

Viking Voice

St. Catherine of Siena, A Lumen Christi Academy

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PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Dear St. Catherine of Siena Community,

Called to Shine; Ready to Serve

We were filled with joy this past Friday as we celebrated with our Grandparents and VIPs, giving thanks to God for the gift they are in our lives. The love and care you share with the children is a beautiful reflection of Jesus' love and mercy for all of us.

We are deeply grateful for your friendship, encouragement, and constant support, which enrich our school community in countless ways. Most of all, we are blessed by the shining example you set through your faith, kindness, and wisdom.

This Friday, our teachers will take part in a pilgrimage to the Cathedral of Christ. Together, we will pray about the Jubilee, reflect on what Christ is bringing into our lives, and join in fellowship with our entire network of schools and teachers.

We pray that all of our families are blessed with a joyful week of learning, growing, and living in Christ's love.





Peace & Joy, Jessica Griswold

SEPTEMBER 9: MRS. MURPHY'S BIRTHDAY!

SEPTEMBER 12: PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT; NO SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 15-19: 7TH GRADE CARITAS TRIP

SEPTEMBER 17: MR. S'S BIRTHDAY!

SEPTEMBER 19: KINDERGARTEN FIELD TRIP-FIRE HOUSE

SEPTEMBER 25: SAVE THE DATE-DINE & DONATE, LA TAPATIA

SEPTEMBER 26: EVACUATION DRILL; NO PM DAY CARE!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SAVE THE DATE! OCTOBER 15, 2025

VOLUNTEER INQUIRY FORM

"SUSTAINING EXCELLENCE, SECURING THE FUTURE."

The School Advisory Board fosters sustainability, growth, and safety by guiding strategic planning, financial stewardship, and community partnerships in support of our mission of faith and academic excellence.

FIRST RESPONDERS MASS 8:00 AM



SCS ADVISORY BOARD





Parents as Partners Back to School Night Folder

Review Grade Level Presentations & School-Wide Goals

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FAITH IN ACTION

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The 1st of 5 Ways of Living the Jubilee is Welcome Christ into your heart The Sacred Heart is Jesus' invitation to return to the heart, to the center of who we are as a person. The heart is the core of our being, where we can encounter the divine love of Jesus. It is at the heart where Jesus was moved to compassion whenever he encountered those suffering and afflicted, as we hear in the Gospels.

Jesus desires to offer each of us His joy, peace, comfort, strength, and consolation in our daily trials and throughout the ordinary moments of life. When we open our hearts wide to the love of Christ, we are better able to serve Jesus and be overwhelmed with gratitude for all that He offers us.

Open wide your heart to Christ and allow Him to transform you from the inside out!

In Christ.

Fr. Michael Nufable

"Day In and Day Out, For The Greater Glory of God"



St. Catherine of Siena,

Pray for us

- St. Catherine of Siena School Families
- Alumni of St.
 Catherine of Siena School
- Schoenfeld Family



September Saints @ Home



Saint Teresa of Calcutta (Sept. 5)





- Families can live like her by noticing people around them who need kindness.
- Together, make a plan to bring food or a card to someone who is lonely or sick.

Blessed Frédéric Ozanam (Sept. 9)





- Frédéric Ozanam helped the poor and founded the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.
- Families can live like him by joining together serving people in need.
- As a family, donate clothes, food, or money to help a local charity or food pantry.

Saint Peter Claver (Sept. 9)





- Peter Claver cared for enslaved Africans, giving them food, medicine, & sacraments.
- Families can imitate him by treating all people with mercy and respect.
- · Talk as a family about how to stand up for someone who is treated unfairly.

Blessed Sára Salkaházi (Sept. 17)





- Sára Salkaházi gave her life protecting Jewish people during World War II.
- Families can be courageous in faith and generous in helping others.
- Choose one family project to serve others (bake for neighbors, write thank-you notes, etc.).

REMINDERS Saint Andrew Kim Taegŏn (Sept. 20)





- Andrew Kim Taegon the first Korean priest, encouraged Christians to be strong in their faith.
- Families can follow him by praying together and supporting one another in living the faith.
- · Set aside a time this week to pray the Rosary or a simple prayer together as a family.

