

# St. Thomas of Villanova School

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### *From the desk of the Principal...*

What a FANTASTIC start to the school year. Exciting events continue to happen. A HUGE thanks to Mrs. McGarvey for all the planning surrounding the Solar Eclipse. Every teacher worked with Mrs. McGarvey to provide creative lesson plans for your children. Thanks for making this experience both a memorable and safe one!

Tomorrow evening is our K-8 Curriculum Night. Beginning at 6:30 p.m., we will meet in Viking Hall to begin the evening with a general presentation. We will then move to individual classrooms for grade-specific information. The evening will conclude by 8:00 p.m. at the latest. There will be a 6th grade Lorado Taft parent meeting at 8:00. (Health Room)

As you visit the classrooms tomorrow evening, notice all the new furniture in the 7<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and new preschool classrooms. Thanks, FOSTOVS, for continuing your grants to upgrade the classrooms. New desks, collaborative tables, bookcases, rugs, etc. are looking totally “spiffy.” God bless!

Make sure you are compliant to volunteer! If you have ANY questions, please contact Mrs. Brinkman.

### **BE THERE OR BE SQUARE**

Our first Sunday School Mass is on Catechetical Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30. We would love 100% participation from every STV student. Please join our school family and our parish family at the 9:30 Mass. Every student who attends the 9:30 Mass in uniform will receive an out-of-uniform pass for the next Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Let’s fill the church and pray together.

Congratulations to our CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS! Both teams took first place, earning the Viator Cup Trophy for the second year in a row. Congrats students and coaches.



## Upcoming Events

### **August 24**

6:30pm – K-8 Curriculum Night (Viking Hall)

8pm- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Lorado Taft Meeting (Health Room)

### **August 29**

8:30am Band Assembly and concert

## Save the Date(s)!

### **August 30**

8:00am Mass

12:15pm – Band instrument trials

### **August 31**

7pm Band sign-up (by front office)

### **September 1**

TAT Pep Rally

### **September 4**

NO SCHOOL – Labor Day

### **September 10**

9:30am School Mass



SAVE THE DATE:  
NOVEMBER 19th    NOVEMBER 19th    NOVEMBER 19th  
FOSTOV'S FOOTBALL PARTY  
DURTY NELLIE'S

**STOP! PLEASE READ!**

We have students with severe allergies this year. PLEASE remain diligent on making sure we don't bring items into the classrooms that have nuts. Our classrooms are PEANUT FREE. Also, please continue to provide HEALTHY SNACKS AND LUNCHES for your children. You have done a fantastic job for the last few years! Keep it up!

**THANK YOU FSA** for the wonderful back to school luncheon for teachers and staff and welcome-back gifts on August 15. We appreciate all you do to support us and the school! **Thanks, FOSTOV'S**, for helping the faculty make all the rooms bright and cheery to start the year!

**General Reminders**

**First Day of School Photos?** If you took any photos (Preschool through 8th Grade, especially group pictures) on the first day of school, please send them to the School Office at [stvoffice@stvschool.org](mailto:stvoffice@stvschool.org) and they will be forwarded to the yearbook coordinator.

**FSA Notes**

As many of you know, with the start of a new school year comes the beginning of a new year of fundraising. We realize that this can be overwhelming for families. Below is more detailed information about how you can meet your \$340 per child fundraising requirement (K-8) throughout the year.

Three major events that are considered **mandatory** per your tuition contract: Track-A-Thon, Lottery, and Dollar Shopping Power (DSP).

**Track-A-Thon** is held in September. Each student (PS-8) is expected to raise a minimum of \$100. Funds raised by each child are counted 100% toward the fundraising fee.

**Lottery** unofficially begins in November. Tickets will be sent home before Thanksgiving break and funds need to be returned by mid-February. Each FAMILY must to sell 20 tickets. Any amount over the 20 tickets will be counted 100% toward your fundraising fee.

**Dollar Shopping Power (DSP)** is often referred to as MANNA or SCRIP. You do not have to spend anything additional; simply purchase gift cards from stores that participate in The Dollar Shopping Power program! You buy gift cards at face value, and the school receives a percentage of the sale as profit. Each school family is required to purchase a total dollar value of DSP cards throughout the year. (Please refer to your contract). Once you reach the required value amount,

you are then eligible for a 50/50 split of the profit percentage. This profit percentage can be applied to your fundraising fee!

**OPTIONAL FUNDRAISING**

FSA oversees a variety of fundraising events and activities throughout the year to help you meet the \$340/child fundraising fee.

**You may participate in all, some or none of the Optional Fundraisers.** These are in place so that you have a choice in how to meet your fundraising goal. If you choose not to participate in any of these fundraisers, you will simply be billed for your \$340 per child in May. Your fee must be paid prior to school year ending and in order for your re-registration to be complete.

❖ Additional Fundraisers may be added / All Fundraiser subject to change

<b>When</b>	<b>Fundraiser</b>	<b>Amount Applied Toward Your Fundraising Goal</b>
Ongoing	DSP	50% of the percentage earned on cards purchased after the contractual minimum is met*
August	Charleston Wrap	30-50% of your family's total sales
September	Track-a-Thon	100% of all pledges/donations***
October	Hershey Candy Sales	\$30 per each box sold
November	Lou Malnati's	\$5 per each pizza sold
November-February	Lottery	100% of the value of additional tickets sold after the contractual minimum is met**
March	Yankee Candle	40% of your family's total sales

\*: Percentages of DSP cards vary. Please see the DSP Order Form for the percentages specific to each card. DSP contractual requirements vary depending on the number of children you have attending the school, excluding preschoolers (ex: \$2,500 for 1 child, \$3,000 for 2 children, etc.--See DSP literature)

\*\* : Most STV families are required to sell 20 lottery tickets, no matter the number of enrolled students. (Your quantity may vary--please refer to your contract.) After selling your allotted tickets, the full value of additional tickets sold goes toward your fundraising goal.

