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(317) 251-3997
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The Warrior World



Thursday, September 4th, 2025

Upcoming Events

[Click here](#) for the School Calendar

September Thursday, 9/4

Mum Pick-up 2:00 - 6:00 pm - Front Lot
8th Grade Girls Kickball recognition
5:15pm Back Lot

Friday, 9/5

First Friday Spirit Day

Wednesday, 9/10

1:00 pm Dismissal
(K - 8) Extended Care is available until 6 pm

Wednesday, 9/17

Feast of St. Matthew Kindergarten Medals at 8:30 am during Mass

Thursday, 9/18 and Friday, 9/19

No School - Teacher Professional Days

Mon. - Fri., 9/22--9/26

Homecoming Week

Friday, 9/26

Fund-a-Friend for Haiti Christmas-

Saturday, 9/27

Oktoberfest
6 - 10 pm - Back Lot

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

Mum Pick-Up is TODAY!

If you pre-ordered mums from the 8th grade sale, pick up will be TODAY from 2:00 - 6:00 pm in the front lot on the football field.

If you have any questions, please contact Tracy Gale, tracymgale@gmail.com or Carrie Fazio, carrieannklein@yahoo.com.

First Friday Spirit Wear Day TOMORROW

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 sweat-shirts — even if they're from out-of-season sports. Let's fill the halls with our school colors!

Wednesday, September 10th

- K-8 Only: 1:00 PM Dismissal
- *Extended Care is available*
- Preschool & Pre-K: Regular schedule

8th Grade Girls Kickball | Back Lot TONIGHT!

Recognition at 5:15 pm - Game at 5:30 pm
Join us as we celebrate our 8th grade kickball players during their final home game of the season! Let's show our support and recognize their hard work, dedication, and team spirit. Go Warriors!



TRASH BAG SALE - 7th and 8th Grade Only

The 7th and 8th grade classes will be selling everyone's favorite trash bags this year. The trash bag sale has been a fundraiser for St. Matthew School and Parent Faculty Association (PFA) for the past 30+ years and the 2025-26 school year will be the last year for this fundraiser. The school and PFA greatly appreciate your time and effort in making this a successful fundraiser for our school and community.

DO I NEED TO SELL TRASH BAGS? The trash bag sale is **ONLY** open to **7th and 8th grade** families this year, as a way to raise funds for the beloved 8th grade Washington DC trip. This fundraising opportunity is **OPTIONAL**, so there is no buy-out option. See a 7th or 8th grade family if you need to stock up on trash bag - or stop by the school office! You can also buy trash bags straight from the Bus Barn on Wednesday, 9/10 (11:30 - 1:30 pm), Wednesday, 9/17 & 9/24 (2:00 - 4:00 pm) and Wednesday, 10/1 (7:00 - 9:00 am & 2:00 - 4:00 pm). Thanks to Carly Brenner and Susie Vannice for manning the Bus Barn!

[Click here](#) for additional information.

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

Parent Handbook 2025-26

[Click here](#) for the School Calendar

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

Medications at School

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.

Extended Care Information

Please [click here](#) for our Extended Care Policies and Procedures. If you have any questions about our Extended Care program, please email Ms. Brooks, mbrooks@saintmatt.org.

2nd Annual Oktoberfest
Saturday, September 27th
6:00 - 10:00 pm

Men's Club Golf Outing
Wednesday 10/1

PFA Chili Supper
Friday, October 24th

**SAVE
the
DATE**

Trunk or Treat
Saturday, 10/25

PFA Book Fair
Monday, 12/1 through Sunday, 12/7
Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day
Wednesday, December 3rd
8:30 - 10:00 am



A big THANK YOU goes out to [Landmark Theatre at Glendale](#) who donated popcorn to our staff for our professional development meeting yesterday.



First Saturday Happy Hour

Every month, a parish ministry (or group of parishioners) hosts a Happy Hour gathering on the first Saturday. Please join us after 5 p.m. Mass in the Community Room on Saturday, September 6th. All are welcome to this family-friendly gathering. We thank the Gala Committee for hosting our next gathering.

