

St. Thomas & St. Timothy School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



PEEK AT THE WEEK

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God of goodness, be with us each day as we strive to be the best we can be. We want to be faithful to prayer and to our school and home responsibilities. We want to respond to the needs of others as well as we can. We need your help to follow what you want us to do. Help us, God. Amen.

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Upcoming Calendar Events

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

- 5/3 - Bake sale at both campuses
- 5/4 - Non-Fiction Publishing Party- Grade 4
- 5/8 - Kindergarten field trip to Imagine Nation in Bristol, 9:00 - 1:15 pm
- 5/9 - Ascension Thursday Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 8:45am
- 5/9 - St. Timothy Middle School Field Trips
- 5/10 - May Crowning and music at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 9:00 am
- 5/10 - Grandfriends Day at St. Thomas
- 5/10 - Ascension Thursday Mass at St. Timothy Church, 1:30pm
- 5/13-17 - Teacher Appreciation Week
- 5/14 - Strings Recital at St. Thomas at 1:15pm; St. Timothy Spring Concert at 6:00pm
- 5/15 - Field Day (see information below)
- 5/16 - Northwest Catholic Math Placement Exam
- 5/17 - Jazz Under the Stars, 6:00pm-8:00pm



Classroom Spotlight

Walkathon was at St. Thomas & St. Timothy School on both campuses last week, and was a great success! We loved sharing the day with our students, faculty, and parent volunteers, and sharing more photos and videos on our social media! Continue scrolling for some highlights, and visit our social media pages for even more!



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Reminders

If you intend to have your child(ren) attend for the 2024-2025 school year, kindly send back the Tuition Contract and a \$300 deposit.

Blackbaud Tuition Management account-Incidental charges have been posted in the May billing. Please check that your payments include ALL incidental billings.

Session 5 Clubs will begin Monday, May 6th. The last day to sign up for clubs is tomorrow, Friday, May 3rd at 11:00 am. Clubs will meet immediately after school from 2:45 pm - 3:45 pm. The fee will be billed through Blackbaud Tuition Management System. The fee will be \$55.00 for a four week session and \$42.00 for a three week session. Please [click here](#) to view Session 5 Club selection. Our last session for the year! Hope to see you there.

Dennis Uniforms: The new school year is right around the corner! [Click here to purchase](#) your uniforms for the 2024-2025 school year today!



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Home and School Association

JAZZ

UNDER THE STARS

Save the Date for Jazz Under the Stars! St. Thomas & St. Timothy School's Home & School Association invites you to a cocktail party fundraiser "Jazz Under the Stars: Help us Jazz up the Classrooms! The event will take place on Friday, May 17, 2024 from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm at the West Family residence at 44 Sycamore Road, West Hartford, Connecticut.



[Click here or scan the QR code to the right to purchase tickets or make a donation to Jazz Under the Stars today!](#)

Scan the QR Code for Jazz Under the Stars Tickets

Reminder of Bake Sales tomorrow on both campuses!

Walkathon: Last week we celebrated TWO amazing walkathon events with our school community! Both campuses were filled with the sounds of stomping feet, laughter, and music. Thank you to our faculty and parent volunteers for their hard work, and our Home and School Association for sponsoring the event! 1st Place will receive a Pizza Party and Dress Down Day. 2nd Place will receive Extra Recess and Popsicles. And 3rd Place will receive a Dress Down Day. We have winners at both campuses with highest participation and funds raised for our school:

- *1st Place at St. Thomas: Kindergarten raised \$807.50 with 25 sponsors*
- *2nd Place at St. Thomas: 1B raised \$945.00 with 16 sponsors*
- *3rd Place at St. Thomas: Pre-K4 raised \$638.33 with 15 sponsors*
- *1st Place at St. Timothy: 7A raised \$600.00 with 8 sponsors*
- *2nd Place at St. Timothy: 8B raised \$539.16 with 4 sponsors*
- *3rd Place at St. Timothy: 8A raised \$235.00 with 4 sponsors*



