



ST. THERESA CATHOLIC

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September 7, 2023 News & Updates

Upcoming Important Date

9/8/23 8:30 am, School Mass - 7th grade
Feast Day of the Nativity of Mary

9/8/23 Mum Pick Up

9/15/23 8:30 am, School Mass - 6th
grade

9/20/23 Picture Day

9/22/23 8:30 am, School Mass - 5th
grade

9/25/23 No School

9/28/23 Spirit Day

9/29/23 8:30 am, School Mass - 4th grade

10/1/23 12-2:30 pm, St. Theresa of the Child
Jesus Feast Day Celebration

10/2/23 Smith Pro Uniform/Spirit Wear 3rd
Order Deadline

Social Media - Follow us on Facebook

[St. Theresa Catholic School](#)

[St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Church](#)

School News

Teachers continue to teach expectations, routine and procedures in all spaces of our school. I have had many students say that they enjoy recess and lunch with their friends. Their excitement to participate in class discussions fills the air.

Would you like to volunteer with some projects around our school? If so, please contact Mrs. Watznauer and we could discuss special projects you could help with.

FAST TESTING:

Next week our students will begin their FAST screeners to provide feedback on their proficiency in areas of learning of Math, Reading and ELA skills. Please make sure your student eats breakfast and is well rested. We encourage families to talk with students about the importance of doing their best on the screeners so we can have an accurate picture of the support or challenges they need to continue to grow and thrive as a student. Teachers will be having this conversation with students also.

Cy-Hawk Team Spirit

As we gear up for the Cy-Hawk game on Saturday students can show their team spirit. Students may wear their favorite team shirt-Iowa, Iowa State, or another team favorite. **They MUST wear Uniform Bottoms** with their team spirit shirt. If students/families choose they may wear their regular Friday mass uniform also.

Mum Sale

If you ordered a mum please plan on picking your order up on Friday, 1-6pm under the carport of the parish hall.

Backpack Buddies Program

St. Theresa's offers a supplemental food program for families who might need extra support during the school year. Every Friday, we send home a backpack with your student filled with a variety of food items for the weekend. If this is something you are interested in, please fill in this form and return it to your classroom teacher. If you have any questions, contact Ms. Custer at 515-277-0178 x 101.

[☰ backpack Buddies sign up sheet](#)

CHILD SAFETY

Our first priority as educators is child safety. This includes the safety of our children as they arrive at or leave school. Children should remain in seats/seatbelts until the vehicle comes to a stop in the carline. If you need to assist your child in getting into or out of their seat, please park in the church parking lot and walk to our carline space. Please do not get out of your car in the carline for your safety and the safety of others. For their safety, children should exit vehicles on the passenger side of the car (school side).

A GUIDE TO THE IOWA CHILD RESTRAINT LAW

- A child under 1 year old and weighing less than 20 lbs. must be secured in a rear-facing child restraint system
- A child age 1 up to 6 years old must be secured in a child restraint system (a safety seat or booster seat--NOT a seat belt) A “child restraint system” is a specially designed seating system, including a belt positioning seat or a booster seat that meets federal motor vehicle safety standards.
- A child from the age of 6 up to the age of 11 must be secured in a child restraint system or by a safety belt. There must be a seat belt for each child.

Please make sure you are following our safety guidelines in the carline to keep everyone safe. It is required that you follow the Iowa Child Restraint Laws.

Recycle Supplies Needed for Art Classes

Miss Sassatelli is looking for the following items to be donated to her classroom:

- Empty egg cartons (styrofoam or cardboard)
- Washed small plastic containers (yogurt, sour cream, butter, etc)
- Varying sizes of plastic or metal lids (from peanut butter, yogurt cups, sauces, etc)
- Appropriate magazines with lots of pictures (scholastic, national geographic, home and gardens)

If you would like to donate some items you should send them in a grocery bag to the office. Thank you all!

All Families

St. Theresa uses jmc for our student information system (online database) for emergency contact information, school lunch and required forms. **All families are required to complete the registration/re-registration process by Wednesday, August 30.**

If your child has two parents living separately, only one of you will log in and go through the registration process. Once you have completed the steps, please contact the school office and we will add the second parent as a primary contact as well so they can access everything through jmc.

[Register or re-register for jmc](#)

School Mass

Most school masses are on Friday morning at 8:35 a.m. Mass is occasionally moved for Holy Days, days off school or shortened days. We encourage you to attend mass if you are able. If you would like, your student can come sit with you at mass. There is room on the east side or the back of the center isles. Only your student(s) can sit with you. Their friends need to stay with their class. The schedule may be accessed for the year on the website under calendars or click [here](#).

Volleyball Game Schedule

Parish News



2023 St. Theresa Catholic Faith Expressions
Growing Deeper In Our Faith

14 SEPT Bill Mogolov - Speaker
We will be serving pizza and salad. Please RSVP via the QR code so we can plan accordingly.

12 OCT Kim Fix Schmidt - Speaker
We will be enjoying a potluck dinner together. More details to come.

26 OCT Don Cameron - Speaker
We will be enjoying a chili cook off. More details to come.

MORE INFORMATION Jeanne Thill
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Faith Expressions

Grow deeper in your faith by joining us for our first faith expressions event on Thursday September 14. Bill Mogolov will share his faith journey and we will enjoy a meal and fellowship.

We will be serving pizza and salad. Please RSVP if you will be joining us for dinner so we can make sure to have enough pizza for all. RSVP by clicking [here](#).

5:45 p.m. Mass
6:15 p.m. Meal
6:45 p.m. Presentation



St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Feast Day October 1st

Come and celebrate with a Prayer Service followed by a Potluck in honor of St. Theresa's Feast Day.

12:00 pm to 2:30 pm Sunday, October 1st in the Parish Hall. Games for the kids available until 3:00 pm.

Bring a dish to share.

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