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

Monday, Sept. 8

- Hot Dog with Cucumber Dill Salad
- Pinwheels with Hummus
- Summer Berry Salad

Tuesday, Sept. 9

- Chicken Tinga Tostada
- PB Banana Quesadilla, Yogurt
- Summer Berry Salad

Wednesday, Sept. 10

- Hamburger with Broccoli Salad
- Pinwheels with Hummus
- Summer Berry Salad

Thursday, Sept. 11

- Grilled Cheese with Chicken Noodle Soup
- PB Banana Quesadilla, Yogurt
- Summer Berry Salad

Friday, Sept. 12

- Bosco Cheese Sticks
- Pinwheels with Hummus
- Lunchie Munchie

Lunch Policy

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

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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.

Home Girls' Kickball Games

TONIGHT!

Cadet A vs. St. Roch

8th Grade Recognition Night 5:30 pm

56A vs. St. Roch 6:30 pm

Monday, 9/8

56A vs. St. Malachy 5:00 pm

Cadet B vs. St. Barnabas 6:00 pm

Cross Country Meets

Saturday, Sept. 6 at 7:30 am

Location: Northview

Saturday, Sept. 13th at noon

Location: Guerin Catholic

Saturday, Sept. 20th at 8:30 am

Location: Brebeuf Jesuit

Saturday, Sept. 27th at 2:00 pm

Location: Location: Blue River Cross Country



Home Football Games



Saturday, 9/13

3rd Grade vs. St. Simon

9:00 am

Saturday, 9/20

3rd Grade vs. St. Pius X

9:00 am

Sunday, 9/21

Cadet vs. St. Louis de Montfort

1:00 pm

56 vs. Johnson Co. Catholic

2:30 pm

Wednesday, 9/24

56 vs. Nativity

5:30 pm

Sunday, 9/28

HOMECOMING

Cadet vs. Johnson Co. Catholic

1:00 pm

56 vs. South Central

2:30 pm

Saturday, 10/4

3rd Grade vs. St. Jude

9:00 am

Saturday, 10/11

3rd Grade vs. St. Louis de Montfort

9:00 am

Boys Basketball Evaluations Coming Soon!
Evaluations for boys in grades 4–8 will be **announced in next week's Warrior World**. Keep an eye on your email - a sign-up link will be sent out within the next week or two. Get ready for the season!

Vocations Soccer Tournament Soccer Tournament at Bishop Brute Seminary

[Click here](#) for flyer

Date: October 4th at 8:00 am

Location: Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary

Cost: FREE

Who Can Participate:

Students ages 12–18

For more details or questions:

Call: 317-236-1490 or

email: vocations@archindy.org

Little Saints "Learn to Play" Lacrosse Clinic

Boys and Girls
Ages 6-10

When:

Saturdays: September 20, 27 & October 4, 11
9:30-11:00 AM at St. Pius X School

What to Expect:

- Introduction to the game of Lacrosse
- Fun skill-building drills and games
- Instruction by experienced Lacrosse players & coaches



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Fundraisers

SMS REBATE PROGRAM!



RAISE DAYS

SEPT 12-15

125+ Bonuses • Earnings up to 23%

Things to Know

- **FOUR** days to shop. 125+ brands on bonus.
- Bonuses apply to eGift cards and reloaded gift cards only.
- Participants must have an online account to participate.

How to Participate

Already have a RaiseRight participant account?

View and shop bonuses September 12-15 on the RaiseRight mobile app or at [RaiseRight.com](https://www.RaiseRight.com).

Don't have a RaiseRight account yet?

Follow the easy steps to get started at [RaiseRight.com/m/StartEarning](https://www.RaiseRight.com/m/StartEarning). Check with your St. Matthew School coordinator to get your organization's unique enrollment code. Email us at raiseright@saintmatt.org.

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.



Volunteers



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!

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.



Oktoberfest Volunteers Needed! Earn Family Service Hours by Volunteering at Oktoberfest!

Join the fun and fulfill your family service hour requirements by helping out at our annual **Oktoberfest** on **Saturday, September 27, from 6:00–10:00 PM**. [Click here to sign up to volunteer!](#) We appreciate your support in making this event a success!

Volunteer Information

You can earn both for your students through volunteering! 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!

Volunteer Service Hour 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.

