

# ST. MATT'S MATTERS

October 7, 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.

## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Parents,

The Oak Creek Fire Department presented their fire safety program to our kindergarten through third grade classes on Monday. The students learned about fire prevention and fire safety. A fire truck also visited our school! It was an interesting and informative assembly.

St. Matthew students will not have classes on Thursday and Friday so that their teachers may participate in teacher workshops and in-service opportunities. Some of the teachers will be attending workshops at Alverno or Marian College. Mrs. McDonald will be attending a curriculum and technology workshop in which the participants will create cross-curricular units that integrate technology and 21<sup>st</sup> century skills. Still other teachers will be working on curriculum. These two days are opportunities for teachers to learn more and strengthen their teaching skills so that they can continue to provide a quality education for their students.

Thank you all for supporting Catholic education!

*Mrs. Barber*

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Thursday, 10/8 – NO SCHOOL**, Teacher in Service

**Friday, 10/9 – NO SCHOOL**, Teacher in Service

Sunday, 10/11 – Sport Pictures; GIFT

Monday, 10/12 – Grades 6-8, Thomas More Visit, 12:30 p.m.; Market Day Pick Up, 5:00-6:00 p.m.; GIFT

Tuesday, 10/13 – Photo Retakes, 9:00 a.m.; After School Art Class

Wednesday, 10/14 – Home and School Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, 10/15 – Tuition Payment Due; After School Art Class; Rollaero, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Friday, 10/16 – All School Liturgy by Grade 8, 9:15 a.m.; Community Field Trip, 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; Fish Boil, 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Saturday, 10/17 – SVDP Bundle Sunday, before/after Mass

Sunday, 10/18 – SVDP Bundle Sunday, before/after Masses; Grade 2, Sacramental Meeting **OR** 10/19

**MARCUS THEATRE** – The Home and School Marcus Movie Theater fundraiser went home today. It will run until Wednesday, October 21. Our school receives a certain percentage of each movie ticket or gift certificate sold. Please make one check payable to St. Matthew Home and School and turn it in with your order form by Wednesday October 21. Once the order is placed, no late orders can be accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Cheaney at 414-768-1063. (This is the only Marcus ticket sale this year. There will not be a spring sale.)

**PHOTO RETAKES** – Photo retakes will be held on Tuesday, October 13, at 9:00 a.m. If you would like your child's/ren's photo retaken, have your child bring their "old" package along on Tuesday. All children should have a photo taken even if you are not purchasing photos. Children who were absent on Supply Drop Off Day or who did not have their photo taken, should have their photo taken on retake day. If you would like to order pictures, stop by the school office for an order form and have your child bring it when his/her picture is taken on Tuesday. If you want your child/ren's photo taken in something other than the school uniform, please send a change of clothes for the photo.

**YANKEE CANDLES** – St. Matt's 8<sup>th</sup> grade is holding a Yankee candle sale to fundraise for their upcoming trip to Washington DC. Catalogs and order forms are in your Family Folder this week. You will find candles, wrapping paper and many other gift items in their holiday collection. Orders are due in the school office by October 23 to ensure delivery before the holidays. Any questions, please feel free to contact Donna Calabrese at 414-766-9335 or Michelle Luczak at 414-762-5426. Thank you.

**ROLLAERO** – Our first Rollaero will be Thursday, October 15, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Admission is \$3.50. It is held at Rollaero Skate Center, 5200 South Pennsylvania Avenue in Cudahy. Rollaero is only for St. Matthew's students and their families. See you there!

**ATHLETIC PHOTOS** - Sunday, October 11, will be the Fall Season Athletic Team Picture Day. A schedule of specific team times and order forms were in your family folder last week. Photos begin after mass outdoors at the Pavilion (weather permitting) otherwise they will be held indoors. Photos are for soccer, volleyball and cross-country teams. Additional order forms will be available on photo day.

**HOME AND SCHOOL MEETING** – The second Home and School meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. Plan to attend. Babysitting will be available. (Remember two meetings are required or \$20 per meeting as stated in your tuition contract.)

**BOOK FAIR** – The book fair will be here from November 6-13<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed. See flier in your family folder today.

**MAD SCIENCE** – Attention 4K through 5<sup>th</sup> graders . . . register to attend these fun, informative after school classes. See flier in your family folder today.

