

More News

Weekly newsletter of St. Thomas More Catholic School

February 5, 2021

Upcoming events:

Saturday, February 6	Virtual Family Trivia Night
Friday, February 12	Classroom Valentine's Day Parties
Friday, February 12	11:30 am Dismissal - Teacher In-Service
Monday, February 15	No School – President's Day

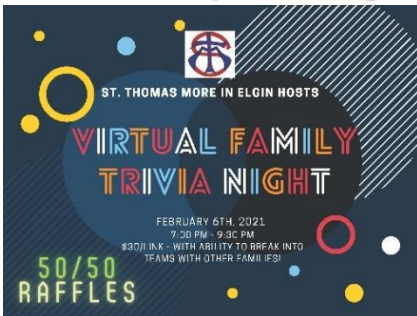
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Attendance Line:

(847) 742-3959 ext. 154



Virtual Family Trivia Night



Be sure to register for our culminating Catholic Schools Week event - the Virtual Family Trivia Night. Today is the last day you can sign up for this new and exciting event. We hope to see everyone there!

6th Grade Says Thanks!



The 6th grade class created another beautiful art piece - this time to thank all the teachers and staff for all they do! It is hanging in the hallway for everyone to appreciate. Thank you 6th grade!!

CSW Poster Contest



For Catholic Schools Week we held a *Why I Love STM* poster contest. These posters were on display in the front hall for all of Catholic Schools Week. The top ten posters received a Dress Down pass and the winning poster received a \$10 gift card to Dunkin Donuts/Baskin Robbins courtesy of the PTO. The winning poster this year was created by Ruby H. Thank you to everyone who participated. It was wonderful seeing all the fantastic creations!



STM Food Drive

This past week we held a can food drive here at St. Thomas More Catholic School to help support our community during Catholic Schools Week. Students who brought in a can were able to be out of uniform on Friday. All cans were collected by the Mary and Joseph statues in the school hallway and will be donated to the local Food For Greater Elgin. Thank you to everyone who contributed!



From the Principal's Desk:

Dear STM families,

This past week we celebrated Catholic Schools Week. Even with following our safety protocols, it was full of fun and exciting activities. We kicked off CSW by posting a thank you video for all the parishioners to see to thank them for all their support of our school. If you have not yet seen the video it is posted on our school Facebook page – be sure to check it out! All week long we collected canned food to donate. On Monday, the students took a quiz to see how well they know their school. The quizzes were then used to draw students' names each day in every grade for exciting raffle prizes. How well would you have done – what is St. Thomas More the patron saint of and when is his feast day?? We participated in a poster contest, wore slippers and pajamas around the school, enjoyed cookies at lunchtime, made cards and care packages for our class seminarian, wore crazy hats and/or crazy socks, enjoyed D.E.A.R. time, made thank you cards for Fr. Browning, had a no homework day, played bingo, competed in the Religion Bee using Kahoot, wrote letters and said prayers for our class assigned STM alum who is currently serving in the military, participated in adoration, wore sports/college shirts, and brought flowers to our teachers. To end the fantastic week, we are hosting a Virtual Family Trivia Night tomorrow night from 7-9:30 pm; be sure you register to attend! It was truly a week of fun-filled activities. Thank you to the wonderful PTO board members who helped make this a special week for the students and teachers; we could not have done it without them! Registration forms were due back to school by today. Starting on Monday we are opening registration to the public and your child's spot will not be held. Please get your registration form in soon if you have not already. Friday, February 12th, are our Valentine's Day class parties. Your child may still bring in valentines this year for all their classmates. That day is also a half-day with dismissal at 11:30 am. Our teachers have an in-service to attend that afternoon. Thank you again for all your continued support of our amazing school. I hope you have a blessed, safe, and warm weekend.

Blessings,
Mrs. Keane





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VIRTUAL FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT

FEBRUARY 6TH, 2021

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

\$30/LINK - WITH ABILITY TO BREAK INTO
TEAMS WITH OTHER FAMILIES!

50/50
RAFFLES

1. Purchase your \$30 event "ticket" via Ticketleap. [To purchase yours, CLICK HERE](#). Shortly before the event, those that have purchased a "ticket" will be sent an invitation to join a Zoom meeting at 7pm on 2/6.
2. \$5 50/50 raffle tickets can be purchased as an add-on to your ticket purchase or purchased separately through the same link. 50/50 raffle drawing will be held during the virtual event.
3. After your event ticket is purchased, but before 2/6, complete [THIS FORM](#) to enter your team information. On this form, you have three choices for entering your team:
 - Event planners can group your family with other families
 - Your family team can play on your own
 - You can be paired with another family of your choice

Be sure to complete the entire form and click SUBMIT before you leave.

This is a perfect opportunity to share a family-friendly, super-fun night in support of our school with friends and family wherever they are. Please share the registration information with anyone you'd like!

If you have questions about the event or registration, please contact

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Preparing for tax season?

TADS

can help!

You can access your *Household Paid Tuition Tax Report* under the Billing tab in TADS. This report provides a breakdown of the payments made for your family during a specific tax year. Below are step-by-step instructions.

Step 1: Log into your TADS user account.

Step 2: Click on the "Billing" tab.

Step 3: Click on "Household Paid Tuition Tax Report" on the left side of the screen.

Home Admissions Enrollment Financial Aid Agreements **Billing** Required Documents Support

Online access to your accounts allows you to view detailed billing information, make payments and change your payment settings. To access your account, simply click on your account number, listed below. If you don't see your account listed below, you can add it by entering your account number.

Household Paid Tuition Tax Report

Accounts - Tuition & Fees

Number	School	School Year	Current Due
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Step 4: Complete the prompt to fill in the correct tax year and click "Submit."

Home Admissions Enrollment Financial Aid Agreements **Billing**

Home > Billing

Household Paid Tuition For Taxes Report

Tax Year

2020

Enter 4 digits tax year

Submit

Step 5: Once submitted, a PDF will be produced that outlines all payments made that year. This can be downloaded and printed as needed.

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATES

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SUMMER CAMP 2021

- What:** **Middle School Summer Camp** (An overnight, Christ-centered Summer Camp put on by parishes in the Rockford Diocese)
- Why:** *Summer Camp is an awesome opportunity for our young people to get away from the distractions of everyday life to have fun, encounter the Lord, and strengthen friendships.*
- Who:** *All current 6th-8th grade students are invited to attend as campers this Summer! If your 9th-12th grader is interested in leading as a Counselor please have them fill out the Counselor Application form.*
- Where:** **Lutherdale Bible Camp** (N7891 US-12, Elkhorn, WI 53121)
- When:** **Tuesday, June 8th 2021 @ 8AM – Friday, June 11th 2021 @ 2:30PM**

Follow the link below to the STM website for more information on how to register!
<https://stthomasmorechurch.org/retreats-and-conferences>

Elgin Family Mobile Pantries



**NOTE NEW LOCATION:
901 Center Street, Elgin IL 60120**

Monday January 11th

Tuesday February 9th

Tuesday March 9th

Tuesday April 13th

Tuesday May 11th

Tuesday June 15th

All distributions 4 – 5:30 p.m.

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