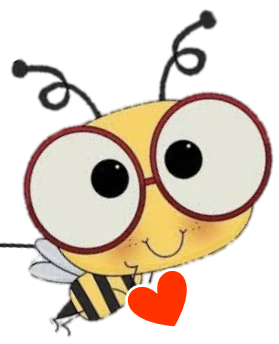


WHAT'S BUZZING AROUND THE HALLS OF SAINT THOMAS?

The BUZZ

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Sept. 7-11, 2026

Next week!

The virtue this week is **gratitude**: A thankful disposition of mind and heart.

Monday, Sept. 7 – No school / Labor Day

Tuesday, Sept. 8 –

- **Preschool Grotto Dedication, 8:30am**, Preschool
- **Eucharistic Adoration, 9am to 5:15pm**, Church
- **Parent Rosary, 2:45pm**, Church
- **Parent Chaplet of Divine Mercy, 3:05pm**, Church
- **School Board meeting, 6pm**, Ministry Center

- **New family welcome social, 7pm**, the Delgado

Residence (1577 Lyon St, Grand Rapids, MI). New and current parents are all welcome at this adult-only gathering. Light appetizers and beverages will be provided. We're excited to meet you and grow in community together!

[Please RSVP!](#)



Wednesday, Sept. 9 – Mass, 8:30am. Please remember Mass uniforms (white shirts, ties, skirts/jumpers).

Friday, Sept. 11 – STA Tailgate at Catholic Central football game, 5pm. Join us at the CAT (2770 Knapp St. NE, Grand Rapids) for friends, football and fun! Look for the Saint Thomas flag on the lawn near the CAT parking lot. Feel free to bring snacks to share! Bring your own drinks. Meet the Boosters and get more information about Saint Thomas athletics.

School lunch!

Here is our [September lunch menu](#). The September breakfast menu is: cereal, goldfish grahams, apple juice and milk.

Please make sure you have [added funds to your students' Infinite Campus account](#) if they will be having hot lunch. If you need an Infinite Campus activation code, please email Cammi Lawrence (clawrence@stthomasgr.org).



Looking ahead!

Sept. 16-17 – School pictures
Sept. 17-18 – 8th Grade Retreat
Sept. 25 – Uniform holiday
Oct. 3 – Emerald Auction ([Get tickets today!](#))
Oct. 23 – Grandfriends' Day
Oct. 23 – Half day (11:15am dismissal)
Oct. 30 – End of first quarter

Mass participants for Sept. 9

- 1st reading: Rilyn D
- Petitions: Mavis H, Abram S, Elouise G, Domenic N, James V, Bryce B, Taygan D, Max V
- Sacristan: Eleanor V, Dylan S
- Gifts: Hannah C, Noelle D
- Altar servers: Jack D, Peter B, Sophia B
- Ushers: Alaina B, Fin B
- Xylophones: Finn F, Claire VW, Eliza S, Margaret K
- Cantors: Roz W, Katherine W, Ismelda N

Breaking bread, building faith!

Family dinner-time discussion topics:

- What is one way you can show respect and gratitude to your teachers this week?
- How can our family practice better gratitude when we are sitting together at the dinner table?



Emerald Auction News!

Our [Emerald Auction](#) is just around the corner – Oct. 3, 2026. Doors open at 5:30pm at the St. Nicholas Cultural Center (2250 East Paris Ave SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49546). [Buy your tickets today!](#)

We'd love for you to join us at this bi-annual event that celebrates all that makes Saint Thomas shine – our faith, our community, our passion.

Auction Baskets

All Middle School 7th and 8th grade parents, along with Mrs. Z's 2025/2026 4th/5th grade parents, we are looking for your help to fill our gift baskets donated by your students' classes! Please see our SignUp Geniuses for each grade level and look for the boxes outside of Mr. Baxter, Mr. Walsh and Mrs. Z's classrooms to drop off your items. We appreciate your support!

Here are the SignUp Genius Links -

- [Mrs. Z's Baker's Delight](#)
- [7th Grade So Fresh & So Clean](#)
- [8th Grade I LOVE My Pet](#)



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New Family WELCOME PARTY



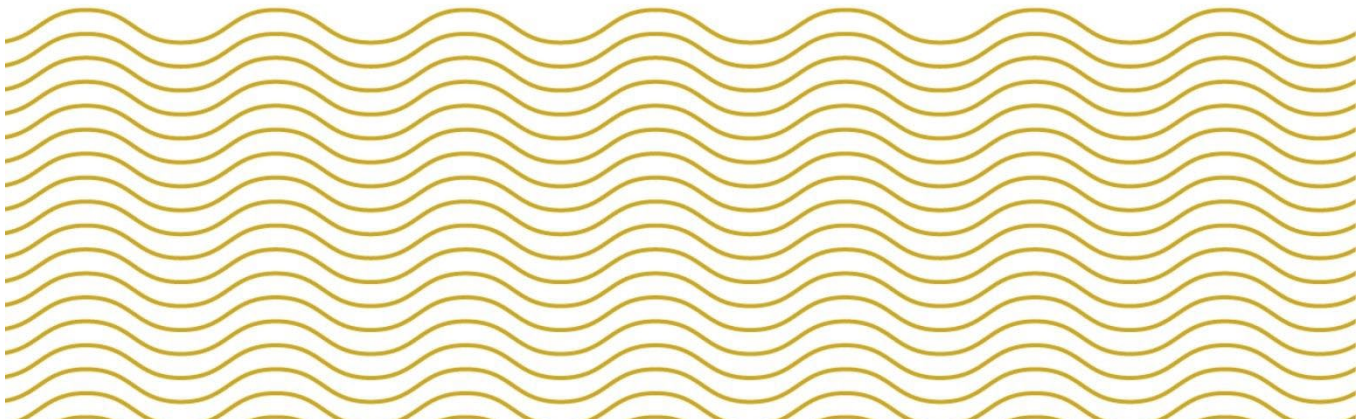
September 8

7-8:30 pm

Location: Delgado Residence

RSVP and more information at

[THIS LINK](#)



Saint Thomas TAILGATE PARTY!

at the Catholic Central football game

When? Friday, Sept. 11, 5pm until game time

Where? Catholic Central Football Game
The GAT (2770 Knapp St. NE, Grand Rapids)

Who? Sponsored by our **Saint Thomas Education Foundation and Boosters** for all Saint Thomas students and their families



Details: Look for the Saint Thomas flag on the lawn near the GAT parking lot. We'll provide pizza, popcorn and candy. Feel free to bring snacks to share! Bring your own drinks. Meet the Boosters and get more info about Saint Thomas athletics. Join us for fall football fun!



Hornet happiness!