\*\*\*: Preschool families are contracted to participate in Track-a-thon only. Participation in other fundraisers is encouraged, but not required.

## CHARLESTON WRAP

FSA is pleased to announce our first fundraiser of the year, Charleston Wrap. We encourage all families to participate, as this event can be applied towards your \$340 per child fundraising requirement. **The sale runs from August 23 - September 7.**

*Your earning potential:*

- 50% profit on Wrapping Paper (40% if ordered online)
- 40% profit on Kitchen & Home and Edible Goodies
- 30% profit on Personalized Items and Magazines

Don't want to fill out the order form? No problem-- sign in at [www.charlestonwrapstore.com](http://www.charlestonwrapstore.com) and order online. (Over 500 items to choose from!) See ordering instructions in your packet.

NOTE: Personalized items MUST be ordered online only!

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Evelyn Quinn at [equinn2004@gmail.com](mailto:equinn2004@gmail.com)

### Shop at Heinen's and earn money for STV

Do you ever shop at Heinen's grocery store in Barrington, Glenview or Bannockburn? Or, do you have relatives in the area (or in Cleveland) who shop at Heinen's? As a member of Heinen's Tasteful Rewards™ Program, when you shop at Heinen's you can help STV through their school donation program. Up to 1% of your purchases during the school year can be donated annually by Heinen's to a local school of your choice. Even if you signed up last year, members of the Tasteful Rewards Program are required to **RE-SELECT** their school every year on their profile page. Visit <http://www.heinens.com/home/tasteful-rewards/teaming-up-for-education/teaming-up-for-education-tasteful-rewards-member/> to enroll and choose St. Thomas.

### "Like" STV on Facebook.

Connect with STV on Facebook at [facebook.com/stvschool](https://facebook.com/stvschool). Find out about late-breaking news and events and see fun school photos as they happen.

### Altar Servers

August 26 & 27

#### Saturday 5:00 PM

Brianna Holmes  
Matthew Sloan  
Timmy Sloan

#### Sunday 7:30 AM

Lily Dix  
Kiera Treganza  
Ethan Leigh

#### Sunday 9:30 AM

Konrad Malik  
Garrett Colbrook  
Aaron Hardy

#### Sunday 11:15 AM

Billy Shoults  
Marty Davis  
Olivia Walczynski



From Athletic Director, Jenny Parlier:

- **Girls Volleyball:** Games will start the week of 8/28. Please visit the website for the volleyball schedule. We are hosting the 8th grade/Varsity Girls Volleyball Tournament on 9/9/2017. Both Girls and Boys Volleyball players - we need your help with the tournament. Please look for info on the website and email soon to sign up. Come out and cheer on our Viking Girls Volleyball Teams!!
- **Cross Country:** The St. Viator Cup race was this past Saturday. The St. Viator Boys and Girls Championship Cups are coming back to St. Thomas for another year! An outstanding effort was put forth by all Viking Runners from preschool-8th grade. It was a fun day competing against 18 schools from the area.

The Boys Team nearly completed a perfect score going 1st (**Andrew Jordan**), 2nd (**Anthony Westfall**), 3rd (**Tony Iliopoulos**) 4th (**Tyler Murphy**) and not far behind in 9th (**Jack Castelli**). This is the 2nd Boys Team Championship in the 2 years since the race began. A real dominate performance.

The Girls Team was equally as impressive with 1st (**Libby Castelli**), 3rd (**Abigail Jordan**), 5th (**Melody Michna-Harlow**), 6th (**Caroline Kawiecki**), 10th (**Anna Martino**) and 11th (**Elise Martino**). This is also the 2nd Viator Cup Championship for the Girls team, an amazing team effort. Way to go!

And that's not all...earning medals from the JV Boys Race were **Andy Iliopoulos** (3rd), **Ryan Loftus** (14th), **Peter Mulhern** (15th) and from the JV Girls Race **Emily Murphy** (13th), **Trinity Reyes** (23rd) and **Ashley Roe** (24th)

We also had our Jr. Vikings compete. 20 children from preschool-3rd grade competed in the 50 and 200 meter races.

Thank you for all the St. Thomas support and congratulations to ALL Viking runners!!!

- **First CC Meet** We are co-hosting with STS on 8/28 at Deer Grove Forest Preserve. The first race will start at 4:30PM. ALL CC PARENTS' HELP IS NEEDED. Please arrive by 4:00-4:15 and see Coach Murphy for volunteer assignments. Please visit website for entire schedule and come out and cheer on our Viking Runners!!!
- **Calling all 3rd and 4th Graders:** STV Athletics is starting a NEW Athletic Walking/Running Club called the STV Junior Vikings. Mrs. Lori Smithe will be the coach of this new club. The Club will run September 11th-October 26th. The Club will enter the Halloween Hustle in Downtown Palatine on 10/28. If you do not want to enter the Hustle you can still join the club.

Practices will be Mondays and Thursdays 2:30-3:15 at the STV playground starting Sept 11th.

The cost is \$20, which includes the entry fee to Halloween Hustle on 10/28. Please email or contact me if interested in joining.

Any questions about any of our Athletic Programs should be directed to Jenny Parlier Go Vikings!!!