**WILDERNESS HOTEL AND WATER PARK RESORT** – Join us for our fundraiser weekend, November 13-14. Call 800-867-9453 by October 13 and be sure to give the group name: St. Matt's #827534.

**FOX 6 CONDELLA'S COATS FOR KIDS** – Make a difference in the life of a needy child today. Please donate your gently used or new coats during the Coats for Kids campaign. Due to the economy there is a special need for toddler and "tween" size coats this year. The challenge is 50 coats in 5 days. The start date is October 12-16. All items may be dropped off in the 4K classroom. Let's MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

**ST. MATTHEW ALUM TAKES PART IN DOMINICAN'S UNIQUE STAGE PRODUCTIONS** - *Myths and Hymns*, a Song Cycle Staged by Adam Guettel, and *Metamorphoses*, full-length one-act play based on the writings of Ovid by Mary Zimmerman, will be performed in repertory from October 15-24. St. Matthew alum **Fiona Dolan** is in the cast of *Myths and Hymns*, which will be staged in the round and performed featuring Greek myths found in an antique hymnal. It revolves around the relationship of Gods to humans, spirituality, past and present. *Metamorphoses* is a theatrical adaptation of the epic story written by the Roman poet, Ovid. This collection of six Roman myths provides rich stories that are beautiful, inspiring, passionate, funny, revealing, and extremely pertinent and relevant.

*Myths and Hymns* will be held Thursday, October 15 at 7:30, Saturday, October 17 at 8:00, Sunday, October 18 at 2:00, and Saturday, October 24 at 5:00. *Metamorphoses* will be Friday, October 16 at 7:30, Saturday, October 17, at 5:00, Friday, October 23 at 7:30 and Saturday, October 24 at 8:00. General admission tickets are \$8/adults and \$5/students; seating in the intimate theatre-in-the-round setting is limited so plan ahead and reserve tickets in advance by calling 414-332-1170 ext. 485 or arrive early to purchase at the box office. For more details, visit [www.dominicanhighschool.com/](http://www.dominicanhighschool.com/) and read more about these stunning productions on Dominican High School's Facebook page.

**CASINO NIGHT** - The St. Thomas More Cavalier Quarterback Club Presents: Our Annual CASINO NIGHT Fund Raiser. Saturday, October 17. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and gaming is from 7:00–10:00 p.m. \$75.00/pair or \$40.00/individual. Admission includes gaming, free beer, wine, soda, heavy hors d'oeuvres and a raffle ticket. Major Raffle Prizes Include: A Diamond Necklace, Beer FOR A YEAR, Sports Memorabilia and MORE! For more Information, please contact Maria Bentzler at 414-617-5288.

**PIUS XI 2009 OPEN HOUSE: POSSIBILITIES. PREPARATION. PURPOSE.** - Join the Pius XI High School community at our 2009 Open House on Sunday, October 25, 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. (Mass in our Chapel at 8:00 a.m.) or Monday, October 26, 5:00–8:00 p.m. Enter the field house for your Open House experience! Take a tour; talk with faculty and staff; meet current students and parents; find out about our challenging academics, athletics, co-curriculars and student life; get information on financial aid and scholarships, and more! Drop off your complete packet and enrollment application at Open House to be considered for *Early Admission!* Don't forget to sign up for our *November 6 or 7 Placement Tests* and a *Shadow Experience*. For more information, visit [www.piusxi.org](http://www.piusxi.org) or call 414-290-8140. Pius XI is located at 135 N. 76<sup>th</sup> Street, Milwaukee (between I-94 and Bluemound Road). Come explore the possibilities at Pius XI!

**CONGRATULATIONS** – The 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls volleyball had another successful weekend. They won all three games against St. Alphonsus Blue. 4<sup>th</sup> grade soccer won their first game last weekend. Way to go Bulldogs!

**VOLLEYBALL** - Come out this weekend and support the Bulldogs.

10-10	7 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 p.m./2:30 p.m.	St. Aloysius West Allis
10-11	5 <sup>th</sup>	3:00 p.m.	St. Charles
	6 <sup>th</sup> Blue	noon	Blessed Sacrament
	6 <sup>th</sup> Gold	2:00 p.m./3:00 p.m.	Blessed Sacrament
	8 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 p.m./3:00 p.m.	St. Veronica's

**CONCESSION VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE** – The following families are scheduled in the concession stand:

Saturday, October 17 – 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will be running concession stand for 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip fundraising.

