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# The Warrior World

Thursday, February 5th, 2026

## Upcoming Events

[Click here](#) for the School Calendar

### February

**Friday, 2/6**  
Middle School Extravaganza 6 - 8 pm  
First Friday Spirit Day

**Saturday, 2/7**

CYO Music Contest  
Bishop Chatard HS  
8:00 am - 4:00 pm

**Thursday, 2/12**

Science Fair  
Warrior Showcase  
6:00 - 7:00 pm

**Friday, 2/13**

Fund-a-Friend for Blood Cancer United

**Monday, 2/16**

No School  
Presidents' Day

**Wednesday, 2/18**

Ash Wednesday  
Soup and Bread Supper  
7:00 pm Café

**Friday, 2/20**

8th Grade Musical  
"Annie Jr." 6:30 pm

**Wednesday, 2/25**

National Junior Honor Society Mass 8:15 am

**Friday, 2/27**

Fish Fry 5 - 7 pm

**Wednesday, 3/4**

Alumni Mass 8:30 am

**Friday, 3/6**

Fish Fry 5 - 7 pm  
First Friday Spirit Day

**Friday, 3/13**

Fish Fry 5 - 7 pm

**Saturday, 3/14**

Trivia Night

**Tuesday, 3/17**

Fund-a-Friend for Seeds of Hope

### First Friday Spirit Day

Tomorrow, 2/6!

Tomorrow is another First Friday Spirit Day! Students are encouraged to show their school pride by wearing St. Matthew spirit wear. Hooded sweatshirts are allowed.

Don't have spirit wear? No problem! You can still participate by wearing red and black—our school colors—or simply wear your regular school uniform.

Let's show our St. Matthew spirit!

### Fund-a-Friend

Friday, February 13th

#### To Benefit Blood Cancer United

Students are invited to participate in our Fund-a-Friend next Friday by donating at least \$2 to support this worthy cause. In return, students may come to school in casual (non-uniform) clothes! Donations will be collected by homeroom teachers at the start of the day. The funds raised will benefit Blood Cancer United (formerly known as the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society).

\*Please note: If a student chooses not to participate in Fund-a-Friend, they may wear their regular school uniform instead.

### CYO Music Contest

Good luck to our students who will be performing in the CYO Music Contest on Saturday at Bishop Chatard H. S.

Lilly Greenlee - Vocal Solo

Connor McCallum - Vocal Solo

Ellie McCallum - Vocal Solo

Iris Sergi - Vocal Solo and Guitar Solo

Wyatt March - Trumpet solo

Ethan Bishop, Colin Gale & Connor McCallum - Instrument Trio

### Stock the Teachers' Lounge

Valentine's Day is coming soon and the PFA would like to show our teachers and staff some LOVE so let's restock the Teachers' Lounge with snacks and beverages!



The PFA Teacher Appreciation committee, Cristina Aparicio and Lisa Lecher will be at morning drop-off on Tuesday, 2/10 to collect donations or you can drop off items at the school office anytime.

Most loved items are Diet Coke, unsweetened tea, pretzels, chips, granola bars, candy, etc. Really anything goes!

### Trivia Night Sponsorship and

### Auction Items Needed

[Click here](#) for details.

### St. Vincent de Paul

### Blanket Drive

Warming hearts and souls on Valentine's Day



SVdP needs gently used or new blankets for all standard bed sizes. Blankets can be dropped off at the school office or the St. Vincent de Paul bins in the back of church.

