



Weekly Mailer – December 21

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

St. Matthias Parish School Mailer

December 21, 2023

Dear St. Matthias School Families,

As we head into the last week of Advent and quickly into the Christmas season, I would like to wish you and your family a restful and blessed holiday season. Thank you for entrusting your students to us. It is a joy to work and learn together. Merry Christmas from everyone at St. Matthias!

Christmas Concerts

Students in grades K4 and K5 had a wonderful Christmas concert yesterday afternoon. You did a great job! Thank you to the many friends and family who attended our performance. It is always so heartwarming to see and hear our youngest students share the nativity story. It is my prayer that the story of our Savior's birth will be etched in the hearts of our students and everyone who hears God's love story.

Coat Wearing Policy

Wisconsin weather can change drastically in one week making cool days seem very warm to kids. When this happens, students often want to take their coats off on days when it is still chilly. Students are expected to wear outerwear during recess and before and after school. If the temperature is 60 degrees or above, students will be allowed to take off their coats. If the temperature outside is 50-59 degrees, students will be allowed to unzip their jackets. If the temperature is below 50, students will be expected to zip and wear their jackets.

Candy Cane Lane 4th Grade Service Project

The fourth graders did a great job creating their versions of Candy Cane Lane. Thank you to all who made a donation to the Midwest Athletes Against Childhood Cancer Inc. (the MACC Fund).

Christmas Break

Students and staff will take Christmas break starting Friday, December 22. School will resume on **Tuesday, January 2, 2024**. The school office will be closed during Christmas break.

Girls on the Run

The Girls on the Run program is coming to St. Matthias. This is a program that incorporates physical activity, social skill lessons, confidence, and overall girl empowerment. This is available for 3rd-5th grade girls in the spring, from March 18 - May 18. At the end of the 8 weeks, there is a celebratory 5K run/walk at American Family Field. The girls DO NOT have to be in athletic sports or a runner of any kind in order to participate. The goal is for the girls to build confidence, deepen friendships, and make lasting memories.

Ms. Rogalinski, our school counselor, is leading this program and will be hosting an info meeting at St. Matthias on Wednesday, January 3rd at 5:30pm. Please email Ms. Rogalinski if you are interested in attending the meeting and/or if you'd like to co-coach. krogalinski@stmatthiasmilw.org
See the flyer in this week's mailer for more information.

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Inclement Weather

The season for snow is upon us. St. Matthias Parish School will follow the decision of the **West Allis-West Milwaukee Public Schools** and will cancel school when WAWM schools close for inclement weather. Parents will also be notified that school will be closed via the Remind app. Notification will also be sent to television stations. If the school closes before regular dismissal time, parents will be notified via the Remind app.

Celebration of Learning Open House

On Wednesday, January 24th from 6:00 - 7:00pm, St. Matthias School invites you to join us at our Celebration of Learning. This evening is set aside for students to display their learning and academic success. Student projects, writing samples, and hands-on science experiments will be displayed for families and friends to see. This is also a great opportunity to visit the teacher and class your student's will be in for the 2024-25 school year. We can't wait to share our hard work with you! Save the date!

Mass, January 4th at 8:15

On Thursday, January 4th, we will celebrate school Mass. Students from 5th grade will lead us. Please join us.

Home and School Committee

The Home and School Committee plans monthly activities and events for St. Matthias School. Our next meeting will be Thursday, January 11, 2024 at 6:30pm in the library. Drop in and see how you can get involved. **We will begin to plan our winter family fun night, spring cleanup, a fundraiser, and the school picnic after the New Year.**

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, January 11 at 7:45pm. For more information, please contact Mrs. Turner

Blessings,
Mrs. Alissa Turner
Principal



about

SO MUCH MORE

than
just

RUNNING

Girls on the Run focuses on the connection between mind and body through a combination of targeted lessons and physical activity that instills confidence and nurtures care and compassion in every Girls on the Run participant

WHY IT MATTERS

Girls on the Run reaches girls at a critical age, 3rd-8th grade, where self-confidence begins to decrease and bullying begins to increase.

94%

of parents reported it was a valuable experience for their girl.



96%

of schools would offer the program again.

LIFE LONG IMPACT

Results show our program inspires and empowers girls to build healthy physical and mental habits that last long beyond the program.



LAUDATE DEUM

MONDAY

8

JANUARY

6:30 - 8:00
PM

**To All the People of Good
Will on the Climate Crisis**

**JOIN US FOR AN INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION ON POPE
FRANCIS' LATEST MESSAGE ON CLIMATE CHANGE.**

FREE EVENT - ALL ARE WELCOME!

REGISTER ONLINE AT: STMATTHIAS-MILW.ORG/FFO

OR CALL BRIAN JENS AT 414-982-2406





SPECIAL ADULT FAITH FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENT!

THE CHOSEN UPDATES:

JOIN US ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH IN
STEIGER HALL FROM 6:00PM - 8:00PM

Get in the Christmas spirit with food, film, and
fellowship! All are welcome to join us as we watch

“The Shepherd” and “The Messengers”.

These wonderful short Christmas specials were
created by the same producers as “The Chosen”.



STARTING THIS JANUARY, WE WILL BE MAKING OUR WAY
THROUGH “THE CHOSEN” SEASONS 2 & 3
TUESDAYS 6:30-8:00 PM IN STEIGER HALL AT ST. MATTHIAS!

