

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School



January 22, 2024

THE NOTE!

Last week ended up being shorter than planned and so did this week. For me, it was really short. I was looking forward to getting back on Friday after 2 days of the flu and then the snow day happened Friday and then again yesterday! I pray that's it for the year! I bet the kids enjoyed the long weekend, though.



We are working hard this week and will be celebrating Catholic School's Week and 100th Day next week. There is a schedule included today.



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Congrats to Beau Bennett who won the District Elks Hoop Shoot on Sunday. He moves on to state competition!! Proud of you, Beau!



Congrats to our 7th grade VB team who earned 2nd place in our tournament Saturday. Thanks to the coaches and families who made the day run smoothly.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Tuesday: VB H Albion 6:30 (C game 5:30), 7th grade BB Regionals continue 7:45 @ Sigel vs. Sacred Heart

Wednesday: **6-8 Class Mass (8)**, Kindergarten/New Student Pre-Registration Night 5:30 in cafeteria (bring your '24-'25 Kindergarten)

Thursday: 7th grade BB Regional Championship 6:00 @ Sigel

Friday: All-School Mass (6)

Saturday: 8th grade VB tournament 9:00, 6th grade BB @ Clay City tournament 10:00,

8th grade BB Regional begins @ Sacred Heart vs. Oblong 10:15, St. Thomas Wine

Tasting @ KC Hall, Mass @ St. Thomas 4:30

Sunday: Masses at St. Thomas 7:00/10:00, Mass @ St. Mary's 8:30



ATTACHED/IN PACKET: Catholic School's Week Schedule, Summer Ball Registration forms, Camp Ondessonk brochure, Soup Supper Worker List, Worker Sign-up for Trivia Night

- If you are a 7th/8th grade parent, we still need workers in the **concession stand** for volleyball season. The open spots are as follows:

Saturday, January 27 th (7 th grade tournament)	
9:00 to 11:30	Need 1 worker
11:30 to end	Need 2 workers
Monday, February 5 th	Need 1 worker
Thursday, February 15 th	Need 1 worker
Thursday, February 22 nd	Need 1 worker
- **Thanks** to Jeanne Wagner, Dee Bower, Lori Tevault and Chuck Einhorn for volunteering to drive our kids to Effingham for Catholic School's Week. We are definitely blessed!
- You should have received notification of the **Snow Days** from Superintendent, Joe Sornberger. If you did not get a phone call, please let me know.
- Mark your calendars for the **Daddy/Daughter Dance** on Saturday, April 20th following the 4:30 mass.
 - I would like to invite you all to the American Legion this Friday. **Southern Comfort** will be playing for their Queen of Hearts drawing night.
- **Noon playground watchers:** Please know that we trust you as moms to make safe decisions for our kids. I do not want athletes going in at lunch without an adult in there with them. If they do go in, they should be trying to better themselves, not playing rough and/or hitting balls all over the gym. If you ever have questions, please let me know. You are always welcome to just say, "No!".
- After Catholic School's Week mass Wednesday, Jan. 31st, the entire school will be **headed to the movies**. If you'd like to contribute to the cost of the movies, you can send in any amount you'd like. It costs \$7 per student, but we will cover whatever isn't sent in. This includes popcorn and a drink for each student! It's going to be a lot of fun!

- Keep **encouraging your athletes** to work hard in the classroom and on their homework. They have been doing very well for basketball and volleyball. Keep up the good work!
- Please send in **bottles of wine** for the Trivia Night Wine Pull. We like to have at least 50 bottles. Thanks!
 - This weekend you will be asked to fill out a one-question survey about the upcoming **Centennial Campaign** if you are a St. Thomas parishioner. There will be a link sent with the church bulletin on Friday if you get those emails from church. If you do not, there will be cards in the pews at all masses this weekend. You can fill it out and drop it in one of the baskets at the back of church. Thanks for your input.
- The NCHS Choral department will be presenting **“OKLAHOMA”** March 21-24. I have tickets in the office, so let me know what you need. It’s going to be a great show!
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From Do Something Beautiful for God-The Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa

“Prayer is not asking. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, at His disposition, and listening to His voice in the depth of our hearts.”

From 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory

“One of the biggest traps a pilgrim can fall into is the trap of FOMO (Fear of Missing Out). Driven by this psychological nonsense, many people make the worst decisions of their lives. The only things that matter are those that God has chosen for you. It is preferable to miss out on everything else. Doing the will of God transforms FOMO into JOMO – the Joy of Missing Out.