

More News

Weekly newsletter of St. Thomas More Catholic School

April 16, 2025

Upcoming events:

Thu, Apr 17	11:30 am early dismissal, Holy Thursday
Fri, Apr 18	No School, Good Friday
Mon, Apr 21	No School, Easter Monday
Wed, Apr 23	Donuts with Dad, 7:15 – 7:45 am

Find the complete STM School calendar – including sports! - [HERE](#)

Science Exploration



In Science class, Mrs. Tapley's 6th graders were introduced to organisms that can survive in harsh environments. The organisms are called extremophiles, and they can be water-loving (hydrophilic) or water-fearing (hydrophobic). Students enjoyed exploring both types of organisms and their properties.

Honors Band



Two STM students performed last Saturday in Music Education Service's 2025 Honors Band. Their performance was held in Elmhurst. Students are nominated by their band director to be a member of the band. STM School's Clare A. played the flute and Ruthie C. played the tenor sax. The band combined 66 students from 88 schools. The 66 performers were selected from a total of 1600 eligible students.

Talent Show



Last week the STM School Student Council sponsored the 5th annual Talent Show. Students showed off their talents and gifts to the delights of the entire school, parents, and grandparents in attendance. There was a variety of musicians, dancers, and other talents on display.

Mother-Son LEGO Night



STM's PTO hosted its first Mother-Son LEGO Night last Saturday. The fun festivities included challenges like a LEGO Spoon Race, pizza and donuts for dinner, and a viewing of the LEGO Movie.

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Attendance Line:

(847) 742-3959 ext. 154



From the Principal's Desk:

Dear STM families,

Our annual Read-a-thon ended this past Monday. We successfully collected a little over \$3,000! Thank you to everyone who participated. All funds will be put toward more improvements in our LRC/STEM lab. Thank you to everyone who helped with the Mother-Son event, Lego Night, this past weekend. I know everyone had a wonderful time! These events are all only possible with volunteers. We are also always looking for parents to assist at lunch/recess time. Be sure to complete your 5 hours minimum of volunteering time per parent before the end of the school year. Please continue to encourage your child to collect money in their Hope for Haitians box during Lent. This year the money collected will go towards the construction of a school. Boxes are due back to school by April 22nd. Last week was the last Stations of the Cross the school will be doing this Lent. We hope you were able to join us for one. The parish still continues to offer Stations on Friday evenings. Please mark your calendars that this coming Thursday, April 17th, is a half day and there is NO before care or aftercare available that day. Also, there is no school on Good Friday, April 18th, or Easter Monday, April 21st. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 22nd. Please also note that we are hosting the annual Donuts with Dad event on Wednesday morning, April 23rd, beginning at 7:15 AM. We hope to see all the dads there! As always, thank you for all your continued support. I hope you have an exceptional weekend and a very blessed Easter.

Blessings,

Mrs. Sonja Keane

Donuts With Dad

Students can enjoy a donut with their dad or special father figure before the school day begins.

When: Wednesday, April 23

Time: 7:15 – 7:45 AM

Where: The School Gym



Brought to you by the STM Student Council.



Dear Families,

Get ready—the Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school! This is an excellent opportunity to connect with your child over the thrill of bringing home new books to dive into again and again. Studies show that children read more when they choose their books. Fostering a love of independent reading leads to a wide variety of benefits, including academic success and improved mental health.

Here's everything you need to know about the Book Fair:

Dates: **Monday, April 28 – Friday, May 2**

Location: **Robert's Hall**

There's even more info on our school's Book Fair homepage:

<https://tinyurl.com/stthomasmorebookfair>

While you're there, set up a **Book Fair eWallet**, the digital payment account that allows your child to shop for books at the Fair without cash. Then, share your eWallet link so friends and extended family can add funds.

When you fund an eWallet, you'll have the opportunity to contribute to a giving initiative called Share the Fair™. Your contributions directly support our students who need help buying books from the Fair.

Many of us still remember the rush of finding the perfect book at a Scholastic Book Fair. I hope you'll join your child at our school's Fair and share a reading experience they'll remember forever.

Happy reading,
Mrs. Keane
Principal
Saint Thomas More School

PS: Need one more reason to visit the Book Fair? Every purchase at the Fair benefits our school!

Altar Server

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Become a server at St. Thomas More!



Open to students in 4th grade and older



ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Altar Server Registration Form

An **altar server** assists the priest and deacon during Mass.
Serving at the altar is a great way to learn and live out your Catholic faith.
If you are in **4th grade or older** and have received First Communion,
we invite you to join in this very important ministry.

After you are trained and serve a weekend Mass supervised by experienced servers,
we will schedule you for weekend Mass once or twice a month, starting in June.
During the school year, you will also serve at some school Masses.

Please fill out this form and return it to school by Tuesday, April 22.
Training will take place on April 23 and 24, during school.

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Mass time(s) you wish to serve (check all that apply):

____ 5 p.m. Saturday **(in need)** ____ 8 a.m. Sunday **(in need)**
____ 10 a.m. Sunday ____ Noon Sunday

Parent(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email*: _____

**Parent email is required. Communication regarding training and scheduling will be sent through email.*

Permission to serve: I understand that my son/daughter is requesting to be an altar server and I will help him/her to fulfill this responsibility. He/she has my permission to become a server.

Signature of Parent

Date

Questions? Contact Tim Horneman, Director of Music and Liturgy:
847-888-1682 ext. 212 or music@stthomasmorechurch.org

St. Edward Central Catholic High School

2025

SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS

REGISTRATION
INFORMATION
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CAMPS:

- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Soccer
- Softball
- Volleyball
- Wrestling



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, April 23, 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.

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