Saint Vincent de Paul (Sept. 27)





- Vincent de Paul spent his life serving the poor, sick, and abandoned.
- Families can follow him by showing love through daily acts of service.
- Each family member writes one way they will help someone at home this week (set the table, clean, listen, etc.).

SCS Bridges



September 8 - 12, 2025 SLE-Service Towards Others Virtue - Affability

Important Events



Prayer of the Week

Grace before meals

SEPTEMBER 7- Canonization of Blessed Carlos Acutis & Blessed Pier Giorgio

SEPTEMBER - Dining Etiquette continues

SEPTEMBER - 12 No School/Bridges Closed - Cathedral Day- Pilgrimage of Hope

HELLO !!!

Bridges is looking for people to come in and share all about their career. Please contact Mrs. Murphy or Mrs. Shapiro if you are interested.

NEW Theme !!!

THEME OF THE WEEK

Neighborhoods & Occupations

- Careers !!!
- Where do we go to school?
- Where do we live?

HOURS OF OPERATION

Morning Bridges: 7:00 a.m. - 7:40 a.m. M,T,W,Th,F

Afternoon Bridges: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday - 12:45 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

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Virtue OF THE MONTH

AFFABILITY- the quality of having a friendly & good natured manner

What it looks like - Starting a conversation

<u>What it sounds like</u> - "How are you doing?"



SLE of the Month

Service Towards Others

Help set the table.

Learning about table settings.
Have your child set the table for lunch or dinner. Follow the diagram. Remember to pray, *Grace*

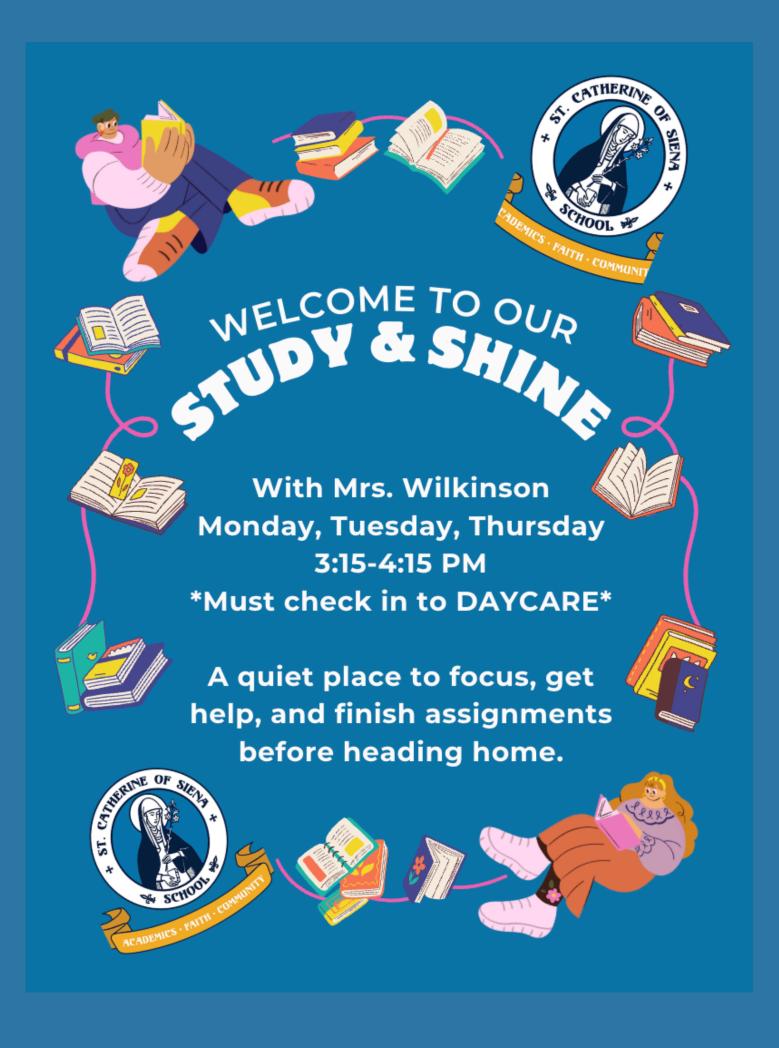
Study & Shine

Need a quiet, supportive homework place? This is the place.

