

# ST. MATT'S MATTERS

March 27, 2009

## MISSION STATEMENT

As a Christian community of believers at St. Matthew School in Oak Creek, we declare our mission to be one in which we promote academic excellence by providing a high quality, Catholic education. Through value-centered education and spiritual nourishment we strive to meet the needs of our families. Our mission is to build a Catholic community where we encourage others to proclaim the Gospel with compassion and hope.

## A Note from the Principal

Dear Parents,

The school year is flying by! Our third quarter ends on Tuesday. It's hard to believe that three quarters of this school year will soon be completed.

We are all looking forward to the Talent Show that takes place on Tuesday as well. I want to thank Student Council, Ms. Voelz, Ms. Gosz, and the parent volunteers who have spent many hours helping to prepare this exciting event!

I will close with a school security and safety reminder: students should not be in our building before 8:20 unless they are under the supervision of Extended Care. You may have noticed that the buses park and keep our students on board until the 8:20 bell rings. I appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Thank you for supporting Catholic education!

*Mrs. Barber*

## IMPORTANT DATES:

**Sunday, 3/29** – Panera Day, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

**Monday, 3/30** – Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, 3/31** – Third Quarter Ends, Grade 8, Reconciliation, 11:00 a.m.; Talent Show, 1:30 p.m.; Mad Science, 3:25-4:25 p.m.

**Wednesday, 4/1** – Ident-A-Kid Photos, 10:30 a.m.

**Friday, 4/3** – Good Citizen/Lucky Bulldog Assembly, 9:15 a.m.; Rice Krispies Bar Bake Sale for Project Rice Bowl by Grade 7, 2:00 p.m.; Fish Boil, 4:00-7:00 p.m.

**SERVICE HOURS** – Are you in need of service hours? Would you like some to do at home? We have a few bags of Campbell labels in the school office that need cutting and counting. Directions are sent home with the bag. If you'd like to help in this way, please call the school office.

**TUITION ASSISTANCE** - As in recent years, there will be monies available from St. Matthew School for tuition assistance. Decision-making in regard to tuition assistance will be based upon family need. Applications for St. Matthew School Tuition Assistance are available in the school office. Any information that is disclosed on the application is strictly confidential. Please contact Mrs. Barber if you have any questions or would like an application. Completed applications should be returned to the school office by Monday, May 4, 2009.

**TALENT SHOW** – Our talented students will be performing on Tuesday, March 31, **at 1:30 p.m.**, in the cafeteria. All are invited to attend!!!

**ICE PACKS** – The school office is in need of 9" x 4" gel ice packs. If you can donate any, please contact the school office. Thank you!

**BOOK FAIR IS COMING SOON!** – Mark your calendars . . . May 7-15, 2009. Interested volunteers please call Lisa Cheaney at 414-768-1063 or Renee Tezak-Unti at 414-531-1366 for details.

**VOLLEYBALL CLINIC** – On the flyer that went home to the 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade girls for the spring volleyball clinic, it states to please make a check out for \$15 to SMPAA. This is incorrect. The cost is \$10 as stated at the top of the flyer and that is the amount the checks should be made out for. Also, the time stated is 7:45 and it should be 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

**MARCUS MOVIE TICKET FUNDRAISER** - THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the Marcus Movie Ticket Fundraiser. We had over 40 families participate (including Religious Formation and teachers). Overall we made a profit of \$625.23 for the school.

**PANERA DAY** – This coming Sunday, March 29, from 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m., treat your family to lunch or dinner at Panera and 10% of the purchase price will be given back to our school. A voucher form, found in your family folder, will need to be presented. Keep in mind to utilize a Panera Scrip Card.

**ST. THOMAS MORE HONOR ROLL** – Congratulations to the following St. Matt’s graduates who are on the third quarter honor roll at St. Thomas More High School: David Merkel, Andrea Schulner, Alyssa Loferski, Glenn Margraff, Scott Butzer, Riley Shelton, Molly Miller, Tyler Schultz, Cecilia Margraff, Brian Zapp, James Murphy, Christopher Rolling, Evan Johnson, Matt Cheaney, William Schulner, Sara Schaal, Mary Bronikowski and Aaron Loferski.

**LIVING OUR FAITH WITH ARCHBISHOP DOLAN** - Catholic Knights presents the following shows on Saturdays at noon, on WISN TV 12 and on Time Warner Cable's "Wisconsin On Demand," Channel 1111.

- Saturday, 3/14** : Faith in the Workplace and in the Classroom
- Saturday 3/21**: Faith: It’s Positive Impact on Marriage and Family
- Saturday, 3/28**: Race Relations and a New President
- Saturday, 4/4**: Living your Faith with Health Care Challenges
- Saturday, 4/11**: Am I Saved?

**LOOKING FOR SOMETHING FUN TO DO DURING EASTER BREAK?** - Check out *Camp DSHA-Easter!* Free and open to girls in grades 4 thru 7. *Camp DSHA Easter* offers DSHA Around the World on Wednesday, April 15, and Movie Day on Thursday, April 16. Explore world cultures and languages, and go on a scavenger hunt in the morning on DSHA Around the World day and earn the Girl Scouts World Neighbors badge. Discuss the book, "Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Journey to Change the World...One Child at a Time," (*book provided in advance*) in the afternoon. Travel by bus to the Majestic Theatre to see *Hannah Montana - The Movie* on Movie Day. Then return to DSHA for lunch, karaoke, and trivia games. Come one or both days. For details and registration, visit [www.dsha.info](http://www.dsha.info) and select the *Activities and Athletics* tab or call 616-2805. The direct link is <http://www.dsha.info/dnav/123/page.htm> . See you at Camp!

**ST. MATT’S MOVIE, “HERE’S LOOKING AT YOUR KIDS”** – There are movies left of that which was featured at our School Auction. What a wonderful keepsake of your child/ren. Each movie costs \$35 which includes a free poster. The cost is \$5 to purchase only a poster. (A framed copy is on display in the school office.) Checks should be made payable to St. Matthew School Auction. Orders will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

**MCDONALD’S MONEY** – There’s McDonald’s money/certificates left. For every \$1 of McDonald’s Money you purchase, 30 cents goes to Home and School and is applied towards your fundraising. Orders are filled on a first come, first served basis. This is an easy Home and School fundraiser. Certificates are good now until June 30. Any questions, call Michelle Luczak at 414-762-5426.

<b>SERVERS:</b>	March 28	5:00 p.m.:	Jacob Wolf	Cross:	Angela Stodola
	March 29	7:30 a.m.:	Rachel Anderson	Cross:	Amanda Horman
		9:30 a.m.:	Jacob Fakler	Cross:	Kristen Fakler

**WE COLLECT** - McDonald=s receipts, Campbell UPC codes, General Mills box tops, Kemps/Golden Guernsey/Morning Glory milk caps, cancelled postage stamps and used ink cartridges. You can drop any of these separated items in the plastic drawer bin in the hallway outside of church. This is a simple way our school earns free items or cash from these companies.

**ST. MATTHEW SCHOOL REGISTRATION** continues for parish members interested in registering their children for St. Matthew School this fall. Stop by the school office anytime between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Open Registration begins Wednesday, April 8, 2009, 9:00 a.m. Tell a neighbor, tell a friend. Please share the good news about St. Matthew School.

***“A single day is enough to make us a little larger.”***

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