

More News

Weekly newsletter of St. Thomas More Catholic School

October 15, 2025

Upcoming events:

Sun, Oct 19 Trunk or Treat, 4-6 pm
Thu, Oct 23 No Cook Night, Red Robin (South Elgin)
Fri, Oct 24 Last day to order Mrs. Field's Fundraiser

For a complete STM School Sports Schedule click [HERE](#).

www.stmelgin.org



Attendance Line:

(847) 742-3959 ext. 154



From the Principal's Desk:

Dear STM families,

Last week we began our STM Fall fundraiser which includes Mrs. Field's goodies and more! The fundraiser officially ends Friday, October 24th. So, if you have not gotten your orders in yet, please do so soon! Proceeds from the fundraiser go directly toward the operating budget of the school, helping to keep tuition costs down. There are also a lot of great prizes the students can win this year! You can find information about the fundraiser in this newsletter or on the school's website. A huge thank you to everyone for participating in the fundraiser and supporting our school! Tomorrow, October 16th, the school will be having an earthquake drill as part of The Great American Shakeout. Please be sure to volunteer to help out at some events throughout the school year. Many hands make light work, and all our children benefit! All volunteer links can be found on your Family Portal under Announcements. This Sunday, October 19th, is our annual Trunk-or-Treat event beginning at 4:00 PM. Please remember that in case of inclement weather, it will be moved to Sunday, October 26th. Watch your email in case of cancellation. Hope to see everyone there! A reminder if you haven't turned your Fall raffle tickets in yet, be sure to get them in to school soon so you can be a part of the early bird drawing coming up. Thank you for all your continued support of our splendid school! Have a spectacular and enjoyable weekend.

Blessings,
Mrs. Sonja Keane



Welcome Mrs. Zawitkowska

STM would like to welcome our new music teacher, Ms. Karolina Zawitkowska! She recently graduated from Concordia University Chicago with a bachelor's degree in music education with Instrumental Emphasis. She previously worked at Quinlan and Fabish Music company and has been a cantor for eight years at her church, Holy Ghost Parish in Wood Dale, IL. During her free time, she enjoys gardening, crafts (including sewing and embroidery) and loves visiting state and national parks whenever she gets the chance. She is looking forward to a fantastic school year full of music. Please welcome her when you see her!



Student Council

The STM Student Council has a new board for the 2025-26 school year! Students were elected to their positions by their classmates after campaign speeches and an election.



The new board members are Caleb J. (President), Milana L. (Vice President), Rilynn K. (Treasurer), Veronica P. (Secretary), and Bella W. (Public Relations).



The elected class representatives in grades 3-8 are Ben S., Jackson B., Elii S., Max G., Lottie R., and Cameron G.

Together, the elected students will plan exciting school events for the year ahead.

Mrs. Fields Fundraiser

For the 6th year STM School is hosting a Mrs. Field's fundraiser. Last week, Mr. Derek Garza (a STM parishioner) kicked off the fundraising campaign. He explained it to all the students during a school assembly. For two weeks, STM students can sell Mrs. Field's products, as well as other items, and win prizes for their endeavors. Please support the event which ends on October 24th. Spread the word!





St. Thomas More Parish & School

Mrs. Field's /Gift Fundraiser



Order Mrs. Field's Cookies, Cheesecake & more at:

brandnamefundraising.com/raise/StThomasMoreCatholicSchool



or scan the QR Code

To order gifts, go to:

forfundsonline.com and enter S73112

Fundraiser ends

Friday, October 24th

Pick up will be at St. Thomas More School in
December before Christmas break.

ST THOMAS MORE'S ANNUAL

TRUNK

TREAT!

SUNDAY OCTOBER 19TH

4-6PM IN THE STM PARKING LOT

(RAIN DATE OCTOBER 26TH)

**PRIZES FOR BEST COSTUMES & BEST TRUNK
DECORATION!**

***PLEASE PROVIDE ENOUGH CANDY TO PASS TO ALL TRUNK OR TREATERS**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 15

WRISTBANDS ARE \$10 AT THE DOOR!

TRUNK SETUP FROM 3PM-4PM

TO REGISTER PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION AND PAYMENT TO:

STM PTO: 1625 HIGHLAND AVENUE, ELGIN ILLINOIS 60123

STUDENT NAMES AND GRADES: _____

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WRISTBAND ONLY-\$5 PER CHILD

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**TRUNK DECORATION- FREE
(WRISTBANDS NOT INCLUDED)**

**PAYMENT IS CASH OR CHECK
PAYABLE TO STM PTO**

Red Robin® will give

**20% OF FOOD SALES*
BACK TO**

ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL

**Show this flyer or simply mention the fundraiser to
your server to have your sales counted.**

FUNDRAISER DETAILS

420 Randall Rd, South Elgin, IL 60177

October 23, 2025*

If ordering online, please follow these instructions:

- 1** Start your order at redrobin.com/order and select the restaurant above.
- 2** In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on that item.
- 3** Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
- 4** Add your meal items and check out.
- 5** Arrive at Red Robin, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way! If your location has curbside pick-up, we can bring it to your car too!

*Fundraiser during restaurant operating hours. Visit redrobin.com and find this location to view hours. Donation based on all eligible net dine-in and to-go food sales only. Excludes sales from catering (at select locations), 3rd party ordering and delivery sites, alcohol, gift cards, retail, tax and gratuity. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near the restaurant during fundraiser day & hours.

Red Robin.