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Internet Safety Concepts Speaker at St. Timothy: On Monday, May 6, 2024, St. Timothy Middle School students will have a guest speaker, Mr. Scott Driscoll, President of Internet Safety Concepts, from 8:00am-9:00am. Mr. Driscoll spent most of his 34-year career in law enforcement as a youth officer with a local Connecticut police department, building a rapport with youth in the community and in the school system. His passion for teaching developed from educating students on drug awareness and internet safety. As his own expertise on internet safety grew, so did his desire to share his knowledge with audiences of all ages. Parents can look forward to a parent presentation in the fall.

St. Timothy Upcoming Field Trips: On May 9, 2024, all grades (6-8) will be attending field trips. Please return permission slips as soon as possible.

- **6th Grade - New Britain Museum of American Art** - [CLICK HERE FOR PERMISSION SLIP](#)
 - The 6th Grade field trip to The New Britain Museum of American Art is coming up! Students should wear their formal uniform and sneakers. Please bring a bag lunch. No phones are allowed. Students will be back in time for regular dismissal. We are looking forward to an amazing day!
- **7th Grade - Connecticut's Old State House and State Capitol** - [CLICK HERE FOR PERMISSION SLIP](#)
 - The 7th Grade field trip to The Old State House and State Capitol is coming up! Students should wear their formal uniform and sneakers. Students and teachers will be walking from the Old State House to the State Capitol building. Please bring a bag lunch. No phones are allowed. Students will be back in time for regular dismissal. We are looking forward to an amazing day!
- **8th Grade - Mystic Aquarium, Mystic Seaport and Dinner at Dave & Busters** - [CLICK HERE FOR PERMISSION SLIP](#) (additional 8th grade information below)
- **8th Grade - High Meadow** - [CLICK HERE FOR PERMISSION SLIP](#) (additional 8th grade information below)

Grandfriends Day is Friday, May 10th. Grandparents and Grandfriends are invited to join us at St. Thomas the Apostle Church at 9:00am to begin the morning with May Crowning and Spring Concert. Immediately following the spring concert, Grandfriends will join their grandchild(ren) in the school classrooms until 11:00 am. [Please click here to register Grandparents and Grandfriends.](#)

May Crowning and Spring Concert will be Friday, May 10th at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 8:45 am. All parents and friends are welcome to attend.

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Community Continued

Teacher Appreciation Week will be celebrated on both campuses the week of May 13-May 17. We are so blessed at St. Thomas & St. Timothy School to have the most dedicated faculty! Look forward to an emailing coming out from your homeroom parents regarding the celebrations. Teacher Appreciation Week will commence with a celebration of our school at Jazz Under the Stars on Friday, May 17, 2024 at 6:00pm.

Field Day is Here! St. Thomas & St. Timothy School Field Day will take place on Wednesday, May 15th.

- Lower School (PreK-Grade 2) will be at the St. Thomas campus from 9:00 AM-11:00 AM and Upper School (Grades 3-8) will be at the St. Timothy campus from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM.
- There will be a special Chick-fil-a lunch provided for grades 3-8. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to order or you may choose to bring your own lunch.
- Please [click here](#) for more information to volunteer for the events on both campuses, or donate supplies.
- For class colors please see the attached [Lower School Flyer](#) (Pre-K and Kindergarten teachers will be in contact for specific group colors). Class colors for Upper School (Grades 3-8) will be school colors, specifics will be announced at a later date.

Northwest Catholic Summer Youth Football Camp 2024: Summer is right around the corner! Is your family looking for a camp that is fun and great for developing football and life skills? Consider the Northwest Catholic Summer Football Camp! [Click here](#) to view the flier with more information.

