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The Warrior World



Thursday, October 2nd, 2025 - 2-Week Edition

Upcoming Events

[Click here](#) for the
School Calendar

October

Friday, 10/3

First Friday Spirit Day

Friday, 10/10

End of 1st Quarter

Mon. 10/13 - Fri. 10/17

Fall Break

Wednesday, 10/22

Honor Roll Mass
8:15 am

Friday, 10/24

PFA Chili Supper
5:00 - 9:00 pm - Gym

Saturday, 10/25

Trunk or Treat 6:00 pm
in Back Lot

Wednesday, 10/29

Home Learning Day
for K-8 - Parent
Teacher Conferences
8:00 am - 6:00 pm

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

Wed., 11/12 &

Thurs., 11/13

Vision and hearing
screenings

Monday, October 6

School Uniform Required

All students must be in full school
uniform on **Monday, October 6.**

**Non-uniform passes will not be
accepted.**

A photographer will be on campus
to take photos to update our school
website, and it's important that
everyone is properly dressed in
uniform. Thank you !

First Friday Spirit Day Tomorrow!

Tomorrow is another **First Friday
Spirit Day!** Students are encour-
aged 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 partici-
pate by wearing **red and black**—
our school colors—or simply wear
your **regular school uniform.**
Let's show our St. Matthew spirit!

Fall Break

October 13 –17

No school for Preschool
through 8th Grade



Wednesday, October 29th

Kindergarten through 8th Grade

Home Learning Day

Preschool/PreK

Regular in-person schedule

Parent-Teacher Conferences
Wednesday, October 29th
8:00 am - 6:00 pm

See page 2 for conference sign-up
links for K - 5. Middle School teachers
will not have scheduled conference
times. Conferences will be on a first
come, first serve basis.

Wednesday, October 22nd
8:15 am in the church

Honor Roll Mass
Grades 3-8

1st Quarter
Outstanding
Warriors
announced for K-8



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").

Parent-Teacher Conferences (K - 8)
Wednesday, October 29th from 8:00 am - 6:00 pm
Home Learning Day for K - 8th

Parent-Teacher Conference Sign-Up Information - Please sign up for conferences with specific teachers by clicking the links below. **The sign-up links will close on Monday, October 27 at noon.**

Important Notes:

In-Person Conferences: Conferences will be held in person by default. If you prefer a **phone call**, please indicate this by writing **"Phone Call Preferred"** in the *Comments* section of the sign-up.

- **Do not include your phone number** in the Comments section, as it is visible to all. Instead, please send your phone number directly to the teacher via email or other private communication.

Conferences are 15 minutes in length with a 5 minute passing period.

One Slot Per Teacher: Due to time constraints, each parent may sign up for only ONE time slot per teacher. Please do not reserve multiple time slots to allow all families an opportunity to meet with teachers.

Timeliness: Please be respectful of the scheduled time. Teachers must stay on schedule to accommodate all families. Conferences will need to end promptly, and teachers may have to conclude the meeting at the scheduled time.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

Art - Miss Clark - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-59139932-miss>

Music – Mr. Arrowood - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-59139727-mrarrowood>

PE – Ms. Sawyer - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-59140021-mssawyer>

STEAM - Ms. Qualls - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-59139876-msqualls>

Kindergarten – Ms. Buehner - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58926822-mrs>

Kindergarten – Mrs. Padgett - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58926924-mrs>

First Grade – Mr. Clark - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58927049-mrclark>

First Grade - Mrs. Rathz - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58926871-mrs>

Second Grade – Mrs. Donnenhoffer - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58927098-mrs>

Second Grade – Miss Tuttle - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58927097-miss>

Third Grade – Mrs. Sheehan - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58927157-mrs>

Third Grade – Ms. Jack - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58927211-msjack>

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Kaminski - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58927257-mrs>

Fourth Grade – Miss Bridges - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58927205-miss>

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Schloemann - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58927309-mrs>

Fifth Grade – Miss McAllister - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA9AC2DA2F5C52-58927313-miss>

Middle School teachers will not have scheduled conference times. Conferences will be on a first come, first serve basis so you can meet with the teachers by subject area instead of by homeroom. The Middle School teachers will be in the Community Room at different stations between the hours of 8:00 am and 6:00 pm with a lunch break from 12:00 - 12:40 pm.

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

Social Media

Facebook: @stmattschoolindy

Twitter: @stmattschool

Instagram: stmattschool

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](#)

Alumni Spotlight

Please help us fill the "Alumni Spotlight" bulletin board. This is an awesome example for our younger Warriors to see the great things our Warrior alumni have accomplished.

