

# ST. MATT'S MATTERS

May 22, 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,

Greetings,

In addition to our regular classes, the second half of May is filled with assemblies, sporting events and field trips. Today, Mrs. Correll's fifth graders treated the student body to a square dancing program! The fifth graders' dancing was certainly impressive. Next Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, students enrolled in the All Saints Music program will put on their annual concert in church at 2:15. All are welcome to attend and spend an afternoon listening to our fine musicians. The Soccer Classic takes place this weekend! "Thank you" to all the parents who have spent countless hours organizing this wonderful event. Next week grades 5, 6, and 7 will be taking their spring field trips. Grade 5 will be visiting the historic Old Wade House. Sixth and seventh grade will be seeing the sights of Milwaukee from the deck of the Edelweiss. After the cruise, they will be touring the Haggerty Museum on the campus of Marquette University. Education at St. Matthew is certainly not limited to the four walls of the classroom.

As always, thank you for supporting Catholic education.

*Mrs. Barber*

## IMPORTANT DATES:

**Saturday, 5/23** – Soccer Classic

**Sunday, 5/24** – Soccer Classic

**Monday, 5/25** – NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day

**Tuesday, 5/26** – Used Book Sale in our Library; All Saints Music Concert, 2:15 p.m.

**Wednesday, 5/27** – Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

**Thursday, 5/28** – Grade 5, Villa, 9:15 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

**Friday, 5/29** – All School Liturgy by Grade 4, 9:15 a.m.; Grade 5, Wade House, 7:30 a.m.-2:15 p.m.; Grades 6 and 7, Edelweiss and Haggerty Museum, 8:45 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

**Saturday, 5/30** – Home and School Resale Shop, 8:00-11:00 a.m., noon-2:00 p.m.

**Sunday, 5/31** – Reception Honoring Mr. Keane's 40 years of Service to St. Matthew School, following 9:30 a.m. Mass

**SCHOOL PICNIC** – Someone with a truck who can move a grill and persons with vans are needed to help on the morning of the picnic (Friday, June 5) to transport coolers, food, etc. Please contact Sue Maurer at 414-764-4269.

**ST. MATTHEW MEMORIAL SOCCER CLASSIC** – All are invited this weekend for the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Soccer Classic. Soccer, food and fun for all! If you're looking for something to do, volunteers are still needed. Feel free to just stop by.

**LUNCH IOU'S** – As the year winds down, our hot lunch program cannot accept IOU's. Anyone that does not have a lunch ticket or money for hot lunch will not be able to obtain an IOU, but will receive a peanut butter sandwich instead. In addition, you may not have an extra milk if you do not have money. Please pay existing IOU's ASAP.

**BAKE SALE** – The 7<sup>th</sup> grade class will hold a bake sale during the Home and School Resale Fundraiser on Saturday, May 30, from 8:00-11:00 a.m. and noon-2:00 p.m. All proceeds will support the 2010 Class trip to Washington DC.

**YOU ARE INVITED** – Celebrate with us as our 8<sup>th</sup> graders graduate on Sunday, June 7. Mass begins at 2:00 p.m. followed by a social. Best wishes to our graduates! On Monday, June 8, our 5K students will celebrate the conclusion of the school year with a kindergarten social. Please join us at 9:30 a.m. in the gathering space.

**PARISH-PARENT CONTRACT** – Contracts went home last week in your family folder. Please complete, sign and return to the school office by Tuesday, May 26. A copy will be returned to you.

**REPORT CARDS** – Report cards will be mailed the week of June 15. Remember that your report card will be held if all contractual obligations are not met. This includes Home and School obligations, tuition and extended care.

**LOST AND FOUND** – The lost and found is on display outside the school office. Please take a few minutes to claim your lost items.

**USED BOOK SALE** – A used book sale will take place during student's library time on Tuesday, May 26. All books are 25 cents.

**STUDENT COUNCIL** – Congratulations to the 2009-2010 Student Council. They are as follows:

President	Nick Cheaney
Vice President	Joey Valla
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reps	Katie Sullivan and Christine Zacharias
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reps	Shannon Dugan and Matt Zemla
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reps	Rachel Chilson and Evan Siira
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reps	Ryan McNeive and Keagan Wardius
Primary Rep	Jacob Fakler
Intermediate Rep	Amanda Craig
At Large Reps	Katalyna Bartek, Bryce Schultz and Carly Sikora

**"HERE'S LOOKING AT YOUR KIDS"** – Hurry . . . time is running out . . . there are 10 movies left and several posters. Each movie costs \$35 which includes the poster. Only a poster costs \$5. Checks should be made payable to St. Matthew School Auction. Orders will be filled on a first come first serve basis. Don't miss this opportunity to have a wonderful memory of your child/ren in 2008-2009.

**McDONALD'S MONEY** – Just \$75 is still available of McDonald's money/certificates. It is available in the school office. If you need more fundraising profit, here's your chance. For every \$1 of McDonald's Money you purchase, 30 cents goes to Home and School and is applied towards your fundraising obligations. It will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Certificates are good now until June 30, 2009.

**CELEBRATE WITH US** - This school year marked Mr. Keane's 40<sup>th</sup> year of teaching at St. Matthew School. On May 31, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass, there will be a reception in the Gathering Space honoring Mr. Keane's 40 years of dedication and service to our school. Please join us!

**ALUMNI NEWS** – Congratulations to the following St. Matthew school graduates who were inducted into the National Honor Society at Oak Creek High School – Sam Manka, Rebecca Marin, Nick Stout, Mike Stout, John Hammernik, Nicholas James, Nicole Kaegi, Jacob Lambert, Keenan Lampe, Sineigh Quinn, Cynthia Reid and Crystal Staszak. Way to go alumni!!!

**WE COLLECT** – (Please continue to save these items in summer.) 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.

<b>SERVERS:</b>	May 23	5:00 p.m.: Rachel Chilson	Cross: Evan Siira
	May 24	7:30 a.m.: Amanda Horman	Cross: Abby Czerwinski
		9:30 a.m.: John Pintar	Cross: Michael Silva

*"WAR: (wor), n. may it be a word that future generations have to look up in the dictionary."*

***GIFT: GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER***