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# Newsletter—March 25, 2022

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### **Order and payment deadline has been extended to April 8.**

It is time to order your yearbook! This year we have partnered with TreeRing. Please see the link below and follow the steps to place your order.

- 1) Go to [Tree Ring Ordering Site](#)
- 2) Create an account for yourself
- 3) Add each of your students that you would like to purchase a yearbook for
- 4) Next, you will be taken to the order screen for one of your students. Using the drop down menu, order for each of your students that you wish.
- 5) Click on your cart to checkout.

The St. Thomas Pancake and Sausage Breakfast Committee is now preparing for their annual breakfast. This year, the breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 10th, 2022, 7AM-12PM. Like in years past, we will be serving that Sunday after all masses in the school cafeteria/gym.

Previous years' success is due to your continued support. As you know, our parish and school relies on everyone's involvement and we thank you in advance for your support again this year. If you'd like to get involved, please use this Signup Genius link below and volunteer your time. In order to make it a success we need your help. 7th/8th grade may help serve beverages.

The St. Thomas PTO appreciates your support. We look forward to seeing you and your family at our annual breakfast on April 10th, 2022.

Volunteer to sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4EAEAC2FA5FB6-stthomas>

St. Thomas PTO / St. Thomas Pancake and Sausage Breakfast Chair John Slevin

**RSVP** by March 28<sup>th</sup> to the School Office

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

\$20 Included: \_\_\_\_\_



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St. Patrick's Day fun at the parade!



Grades 5/6 toured the Cathedral!

## Financial Assistance Available

Tuition assistance scholarship grants from the endowment fund established as a result of the Diocese of Peoria ROOTED IN FAITH Campaign and named in honor of Archbishop Spalding, the first Bishop of Peoria, will be available for the 2022-2023 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades Kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed.

Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained from any Catholic elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Peoria or on the Diocesan website [www.cdop.org](http://www.cdop.org) under **Catholic Education** and then under **Financial Assistance**. Consult the detailed protocols and procedures and checklist for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award.

Parents must apply online at: [online.factsmgt.com/aid](http://online.factsmgt.com/aid). Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for the 2022-2023 school year must reapply.

Deadline date for the completed application is **April 29, 2022**. Notification of grant awards will be made by the end of June 2022.

Another funding opportunity is also available due to the Invest in Kids Act legislation in Illinois. Students may be eligible for up to 100% of tuition and fees under a new program for tax credit scholarships (TCS). Details on how to apply and who qualifies are available on the Empower Illinois website at [www.empowerillinois.org](http://www.empowerillinois.org). Students who receive a TCS are ineligible to receive a Spalding award.



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## *"A" Honor Roll*

*Miss Renfro 6th Grade*— Cooper Brown, Natalie Buckardt, Betzabeth Garcia, Violet Gardner, Emma Hackett, Arianna Juarez, Zara Jusayan, Pierce Lynch, Whitney Parks, Phoenix Reese, Evan Wolbeck

*Mrs. Kiser 7th Grade*— Barrett Gangloff, Mitchell Goddard, Lauren Leustek

*Mrs. Cushing 7th Grade*— Lucas Behm, Audrey Edwards, Elizabeth Leustek

*Mrs. Ward 8th Grade*—Andrew Benjamin, James Beyer, Gabe Gross, Mikey Guingrich, Jacob LaBarre, Will Lynch, Joshua Opherk, Jacob Robenstein, Julian Sturm

## *"B" Honor Roll*

*Miss Renfro 6th Grade*— Ginger Crawford, Cameron Evans, Sinai Garcia, Amelia Hernandez, Ema Humphrey, Drake Reese, Nicky Weber

*Mrs. Kiser 7th Grade*— Noah Corrales, Avery Potter, Lily Schendl, Max Schmidt

*Mrs. Cushing 7th Grade*— Carson Lott

*Mrs. Ward 8th Grade*— Gracie Anderson, Rylie Bare, Celest Cogdal, Ella Edwards, Amathiel Gonzalez, Remington Joesting, Nadia LaFond, Andy Plaskon, Emily Taylor, Julia Watts

## *Student Improvement List*

*Miss Hozie—4th Grade*—Matilda McVay

*Mrs. Slevin—4th Grade*—Jonah Beyer, McKinley Dennhardt, Zeke Hernandez, Emelia Ritterbusch