Please send a picture with the student's name, year of SMS graduation, and a short description of the accomplishment to Colleen Middleton, cmiddleton@saintmatt.org.

MealTime Low Balance Alert

To set up a low balance alert on My Meal Time, follow these steps:

1. Log into your My Meal Time account.
2. Navigate to the settings or account management section
3. Look for the option to set up low balance alerts.
4. Adjust the alert settings according to your preferences.
5. Save your changes to activate the alerts.

This will ensure that you are notified when your meal account balance falls below a specified threshold, allowing you to take action before running out of funds.

Friendly Reminder: Label Your Child's Sweatshirt

With cooler mornings and warmer afternoons, many students are wearing sweatshirts to school—and then taking them off and leaving them on the playground. To help us return lost items quickly, please make sure your child's name is clearly written on the label of their sweatshirt.

Did Your Student Forget Something at School?

Students may occasionally realize that they have forgotten a book or assignment at school after dismissal. Teachers are usually available in classrooms until 3:30pm. However, after 3:30pm the classrooms and doors accessing lockers are locked for the evening. If it is past that time, please do not return to school to try to pick up missing supplies. Students should check in with their teacher in the morning to learn how to proceed. *Please note: teachers and students are working together, both throughout the day and at the end of the day, to build good habits of organization and responsibility!

Monday, Oct. 20

- Chicken Nuggets
- Turkey & Cheese Sliders with Hard-boiled Egg
- Chef Salad

Tuesday, Oct. 21

- Walking Taco
- Pizza Kit
- Chef Salad

Wednesday, Oct. 22

- Chicken Patty
- Turkey & Cheese Sliders with Hard-boiled Egg
- Chef Salad

Thursday, Oct. 23

- Salisbury Steak
- Pizza Kit
- Chef Salad

Friday, Oct. 24

- Pepperoni Pizza
- Turkey & Cheese Sliders with Hard-boiled Egg
- Chef Salad

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

Monday, Oct. 6

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

Tuesday, Oct. 7

- Beef Soft Tacos
- Pizza Kit
- Chef Salad

Wednesday, Oct. 8

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

Thursday, Oct. 9

- Spaghetti and Garlic Bread
- Pizza Kit
- Chef Salad

Friday, Oct. 10

- Buffalo Chicken Flat Bread Pizza
- Turkey & Cheese Sliders with Hardboiled Egg
- Chef Salad

Oct. 13—17
No School
Fall Break

[Lunch Policy](#)

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

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

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Early Bird Discount [Tickets](#) on Sale! \$80 until **Oct 12th**

SAINT MATTHEW GALA
NOVEMBER 8, 2025



Order Tickets Here!



ALL BETS ARE OFF

CASINO ROYALE

NORTHSIDE EVENTS AND SOCIAL CLUB | 6:00pm to 11:00pm

\$80 Early Bird Tickets Available Until October 12!

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Fundraisers

Raise Right Gift Card Fundraiser

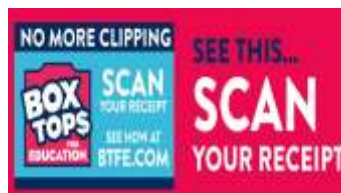
The Saint Matthew Raise Right fundraising program (formerly Scrip) is an ALL-online gift card program in which you can purchase gift cards, not just as gifts but also for everyday expenses (gas, groceries, restaurants, clothing and so much more), and a rebate is provided back to St. Matthew. It's easy 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!

[Click here to register your Kroger Plus Shopper's Card.](#) Our number is RQ009 or search for St. Matthew. Contact [Kathy Gray](#) 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 St. Matthew School sign on Forest Manor. The cost is \$10 per name. The funds will support Student Council [Click here](#) for information.



Sports

CYO Season Passes on Sale Now!

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.

Cross Country Meets

Saturday, October 4th at 9:30 am

Location: St. Malachy



Saturday, Oct. 11th at 9:00 am

CYO Championship Meet

Location: Blue River Cross Country Course
Shelbyville

Home Football Games



Saturday, 10/4

3rd Grade vs. St. Jude

9:00 am

Saturday, 10/11

3rd Grade vs. St. Louis de Montfort

9:00 am

Home Girls Volleyball Games



Thursday, 10/2

Cadet B Red vs. St. Maria Goretti

7:00 pm

Cadet A vs. Cardinal Ritter Jr. High

8:00 pm

Saturday, 10/4

56A vs. St. Maria Goretti

9:00 am

56B vs. Christ the King

10:00 am

Cadet B Black vs. Our Lady of Grace

11:00 am

Cadet C vs. St. Pius X

12:00 pm

Thursday, 10/9

4th Grade vs. St. Malachy

6:00 pm

56A Red vs. Our Lady of Grace

7:00 pm

Cadet A vs. IHM

8:00 pm

Wednesday, 10/22

Cadet C vs. Holy Spirit Indy

6:00 pm

Cadet B Black vs. Holy Name

7:00 pm

Cadet B Red vs. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

8:00 pm

Saturday, 10/25

56B vs. St. Roch

9:00 am

4th Grade vs. Holy Name

10:00 am

Thursday, 10/30

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

Hey Warrior Fans! St. Matthew Athletics has a new Facebook and Instagram page all its own.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61580649914166>

[St. Matthew Athletics \(@stmatt_athletics\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)

CYO High School Boys Basketball

Team Rosters are due Oct. 20th. If your high school son is interested in playing, please email Brad Ford, b.radford1@yahoo.com before 10/20. Please include the student's name, grade and contact information.

St. Matthew Volleyball Spirit Wear



Volleyball spirit wear is now available to order. [Click here](#) for the order form or pick one up in the school office.

Important Details:

- All orders must be prepaid
- Submit order forms to the school office by 3:00 pm on Friday, 10/10.

If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Zurschmeide, sarahzursch@gmail.com

Volunteers

Chili Supper Volunteers Needed Earn Family Service Hours by Volunteering at Chili Supper!

Join the fun and fulfill your family service hour requirements by helping out at our annual Chili Supper on Friday, October 24, from 4:45 -9:00 PM. [Click here](#) to sign up to volunteer! We appreciate your support in making this event a success! If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Mills, smills@saintmatt.org.

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.



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.



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 Information

Volunteer involvement is a key part of what makes St. Matthew a well-rounded and vibrant place, with lots of options to contribute and support both our school and parish communities!

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 **special incentives** to make it even more worth your while to lend your time and talents! [Click here](#) for more info on our volunteer service program, as well as a [detailed list](#) 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!

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.

Other Information

NEW SIGNS ON OUR CAMPUS

You may have noticed work being done on our outdoor signs (On Binford Blvd and Forest Manor). We are delighted to announce that we had both signs replaced. This will provide our campus with some aesthetic updates as well as provide greater functionality for communicating select events throughout each year. We thank Fr. Bill, Cara Swinefurth, Mary Sparks, and David Smock for their effort in completing this project.

[Fall Festival](#) at the Jordan YMCA

Sat., Oct. 4 from 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Trunk or Treat

Kid's Zumba Demonstrations

Pumpkin Decorating

Family Gaga Ball

Haunted Fairytale Trail

Facepainting

Games

Festive Food

Free to the Community

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, Oct. 4th at 9:00 am.**



Project Outdoor Nativity Scene

Last chance to place an order for the Outdoor Nativity Scene!



The price for the Outdoor Nativity Scene is \$110.00. A portion of the proceeds will be contributed to St. Matthew Catholic Church. **Orders must be received and paid for by Tuesday, October 7th (firm deadline).**

To purchase an Outdoor Nativity Scene, please complete an order form (available in the Parish Office, School Office, and Narthex) and submit a check, payable to St. Matthew Catholic Church. Alternatively, you may complete the order form online by [clicking here](#). Please be advised that you must still pay via check even if you complete the online version of the order form.

Thank you for your support! God bless! Already have a Nativity Scene? You can purchase additional pieces online by [clicking here](#). Receive a small discount on additional pieces by typing **PONS10** in the discount box.

High School and Alumni Information

Mr. Smock attended the BCHS vs. Sccecina game to cheer on the St. Matthew Class of 2025 alumnae—and it was a great night to be a fan! The girls brought home wins in the Freshman, JV and Varsity games. Congratulations to all the players!

Open House

When: Thursday, October 23
Time: 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm



Key BCHS Enrollment Dates

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

OCTOBER 23 - Join us at Open House

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

• Open House TONIGHT!

Visit gocathedral.com/admissions to sign up for all events and more!

Class of 2030 - Applications are OPEN!

Application deadline:

October 15th

Decisions sent December 1st

Dates and Events to Remember:

• High School Placement Test (HSPT)

○ October 25th

• Cathedral Coffee/Campus tour/Q & A

○ October 8th

○ November 5th



OKTOBERFEST MERCH ALERT!

CHEERS TO THE NIGHT!

ON SALE AT THE
OFFICE THUR, FRI,
MON!!