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



Men's Club New Member Steak Night

TONIGHT, 7:30 p.m. at the Outdoor Shelter

All men of the parish (21+) are invited to a relaxed evening of fellowship, food, and fun with the St. Matthew Men's Club!

We will be grilling up sizzling steaks, serving cold drinks, and gathering at the outdoor shelter, weather permitting. It's the perfect chance to meet the guys, enjoy a great meal, and

see what we're all about - serving our parish, supporting our community, and having a good time doing it. Come as you are and bring a friend!



[St. Matthew Men's Club Golf Outing](#)
Wednesday, 10/1
Ironwood Golf Club

Other Information

Congratulations, Pam Fleming!

Please join us in congratulating Pam Fleming, our Dir. of Faith Formation and Coordinator of Youth Ministry. She recently received the Archbishop Buechlein Award for Excellence in Catechesis. Congratulations, Pam! We are so thankful to have you here at St. Matthew!

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.



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 this Saturday, Sept. 6th at 9:00 am.**

High School Info

Class of 2030 - Applications are OPEN!

Two application deadlines:



September 15th
Decisions sent November 1st

October 15th
Decisions sent December 1st

Dates and Events to Remember:

• Future Irish Nights

- Girls Volleyball 9/11
- Boys Soccer 9/11
- Football and Cheer 9/12
- Girls Soccer 9/13

• High School Placement Test (HSPT)

- September 20th
- October 25th

• Cathedral Coffee/Campus tour/Q & A

- October 8th
- November 5th

• Open House October 2nd

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

North Deanery students receive **FREE** admission with their Future Trojan Pass or by wearing their school or parish's spirit wear. We look forward to seeing you!



Girls Volleyball North Deanery Night TONIGHT

Join us as the Lady Trojans take on Lawrence North! Wear your grade school or middle school t-shirt for free admission. Arrive a little before 6:30 pm and meet Coach Wind behind the Trojans JV bench in the Varsity Gym, help with warm ups and high-five the athletes as they enter the court! T-shirts will be given to the first attendees. Questions? Contact head coach Ellen Wind at ewind@bishopchatard.org.

Football North Deanery Night TOMORROW NIGHT

All North Deanery football players are invited to join the Trojans for North Deanery Night on Friday, September 5! Wear your jersey or spirit wear for free admission. Players can check in at 6:00 pm at the south end of the stadium (near the concession stand) and enjoy dinner at the Trojan Horse before the game, get a free Bishop Chatard football t-shirt, hear a pre-game talk from Coach Doyle, and cheer on the Trojans as they battle Roncalli!

Cheerleading North Deanery Night TOMORROW NIGHT

Join the Bishop Chatard cheerleaders as they cheer on the Trojans football team against Roncalli! Wear your spirit wear for free admission and special giveaways. And bring your school spirit as you'll help our cheerleaders on the sidelines during pre-game festivities!



All **current** St. Matthew Catholic Church altar servers are invited to attend altar server refresher training on **Monday, September 15th**, from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Deacon

Mike will conduct this training session.

Additional training sessions will be scheduled for **new** altar servers in grades 4th through 8th, at different dates this Fall during school hours. Please contact Deacon Mike Braun, mbraun@saintmatt.org if you have any questions. Thank you!

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.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN for SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION!

Grade 2 Students

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Classes begin on Sunday, September 7.

Grade 8 and High School Students

Sacrament of Confirmation

Classes begin on Sunday, September 21.

To register, please email the following info to Pam Fleming at pfleming@saintmatt.org:

- Child/Teen name
- Date of birth
- Grade level
- Name of Parents
- Parents' cell numbers & email addresses



Youth Ministry – Schedule of Events

St. Matthew Parish Grades 7 – 12

09/20/25	SVdP	9:00a – noon
11/15/25	SVdP	9:00a – noon
02/21/26	SVdP	9:00a – noon

For more information regarding SVdP, contact Kara Tappel at 317-914-7028.

