

## St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School



**November 21, 2022**

### **THE NOTE!**

Looks like some beautiful weather this week. It's still a little chilly this morning, but loving the sunshine! Looked like there was a ton of deer killed this weekend by the show of hands this morning. The kids were excited to share. A 9-pointer was the biggest, and many were proud to share that they field dressed their own deer. I'm so glad it was the perfect hunting weather for all of you! I encouraged the kids to work hard these three days! They should be half way to their AR goals since mid-term was Friday.



Tomorrow is the last day to bring in coins for the Penny War. They played a game today and some of the classes earned a little extra money! Friday we had a paper airplane building/flying contest to win rolls of coins for the class whose plane with the furthest. It's a fun way to raise money for the community food baskets. Thanks for helping your kids contribute.



**ATTACHED/IN PACKET:** Elks Clinic Flyer, SCRIP order form/info, Trivia Night flyer

## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: 7<sup>th</sup> GBB @ T-Town regional vs. Robinson 7:15, BB @ Martinsville  
6:00

Tuesday: When the girls win Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> GBB @ T-Town regional  
championship 6:00, Last day for Penny War, Mid-terms will be coming  
home

Wednesday: **All-School Mass (4)**, K-2 Thanksgiving program 1:15 in PC,  
2:00 dismissal, Mass @ St. Thomas 6:30

Thursday: No School – Happy Thanksgiving, Mass @ St. Thomas and St.  
Mary's 8:30

Friday: BB practice 10-noon

Saturday: Mass @ St. Thomas 4:30

Sunday: (**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**) Masses @ St. Thomas 7:00/10:00, Mass  
@ St. Mary's 8:30

- \* We will be sending out **sponsor information** for our Trivia Night to businesses this week. If your business or the business you work for does not receive the mailing, please let us know. The more sponsors the better!
- \* There has been a **Trivia Night Facebook event** created for St. Thomas. Please share it with your friends and family. Get your team ready to play! The flyer is in your packets!
- \* We are planning to **sell SCRIP cards** after masses beginning this weekend until Dec. 17/18. Spread the word! Lori put information in the packets today about placing orders.
- \* Your kids will be bringing home their **mid-terms** tomorrow. Please talk to your kids and be in touch with their teacher(s) if you have concerns.
- \* Tonight is the last chance to order **St. Thomas apparel**. The link is on the flyer attached to the email today or in your packet if you don't get emails. Lots of neat Christmas gift ideas!
- \* If you or someone you know is willing to play **Santa** for us, please let me know. Santa is a busy guy, so he likes to have some help. Our Booster Club will provide a treat to hand out.

- \* **Thank you** to all of our parents who do recess duty in the mornings and at lunchtime. If you ever have any concerns, please let me know. Until further notice, no students, including athletes, should be in the gym for lunch recess unless everyone is in for lunch recess due to weather. If there is ever a question, please feel free to radio in.
  - \* As **Advent** begins this Sunday, I encourage all of you to make attending mass/church a priority. Each Monday morning I will have special Advent time with all of the kids and when they've been to church, they better understand what I am sharing. There is a great resource for ideas for your family to make Advent special for your family: <https://buildfaith.org/advent-calendars-updated/> .
- I don't want to preach, but attending a Catholic school does not take away the importance of attending church together as a family each weekend. I know you all value what your kids take away from St. Thomas, but research shows that parents (especially fathers) making church a priority is important if you want to see your kids become young adults and adults who value the importance of their faith and church attendance. I'm at the place in my life where I'm thinking about my kids' faith life and I pray every day that they find a Christian partner who will help them get to heaven as Ben and I have been doing so far. Our kids are faced with so much more negative culture than we ever faced. Your most important job as a parent is to help them get to heaven! Let's get them to church!

