



Weekly Mailer – April 23rd

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Faith First – Educating children while building a Catholic foundation that instills Christian values.



St. Matthias Parish School Mailer

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Dear Saint Matthias Families!

What a beautiful Friday and a gorgeous end to our week. The snow is behind us (we hope). The beauty of God's creation is a constant reminder of what a loving God He is. We thank our 3rd and 4th Graders for appreciating that and cleaning up the St. Matthias campus for Earth Day. How great Thou art indeed!

We are still in need of volunteers to share their green thumbs and **beautify the school**. Please let us know if you would like to share your gardening gifts with the school.

5 Days a Week! We are so excited to return to full week instruction for the remainder of the school year. If you are one of our virtual families, you may still opt to return to in person. Please contact me directly if you are considering it. Please remember that we are planning for 100% in person instruction for the 2021-2022 school year.

Your input is needed! Please consider one of the primary parent groups, **School Advisory Committee or Home and School** for the next school year. There are opportunities to serve that will suit your availability and interests. There will be board member opportunities as well as opportunities to serve on Ad Hoc committees with specific projects and initiatives!

In May we will begin scheduling classes to attend in person Mass as a class. Grades will be scheduled to attend and all will have the opportunity for in person worship before the end of the school year. Looking forward to again having children in the church as a precursor to the 2021-2022 school year and, hopefully, the return to all school Masses. As we have been doing, classrooms not attending in person will view Mass together in their classroom. Another opportunity to worship as a community of believers.

The Saint Gerard Scholarship deadline is today, April 23, but applications will be accepted through **Monday, April 26th**. If interested please complete the application included in today's mailer. Scholarship funds are awarded to students in grades 3-8 and assist with both grade school and high school tuition.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

Karen Earle



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The St. Gerard Fund Scholarship Application (PRINT CLEARLY)	2021
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STUDENT'S NAME (FIRST)		(LAST)		(MIDDLE)	
ADDRESS				DAYTIME PHONE	
CITY			ZIP	EVENING PHONE	
DATE OF BIRTH		PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME (LAST)		(FIRST)	
PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL					
CHURCH AFFILIATION		SCHOOL NOW ATTENDING		CURRENT GRADE	

SCHOOL ATTENDING FOR 2021-22

PLEASE LIST THE NAMES OF ANY BROTHERS OR SISTERS OF APPLICANT ATTENDING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

NAME	GRADE OF CHILD	SCHOOL ATTENDING FOR 2020-21

IS YOUR FAMILY RECEIVING ANY SCHOOL CHOICE FUNDS? (CHECK ONE)

YES NO

IS ANY MEMBER OF YOUR IMMEDIATE FAMILY EMPLOYED AS A TEACHER AT A CATHOLIC SCHOOL? IF SO, PLEASE PROVIDE:

NAME OF TEACHER		RELATIONSHIP OF TEACHER TO APPLICANT	
NAME OF SCHOOL		CITY/TOWN OF SCHOOL	

YEARS RELATIVE EMPLOYED AT THIS SCHOOL (E.G., 1990 TO PRESENT)

About the St. Gerard Fund...

The St. Gerard Fund was established in 1997 with the proceeds from the sale of the St. Gerard property and the closing of the parish. The parishioners of St. Gerard established the fund to provide scholarships for Catholic school students in a defined area surrounding the St. Gerard facility. The scholarships will be awarded based primarily on three criteria: 1) volunteerism in the parish, school or community, on behalf of the student or immediate family; 2) demonstrated academic achievement or demonstrated effort by the student; and 3) special financial needs of the student's family. The fund is administered by the Catholic Community Foundation, with the assistance of former St. Gerard members.

To be completed by applicant's parent/guardian I certify that the information on this application is true and accurate		To be completed by school principal Based on information I know about the student and family, I believe the information in this report is correct, and I have no reason to question the accuracy of this application	
PARENT SIGNATURE	DATE	PRINCIPAL SIGNATURE	DATE



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To be completed by or on behalf of student applicant... (can be typed using MS Word)

Please describe any volunteer activities performed by the student for the parish or school, or volunteer activities in the community. Please elaborate fully, including applicable dates for the volunteer activities.

[Empty text box for student volunteer activities]

Please describe any volunteer activities performed by the student applicant's **immediate family** for the parish or school, or volunteer activities in the community. Please elaborate fully, including applicable dates for the volunteer activities.

[Empty text box for immediate family volunteer activities]

Please describe the student's academic achievements or performance, or the student's demonstrated effort in the classroom.

[Empty text box for academic achievements]

Please describe any special financial needs or circumstances of your family.

[Empty text box for special financial needs]