- Times 3:15 4:15
- All students must check
 -in at Bridges (inside
 Hall) before attending

Procedures

When using *Bridges* Extended Care in the morning, parent/legal guardian or authorized adult MUST sign child(ren) in each morning at the front office. All children coming directly from school after dismissal will be signed in by a member of the staff inside the Hall. Children attending *Study & Shine* must be signed into *Bridges EC* first & then Mrs. Wilkinson will lead the children over to the 1st grade classroom.





Our annual Viking Run is just around the corner! Students are lacing up to run for pledges that directly benefit our school programs. Join us in cheering them on and supporting their efforts.

Sponsor a Student or Teacher by Clicking <u>HERE</u>



Friday, October 24th Saint Catherine of Siena School Upper Yard

All proceeds benefit the Viking Fund





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Grandparents' Day Commemorative Store – Celebrate the special role of grandparents and VIP friends by purchasing from our Grandparents' Day Commemorative Store. A beautiful way to honor those who mean so much to our children. Shop the Commemorative Store HERE





The 1949 Club – Ongoing Support

Join our 1949 Club and become part of a tradition of giving that sustains our school year after year. Your monthly or annual gift strengthens our programs, enhances student experiences, and ensures our Catholic education continues to flourish.

Join the 1949 Club HERE





3rd Annual Golf Tournament

Annual Golf Tournament - November 24

Tee up for a great cause at our Annual Golf
Tournament at Richmond Country Club. Enjoy a day
of golf, fun, and community while helping our school
continue its mission. Sponsorship opportunities are
also available.

Register for a Single, a Foursome or Become a Sponsor of the Golf Tournament <u>HERE</u>



Used Uniform Request Form



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Pants



PE Shorts

Scan here to request your Used Uniform & Pick Up your order in the School Office





ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA EVENTS 25/26

Events with Multiple Dates

Community Night Fundraisers at Local Restaurants - Tentative every month Schoolwide Masses-Every Wednesday

July

4th - Fourth of July Parade, Downtown

August

5th - Used Uniform Sale, 10 AM-1 PM

9th - School Work Party

11th - New Family Orientation 5 PM Ice Cream Social 5:30 PM

13th - Preschool Playdate 8-10 AM

13th - First Day of School 7:50-10:00 AM Hospitality 8:00-9:00 AM

27th - Picture Day Back to School Night 6 PM

September

5th - Grand Day (Grandparent's/VIP Day)

TBD - Family Movie Night

October

TBD - Homecoming Parade

1st- Make-up Pictures

3rd - St. Francis of Assisi - Blessing of the

Animals, 2:30 PM

15-17th - Parent/Teacher Conferences

18th - Preschool Open House

24th - Viking Run

26th - Trunk or Treat, Downtown

31st - Halloween Festival & Parade

November

12th - Preschool Information Night

17th - Faith Night & Open House 6 PM

24th - Golf Tournament

December

5th - Holiday Parade, Downtown

17th - Christmas Concert

19th - Classroom Parties

January

23-Work Party

25th-31st - Catholic Schools Week

25th - Open House after mass

26th-27th Book Fair

28th - Information Night 6PM

February

2nd-13th - Parent Conferences

7th - Preschool Playdate

13th - Valentine's Day/Jump 4 Heart

March

Read-A-Thon

7th-Academic Decathlon

19th - Spring Picture Day

20th - Preschool Dad's Ice Cream

April

2nd- Student Seder Meal

April 3-10 - Easter Vacation

20th - Open House

22nd-Administrative Assistant Day



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25th - Preschool Playdate

May

1st - Principal Appreciation Day 4th-8th - Teacher Appreciation Week 8th - Preschool Mother's Tea 18th - Family STEAM Night 22nd - Field Day

June

1st-4th - Class Picnics 5th - Last Day of School Summer Camp

July

Summer Camp 4th - Fourth of July Parade, Downtown