7th & 8th Grade Gatherings – NDYM

09/26/25	@CTK	7:00p – 9:00p
11/07/25	@SPX	7:00p – 9:00p
01/23/26	@St. Luke	7:00p – 9:00p

High School – NDYM

01/11/26	@St. Simon	blacklight volleyball
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ARCH INDY

01/22/26

Indiana Youth Rally & Mass for Life
Grades 7 – 12

02/28/26

Holy Fire
Grades 6 – 8

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

*Do you want your companions to respect you?
Always think well of everyone and be ready to help others.
Do this and you will be happy.
St. John Bosco*

Are you desiring the **Sacrament of Baptism** for your child who is age 7 years or older? For more info regarding *OCIA-Adapted for Children & Teens*, contact Pam Fleming, pfleming@saintmatt.org.

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults



Are you feeling called or more drawn into the Catholic faith? Do you desire to be baptized in Christ and confirmed in the Holy Spirit? Does your heart yearn to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist at Mass? If you find yourself searching and are seeking the next step, you may be ready to begin the OCIA process. Since the early Church, this process has led many to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist). If you or someone you know would like more information, please contact Pam Fleming at pfleming@saintmatt.org.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word will start back up in mid-September for our children **ages 4 through grade 1**. This ministry is offered during the Liturgy of the Word at 9:30a Mass on Sundays. *There is no registration necessary for the children to attend.* Prior to the First Reading, the presider will call the children forward to receive a blessing, and then they will go with the catechists to hear the Good News! The children return after the homily has been delivered.

IMPORTANT: Catechists are needed for this ministry to continue. Two catechists must be present for each Sunday CLW, *Children Celebrate* leaflets from Pflaum Publishing are supplied, and as a catechist you can choose the Sunday that works best for you. If your child or grandchild has participated in Children's Liturgy of the Word, then you know how valuable this ministry is. If you're interested in being a catechist, know someone who might be interested, or have a question, please contact Pam Fleming at pfleming@saintmatt.org. Thank you.

ST. MATTHEW PARISH



OKTOBERFEST

BIERGARTEN - FOOD - LIVE MUSIC

- KINDER AREA -

SEPTEMBER 27TH
6-10 P.M.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!!