CALLING ALL MAKERS & CREATORS

*Do you create handcrafted goods, art, jewelry,
home décor, gourmet treats, or other unique items?
We're looking for talented artisans & small businesses
to join our Holiday Craft Fair & help make this season magical!*

Date: November 8th, 2025

Location: St. Thomas More School, Elgin

Time: 10 AM - 4 PM

Applications & Payment Due by: October 27, 2025

Booth Fee: \$65 before 9/1/25 - \$70 after 9/1/25

*To apply, scan the code or visit
stmcentral.org/bake-sale*



Questions? Reach out via email

craftfairstm@gmail.com



Crafter/Vendor Application

ST. THOMAS MORE'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY IN THE HALLS CRAFT BAZAAR NOVEMBER 8, 2025
(PLEASE PRINT THIS FORM FOR SUBMISSION WITH PAYMENT)

NAME/BUSINESS NAME: _____

EMAIL (Required for confirmation): _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ Social Media for Business: _____

Please reserve the following for my booth:

Standard size space: _____ \$65*EARLY BIRD* \$70 AFTER 9/1/25 = \$ _____

Odd size booth space: _____ \$60 *EARLY BIRD* \$65 AFTER 9/1/25 = \$ _____

Add-Ons: MUST BE REQUESTED AND PAID IN ADVANCE

8ft table NO YES \$10 each = \$ _____

Electricity at my space NO YES \$10 = \$ _____

Please submit this amount to reserve your space and additions: \$ _____

***To be eligible for EARLY BIRD rate, application and payment must be received no later than SEPTEMBER 1st.
Payment is non-refundable. Checks should be made payable to St. Thomas More PTO.*

Brief description of your craft or product: _____

All applications will be juried. Crafts must be handmade and family friendly. Product vendors will be limited to one booth per brand. All products on sale or display will be subject to event staff approval. *Any crafter or vendor displaying or selling anything deemed inappropriate for the school environment will be asked to leave with a refund.* Please note that due to safety and fire regulations you may not light candles or burn any substances on school grounds. *Anyone found in violation of this will be asked to leave without a refund.*

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS YEAR'S EVENT TIMES ARE CHANGING.

Our 2025 event will be held 10am-4pm.

Please PRINT and forward this completed application along with payment in full made payable to St. Thomas More PTO to:

St. Thomas More School
Holiday in the Halls Craft Bazaar
1625 West Highland Avenue
Elgin, IL 60123

**This APPLICATION and PAYMENT must be received no later than
October 27, 2025.**

To be eligible for EARLY BIRD rate, application and payment must be received no later than SEPTEMBER 1st.

You will receive a confirmation email once we have processed your application.
If you have questions, please email them to craftfairstm@gmail.com.

Baked Goods Needed!



Our annual Bake Sale will be held during the Craft Fair on Saturday November 8th, 2025. To make it a success we need bakers... so if you make a fantastic cookie, brownie, bread, cake, pie, or other delectable items, please bake. If you're not a baker, store bought items are also acceptable.

I will be available on Friday, November 7th, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., and on Saturday November 8th, 2025 from 8:00a.m. until 10:00a.m. for you to drop off your donated baked goods to the school. The Craft Fair and Bake Sale will run on Saturday, November 8th 2025 from 10:00a.m. until 4:00p.m. If you should have any questions or need to set up a different delivery time, please feel free to contact Kim Goto at (847) 791-6575. Thank you!!!



FREE

Children's Orthopedic Clinic

Does your child:

- ***Complain of leg, knee, shoulder, elbow or wrist pain?***
- ***Complain about back pain?*** • ***Curvature of the spine.***

Wednesday, October 22, 2025 - 2:00-4:00 PM

(By Appointment Only)

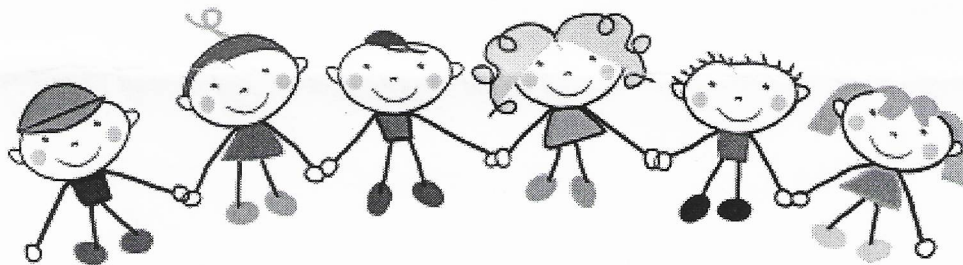
Scott Ferry, Physician

Held at:

OrthoIllinois

1550 N. Randall Road

Elgin, IL



Please Call 1-800-272-0074

Between 9 and 4 M-F to register for clinic.

Sponsored by:

***Illinois Elks Children's Care Corporation &
Elgin Elks Lodge 737***



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ST. EDWARD CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



2026-27 Admissions Calendar & Events

www.stedhs.org

SEPTEMBER

2025

9/22: Middle School Volleyball Night
9/22: Middle School Girls Flag Football Night
9/23 - 9/25: VIP Shadow Days
9/27: Middle School Football/Soccer Night

OCTOBER

2025

10/1: New Student Application/HSPT Registration Opens
www.stedhs.org/admission-process
10/4: Open House 10am - 12pm

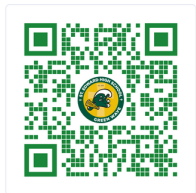
NOVEMBER

2025

11/6: Open House 5:30pm - 7pm
11/15: Class of 2030 HSPT 9am-12pm

(Merit based scholarships available this testing date only)

PLEASE RSVP



Scan me
bit.ly/stedwardgreenwave

JANUARY

2026

1/23: 7th & 8th grade dance @ St. Edward - 6-8p; RSVP to come

1/25: Class of 2030 HSPT 12pm- 3pm (final opportunity)

OTHER INFORMATION

Financial Aid applications open November 1, 2025.
www.stedhs.org/financial-aid

March 5, 2026: Class of 2030 Course Selection Night!