY, BRING YOUR TEACHER AND STAFF THEIR
FAVORITE FRUIT**

ALL IDEAS ARE COMPLETELY OPTIONAL
PLEASE PARTICIPATE TO YOUR FAMILIES
COMFORT LEVEL AND HAVE FUN WITH IT!



Sports

CYO Girls' Softball

Cadet

Thurs., 5/1 6:00 pm at Bishop Chatard
Thurs., 5/8 6:00 pm at Bishop Chatard



CYO Track Meets

Sunday, April 27 - 1:00 pm
at Roncalli

Sunday, May 4 - 1:00 pm
at Clark Pleasant Middle School



CYO Championship 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 and Relays
at Marian University

CYO Boys' Baseball

7th Grade

Tues., 4/29 5:30 pm at Midwest Sports #1
Mon., 5/5 5:30 pm at Midwest Sports #1



8th Grade

Mon., 4/28 6:00 pm at Optimist Park
Mon., 5/13 6:00 pm at Optimist Park

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 and willing to take vitals. Volunteers please email warriorkb123@outlook.com if you can help.

Bishop Chatard North Deanery Sports Nights

Baseball North Deanery Night

Saturday, April 26
The BCHS JV baseball team takes on Westfield on Saturday, April 26 at 10:00 am. Come cheer on the Trojans and see the team in action!

Softball North Deanery Night

Tuesday, April 29
Join us on Tuesday, April 29 as the BCHS softball team takes on Brebeuf. North Deanery kids can arrive at 4:30 pm to meet the Trojan players and coaches. We'll have drawings for prizes, snacks and drinks at the pavilion during the game, and North Deanery players will have the opportunity to join the Trojan team for pregame introductions and hype!

Boys Volleyball North Deanery Night

Thursday, May 1
Mark your calendars! The Boys Volleyball North Deanery night is Thursday, May 1 versus Covenant Christian. The JV game starts at 5:30 pm with varsity to follow at 6:30 pm. North Deanery players will receive free admission to the game, a BCHS volleyball t-shirt and they can join our Trojan fans for dinner from the Trojan horse!



NURSES DIRECT CONNECT

\$35



St. Matthew CYO

**Sports
Physicals**

with Ashley Mahin FNP-C

6-8 pm

**Wednesday
May 28th**

Register Online

www.NursesDirectConnect.com

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.Archindysafeeparish.org Passcode: Archindy2021

Holy Week



7th Grade students Last Supper

Thank you to Miss Hubert, our Middle School Religion teacher, for guiding the students in their preparation for these special events.



8th Grade students Living Stations of the Cross



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.



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

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.

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.

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENT SCHEDULE

Friday, 5/2 Youth Gathering
Gr 6 – 8 at St. Joan of Arc

Nov. 20-23 NCYC at Lucas Oil
High School Students

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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul--Twin Bedding Urgently Needed

We have recently been informed by our friends at SVdP that they are extremely short on twin-sized bedding. If you are able, please donate new (or gently used) twin-sized bedding to SVdP. Donations can be left in the large wooden bins in the rear of the Narthex. We--and everyone at SVdP--appreciates your dedication and support for those in need. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST CATHOLICS!

April 19, 2025

Byron Bedolla
Owen Bedolla
Aria Burgess
Walli Frost
Joseph Renie
Caius Sergi
Emillie St. Pierre
Kennedy Tarpey
Eric Wunnenberg



Baptism
Jameson Burgess

Cathedral High School News

Becoming Irish

Start your journey to becoming Irish - the application period is open!

Visit gocathedral.com/admissions to learn more about life at Cathedral, the value of a Cathedral education, and the application process. Students applying now will be considered on a rolling basis.

The Hunchback of Notre Dame

May 1 - 3, 7:00 p.m., May 4, 2:00 p.m.

Based on the Victor Hugo novel and songs from the Disney animated feature, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* showcases the film's Academy Award-nominated score, as well as new songs by Menken and Schwartz. Peter Parnell's new book embraces story theatre and features verbatim passages from Hugo's gothic novel. [Click here to purchase tickets!](#)