Sunday, October 18	<u>11:00-2:00</u>	<u>noon-3:00</u>	<u>2:00-5:00</u>
	Lozano, Doris	King	DiLorenzo
	Dolan, Joseph	Martin	Meisterheim
	Gulland	Packee	Czubinski

Saturday, October 24	<u>9:00-noon</u>	<u>10:00-1:00</u>	<u>11:00-2:00</u>	<u>noon-3:00</u>
	Rodriguez	Hatfield	Hochschild	Chandre, David
	Slogaski	Yang	Fakler	Malison, James
	Armanious			Galaczewski

<b>SERVERS:</b>	October 10	5:00 p.m.:	Jacob Hochschild	Cross:	Drew Butzer
	October 11	7:30 a.m.:	Dolores Ehrhardt	Cross:	Corinne Luczak
		9:30 a.m.:	Nathan Wester	Cross:	Jacob Wolf

***"Feel the passion within, not for possessions outside."***

***Go Make a***

***Difference***

## **CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS**

The fourth Cross Country meet of the season was Monday, October 12, at the St. Francis Retreat Center in Burlington, Wisconsin. A total of 13

schools and 378 runners participated. The following are results from the meet (1.6 mile course):

**GIRLS 5/6/7<sup>th</sup> GRADE – 132 RUNNERS**

5th	Shannon Dugan	10:22
14th	Emma Sims	10:59
38th	Emma Karman	11:54
48th	Rachel Chilson	12:16
61st	Sarah Ciombor	12:37
62nd	Andi Sullivan	12:38

**BOYS 5/6/7<sup>th</sup> GRADE – 120 RUNNERS**

9th	Ryan McNieve	10:01
13th	Evan Siira	10:21
28th	Thomas Dolan	10:50
39th	Jacob Wolf	11:17
53rd	Jake Schroeder	11:40
55th	Colin McQuitty	11:43
57th	Frank Margraff	11:46
71st	Jacob Hochschild	12:17
77th	Jason Klatt	12:39
100th	Harpreet Singh	14:54

**GIRLS 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE – 61 RUNNERS**

29th	Frankie Wermerskirchen	13:20
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**BOYS 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE – 65 RUNNERS**

22nd	Jacob Fakler	10:35
41st	Zach Manka	11:50

The fifth and final Cross Country meet of the 2009 season was held Tuesday, October 6, at the Prairie School in Racine. A total of 8 schools participated. St. Matthew School did extremely well, with two individual 1<sup>st</sup> place winners and several top-ten individual finishers. The following are results from the meet (1.3 mile course / wet conditions):

**GIRLS 5/6<sup>th</sup> GRADE**

1st	Emma Sims	9:30
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Emma Karman	9:51
6 <sup>th</sup>	Amanda Czerwinski	10:10
9 <sup>th</sup>	Rachel Chilson	10:50
10 <sup>th</sup>	Andi Sullivan	10:58
11 <sup>th</sup>	Kassandra Bartek	11:13

**BOYS 5/6<sup>th</sup> GRADE**

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ryan McNieve	8:43
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Evan Siira	8:47
5 <sup>th</sup>	Thomas Dolan	9:09
9 <sup>th</sup>	Jacob Hochschild	9:55
10 <sup>th</sup>	Colin McQuitty	10:00
11 <sup>th</sup>	Jason Klatt	10:24
14 <sup>th</sup>	Kevin Wolf	10:46
28 <sup>th</sup>	Harpreet Singh	12:48

**GIRLS 7/8<sup>th</sup> GRADE**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Shannon Dugan	8:46
6 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah Ciombor	10:24
13 <sup>th</sup>	Amanda Craig	11:14
16 <sup>th</sup>	Frankie Wermerskirchen	11:23

**BOYS 7/8<sup>th</sup> GRADE**

17 <sup>th</sup>	Jake Schroeder	9:53
18 <sup>th</sup>	Jacob Wolf	10:00
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Frank Margraff	10:35
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Zach Manka	10:40

Ed Siira  
St. Matt's CC Coach