

St. Thomas & St. Timothy School



PEEK AT THE WEEK

Colleen DiSanto

Lord Jesus, I give you my hands to do your work. I give you my feet to go your way. I give you my eyes to see as you do. I give you my tongue to speak your words. I give you my mind that you may think in me. I give you my spirit that you may pray in me. Above all, I give you my heart that you may love in me your Father and all mankind. I give you my whole self that you may grow in me so that it is you Lord Jesus who live and work and pray in me. Amen.

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Upcoming Calendar Events

To view our school calendar and upcoming events, please [click here](#).

2/15 - STA Family Bingo, 6:00 pm at St. Thomas

2/16 - Early Dismissal at both campuses. No Aftercare and no lunch.

- St. Timothy - 11:45 am
- St. Thomas - 12:00 pm (K-5) and 11:50 pm for Pre-K

2/19-2/20 - Winter Break - NO SCHOOL

2/21 - School Board Meeting at STA , 7:00pm

- *(subject to change)*

2/23 - Bake Sale at both campuses

3/3 - Open House at St. Thomas Campus, 11:30am

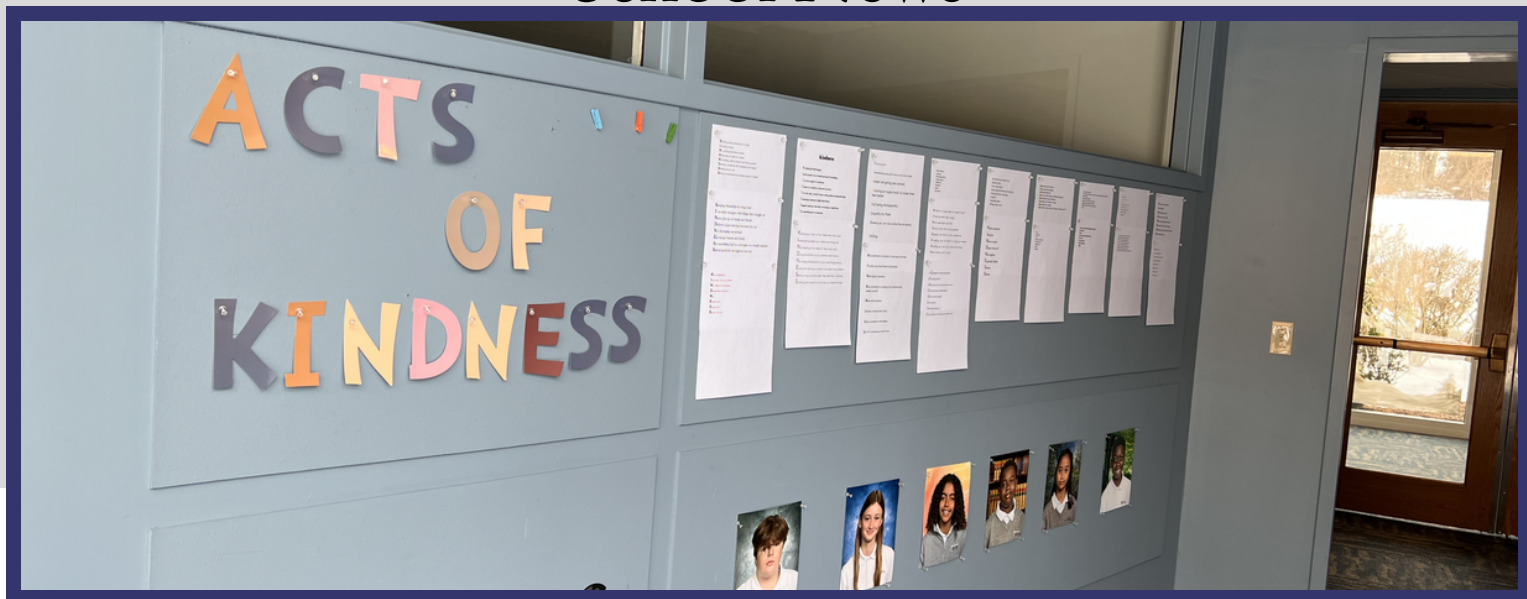
3/6 - HSA meeting at STA, 8:30am

Classroom Spotlight

Congratulations to our Second Grade Students on receiving their First Reconciliation today. Today marks an important milestone in their faith journey. This sacrament is a special moment of grace and forgiveness, where they are embraced by the love and mercy of God. Let us continue to support and encourage them as they grow in their faith. May they always feel the warmth of God's presence guiding them. Well done, Second Graders!



