



# ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Celebrating 150 Years of Catholic Education

Dear StMCS Families,

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to the many dads who attended our StMCS Watch D.O.G.S. Kick-Off Night. Your presence, enthusiasm, and commitment to our school community are deeply appreciated. The Watch D.O.G.S. program will play an important role, and we are grateful for the strong response from our families.

The purpose of Watch D.O.G.S. is twofold:

1. To provide positive male role models for our students—demonstrating, simply by showing up, that education matters.
2. To enhance the overall safety and security of our school by offering additional sets of eyes and ears throughout the day.

Their presence helps strengthen relationships, supports a greater sense of safety, and allows our students and teachers to stay focused on learning and instruction. We look forward to seeing this program fully in action beginning in January.

Throughout the fall, many families have also asked what additional measures we need to continue improving security across our school and church campus. Below are several items that surfaced during those conversations, some of which have already been installed, and others that are being considered. These enhancements are part of our ongoing commitment to maintaining a safe, welcoming environment for all.

If you—or someone you know—would like to contribute to the continued safety of StMCS, please feel free to reach out to us directly or send a contribution to the school. Your support makes a meaningful difference in the daily experience of our students and staff.

Thank you, as always, for the many ways you lift up and strengthen St. Michael Catholic School. We are blessed by your partnership!

Peace,

*Heidi Gallus*, Principal

*Ben Sartori*, Assistant Principal

### StMCS Safety Needs & Wishes:

- Panic lock on school office door: \$2,000 (already installed)
- Security camera monitor in school office: \$555 (already installed)
- Protective film on exterior doors at church: \$3,700 (already installed)
- Ring Doorbell for Preschool: \$60 (already installed)
- Speakers & microphones for cafeteria: \$3,000+
- Security officer at all school Masses: \$5,100 (We have a deputy now when he's able to be there, but this would ensure we have someone at each Mass.)
- Phone/Intercom System for upper level of administrative wing: \$3,000
- Updated & expanded walkie talkies: \$2,704 (expand for additional) -\$13,995 (replace entire set with updated)

## WEEKLY UPDATES

All School Weekly Updates



### Christmas Program News

We are looking forward to our Christmas Program on **Thursday, December 11th** at **St. Michael Catholic Church**, featuring our students in **Grades 2-4!**

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.**

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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### Preschool Registration

Information about our new preschool class offerings for the 2026–27 school year is now available on the [Preschool Registration webpage](#). Visit the site to explore programs, schedules, and enrollment details.

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### Winter and Spring Enrichment

Registration opens tomorrow (Friday, 12/5) for Winter and Spring Enrichment classes. See below for offerings. More information and registration links are on the [Enrichment webpage](#).

**2025-26 AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS**

THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, GIFT YOUR CHILD/REN AN ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITY THEY CAN EXPERIENCE THIS SCHOOL YEAR!

**WINTER SESSION**

SNOWSHOEING 101

CHESS

KIDZART

**SPRING SESSION**

KIDZART

PICKLE BALL

CHECK OUT DETAILS REGARDING THESE ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS AT [HTTPS://WWW.STMCATHOLIC.SCHOOL.ORG/ENRICHMENT!](https://www.stmcatholic.org/enrichment!)

**St. Michael Catholic School**  
*Christmas Market*  
**DECEMBER 6, 9-2 PM**

St. Michael Catholic Church  
11300 Frankfort Pkwy NE  
Saint Michael, MN 55376

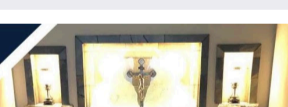
## StMCS Christmas Market

**Saturday, December 6 | 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM | St. Joseph Hall**

Unique, handcrafted gifts made by 40+ local artisans and crafters.

## OTHER INFORMATION

Flyers and Community Info



### Christmas Eve Children's Mass Sign Up

Students in grades 1-6, who are not in the Christmas Youth Choir, have an opportunity to participate in the celebration of the Children's Mass at 4:00 pm on Christmas Eve at St. Michael Catholic Church. If interested, please print and complete [this form](#) and return it to either the school or church office by December 16.

STUDENTS WHO ARE CHOSEN MUST PARTICIPATE IN PRACTICE AT CHURCH ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24 AT 9:00 AM

Students will be contacted by Monday, December 20 to confirm participation.

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### St Nicholas Party

Saturday, December 6 | 6:00 PM | St. Joseph Hall

A fun-filled family event featuring a delicious meal, a special visit from St. Nicholas, open gym activities, and exciting raffle prizes! Bring a non-perishable food item or a new toy to support disadvantaged youth.

This event is proudly sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

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### Knights of Columbus Christmas Tree Lot

November 28 - December 20 (or until sold out)  
St. Michael Catholic School

Hours  
Mon-Fri: 4:00 - 8:00 PM  
Sat: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Sun: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Tree Selection: Balsam Fir, Fraser Fir, Scotch Pine, White Pine

Special Offer: Bring a canned food donation and receive \$5 off your tree

Proceeds benefit the St. Michael – St. Albert Catholic Youth Ministry Program.

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### St. Michael Catholic Church Advent and Christmas Information

**RECLAIMING Sundays**  
RECOVER SUNDAY AS A DAY FOR THE LORD AND FAMILY

### December Reclaiming Sundays: Music

Music lifts our spirits to God. Singing, playing an instrument or listening to music can be a way for our whole selves to share in the glory of the Father.

In [December's video](#) of our Reclaiming Sundays series, Luke Spehar, Catholic musician, husband and father, shares how families can simply and meaningfully incorporate music into their Sunday practices to enhance the Lord's Day. Let's reclaim Sundays for the Lord and our families.

[Access the Resources](#)

## RESOURCES

Quick Access Links



MAIN OFFICE

- [Online attendance form](#)
- [2025-26 School Calendar](#)
- [Scrip order form - next order due 12/5](#)
- [Staff Roster 2025-26](#)



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