**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](mailto: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

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

### **Monday, Feb. 9**

- Chicken Leg with Mashed Potatoes
- PBJ
- Chicken Caesar Salad

### **Tuesday, Feb. 10**

- Chili and Cinnamon Roll
- Yogurt Parfait
- Chicken Caesar Salad

### **Wednesday, Feb. 11**

- Pancakes and Scrambled Eggs
- PBJ
- Chicken Caesar Salad

### **Thursday, Feb. 12**

- Chicken Alfredo and Broccoli
- Yogurt Parfait
- Chicken Caesar Salad

### **Friday, Feb. 13**

- Cheese Pizza
- PBJ
- Lunchie Munchie

### [Lunch Policy](#)

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

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

**USDA is an equal opportunity provider & employer.**

**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\*\*](#)

**Warrior Showcase!**  
Thursday, February 12th - 6:00 - 7:00 pm  
A night for the St. Matthew Community to view the amazing student projects and activities! There will be projects in the gym and in the students' classrooms.

Visit the table by the front office to receive your raffle ticket!  
Please write your first & last name on the ticket and return to the jar.  
Winners will be announced Friday, (2/13) by Mrs. Swinefurth!

Projects on display in the gym

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science: Science Fair Projects

MS Language Arts: Novel Projects

-6<sup>th</sup>: Lightning Thief

-7<sup>th</sup>: The Outsiders

-8<sup>th</sup>: The Hunger Games

Projects Displayed in Classrooms:

Art: Our World of Color (projects from various grades displayed)

Music: The Discovery Orchestra

Preschool & Pre-K: Family Fun Games

Kindergarten: Marshmallow CVC Words and Creations

1<sup>st</sup> Grade-Rathz: Personal Narrative Publishing Projects

1<sup>st</sup> Grade-Clark: Writing projects using mentor text for creative inspiration

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Frozen themed STEAM demonstrations & creations

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Array City- where Big City and Mathematics meet

4<sup>th</sup> Grade LA: The Tale of Two Mills- based on Maniac Magee

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Science: Weathering, Erosion, & Deposition Over Time

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Religion: The Blessed Sacrament: Jesus Christ

5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Expert Projects

MS Social Studies: Heroes of the World

MS Religion: Stained Glass Bible Stories

MS Warrior Academy: 6<sup>th</sup>-Brain Museum 7<sup>th</sup>& 8<sup>th</sup>- Digital Citizenship

MS Math: 6<sup>th</sup>-Coordinate Art, 7<sup>th</sup> - Real-Life Ratios, 8<sup>th</sup>- My Life as a Function

# Sports

**Have you seen the new addition to our home and visiting team benches for CYO games?**

**A SPECIAL thank you goes out to a Donor Angel that is a local business owner and parishioner.**

**We appreciate you making our Gym Manager's vision a reality!**



## IMPORTANT CYO Sports News

We need to determine if there is sufficient interest in some spring sports to field a team. SPORTENGINE will be our source for this information, so please use the following links to let us know if your son/daughter is interested.

### Soccer (Coed grade 5-8)

<https://stmatthewssportscommittee.sportngin.com/register/form/903527406>

### Boys Volleyball (4-8) EVALUATIONS SUNDAY, 2/1

<https://stmatthewssportscommittee.sportngin.com/register/form/337274803>

### Boys Baseball (7-8)

<https://stmatthewssportscommittee.sportngin.com/register/form/715841292>

### Girls Softball (7-8)

<https://stmatthewssportscommittee.sportngin.com/register/form/995512056>

### Track (Coed 3-8)

<https://stmatthewssportscommittee.sportngin.com/register/form/033942599>

## CYO Girls Basketball Home Schedule

TONIGHT, February 5th

**PACK the HOUSE NIGHT!**

Free Admission for SMS Students

4th White 6:00 pm

**8th Grade Recognition before the 7:00 game**

Cadet A 7:00 pm

Tuesday, February 10th

56A 6:00 pm

Cadet A 7:00 pm

Wednesday, February 11th

4th White 6:00 pm

4th Red 7:00 pm

Tuesday, February 24th

4th Red 6:00 pm

56B 7:00 pm

Cadet B 8:00 pm

Sunday, March 1st

56A 3:00 pm

Cadet A 4:00 pm

56B 5:00 pm



## A Volunteer is still needed to serve as coordinator of our CYO Track team

Please contact our Athletic Director, Eddie Keever, (317) 476-2848 or [eddiekeever@hotmail.com](mailto:eddiekeever@hotmail.com) if you can help or if you have any questions.

