



**St. Thomas More Catholic School**  
**Home of The Falcons!**  
**Weekly Newsletter**  
**January 8, 2020**



Calendar

STM Website

Thank you parents for your patience during the construction of the new School web-site. The technology committee has made great strides in setting up social media accounts and getting the STM web-site up and running. [www.stmcsa.org](http://www.stmcsa.org). Updates to the web-site are still in progress. The tech committee is still working very hard to provide a website that is user friendly and allows for the school to own the site.

Thank you,  
Tech Committee.



Special Thanks

I want to thank all students and their parents for thinking of me at Christmas time. I was blessed with so many wonderful gifts. Your show of appreciation is greatly appreciated.

Prayerfully,  
N. Gibson

Help Needed

Hot Lunch volunteers needed from 11:10—12:20. A one and a half service hour will be given. Please call the school if you are available to assist in giving students their lunch. You may commit to one day, two days, a week. A sign-up and schedule will be generated upon parent responses.

N. Gibson

January

Wed. 1/8	Regular Schedule— Chess at lunch Mass 8:30 Formal Uniform First Day of STAR Assessment
Thurs. 1/9	Regular Schedule— PE—Kinder, 1st, & 2nd.
Fri. 1/10	Regular Schedule— Adoration 1:00 Junior High Students will have a guest Speaker
Mon. 1/13	2:00 pm Dismissal— PE—6th, 7th, & 8th Student Council Buddy Day
Tues. 1/14	Regular Schedule— PE—3rd, 4th, & 5th
Wed. 1/15	Regular Schedule— Mass 8:30 Formal

Something to Ponder

*Faith* is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. Hebrews 11:1

As the sacred author of Hebrews says, we have faith because it has to do with “things not seen.” Many today profess a lack of faith because they only will believe in concrete realities (i.e. science, the material world, etc.).

But this is a false premise. Think of gravity. When someone jumps off a building, even someone “with no faith,” they know they will plummet to the ground. They believe in gravity, yet they can’t see gravity. They just know it’s there and that it works. So it is with the Christian and God.

A Minute In The Church— Gus Lloyd

### **Continuing STM's Academic Excellence**

STM students have been using Coding in the classroom as our initiative to provide wider access to technology learning programs. Teachers in the classrooms will be introducing students to stem projects over the next several months. We are striving to increase student math learning with hands-on and higher order problem solving skills and activities. These endeavors are the beginning of my goal for STM to become a STREAM school (Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Arts, & Math). Your partnership during this process is extremely important. We can only accomplish this goal by a strong partnership. Your talents, expertise, and knowledge are ways in which you may be able to assist us with the continued academic excellence of STM.

Please fill-out a brief survey inquiring about your profession and any talents you can share with STM.

N. Gibson



### **Part Time Employment Opportunity**

Luci Lai, the Parish and School Accountant is looking for a part time employ who has accounting experience.

For further information please contact the parish office.

The rectory is currently under construction and the phones may not be promptly answered. It is recommended to personally inquire at the rectory.

### **Summer Camp**

We are planning our 2020 Summer Camp. We anticipate distributing enrollment packets in February. We need your help to make it a success. In order to plan accordingly, particularly with staff, field trips and special guests we need to know if your children are joining us. Please take a moment to complete the survey your child will be bringing home today and return it to the office by January 17.



### **Catholic School's Week—Open House**

Sunday, January 26th is the start of Catholic School's Week and Open House. Open House will be from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the 9:00 am Family Mass and during Open House. Reminder: students who come in formal uniform will receive a free dress pass from their teacher.

As a sign of our STM pride I would like to invite you and your family members attending the Family Mass to wear red.

### **Communication Box**

STM Family,

There is a secure communication/ mailbox box located on the wall outside the office. The communication box is for the STM community to communicate to me any suggestions, recommendations, or support you may provide to the school. I



value your input and am looking forward to hearing from you. I will be collecting your correspondence daily. If a response is required I will reach out by either telephone or email.

When the office is closed, you may place office correspondence ( **no cash**) in the communication box. **The school is not responsible if cash is left in the communication box and is lost or stolen.**

**Please do not leave tuition payments or any deadline driven documents since the suggestion box is not opened on a daily basis.**