



# ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Celebrating 150 Years of Catholic Education

Dear StMCS Families,

This coming Sunday's Gospel (Matthew 11:2–11) invites us into a moment of both longing and joyful expectation. John the Baptist, imprisoned and facing uncertainty, sends his disciples to ask Jesus the question at the heart of every believer's journey: "Are you the one who is to come?" Jesus responds not with arguments, but with evidence of God's transforming love—healing, restoration, and good news for the poor.

As we enter this third week of Advent, the Church calls us to rejoice. Even in seasons of waiting or challenge, Christ is at work in ways that bring hope and renewal. John prepared the way for the Lord with courage and conviction; we, too, are invited to prepare our hearts, our homes, and our community to welcome Christ more fully.

May this Gaudete Sunday fill your family with a deep and joyful awareness of God's presence among us—and may we continue to recognize Christ in the signs of goodness we hear and see each day.

Peace,

*Heidi Gallus*, Principal

## WEEKLY UPDATES

All School Weekly Updates



### Grades 2-4 Christmas Program TONIGHT

Thursday, December 11, 2025

6:30 p.m.

St. Michael Catholic Church

Students should plan to meet their teachers in **St. Joseph Hall at 6:10 p.m.** The program will begin promptly at **6:30 p.m.** (Students should remain with parents until teachers are ready at 6:10 p.m.)

Please have your child come dressed in their "**Christmas Best.**" We kindly ask that students avoid:

- Heavy or bulky sweaters and jackets
- Clothing with rips or holes
- Tennis shoes or shoes that light up

The program will also be live streamed on the Church's YouTube website [here](#).

Thank you for helping your child come prepared for a wonderful evening of music and celebration. We can't wait to share this special night with you!

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### Trimester 1 Report Cards

Congratulations to our students who worked very hard during Trimester 1! Report cards will be available on Sycamore tomorrow, Friday, December 12 by 2:30 pm. Please be sure to electronically sign each report card. Directions to access report cards can be found [here](#).

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### Late Start Breakfast

Breakfast was served yesterday even though we had a late start, but will not be served on late start days going forward.

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### Bids for Kids

Look for your Bids for Kids Save-the-Date magnet in your red family folder!

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### Catholic Schools Week Service Project

Our PreK–4th grade students participate in a Service Day project during Catholic Schools Week. This year, we would like our students to spread some joy to the residents at The Legacy by creating thoughtful gifts that can brighten their spaces in January and February. We are asking for donations toward the project. The list of items is available for sign-up on the [Volunteer Calendar](#) special events tab. Thank you for helping make this project possible!

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### Reminders

- Registration for **Winter Enrichment classes** ends tomorrow (Fri. Dec. 12). More information and registration links are on the [Enrichment webpage](#).
- **The Perfect Gift** is due tomorrow (Fri. Dec. 12) for those interested in participating. [Info sheet staff roster](#)

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### Christmas Dress-Up Days

Student Council is excited to have a little fun for the students with dress-up days next week leading into Christmas break. Themes for December 15-19 are as follows:



## 2025 Christmas Dress-Up Days!



THESE ARE SOME FUN DRESS-UP DAYS TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS, BUT REMEMBER TO FOLLOW THE DRESS CODE WHEN PARTICIPATING! IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY OR ALL OF THESE DAYS, THEN PLEASE WEAR YOUR UNIFORM.

**Monday:** CHOOSE A COLOR TO WEAR TODAY TO REPRESENT A PERSON IN THE NATIVITY SCENE! FOR EXAMPLE: BLUE FOR MARY, BROWN FOR JOSEPH, WHITE OR GOLD FOR ANGELS, PURPLE FOR WISEMEN.

**Tuesday:** WHAT DO YOU WANT TO WEAR ON CHRISTMAS MORNING? WEAR YOUR COZY CHRISTMAS CLOTHES TODAY; PAJAMAS, TOO!

**Wednesday:** WE HAVE SCHOOL MASS TODAY, SO WEAR YOUR UNIFORM! YOU CAN WEAR FUN CHRISTMAS SOCKS, JEWELRY, AND HATS, BUT PLEASE WAIT UNTIL YOU GET TO SCHOOL TO PUT YOUR HAT AND JEWELRY ON!

**Thursday:** COLORFUL CHRISTMAS LIGHTS REMIND US THAT JESUS IS THE LIGHT! WEAR A BRIGHT COLOR TODAY AS A REMINDER OF WHO IS OUR LIGHT, AND THAT WE CAN BE A LIGHT FOR OTHERS, TOO!

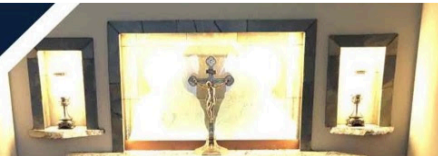
**Friday:** FIVE DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS! WEAR RED AND GREEN TODAY!

## MERRY CHRISTMAS!



## OTHER INFORMATION

Flyers and Community Info



### Christmas Eve Children's Mass Sign Up

Reminder: The [Sign-up form](#) is due to the school or church office by Monday, December 16.

## RESOURCES

Quick Access Links



MAIN OFFICE

- [Online attendance form](#)
- [2025-26 School Calendar](#)
- [Scrip order form - next order due 1/9](#)
- [Staff Roster 2025-26](#)

