

# More News

Weekly newsletter of St. Thomas More Catholic School

November 12, 2025

## Upcoming events:

- Fri, Nov 14 End of 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester
- Fri, Nov 14 11:30 am Dismissal
- Fri, Nov 14 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance, STM School
- Wed, Nov 19 No Cook Night, Portillo's (Elgin)

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

[www.stmelgin.org](http://www.stmelgin.org)



Attendance Line:  
(847) 742-3959 ext. 154



## From the Principal's Desk:

Dear STM families,

Last weekend was our annual Craft Fair/Bake Sale. Thank you to those who came out and supported the fair. It was a magnificent event! Today we held our annual Veterans Day celebration where the school honors and gives gratitude to our local veterans. It was a lovely event! Thank you to our volunteer parents who came in to assist with the festivities. 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 Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, marks the end of the first trimester. Report cards will be published next week Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. We will also be holding Parent Teacher conferences on Monday and Tuesday, November 24-25<sup>th</sup>. A signup form will be coming out soon. Be sure you drop off your raffle tickets if you have not already as the final drawings are coming up on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. All tickets need to be turned in by Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, at the school or church. Have an extraordinary and lovely weekend.

Blessings,  
Mrs. Sonja Keane



## Candy Collection



This year after Halloween our Student Council sponsored a candy collection. They encouraged others to donate their extra candy to give to a local food pantry. The response was incredible! Thank you to everyone for making this holiday season sweet for others.

## Holiday Craft Fair



The holiday season began on a festive note with *Holiday in the Halls* this past weekend! The annual event featured an array of beautifully crafted items and delicious baked goods for attendees to enjoy. It was a wonderful turnout, and everyone had a great time celebrating together.

## STM Buddy Project



The STM class buddies just got a little bit more comfortable! That is, they are now able to sit on the floor together and read in comfort. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade classes worked together to make sit upons – a crafted pad that provides cushioned seating. It was a cooperative project for all the students!

## Halloween Parties



STM School celebrated Halloween with lots of fun and treats! With the generous help from parent volunteers, students were able to enjoy festive parties in their classrooms that spilled into the hallways.



# STM School Halloween 2025

You're invited to a  
**Portillo's®**  
**FUNDRAISER**



Join us at Portillo's for a fundraiser to support:

## St. Thomas More School

When:

**November 19, 2025**

**5:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

at the Portillo's located at:

**1020 S. Randall Rd.**

**Elgin, IL**

20% of sales will benefit your organization. Order online or in app for pickup using code **PORTILLOS33** before checkout in the "Coupon Code" field, or show this flyer or a digital version to cashier when ordering at the restaurant. Valid on drive thru, pickup, kiosk, and in restaurant orders.

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For online/app orders to qualify for the fundraiser, orders must be placed for pickup only, from the participating restaurant, on the fundraiser date and during the listed fundraiser hours. Gift card purchases, delivery orders, and orders placed on the third party websites are excluded from the fundraiser. Online ordering subject to availability. \$200 minimum fundraising sales required for the organization to receive donation. Cannot be combined with other offer codes.

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# ***STM JERSEY DAY!***



**WHAT: STM JERSEY DAY**

**WHEN: NOVEMBER 21, 2025**

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE: BRING IN A CAN OF SOUP AND WEAR A TEAM SHIRT**

***\*ONLY PROFESSIONAL OR COLLEGE JERSEYS, SWEATSHIRTS, OR T-SHIRTS***

***SHOW YOUR TEAM PRIDE!***

***SPONSORED BY STM STUDENT COUNCIL***





# Spartan Showcase

## HOLIDAY MARKET & CRAFT FAIR

St. Catherine of Siena School  
845 W Main St. West Dundee, IL.

Date: Saturday, November 15th  
10-3 PM

Over 30 Vendors  
To Shop



Free  
Admission



The Kane County Law Library invites you to the 22nd Annual

# FAMILY READING NIGHT WITH THE JUDGES

**Wednesday, November 19, from 6:30 – 7:30pm**

Kane County Law Library & Self Help Legal Center  
2nd Floor of the Kane County Judicial Center  
37W777 IL RT 38, St. Charles, IL 60175

Questions? Contact us at 630-406-7126.

## Wait, what is this?

Kane County Judges Kevin Busch, Lark Cowart, and Keith Johnson will read their favorite bedtime stories to YOU!

## Who's invited?

Kids in 2nd grade or younger, accompanied by an adult. No registration required!

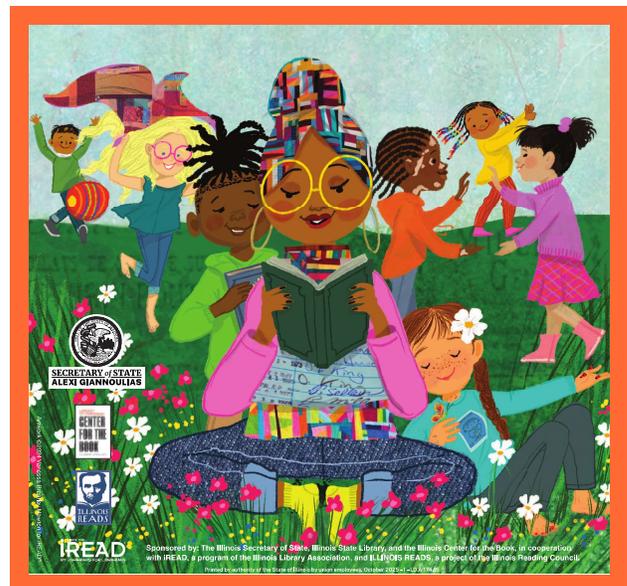
## Will there be snacks?

Of course! We will have snacks and a tour of a courtroom!

## OK we're going!

## What should we wear?

Your pajamas, of course!  
(even the judges will be wearing theirs)



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Self Help Legal Center  
[kclawlibrary.org](http://kclawlibrary.org)



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## **HOLIDAY MEAL BOX DISTRIBUTION MOBILES**

**Kane County/ Elgin Community College**

1700 Spartan Dr., Elgin IL 60123

Saturday, November 15 9am-11am

**First-come, first-served or while supplies last**

**Rain or Shine**

## **DISTRIBUCIÓN DE CAJAS CON COMIDA PARA LAS FIESTAS**

**Condado de Kane/ Elgin Community College**

1700 Spartan Dr., Elgin IL 60123

Sábado, 15 de noviembre, de 9am a 11am

**Por orden de llegada o hasta agotar existencias**

**Llueva o haga sol**