



Weekly Mailer – December 1

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

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Dear St. Matthias School Families,

The holiday season is here, including chilly weather. It has been fun to watch the students play in the snow, get bundled in their cute winter attire, and hear them talk about Christmas. I always love this time of the year, but it always seems to go by so fast! Advent begins this weekend, and my prayer is for each of us to spend some time in prayer as we wait in anticipation for the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Advent Wreath Blessing Prayer Service

On Monday, December 4th, the staff and students will attend our annual Advent wreath blessing prayer service. It's a great way to start the Advent season. Families are invited to join us at 2:15pm in the church.

End of Trimester One

Today marks the close of trimester One. Students and staff have worked hard this first trimester and growth is evident in many ways. Way to go students! Next Friday, December 8th, report cards for grades 1-8 will be sent home with students. Please look for the manila colored envelope, sign it and return it to school.

Breakfast with Santa Volunteers

Home and School is looking for volunteers (students and adults) to help with Breakfast with Santa. If you or your student (middle school or older) needs service hours, this is a great opportunity to get some. Anyone over 18 must be Safeguarded. Please use the link below to sign up. Thank you in advance for your help. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0844AAA628A0F49-46222051-breakfast>

Save the Date for our Christmas Concerts

Students in grades K4-4th grade are getting ready for their Christmas concerts. On Thursday, December 14, grades 1-4 will present their dress rehearsal to the school in the afternoon and an evening concert for friends and family at 6:30pm in the school gym. **CONCERT ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY** for students in grades 1-4. The K4 & K5 will present a short concert on Wednesday, December 20th at 2:00 for friends and family. We can't wait to see the kids perform and celebrate the Advent and Christmas season with us.

4th Grade Service Project

The fourth graders would like to invite the St. Matthias students, staff, and families to 4th Grade Candy Cane Lane on Thursday, December 21st from 2:00-3:00 in the 4th grade classroom. Each year, 4th Grade creates a version of the West Allis Candy Cane Lane during the season of Advent. All are invited to tour and make a donation. All donations will be donated to the Midwest Athletes Against Childhood Cancer Inc (the MACC Fund) which is dedicated to funding childhood cancer and related blood disorder research. Please consider donating to this worthy cause.

Kid Coats

The Knights of Columbus have generously donated winter coats for students of various sizes for boys and girls. If your child or a child you know needs a new coat, please contact the office.

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New Religion Standards

At the beginning of the school year, the Archdiocese released the new Religion standards for grades 1-8. The new curriculum standards have been expanded and are quite detailed. We will use this school year to familiarize ourselves with the new standards but may not cover every standard this first year.

Mass, December 8th at 8:15

On Friday, December 8th, we will celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception as a school family. Students from multiple grades will participate in leading us in prayer and song. Junior High Handbells and the Choristers will lead us in song. Please join us.

Athletics

The athletic board is in search of parents and guardians who are interested in taking leadership positions next year. Many of the current leaders will be retiring from their positions at the end of this school year. We want your help as we look to the future and dream how we can build our St. Matthias sports programs. Please contact Mr. Sowu, PE teacher and athletic director, for more information.

dsowu@stmatthiasmilw.org

Home and School Committee

The Home and School Committee plans monthly activities and events for St. Matthias School.

School Advisory Board

This group serves as an advisory committee to the principal and works with Mrs. Turner on long-term planning for the school. If you would like to be part of this committee, please contact Mrs. Turner. Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, December 7 at 7:45pm.

Blessings,
Mrs. Alissa Turner
Principal

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MOVIE NIGHT

Join us to watch Journey to Bethlehem

**December
18,2023**



6:30pm



**Ridge Cinema
5200 S.
Moorland Rd**

Please return permission slip and \$16 to Tanya Houser
by: • December 7, 2023 : make checks payable to Troop
11438

This event is for any registered Girl Scout at St. Matthias
and their families. A small soda and small popcorn will be
included in the cost

**An adult at least 18 years of age must
accompany any scout in attendance**



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Ridge Cinema Movie Night Permission Slip St. Matthias Girl Scout Event

What: Journey to Bethlehem

Where: Ridge Cinema 5200 S Moorland Rd

When: Monday December 18, 2023

Time: 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm: Check in begins at 6pm

Cost: \$16.00 per person

*A parent/ guardian is required to be with the child/ children at all times.

