## Upcoming events:

Thu, Feb 8
Thu, Feb 8
Thu, Feb 8
Fri, Feb 9
Fri, Feb 9-Sat, Feb 10
Mon, Feb 12
Mon, Feb 12
Tue, Feb 13
Tue, Feb 13
Wed, Feb 14

Purple Out Dress Down Day
7/8 Boys B’ball Conference Tourney @ St. Peter JV/Varsity Girls B’ball @ SS Peter \& Paul (Cary) Daddy-Daughter Dance
5/6 Boys B’ball Conference Tourney @ St. Patrick 5/6 Boys B’ball Conference Tourney @ St. Patrick STM School PTO meeting, 7 pm, STM School Classroom Valentine's Day Parties JV/Varsity Girls B’balll vs. St. Peter, Home Ash Wednesday
www. stmelgin.org Attendance Line:
(847) 742-3959 ext. 154


Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

## From the Principal's Desk:

Dear STM families,
Last week we enjoyed Catholic Schools Week here at STM. Many fun activities were going on throughout the week! We enjoyed playing board games with our buddies, Pajama and Slippers Day, Favorite Color Day, lunch with class buddies, Plaid Day, a Religion Bee, Teacher Swap, making baby blankets to donate, and so much more! In this week's newsletter, we are sharing some of the pictures from the week. Others will be posted to the school's Facebook page throughout this week and next. Some will be in next week's newsletter. There is so much to share it is too difficult to do in one place. Thank you for all your support of our wonderful Catholic School! Have a pleasant week!
Blessings,
Mrs. Keane

## Celebrating Catholic Schools Week 2024



Lunch with Class Buddies


DEAR Time


Yellow
Scarves


Favorite Color Day


Pajamas \& Slippers Day


Plaid Day


Board Games with Class Buddies


Making Baby Blankets


Volleyball Game


Teacher Swap


Religion Bee

Please see the following page for more pictures from CSW 2024.


## Catholicschools

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## HOPE COURAGE STRENGTH FAITH



## Thursday, February 8th <br>  PURPLE OUT!

For $\$ 1$ or more donation you can be out of uniform if you dress in PURPLE to help Mrs. Keane celebrate 2 years of being cancer free and support those who are still fighting cancer. All money collected will go to the American Cancer Society.

## REMINDER

##  <br> Meetin

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Monday, 2/12
7-8:30
Roberts Hall

Elgin Knights of Columbus St. Thomas More Gym, 1625 West Highland Ave, Elgin, IL Saturday, 3:30pm to 7:00 pm, February 24th, 2024


Elgin Knights Of Columbus 654


Donations are \$10 at the door or \$9 prior ticket sales. Monetary donations are accepted as well. The proceeds of our event will benefit all Elgin Catholic Schools, the Elgin Soup Kitchen, and Elgin area youth sports. Contact Marshall Spangler 847-606-1605 m.span50@yahoo.com for tickets. Visit our website for more information. https://uknight.org/CouncilSite/?CNO=654

Make check payable to Knights of Columbus \& mail to Marshall Spangler, 487 Barrett St., Elgin, IL 60120 or use the QR code and let us know what the payment is for.

## Annual Chill for Charity <br> \section*{26 th}

Elgin Knights of Columbus St. Thomas More Gym, 1625 West Highland Ave, Elgin, IL Saturday, 3:30pm to 7:00 pm, February 24, 2024


Once again, the Elgin Area Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual Chili for Charity Cook-off and Dinner. This is the biggest fundraiser that the Knights sponsor to benefit: Elgin Catholic Schools, Elgin Soup Kitchen, Elgin Youth Sports, Special Olympics \& Elgin K of C. There are three options to participate in the fundraiser listed below \& you can make check payable to Knights of Columbus \& mail to Marshall Spangler 487 Barrett St., Elgin, IL 60120-6639 or scan the code to make a payment for any of the options but please put memo for the payment option.