Congratulations to our St. Timothy Middle School students on their Curriculum Fair and Art Show! Their projects were well researched and posters engaging! Congratulations to the following students for placing:

- *8th Grade: 1st Place Victoria Levinskas, 2nd Place Grace Conaghan, 3rd Place Ella Silvan and Miley Julian*
- *7th Grade: 1st Place Hudson Kaufamn, 2nd Place Peter Butler and George Messner, and 3rd Brendan Jaroch and Thomas Muro*
- *6th Grade: 1st Rowan Brodeur and Patrick Siew tied with 1st Place Maggie Conaghan and Layla Galindez-Adams, 2nd Kaylee Caguitla and Jesamine Eckstrom, 3rd Place Elijah Kwakye and Santiago Zayas*
- *Catholic Social Teaching Awards: Language Arts: Katherine Hole. Religion: James Lynch and Brooks Bevier. Math: Peter Butler and George Messner. Science: Kaylee Caguitla and Jesamine Eckstrom. Social Studies: Elizabeth West and Lexi Rice. World Language: Nicole Auer*

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8th Grade Information

Mystic Field Trip: May 9th is the 8th Grade field trip to Mystic Seaport, Mystic Aquarium, and Dave & Busters.

- The bus will leave the school at 8:00am and arrive back for pick up at 6:15pm. Students are asked to wear comfortable, appropriate clothing and sneakers. Please bring a bag lunch with a drink. They may want to bring a small amount of money (no more than \$20) for any purchases at the gift shop. Phones will not be permitted. Students will leave their phones at home or at school.
- When you pick up your child at 6:15pm, poster boards for Class Night and “Congratulations” lawn signs will be distributed.

8th Grade Exam Schedule: 8th Grade exams will take place during regular class times 5/16-5/21. The schedule is as follows:

- *5/16 Math*
- *5/17 Language Arts*
- *5/20 Social Studies*
- *5/21 Religion*
- *5/22 Science*
- *World Language will be ongoing throughout the week.*

High Meadow Reminders: Buses will be leaving the school promptly at 8:30am. There will be **NO TOWN BUS HOME** on Thursday, May 23rd for 8th Grade students. Students will be arriving back at the school at approximately 2:30pm and should be picked up at that time. **Lawn signs and poster boards will be distributed at the time of pickup.** Aftercare will still be provided. Phones will not be permitted at High Meadow. Students are to leave their phones at home or at school. Appropriate casual attire. Students must wear sneakers. Any student wearing a bathing suit must wear shorts and a shirt when not at the pool. Students should also bring sunscreen. All food and drinks will be provided. We are looking forward to an amazing day!

8th Grade Yearbooks will be distributed on May 29th. Each 8th grade student will receive a yearbook, which was included in their end of the year fee.

Class Night Reminders:

- **Class Night Posters:** The tradition continues for our graduates to create a poster that reflects their personality and their time at St. Thomas & St. Timothy School. The presentation must be portrait **NOT LANDSCAPE**. The posters must be completed and at school by Wed., 5/29. Feel free to check in with Mr. Kradas or Deacon Pallotti. Posters will be displayed at Class Night on Thursday, May 30th.
- **Thursday, May 30th will be the last full day of school for 8th grade students. This is also a dress down day for 8th grade students.**
- **Class Night, Thursday, May 30:** This event is for 8th Grade students and parents only. A welcome reception will be held in O’Connell Hall (gym) with posters and refreshments. Student reflections will follow in the church. All students must be in church appropriate attire. No sneakers, jeans, or t-shirts.

8th Grade Graduation, May 31, 2024:

Friends and family are invited to join us for our end of the year promotion for our 8th grade students on May 31, 2024 at 6:00pm. Mass and the graduation ceremony will be held in the church. **There will be no school for 8th grade students this day.**

- Appropriate attire: All students must be in church appropriate attire. *Boys: Dress slacks, collared shirt, and tie under their graduation blue gowns. No sneakers. Girls: Church appropriate dress modest in length (white is optional) under their white graduation gowns with comfortable shoes. No sneakers.*
- After the ceremony, students will report to their homerooms and return their gowns. At that time, they will receive their diplomas.