## TAKE A SHOT and Join the Catholic Lacrosse Club of Indianapolis!



Saints Lacrosse is now registering players for the Spring season! Boys and girls, grades K-8 are eligible. We offer a great environment to learn the fastest game on two feet! Please go to [www.catholiclax.com](http://www.catholiclax.com) to register!

Registration for Spring season closes at midnight on **Sunday, 2/15**. Financial aid and scholarships are available to those who qualify!

[St. Matthew Athletics Facebook Page](#)

[St. Matthew Athletics Instagram Page](#)

## Next Level Flag Football League at Cathedral High School Co-ed League for K-7 Students

- Season: **March 29 – May 17, 2026**
- Games: Sundays (Week 2 is Saturday, April 4 due to Easter weekend)
- Cost: **\$205** (includes custom jersey + shorts + equipment)
- Weekly format: short practice then game (times by grade listed on the registration page)
- Registration closes: **Sunday, April 5 at midnight**

Registration link and details: <https://www.nextlevelsports.com/Default.aspx?tabid=1040921>



### Congratulations to our Musicians!

Riley, Ethan, and Jude received **Gold** ratings at the Indiana State Solo and Ensemble Contest this past weekend! They put in incredible effort and performed beautifully, earning this well-deserved recognition. We are Warrior Proud!

Thank you to Mr. Arrowood for his guidance!



Tomorrow is the last day we are collecting items for the [Arthur and Ruth Browne St. Vincent House](#) to help them stock the house with some basic needs. Thank you for your generosity!

### St. Vincent House Donation Requests

Preschool/PreK:	Individual Snacks (Pretzels, Chips, etc.)
Kindergarten:	Individual Snacks (Pretzels, Chips, etc.)
1st Grade:	Fruit Snacks and Individual Juice Boxes
2nd Grade:	Granola Bars and Ramen Noodles
3rd Grade:	Individual Snacks (Pretzels, Chips, etc.) and Individual Size Assorted Cereal Boxes
4th Grade:	Microwavable Soup in a Bowl/Cup and Microwavable Macaroni & Cheese
5th Grade:	Liquid Laundry Detergent and Dryer Sheets
6th Grade:	Individual Tuna & Cracker Kits and Individual Snacks (Pretzels, Chips)
7th Grade:	Liquid Hand Soap and Tissues
8th Grade:	Paper Towels and Individual Fruit Cups

# 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

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).



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!

## Volunteer Service Hour Google Form

<https://forms.gle/atrNZWT8udMSaTH8>

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



**Friday Night Fish Frys in the Gym - 5:00 - 7:00 pm  
2/27, 3/6, 3/13**

## Volunteers Needed!

We need many volunteers to make our Fish Frys successful. Please click on the link below to sign up for a shift or two!

[Fish Fry Community Fundraiser: 2026 St. Matthew Fish Fry](#)

Thank you to the loyal committee for planning this fun family event!

# Fundraisers



## 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.



Struggling with home projects? Treat yourself or gift a membership to Neighbor Serve, Indy's home service club. It's less than Netflix at \$96 / year.

- VIP access to the top 5% of Indy contractors.
- \$13k in member-offers (free HVAC tuneup, \$600 off closets, etc.).
- Get help on any home project in the app, or call, text, or email their local team!

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

# VALENTINE'S DAY GRAMS FOR SALE!

**Send a special Valentine's Day treat and note to your child for only \$1 and support your Student Council!**

**Valentine's Day Grams will be delivered on Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Grams can be purchased by sending in a message and money addressed to Mrs. Middleton or purchase at the school office.**

**Deadline to purchase is Thursday, February 12th**

**Happy Valentine's Day!**

## Valentine's Day Gram

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

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

Note: \_\_\_\_\_

Support our SMS Girl Scout Troops!

