



Our Patron Saint

The Barrister

"Prefer nothing to the love of Christ."

August 17, 2012

The Year of Faith

St. Joan of the Cross



Sts. Benedict and Scholastica

WELCOME HOME TO ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL!!!



FAMILY PRAYER

God made us a family. We need one another. We love one another. We forgive one another. We work together. We play together. We worship together. Together we use God's word. Together we grow in Christ. Together we love all people. Together we serve our God. Together we hope for heaven. These are our hopes and ideals. Help us to attain them, O God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

WELCOME BACK!!! YOU WERE MISSED!!!

The Barrister

Coming NEXT THURSDAY ... The first full copy of *The Barrister* (weekly newsletter of the Principal). If YOU would like me to add something, please email Mr. Nordyke.

It was so fun walking around today and speaking with so many HAPPY children. I heard a lot of stories of camping, fishing trips, dance recitals, visits to see Grandma, and many more. Thank you, parents, for doing so many fun things with the children.

They grow up so fast ...

It's WONDERFUL having the children back!

PLEASE REMEMBER WE START **ONE-HALF HOUR LATER EVERY THURSDAY.** School begins at 8:30 AM.



Monday, August 20th, Pre-School & Pre-Kindergarten **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Tuesday, August 21st, All School Mass 8:30 AM

Monday, August 20th, Back To School Night (ADULTS ONLY) Grades 1-4 7:00 P.M.

Parents will meet in their child's classroom.

Wednesday, August 22nd, Back To School Night (ADULTS ONLY) Grades 5-8 7:00 P.M.

GRADES 5-6 will meet in the Cafeteria
GRADES 7-8 will meet in the Gym

Friday, August 24th, SPIRIT DAY

Monday, August 27th, School Pictures & School Musical (*The Little Mermaid*) call outs after school.

Wednesday, August 29th, Student Council call outs (Grades 5-8)



Netclassroom (replaces Edline)

We have a new online program for posting homework, announcements, billing, lunch account and grades. You will receive login information once the system is ready!

8th Grade Receives Coveted Sweatshirt

On Thursday morning, at the All School Mass, the members of our 8th Grade class of 2013 received their sweatshirt showing the Year of Graduation. Fr. Mike "swore" in the class as the students promised to be leaders.

Please remember, **all** parents are invited to attend Mass.

VIRTUS class will be held on Saturday, September 15th at 10:00 AM. Any adult wishing to participate in school activities **must**, by the rule of the Bishop of the Diocese of Gary, be VIRTUS trained. Please call (219) 836-8610, extension 336 to register with Mrs. McGill.

CLASSROOM DOORS

To insure complete student protection, **all** classroom doors will be locked at all times.

ALL visitors (parents, too) must stop in the Main Office and register and wear the *Visitor Pass* when desiring to come into the school building.

Welcome Miss Shaw

We welcome Miss Colleen Shaw to our school. Miss Shaw, a graduate of Ball State University, will be substituting for Mrs. Melissa Schmidt during her maternity leave.

Please continue to pray to St. Gerard for a healthy birth and for a healthy delivery.

"Back-to-School Fair ...

Many, many thanks to the St. Thomas More School Parent Association for putting together our "Back-to-School Fair." Many, many parents participated and as your Principal, I received many, many positive comments about this endeavor. I am so very grateful to P.A. for all they are doing.

Dear Parents:

+JMJ

Again, I want to thank you for the opportunity you have given to us to assist you in educating your children. At the recent faculty meetings, the teachers voiced their appreciation of your trust and cooperation. **Any time** we may be of assistance, please, just let us know.

God bless you!

Principal

WELCOME TO STM!

All of us at STM
extend a GREAT BIG
EAGLE WELCOME to
our many new families.

**Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, the Holy Family, please
bless the STM School families.**