School News



Random Acts of Kindness Week continues at St. Timothy Campus with the sharing of student created poetry.

Reminders

Lunch Ordering Available: Lunch ordering on EduConnect: You may now order lunch on EduConnect for the month of March. The cost is \$6.00 and will be billed to your Blackbaud Management Account. The last day to order lunch for March is February 25th.

2024-2025 School Year

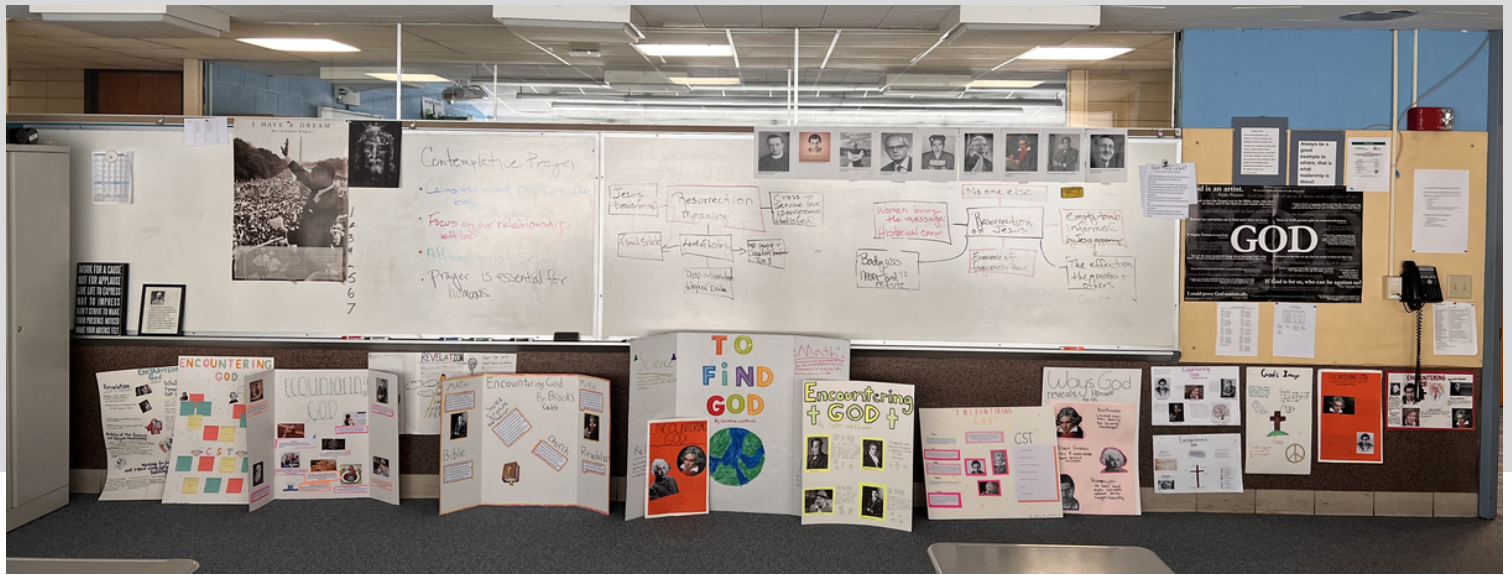
2024-2025 Tuition Contracts were *due February 2nd, 2024*. Please return your Tuition Contract and \$300/deposit per student as soon as possible. We are pleased to have extended a welcome to 20 new students for the 2024-2025 school year so far, and are looking forward to continuing to grow our community.

Applying for Financial Aid for the 2024-2025 School Year: You may begin applying for financial aid for the 2024-2025 school year now. Please [click here](#) to start the process. Our school code is 13753. Please contact Michelle Curley with any questions.

Foundation for the Advancement of Catholic Schools (FACS): The Scholarship Application, Guidelines and Criteria for each of the 2024-2025 scholarships is available on our website. Please [click here](#) to begin your review. All applications need to be completed, and submitted to the school office by *Monday, March, 4th*. Please indicate the scholarship(s) you are applying for on page 5 of your application.