## OPTION 1 ADVERTISEMENT

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& \text { Costs for an "Ad" are as follows: } \$ 30-1 / 4 \text { page ad (5.5 in. / } 2 \mathrm{in} \text {.) } \\
& \$ 60-1 / 2 \text { page ad ( } 5.5 \mathrm{in} . / 4 \mathrm{in} .) \\
& \$ 100.00 \text { - full page ad ( } 5.5 \mathrm{in} . / 8 \mathrm{in} .) \\
& \$ 200.00 \text { - full page ad inside cover or back cover of book (first come, first served) } \\
& \text { Contact Chris Gulik (847) 931-9641 chrisgulik@sbcglobal.net }
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## OPTION 2 RAFFLE PRIZES

We are looking for prizes for the many raffles. If you could help us by sending a gift certificate or any other item that we could use would be greatly appreciated. Elgin KofC Tax ID 36-3961527 Contact Marshall Spangler 847-606-1605 m.span50@yahoo.com

## OPTION 3 CHILI CONTESTANT

Participants must provide ( 6 to 8 ) quarts of your favorite Chili for the contestant to be eligible for judging. Doors open at 11:00 am, bring in your "Heated" Chili no later than 1:00 pm, judging begins at 1:00 pm. Utensils, condiments, serving trays and sterno will be provided.
Standard Contestant Entry Fee: \$20
Over All Best Chili: 1st Prize: $\$ 400 / 2$ nd Prize: $\$ 250 / 3$ rd Prize: $\$ 100 / 4$ th Prize: $\$ 75 / 5$ th Prize: $\$ 50$ Best Overall Presentation: 1st Prize: \$90/2nd Prize: \$60
Mail completed entry form to: Terry Green, 2250 Country Knoll Lane, Elgin, IL 60123. For questions call: (847) 652-5900 or email at tlegreen1 @att.net also you can visit our web site at: https://uknight.org/CouncilSite/?CNO=654

Elgin Knights of Columbus


26th Annual Chili Cook-Off \& Dinner

Participants must provide ( 6 to 8 ) quarts of your favorite Chili to be eligible for judging. Doors open at 11 am to receive your "Heated" Chili, please allow time to set up; judging begins promptly at l pm. Utensils, condiments, serving trays and sterno will be provided. Fill in the below information; Select the proper Entrant Selection \& heat category and fill in the Chili Name, and description, this is for Our Ad Book \& Chili Menu; (e.g. "Shelby's Sweet Heat Chili" etc.). Clip off at dotted line below and mail or email the completed entry form to: Terry Green, 2250 Country Knoll Lane, Elgin, IL 60123 or email at tlegreen1@att.net. For questions call: 847-652-5900 also you can visit our K of C web site at: www.kofc654.org. List any food allergens below \& at your table. Student (free) Contestants must be enrolled in one of the 5 Catholic area schools, (limit 10 free student contestants), however students can participate in both divisions. All entrants will receive a personalized "Great Chili Chef Award".

Overall Best Chili:
1st Prize: \$400 2nd Prize: \$250 3rd Prize: $\$ 100$
4th Prize: $\$ 75$
5th Prize: \$50

Best Overall Presentation: (not required) 1st Prize: $\$ 90$ 2nd Prize: \$60 WHEN:
February 24th, 2024
Set up times: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Judging starts at 1:00 pm

Student Contestant Best Chili:
$1^{\text {st }}$ Prize: $\$ 50$ cash for you and a traveling trophy for your school

Best in Class: Hot, Med \& Mild Trophy for each winning class

## WHERE:

St. Thomas More Gymnasium 1625 West Highland Ave. Elgin, IL 60123

Entrant Selection:
Standard Contestant Entry Fee: \$20

Student Contestant Standard \& Student Contestant Entry Fee: Free

Entry Fee: \$20

## Please submit this application as soon as possible!

Your Name: $\qquad$ School:

## Address:

Email: $\qquad$ Phone: $\qquad$
Name of Chili: $\qquad$
Heat Category: Hot


Mild


Description or Catchy Phrase: $\qquad$
List any allergens (e.g. peanuts, shellfish):
Benefiting: Elgin Catholic Schools, Elgin Soup Kitchen, Elgin Youth Sports, Elgin K of C Please do not write in these boxes
Rec. Date