*Mrs. Kilian—5th Grade*—River Joesting, Liam Mohning, David Munguia, Chase Ullrich

*Miss Renfro—6th Grade*—Cooper Brown, Emma Hackett, Ema Humphrey, Arianna Juarez, Whitney Parks, Drake Reese, Phoenix Reese, Evan Wolbeck

*Mrs. Kiser—7th Grade*—Lauren Leustek, Avery Potter

*Mrs. Cushing—7th Grade*—None

*Mrs. Ward 8th—Grade*—None

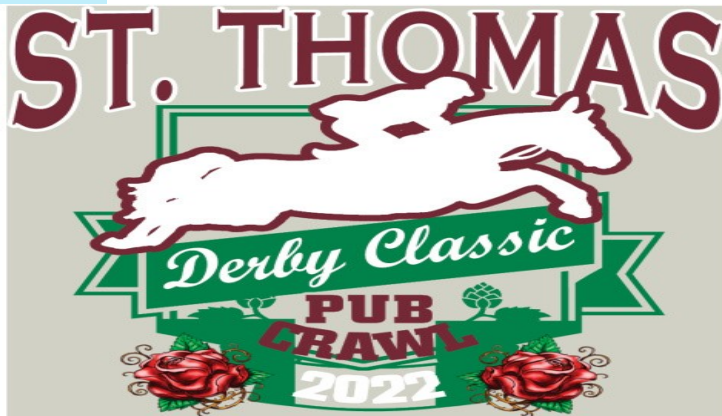


# Save the Date

## St. Thomas PTO Derby Classic Pub Crawl

Saturday, May 7  
Peoria Heights

More details to follow...





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## St. Thomas Parish

### Annual Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022



**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT ALL THE CHILDREN OF ST. THOMAS SCHOOL**

Tickets can be purchased at the cafeteria doors after all morning masses.

**PRICES ARE:**

- Family - \$20.00
- Adult - \$5.00
- Kids - \$3.00

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## **St. Thomas School Registration has begun for the 2022-2023 school year.**

**Pre3– 3 year old program:** *Students must be 3 years old on or before 09/01/2022 and potty trained. We will be offering M-F, MWF, or T/TH.*

**For Preschool:** *Students must be 4 years old on or before 09/01/2022. Class is M-F.*

**Pre3/Preschool space is limited—first-come first-served!**

**For Kindergarten:** *Students must be 5 years old on or before 09/01/2022.*

If you have a student, **not currently at St. Thomas**, and you would like them to attend these grades, or any other grade you must go online and apply at our website <http://school.stthomaspeoria.org/>

Click on Admissions and Apply Today!

**Current students will be sent an enrollment packet to compete in April! Do NOT submit an application for a current student!**



"Hello St. Thomas Parents, Students, and Faculty! My name is Carrie Reinboldt, and I am a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor. I am very excited to have the opportunity to work with you! Let me tell you a little bit about myself. I was born and raised in Peoria, IL and continue to reside there still today. I am married to my wonderful husband Tony and we have an 11 year old son, Max. I have been providing counseling services for kids and their families for almost 15 years. During that time, I have worked with children and their families on a multitude of issues, including depression, anxiety, anger management, attention and impulse disorders, learning disabilities, Autism Spectrum Disorder and adjustment issues.

Helping kids is my passion and I feel so blessed to be a part of a child's journey. These past couple of years have been full of changes and uncertainties. Kids are struggling. New challenges keep coming. I'm here to help! Please reach out with any questions and concerns. I look forward to meeting and working with all of you."

### **Statements for Childcare & Tuition for Taxes:**

If you go to the FACTS Family Portal you can get all of your tax information. Next to the words PAYMENT PLAN AND BILLING, you can click on VIEW DETAILS. On the next screen, you can click on VIEW PAYMENT SUMMARY. That page breaks down tuition and other expenses by child for the calendar year.



Pre K 4 years through 8th grade Art Classes— While we said a Hail Mary prayer for Ukraine, we tore a piece of tissue paper to create a stem, leaf, petal or a seed to create a Sunflower, which is a symbol of solidarity for Ukraine. Then we glued our piece on and added our names to the prayer poster.