

# ST. MATT'S MATTERS

November 5, 2010

## 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,

Hold on to your hats...we're beginning a week just filled with activity.

Tomorrow night, our cafeteria will be transformed into a "Winter Wonderland" when the school auction and dance takes place. The festivities begin at 6:30 p.m. You will find something for everyone, ranging in price value from \$5.00 to priceless! This is the biggest fundraiser of the year. The auction has raised approximately \$200,000 for textbooks and upgrades in technology over the past year. A big "thank you" goes out to the Auction Committee!

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming! The preview day is November 11<sup>th</sup>. The book fair runs through the morning of November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Parent/Teacher/Student conferences will be held this Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> and next Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Report cards, generated by StandardsScore, will be distributed on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Our quarterly Honors Assembly will take place after our all school liturgy on Friday, November 12.

Finally, the week ends on the 12<sup>th</sup> with Service Saturday.

St. Matthew Parish School is a vibrant learning community! Thank you all for supporting Catholic education!

*Mrs. Barber*

## IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday, 11/6 – School Auction "Winter Wonderland", 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, 11/7 – Daylight Saving Time Ends

Monday, 11/8 – Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, 11/9 – Report Cards Sent Home

Wednesday, 11/10 – Book Fair Set Up, Home and School Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, 11/11 – Book Fair Preview Day; Conferences 4:00-8:00 p.m.

Friday, 11/12 – School Liturgy by Grade 5, 9:15 a.m. followed by Honors Assembly; Book Fair

Saturday, 11/13 – Service Saturday; Book Fair, before/after Mass

Sunday, 11/14 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Donut Sale and Book Fair, before/after Masses; Senior Social, noon-3:00 p.m.

**MARKET DAY** – Our November sale earned \$252.37. There were 35 customers. We have raised \$726.39 so far this school year. Thank you for your support and thank you to the volunteers who help with this fundraiser.

**HELP SPREAD THE WORD!** - Your family and friends can receive the archbishop's weekly email as well as breaking news from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee at <http://www.archmil.org/ArchMil/Offnav/MailingListForm.htm> ARCHMIL is now on Facebook and Twitter at <http://www.archmil.org/ArchMil/Offnav/SocialMedia/Aboutsocialmedia.htm> Sign up today!

**DONUT SALE** – The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will be sponsoring a donut sale next weekend after all Masses. Profits will go to support the class trip to Washington DC. Boxes will contain 1 dozen donuts (6 glazed, 3 white iced and 3 chocolate) and sell for \$10 each. Donuts are from Larsen's Bakery in Racine and are vegan friendly, egg and dairy free. Be sure to reserve your box using the flier in your family folder today.

**CHRISTMAS CD** – The children of St. Matthew Parish; day school and religious formation, joined together to present a timeless keepsake for the Christmas season. This professional recorded CD contains 15 songs—a wonderful blend of traditional carols and fun, lively songs to help you celebrate the birth of Jesus. The CD also features a special song performed and accompanied by Father Pat! There's still time to order. Orders received before December 15<sup>th</sup> will be available for pick up prior to Christmas break.

**HOLD THE DATE/S** – Holiday Cookie Sale: December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, after all Masses;  
Christmas Program: Thursday, December 16, 2:00 p.m. and Tuesday, December 21, 7:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY MASS TIME** – The Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass time will change to 4:00 p.m. beginning next Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup>.

**ST. MATTHEW ALUM IN CAST OF DOMINICAN'S DRAMA, THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK, NOVEMBER 11-14** - You are invited to watch the Dominican theatre students bring to life this inspirational story of a Jewish girl and her family during the Holocaust. The Diary of Anne Frank will be presented Thursday, November 11 at 7:00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, November 12-13 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, November 14 at 2:00 p.m. St. Matthew alum Fiona Dolan '09 is featured in the cast. General admission tickets(\$8 for adults, \$6 for students/seniors) are on sale an hour before each performance at Dominican, 120 East Silver Spring Drive, Whitefish Bay, and by calling the box office at 414-332-1170, ext. 485. And be sure to mark your calendar now and plan to attend the Broadway hit musical Hairspray which runs February 25-27 and March 3-6, 2011. Special discount pricing for season tickets for The Diary of Anne Frank, Hairspray, and the spring musical revue, Inspirations, is now available – visit [www.dominicanhighschool.com](http://www.dominicanhighschool.com) for details.

**ST. THOMAS MORE FALL PLAY** - The fall play is Pride and Prejudice and has two Alumni of St. Matthew School. Mr. Bennet is played by Jim Murphy and Mrs. Bennet is played by Andrea Schulner. The play will be held Friday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 14 at 2:00 p.m. in the STM Auditorium. Tickets cost: Adults \$7 in advance, \$9 at the door, Seniors (60+) \$5 in advance, \$7 at the door, College/Non-STM Students \$5 in advance, \$7 at the door, STM Students/Children (12 and Under) \$3 in advance, \$5 at the door.

**YOPLAIT YOGURT** - If you purchase Yoplait Yogurt regularly, please purchase the ones with the pink lids. Please save ONLY THE PINK LIDS, that says "save lids to save lives". DO NOT save the gold or red lids that say "race for the cure". Yoplait will accept only the pink lids. Send the intact pink lids to the school office. Ten cents per lid is donated to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation for breast cancer research. Thank you!

<b>SERVERS –</b>	November 6	5:00 p.m.: Rachel Chilson	Cross: Thomas Dolan
	November 7	7:30 a.m.: Jacob Wolf	Cross: Michael Silva
		9:30 a.m.: Kayleigh Pook	Cross: Amanda Lee

**WE COLLECT** – St. Matthew's School collects the following items to earn money and/or supplies: McDonald's receipts, empty HP ink/toner cartridges, General Mills box tops, Campbell's UPC codes, Kemps milk caps and labels, Golden Guernsey/ Morning Glory milk caps and cancelled postage stamps. It is helpful if you separate the items. They can be placed in the marked drawers in the plastic bin in the hallway outside of church or sent to the school office. In addition to these collection programs, the school also participates in the Pick 'n Save We Care Program as well as the Target Red Card program. Thank you for supporting our school.

## Prayer First

*"Ask your purse or wallet what you should buy."*

### Prayer Square

*God our Father, this week as we remember all the saints and pray for our loved ones who have died, we thank you for the heavenly light that shines through the lives of holy people.*

*Help us to live good and holy lives so that your light may shine through us.*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*(Please remember the faithful departed from St. Matthew Parish as well as all deceased loved ones of our parishioners.)*