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

The Warrior World



Thursday, November 6th, 2025

Upcoming Events

Click here for the School Calendar

November 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

December Mon.,12/1 -Sun., 12/7

PFA Book Fair

Wednesday, 12/3

Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day 8:30 - 10:15 am

Thursday, 12/4

Poinsettia Pick-Up 2 - 6 pm in the Narthex

Friday, 12/5

First Friday Spirit Day Donuts with Grownups 6:30 - 7:30 am - Gym

First Friday Spirit Wear Day

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.

Wednesday, November 19

Early Dismissal for Teacher Professional Development

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

Registration for the 2026-27 School Year

Enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year for **current students** will begin on Monday, January 5. The registration fee is \$100 per student until Friday, January 30 then it will increase to \$150 per student on Saturday, January 31. One parent will be sent an email with a specific link for your child's reenrollment. If you have more than one child, you will receive an email for each child. If you have any questions about re-enrollment, please contact Elizabeth Ellis, <u>eellis@saintmatt.org</u>.

Poinsettia Sale Last Day to Order is Monday!

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.

Click here for the 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



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 12.25-12.55

Social Media

Facebook: @stmattschoolindy Twitter: @stmattschool Instagram: stmattschool

Medical Authorization form

Extended Care Information

Parent Handbook 2025-26

School Calendar

Faculty and Staff Directory

SAVE THE DATE



Do you want to buy books for family and friends for **Christmas this year? Our** Annual Book Fair is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 1st through Sunday, Dec. 7th. It will be in the Community Room. Thank you to our co-chairs of the Book Fair, Susie Vannice and Carly **Brenner who have been** planning for months to make this a special event! **Watch for Book Fair events** and hours in next week's Warrior World.

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.

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.

For example:

| Name: | |
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| In relation to | |
| Served in | |

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.

Save the Date

Grandparents' and Special Persons' Day Wednesday, Dec. 3rd

Our Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day is on Wednesday, 12/3. Special guests will meet their student(s) in the church for Mass which begins at 8:30 am. After Mass our guests can visit the PFA Book Fair and classrooms. The festivities should end by 10:15 am. (These times are for K-8. PreK/Preschool will also have Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day on 12/3 but the time will be communicated by the PreK/Preschool teachers.)

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

Monday, Nov. 10

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

Tuesday, Nov. 11

- Walking Taco
- Pizza Kit
- Chef Salad

Wednesday, Nov. 12

- Chicken Patty on Bun
- Turkey & Cheese Sliders and Hardboiled Egg
- Chef Salad

Thursday, Nov. 13

- Salisbury Steak and Mashed Potatoes
- Pizza Kit
- Chef Salad

Friday, Nov. 14

- Pepperoni Pizza
- Turkey & Cheese Sliders and Hardboiled Egg
- Lunchie Munchie

Lunch Policy

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Our Annual Gala is this Saturday!

<u>Click here</u> to view the Silent Auction items and the Instabuy parties. You do not need to be present to bid! You also do not need to be present to win the Class Basket raffle!

Click on the link below to view the Class Baskets that will be raffled at the Gala. Tickets can be purchased at the school office until Friday at noon. Many of the baskets are worth over \$300 and a few over \$1,000! Tickets are:

1 ticket - \$10 6 tickets - \$50 13 tickets - \$100

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Here are a few Silent Auction highlights:

Zack Martin Meet and Greet (Zack is a recently retired Dallas Cowboy football player and St. Matthew Alum)
French Lick Hotel Stay + Golf Donald Ross Course
Intercontinental Hotel Stay + \$100 Food
Bally's Casino/Hotel Evansville Stay + \$150 Food
Sports Tickets (Purdue, Pacers, Fuel, Freight, Eleven, Ignite)
Museum passes & Concert/Theater tickets
Class Artwork

Instabuy Parties:

Euchre, Harry Potter, Fairytale Tea Party, Hot Cocoa Party, Pancakes & Painting https://qtego.us/qlink/stmattgala



Our SMS puppet troupe kicked off Disability Awareness Week by presenting their program to Pre-K to 3rd grade.

Volunteers are still needed for the Gala!

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.

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 - City Champs! Congratulations to our 3rd Grade Football Team who won the CYO City Championship this past weekend! With a final score of 26-18, the boys played hard and were inspired by the large number of Warrior students, staff, and fans who came out to support them. Way to go, Warriors!











Girls Volleyball Home Matches

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. I HM 11:00 am
56B vs. Holy Name 12:00 pm
4th Grade vs. St. Malachy 1:00 pm



Congratulations to our 8th Grade volleyball players who were recognized last Thursday as all 3 cadet teams were in action at home. We thank them and their parents for their dedication and hard work on behalf of Warrior athletics, and we wish you nothing but the best in your bright futures. Also, special thanks to all our Warrior fans who came out to support them on our annual Pack the House Night!

CYO Girls' Volleyball Tournament Games

Monday, November 10th

56A 6:00 pm at Little Flower Cadet B Red 7:00 pm at St. Malachy Cadet B Black 7:00 pm at St. Roch 4th Grade 7:30 pm at OL Lourdes

Tuesday, November 11th

Cadet C 8:00 pm at St. Monica

Thursday, November 13th

56B 6:30 pm at Nativity Cadet A 7:00 pm 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.

If you are interested in volunteering in our 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!

4th Grade All Saints' Day

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!



For Those in Need

We understand that the recent changes to SNAP benefits may be causing worry or added stress for some in our school community. Please know that you are not alone — we care deeply about the well-being of every student and family, and there are community resources available to help ensure that everyone has access to healthy meals.

If your family could use some extra support, please <u>click here</u> for information about Food Events in the area and <u>click here</u> about options for food assistance.

If you have any questions or would like help connecting with these resources, please reach out to our school office or to Mrs. Fields, School Counselor (<u>gfields@saintmatt.org</u>). All conversations will be kept confidential — we're here to walk alongside you and make sure your family feels supported.

World Kindness Day - November 13th

Our Student Council created a small school activity to promote some extra kindness on Thursday, 11/13.

The theme is "Rooted in Christ, Growing in Kindness." There will be a large tree with roots on the wall by the Community Room. Our students will fill the tree branches with leaves created by them. Each student will write one way they can show kindness on the leaf and decorate it and will add the leaf to the tree.



Schoolbelles Sale Now through Sunday,11/9 30% off everything!

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Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day Stars!

Brighten your student's day with a special note and treat for just \$1.00!

How to order:

Send your note and \$1 in an envelope to Mrs. Middleton.

You may write your note on any type of paper — or print and use the form below!

Stars will also be sold:

At the school office — starting Monday, November 17th

On Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day — Wednesday, December 3rd (all morning)

All proceeds support the Student Council, helping make future school events special!

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IT CAME UPON A MIDNIGHT CLEAR



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, December 6th at 9:00 am.

High School Information



Cathedral High School

Class of 2030 - Applications are OPEN!



Application deadline:
Decisions sent December 1st

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.