Check in with a 2nd, 3rd, or 4th Grade Girl Scout to order your favorite cookies or stop by a cookie booth throughout the next month at SMS:

- Saturday, Feb. 7 at Parish Happy Hour
- Sunday, Feb. 22 after Masses
- Athletic Events
- Thursday, 2/12 at Warrior Showcase

Questions?

Sharece Phillips - 3rd Grade (812-629-5206)

Julie Reyes - 2nd and 4th Grade (317-762-6341)



## 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. **The next meeting is Sat., 2/7 at 9 am.**

## SAVE THE DATE!

Vacation  
Bible School 2026

June 1 – 4

**Jesus, Tell Us a  
Story**



## St. Carlo's Corner

### Missed the talk this week?

We've got you covered! Head here <https://stcarlo.link/slides-2026> to check out

Laura's slides! She shares tips and ideas to help us all navigate technology use in our own families. The last two slides in particular give books to check out and questions to start using in your families.

### Looking for more guidance?

We created this Lent challenge <https://stcarlo.link/lent-2026> it is designed to help start conversation and let you talk as a family about your technology use!

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LENTEN TECHNOLOGY  
FAMILY CHALLENGE



FORMING HOLY, HEALTHY DIGITAL HABITS AT HOME

"Technology is a gift when it helps us live life well and do it better."



### Want to hear from an expert?

CKS is hosting an internet safety speaker (chief investigator Darin Odier) on Wednesday, 2/25 from 6:15-7:30 in Tuohy Hall.

Missed a Corner? [Find previous ones here.](#)

## Fitness Center

The Fitness Center is open for parish and school families. Cost is \$100 per year. During the school year and the month of June, the hours are 5:00 am-7:45 am and 4:00 pm -10:00 pm Monday through Friday, and 5:00 am-10:00 pm on weekends. All of July it is open 5:00 am-10:00 pm.

To enroll and for more information, please [click here](#).

## FIRST SATURDAY HAPPY HOUR

Our next Happy Hour is this Saturday, February 7th after 5 p.m. Mass. Please join us in the Community Room for drinks and snacks. This month's Happy Hour is sponsored by the Peace Meal Committee. All are welcome to join us for this family friendly event.

**Bring your cash or check!  
Girl Scouts will be selling  
cookies during Happy  
Hour.**



## High School Information

### Wednesday Walk-Thru

**Feb. 11 & 25, 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.

# Harry Potter NIGHT

Join us as the SMS Gym is transformed into Hogwarts!  
Themed games, food, Quiddich, potions, wand battles & movie  
Sat. Feb 28<sup>th</sup> 4-9pm

\$15 pp @ the door or to school office (funds support SMS)

Hosted by: Jester, McCallum, Shipley & Sundberg Families

RSVP to Crystal McCallum by Feb 26th

[\(812\) 483-3925](mailto:crystalann25@gmail.com)

## Do you have a special skill?

Do you have a special skill  
that you would like to  
teach to others?

Whether it's crocheting,  
photography, dessert  
making, etc, our Trivia  
Committee would love  
your time and talent as a  
donation for the Silent  
Auction!

Please email Beth Walsh  
at  
[bkolasa99@hotmail.com](mailto:bkolasa99@hotmail.com)  
for more information!!

[Click here](#) for details.



St. Matthew Catholic School

# Trivia Night

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The Luxury Service and Expertise You Deserve

March 14th, 2026

6pm - 10pm

St. Matthew School Gym

**\$350/Table of 8**

-Beer, Wine and Liquor included with purchase of table-  
Guests can bring in their own food

**Prize for Best  
Table Decor**



**Silent Auction,  
50/50 & more!**

To purchase tickets, please contact Kelly Miller at [kelljmill@gmail.com](mailto:kelljmill@gmail.com)

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