*As this is a scout family event, all parents and siblings are encouraged to attend.

Please complete the permission slip and send back with payment, checks should be made payable to:
Troop 11438 no later than December 7, 2023, to Tanya Houser via the school office.

(Return bottom portion along with permission slip and waiver for each child attending)

Ridge Cinema 5200 S Moorland Rd
December 18, 2023; 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Family Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone number: _____

Number of Attendees: _____ x \$16.00 = \$_____

Grand Total Enclosed = \$_____

I have read the rules listed above: _____
(Signature)

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SYNOD ON SYNODALITY UPDATE

**MONDAY DECEMBER
18TH, 2023 - 6:30 - 8:30
PM STEIGER HALL**

**SIGN UP BY CALLING
BRIAN JENS AT THE PARISH
OFFICE AT
414-982-2406
OR REGISTER ONLINE AT:
[HTTPS://STMATTHIAS-
MILW.ORG/FFO/](https://stmatthias-milw.org/ffo/)**

Come and join us for this special conversation on how the journey through the Synod on Synodality is taking place! Help us bring their proposals to life as we talk about new opportunities for formation in 2024!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 11:30 Dismissal First Trimester Complete	2 10:00-11:30 First Reconciliation
3	4 2:15 Advent Wreath Blessing	5 6:00-6:45 Jammie Night	6 Happy St. Nick Day \$1.00 Jammie Out of Uniform Day	7 6:30 Home & School Meeting 7:45 SAC Meeting 7 th Grade Field Trip	8 8:15 Mass – All School Report Cards sent home	9 8:00-11:00 Breakfast with Santa
10	11	12	13	14 8:15 Mass – 3rd 2:00 & 6:30 1-4 Grade Concert	15 Spirit Day and wear your favorite hat or headband	16
17	18 Wear red, green or holiday pajamas	19 4 & 5 Grade Field Trip Wear a plaid shirt or bottoms	20 2:00 K4 & K5 Concert Wear "Frozen Gear" blue or white	21 8:15 Mass-8th Wear a holiday shirt or sweater 2:00-3:00 4 th Grade Candy Cane Lane	22 No School	23
24	25 No School Merry Christmas	26 No School	27 No School	28 No School	29 No School	30
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DECEMBER 2023

St Matthias School K-8 HOT LUNCH MENU



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MILK FOR SCHOOLS: SKIM WHITE LOW FAT WHITE SKIM CHOCOLATE				
MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE				
4 WG Meat and Cheese Calzone Marinara Dipping Sauce Local Romaine Salad w/ Dressing Packet Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	5 BBQ Chicken Patty Sandwich on WG Hamburger Bun Vegetarian Baked Beans Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	6 Beef Meatball Sub on WG Diamond Jim Sub Bun Shredded Mozzarella Oven Roasted Potatoes Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	7 Popcorn Chicken BBQ Sauce Packet WG Chocolate Bear Crackers Steamed Carrots Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	1 No Lunch
11 Asian Chicken WG Brown Rice Baby Carrots Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	12 WG Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich WG Hamburger Bun Mayo Packet Steamed Sweet Peas Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	13 Italian Turkey Deli Combo Sub on WG Diamond Jim Sub Bun LOCAL Nuenster Cheese Slice Mayo and Mustard Celery Sticks Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	14 Dominos Cheese Pizza Slice WG Graham Crackers Local Romaine Salad w/ Dressing Packet Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	15 Cheeseburger on WG Hamburger Bun Ketchup Packet Vegetarian Baked Beans Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk
18 WG Chicken Nuggets BBQ Sauce Packet WG Pretzel Breadstick Steamed Carrots Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	19 Beef Nachos w/ Shredded Cheddar Cheese WG Tortilla Chips WG Graham Crackers Rancho Beans Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	20 Beef Meatballs and Gravy WG Brown Rice Sliced Crunchy Cucumbers Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	21 Diced Chicken in Gravy WG Dinner Roll WG Maple Waffle Grahams Mashed Potatoes Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk	No School Merry Christmas
25 HAPPY HOLIDAYS!	26 HAPPY HOLIDAYS!	27 HAPPY HOLIDAYS!	28 HAPPY HOLIDAYS!	29 HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON PRODUCT AVAILABILITY

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