Children's Educational Opportunity Foundation of Connecticut (CEO): Please see the message regarding scholarship information from CEO: *This is a friendly reminder that online applications will be available for our 2024-2025 scholarship starting on March 1, 2024. We hope to see many of your families apply with us for the upcoming school year! Applications are considered on a first come, first served basis; however, returning families are given priority consideration over new applicants. Families are encouraged to have all their financial documents ready to submit along with their application. We're also excited to share with you that for the first time, our scholarship program is going statewide! We will no longer require students to reside in Hartford, East Hartford, New Haven, Bridgeport, or Waterbury to apply. Any family in Connecticut that meets our other eligibility requirements are welcome to apply for their child. We hope this change will benefit more students at your school who need a little financial help to achieve their unique potential. Please see the website for more information about eligibility requirements.*

School News



The final product of St. Timothy Campus student research projects “Encountering God” where our students researched various successful people in society and the influence of faith in their lives.

Home and School Association

See you Tonight: Thursday, February 15, 2024 for the St. Thomas Campus Family BINGO Night at 6:00pm. The cost is \$10 per person and will be billed to your Blackbaud Account. Raffle tickets are available. Space is limited. Please [click here](#) to attend the event, or donate items.

Save the Date, Mother/Son Game Night, March 8: Join us for a fun and active evening of games for mothers (or mother figures) and sons! We are looking for a co-chairperson and volunteers to make sure everyone has a great time. Please contact Ray Soto (bestgutters@yahoo.com) if you are interested in helping out with this event. The time has changed to 6:00 to 7:30.

Save the Date, Cultural Night, March 14: We are looking for musicians, dancers, artists, cooks, and/or speakers to share their culture with the school community. Please contact Shawn Harrell (sharrell007@yahoo.com) if you are interested in sharing at this event.

Chairperson Needed, Easter Egg-citement: We are looking for a chairperson and volunteers for this fundraiser where the St. Thomas and Timothy School Easter bunnies fill eggs for your Easter baskets.

Community

Volunteers Needed for Spring Weekend Open Houses: Enrollment season is upon us and we are so excited to continue welcoming new families to St. Thomas & St. Timothy School. We are looking for parent ambassadors to help with our upcoming WEEKEND Open Houses on both campuses. Please contact our admissions office at admissions@stastmschool.org as soon as possible if you are interested.

- Sunday, March 3, 2024 from 11:00 am-2:00 pm at St. Thomas Campus
- Sunday, March 24, 2024 from 10:30 am-1:30 pm at St. Timothy Middle School Campus



Congratulations to 3rd Grade Student, Sophia, for winning the Knights of Columbus Connecticut State Council “Keep Christ in Christmas 2023-2024” Poster Contest Winner

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Community, Continued

6th Grade World Language Choice: As we approach the third trimester of the 2023-2024 school year, it is time to express your World Language preference, (Spanish or French) for the rest of your time here at St. Timothy Middle School. Please sign up via this [SIGN UP GENIUS](#) to indicate which language you and your child request to study for the remainder of this year. Your child will continue to study your chosen World Language through 8th grade. Please make your selection by Friday, February 23rd. After a review of the teacher recommendations and previous trimester achievement, the final selections will be shared with you the following week.

From the Nurse

- [Click here to view the West Hartford-Bloomfield Health District Monthly Newsletter](#)

Lenten Observances

Students at St. Thomas & St. Timothy School are continuing their Lenten service project by supporting two worthy causes. Led by the 4th grade classes, St. Thomas students will be participating in “Penny Wars”, where they are hoping to achieve enough donations to purchase a flock of chickens for Heifer International. Students at St. Timothy Middle School are continuing their support of the House of Bread through Coin Collections throughout the Lenten Season. Both campuses are focusing on Almsgiving this Lenten Season. Almsgiving has been around for thousands of years and is referred to as charity, philanthropy, or giving to the poor. These efforts were introduced to students at St. Thomas after their ash Wednesday prayer service and with St. Timothy students after the 8:00 mass where all members of the school community received ashes.



Ash Wednesday Prayer services were held on both campuses yesterday. Thank you to our teachers for distributing ashes and to Father David and our student musicians for helping with the beautiful services.