\$25



S-XL \$20 XXL \$22
XXXL \$25



\$20



Oktoberfest Merchandise for Sale

We're you having too much fun at Oktoberfest and forgot to buy your merch? No worries, we got you covered! Merch will be for **SALE** in the school office on **Thursday, Friday, and Monday** during school hours! Cash or Check accepted. If sending in via backpack express, please indicate size and hat style desired.

Oktoberfest Fun at St. Matthew!

What an *amazing* night filled with delicious food, laughter, and community spirit at our annual Oktoberfest!

A **HUGE thank you** goes out to **John and Beth Walsh** for their incredible leadership in organizing this event. It simply wouldn't happen without their dedication and hard work!

We're also so grateful for the amazing team of volunteers who made the evening unforgettable:

- **Kelly Miller, Jenise McGarry,** and their team for creating such a fun experience for all the kids!
- **Kathi Snyder** for coordinating the delicious food.
- **Eddie Kever** for running the exciting 50/50 raffle.
- **Jennifer Jester** and her mom for the *gorgeous* centerpieces.
- **David Smock** and the setup/tear-down crew for all their behind-the-scenes efforts.

The turnout was fantastic, and it was truly a joy to see our St. Matthew community come together and celebrate.

Thank you to everyone who helped make it so special!

JOIN US FOR A

SUPER



GOOD TIME AT THE SUPER MARIO THEMED

PFA CHILI SUPPER

A ST. MATTHEW COMMUNITY EVENT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH



HOMEMADE CHILI, PASTA, HOT DOGS, SALAD,
CHIPS & APPLESAUCE (SERVED UNTIL 8PM).

SUPPORT OUR 8TH GRADERS AS THEY OFFER: DESSERT,
SOFT DRINKS, GAMES AND A HAUNTED HALLWAY TO
RAISE FUNDS FOR THEIR TRIP TO WASHINGTON D.C.

THANK YOU TO THE MEN'S CLUB WHO
WILL OFFER ADULT BEVERAGES!



EARN SERVICE HOURS BY
[CLICKING HERE!](#)

5:00 PM – 9:00 PM
SUGGESTED DONATION
\$10 EACH ADULT OR \$35 PER
FAMILY



PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST! **SEE REVERSE FOR ENTRY FORM & DETAILS**

PUMPKIN FESTIVAL



**PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST IS OPEN TO ALL
ST. MATTHEW STUDENTS AND PARISHIONERS,
PRESCHOOL/PRE-K – 8TH GRADE**

1ST, 2ND, 3RD PLACE PRIZES FOR EACH GRADE LEVEL.

**CUT & ATTACH NAME
TAG BELOW TO PUMPKIN.**

**PRIZES AWARDED BASED ON
AGE-APPROPRIATE DESIGNS
AND MUST BE STUDENT'S
OWN WORK.**

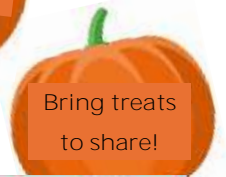
**PLEASE PICK UP PUMPKINS
BY THE END OF THE CHILI
SUPPER.**

**PUMPKINS MUST BE
DELIVERED TO THE GYM BY
9:00 AM ON FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 24TH.**

**ANY PUMPKINS LEFT BEHIND
WILL BE THROWN AWAY.**

Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____



Date: Saturday, October 25

Place: Gymnasium Parking Lot

Car arrival: 4:45p – 5:45p

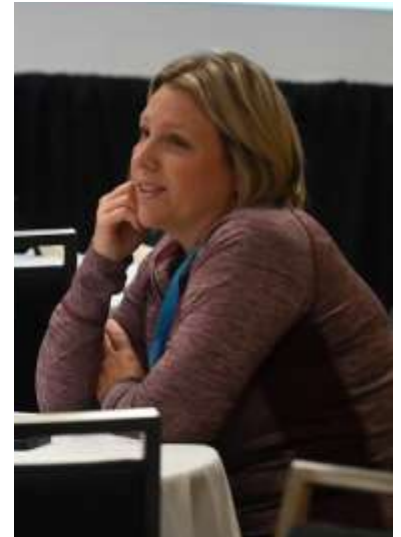
Treating Time: 6:00p – 7:00p

For more info:

Pam Fleming

pfleming@saintmatt.org

**For the safety of all,
participating cars must
be parked by 5:45p.
Also, please enter and
exit off of Forest Manor.**



St. Matthew Faculty Attended INPEC Conference

Last month, our dedicated St. Matthew faculty attended the Indiana Non-Public Education Conference (INPEC). This enriching professional development event offered valuable insights and innovative strategies that our teachers are excited to bring back to the classroom. We're proud of their commitment to continued learning and excellence in education!