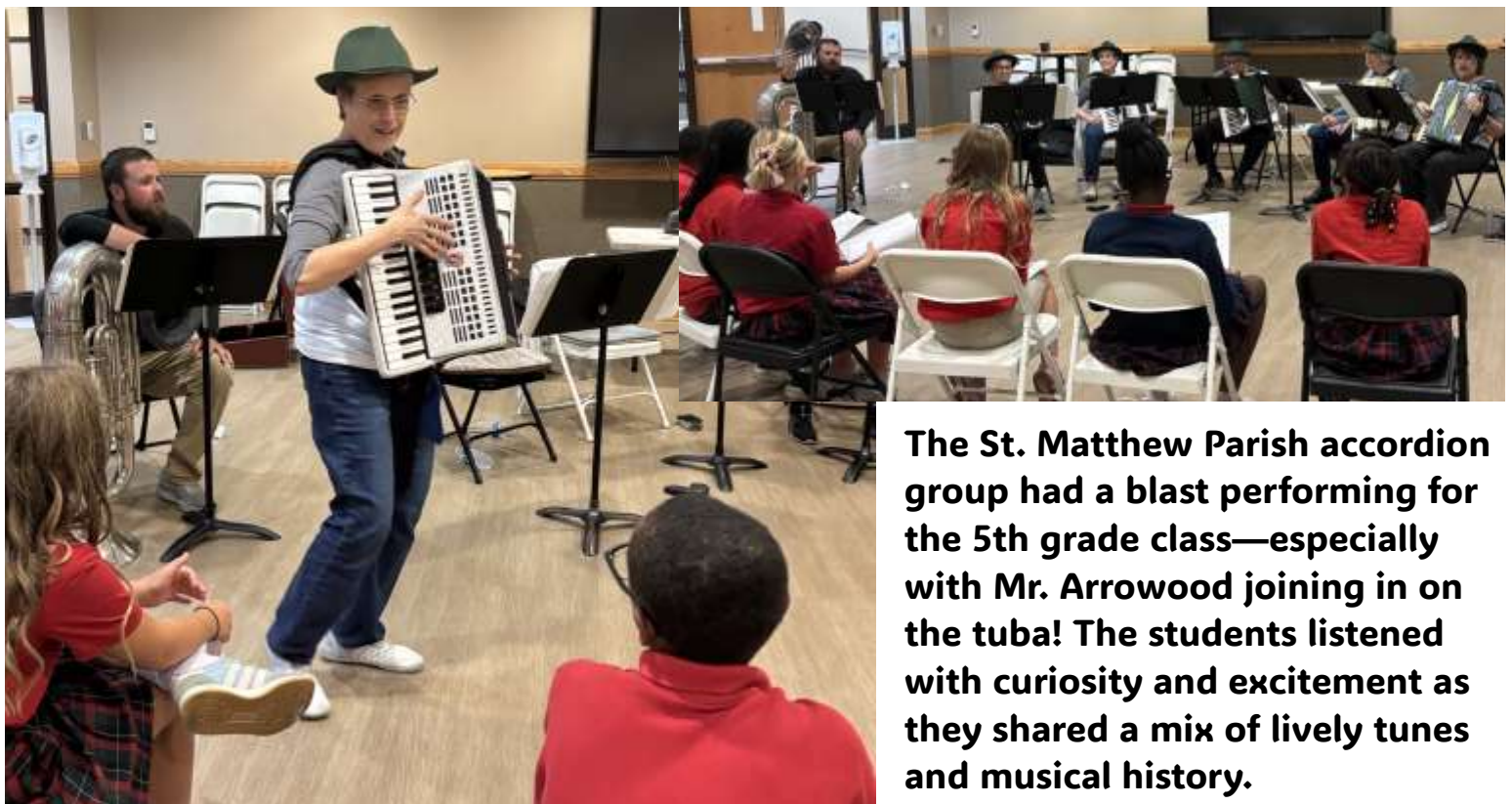
ST. MATTHEW OKTOBERFEST

SEPTEMBER 27TH

6-10P

**KINDER
AREA
WRISTBANDS
ONLY \$20**

**Unlimited Time on Inflatables
Miss Liz the Science Wiz
Face Painting
Crafts
Unlimited Games
and More!**



The St. Matthew Parish accordion group had a blast performing for the 5th grade class—especially with Mr. Arrowood joining in on the tuba! The students listened with curiosity and excitement as they shared a mix of lively tunes and musical history.

[Click here](#) for the form for sponsorship and silent auction donations. Sponsorship donations can also be made [online](#).

GALA 2025 Sponsorship Opportunities 11.8.25



CASINO ROYALE

SAINT MATTHEW GALA

- VIP table and tickets for 8 guests
- Prominently featured individual or company logo at the casino table or bar
- Plus benefits of all lower levels

*007 Elite
Sponsor*

\$3,500

*High
Roller
Sponsor*

- Logo and Tagline featured on new LCD sign along Binford Blvd for 2 months & 56th Street banner for 2 weeks
- Verbal Recognition during the event
- 6 tickets to the event
- Reserved sign and logo at your table
- Plus benefits of all lower levels

\$2,000

*Jackpot
Sponsor*

- Logo advertised on banner in entryway
- 4 tickets to the event
- Plus benefits of all lower levels

\$1,500

*Ace of
Hearts
Sponsor*

- Recognition on posters, publications and social media
- 2 tickets to the event
- Plus benefits of all lower levels

\$750

*Double or
Nothing
Sponsor*

- Logo featured on online auction website and guest's mobile devices
- Recognition in Parish Bulletin and weekly E-newsletter
- 2 Tickets to the event

\$350

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Questions: Contact- crystalann25@gmail.com

Family and Friends

\$100

Each donation in this category will sponsor one St. Matthew faculty or staff member to attend the Gala!
Recognition during the event and Thank You Ads offered.



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ALL BETS ARE OFF
NOVEMBER 8, 2025



CASINO ROYALE

SAINT MATTHEW GALA

NORTHSIDE EVENTS AND SOCIAL CLUB

6:00pm to 11:00pm

DRESS TO KILL- NO TUXEDO REQUIRED

LIVE MUSIC BY ONE VOICE INDY
OPEN BAR AND HEAVY APPETIZERS
LIVE AND SILENT AUCTIONS
ALUMNI TRIBUTE
CASINO GAMES



*Tickets and reserved
tables on sale starting
August 1, 2025!*