Season 2

January 9th, 2024 - S2/E1
January 16th, 2024 - S2/E2
January 23rd, 2024 - S2/E3
January 30th, 2024 - S2/E4
February 6th, 2024 - S2/E5
February 13th, 2024 - S2/E6
February 20th, 2024 - S2/E7
February 27th, 2024 - S2/E8

Season 3

April 2nd, 2024 - S3/E1
April 9th, 2024 - S3/E2
April 16th, 2024 - S3/E3
April 23rd, 2024 - S3/E4
April 30th, 2024 - S3/E5
May 7th, 2024 - S3/E6
May 14th, 2024 - S3/E7
May 21st, 2024 - S3/E8

THERE IS NO COST TO JOIN AND EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

TO SIGN UP VISIT OUR WEBSITE: STMATTHIAS-MILW.ORG/FFO/

OR CONTACT BRIAN JENS AT: (414) 982-2406 OR BJENS@STMATTHIAS-MILW.ORG



ST. THOMAS MORE HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL
HOSTED BY STM COACHING STAFF, CURRENT
STM PLAYERS, & STM ALUMNI

**1st Annual
Youth Winter
Baseball Clinic**

**Grades
1-8**

**Saturday & Sunday
January 6 & 7**



9:30 – 11:30 am
Each day

Play ball! Sharpen your batting and fielding skills with the Cavaliers at our first annual 2-day baseball clinic designed for kids grades 1 – 8. Kids will play in groups (grades 1-4 / grades 5-8). **Only \$40 per player!**

REGISTER BY JANUARY 3!

Scan the QR code or go the following link:
www.tmore.org/baseball



The clinic will take place at
Prospect Training Academy
6758 S. 13th Street, Oak Creek, WI 53154

Questions? Contact Coach
Schultz at 414.481.8370 x110
or tschultz@tmore.org





St. Matthias Parish School January 2024

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|-----------|
| | 1 Happy New Year | 2 Classes Resume | 3 | 4 8:15 Mass - 5th 6:30 Home & School Meeting | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 8:15 Mass - 7th 6:30 Home & School 7:45 - SAC | 12 Spirit Day | 13 |
| 14 | 15 MLK Day | 16 | 17 | 18 8:15 Mass - 4th | 19 \$1.00 Out of Uniform | 20 |
| | MAP TEST | MAP TEST | MAP TEST | MAP TEST | MAP TEST | |
| 21 St. Matthias Alumni Blessing at 10:00 Mass | 22 | 23 | 24 6:00-7:00pm Open House Celebration of Learning Evening | 25 8:15 Mass - 6th | 26 12:45 Dismissal K4/K5 Report Cards Progress Reports | 27 |
| 28 Catholic Schools Week Begins | 29 8:15 Mass | 30 All School Bowling | 31 | | | |
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January 2024

St Matthias

K-8 Hot Lunch Menu



| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|--|--|---|---|--|
| 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! | 2 WG Chicken Corn Dog Ketchup Packet Steamed Vegetables Seasonal Fruit WG Cinnamon Goldfish Grahams Choice of Milk | 3 Grilled BBQ Chicken Breast Sandwich WG Hamburger Bun Baby Carrots Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 4 Cheeseburger with Local Beef Patty WG Hamburger Bun Ketchup & Mustard Vegetarian Baked Beans Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 5 Popcorn Chicken (5 each) Mac and Cheese (Half Portion) WG Pretzel Breadstick Romaine Salad w/ Dressing Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk |
| 8 WG Beef and Cheese Burrito Taco Sauce Packet Ranchero Beans Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 9 Orange Chicken WG Brown Rice WG Cheddar Goldfish Fresh Broccoli Bites w/ Ranch Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 10 -Build Your Own Sub- WG Diamond Jim Sub Bun Turkey Deli Meat & Cheese Slice Shredded Lettuce Mayo & Mustard Baby Carrots Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 11 Turkey Kielbasa WG Hot Dog Bun Ketchup & Mustard Oven Roasted Potatoes Seasonal Fruit WG Graham Crackers Choice of Milk | 12 DOMINOS DAY!!! Dominos Pizza Slice WG Graham Crackers Romaine Salad w/ Dressing Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk |
| 15 MILK DAY!!! Managers Choice Entrée Seasonal Red/ Orange Vegetables Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 16 Diced Chicken Fajitas Taco Sauce WG Flour Tortilla WG Tortilla Chips Fiesta Black Beans Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 17 WG Chicken Nuggets BBQ Sauce Packet WG Buttermilk Biscuit w/ Jelly Steamed Sweet Corn Kernels Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 18 Italian Meatball Sub Shredded Mozzarella Marinara WG Bun Romaine Salad w/ Dressing Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 19 Creamy Chicken Alfredo Twirly Noodles WG Pretzel Breadstick Fresh Cucumber Slices Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk |
| 22 Sweet and Sour Chicken WG Brown Rice WG Pretzel Breadstick Fresh Broccoli Bites Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 23 Homemade Beef and Bean Chili Shredded Cheese WG Cornbread WG Cheddar Goldfish Baby Carrots Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 24 Diced BBQ Chicken or Pork WG Bun Roasted Potatoes Ketchup Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 25 Cheeseburger WG Hamburger Bun Ketchup & Mustard Vegetarian Baked Beans Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 26 Sliced Turkey and Gravy WG Buttermilk Biscuit w/ Jelly Roasted Sweet Potatoes Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk |
| 29 Italian and Garlic Cheesy Pull Aparts Marinara Dipping Sauce Baby Carrots Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | 30 Beef Nachos Shredded Cheese & Taco Sauce WG Tortilla Chips Fiesta Beans Seasonal Fruit Assorted Graham Crackers Choice of Milk | 31 Turkey Hot Dog WG Bun Ketchup Fresh Celery Sticks Seasonal Fruit Choice of Milk | | MILK FOR SCHOOLS: SKIM WHITE LOW FAT WHITE SKIM CHOCOLATE MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE |

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MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON PRODUCT AVAILABILITY

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