



Carline Reminders

For the safety of all of our families, students, and parishioners caution is needed when dropping off and picking up students is needed at all times.

Morning Drop off:

- If you need to walk students to the door, please find a space in the lot and park. Use the designated crosswalk (painted yellow near the sidewalk) to walk across the parking lot. Be sure to look both ways. Children **MAY NOT** run across nor walk from cars parked in the lot by themselves. Use the crosswalk area **ONLY** for walking. Do not walk in front of cars that are in the drop off line area.
- If you are dropping off a student in the carlane (lane near sidewalk), students need to exit from the passenger side doors. Cars may not be parked in the carlane. This lane is meant for drop off only, meaning letting students out of the car; no assistance needed.
- When driving around in the parking lot, please drive no faster than 10 miles per hour.
- When exiting, please be aware of traffic coming in and on the streets around school.

Pick Up:

- If you need to pick your child up early from school, please contact the school office and must be picked up by 2:45. Students will not be allowed to leave after 2:45.
- If someone different is picking up your child and or he/she is leaving with another student, please contact the office (not the teacher) before the carline begins. We must have a verbal or written permission to send children home with someone other than their parents. If someone new, whether they are on your emergency list or not, is picking up your child, please call the office to let them know before the carline begins.
- Remember to keep all neighborhood driveways unblocked while waiting. This includes our service driveway area.
- Cars **should not** drive around other cars within the car line. Please be patient and wait for the carline to move forward. Driving around cars creates an unnecessary danger to others.
- **When entering and exiting the driveway on St. Sylvester, proceed with caution.** This is a two- way street; exiting traffic needs to wait for oncoming traffic to the subdivision and surrounding neighborhood to drive through. There have been reports to the Police and city about our parents driving recklessly out of the driveway into traffic.

Forward

Beginning on Monday, March 18, 2024, students in grades three through eight will take the Forward Exam. The Forward Exam helps schools understand how students are progressing towards proficiency towards state academic standards across multiple curricular areas. The test is an online test. Students in fourth and eighth grade will take tests in English Language Arts (ELA), mathematics, social studies and science. Students in third and fifth through seventh will take tests in ELA and mathematics. Exam results are shared with families in the fall. Below is a schedule of when students are expected to take the exams. Please note that it takes a number of days to complete the tests as multiple breaks are provided.

Test schedule:

- Monday, March 18- Wednesday, March 27 - 4th & 8th grade
- Tuesday, April 9-Friday, April 12 - 3rd & 5th grade
- Monday, April 15- Friday, April 19 - 6th & 7th grade
- Monday, April 22- Thursday, April 25 - Make-up exams

Report cards

Report cards have been sent home with students today. Please see your child's teacher with any questions or concerns.

Scriptural Stations of the Cross and Musical Reflections

Do you love to worship through song? Or do you have children new to Adoration for whom an hour of silent prayer might be a challenge? Please consider joining us for Divine Mercy's **2nd Annual Scriptural Stations of the Cross and Musical Reflections** during our Lenten 24 Hour Adoration on Friday, March 22, from 4-5 p.m. at Divine Mercy Church on Marquette Avenue. Brief Bible readings will each be followed by a musical meditation (see attached [flyer](#)).

If you (and your family!) would like to help with readings, please email oliviatherese@gmail.com or sign up at <https://signup.com/go/yomwZHY>. Come keep watch with Jesus as He asked us to do. All ages welcome!

Clubs and Title

Just a reminder that there will be no title club or other clubs during Holy Week (March 25-March 28). Clubs will resume on Wednesday, April 10, 2024. The Student Council will meet on March 20 and resume on April 17, 2024.

St. Gerard's Scholarships

We are pleased to announce that the St. Gerard Fund will be accepting applications for Catholic school scholarships for students currently in grades 2-8. The St. Gerard Fund has expanded to provide scholarships to deserving 8th graders who will be attending a Catholic high school in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The St. Gerard Fund will award up to 100 scholarships for the 2024-25 school year in the amount of \$800 each to students in grades 3-8, and \$1000 to 9th grade students enrolled at a Catholic high school in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Awards will be based primarily on:

1. Demonstrated volunteerism by the student and the student's family in the school, church, or community.
2. Academic achievement or demonstrated academic effort by the Student.
3. Special financial need of the student's family.

Applications are due to the school office by Friday, April 5, 2024. See attached [flyer](#) for more information.

Dates to remember:

- 3/18 Forward Testing begins
- 3/22 Early release, 11:30
- 3/22 \$1 Out of uniform
- 3/22 Twenty four hour adoration, families encouraged to join the Scriptural Stations
- 3/25-3/28 NO Clubs (this includes Title clubs)
- 3/27 Stations of the Cross at 1:30 in the gym; doors open at 1:15
- 3/28 Early release, 11:30
- 3/29- 4/5 Easter Break

Attachments

- [2024-25 Registration Link](#)
- [Parental Choice Application](#)
- [St. Gerard Scholarship](#)
- [Stations of the Cross and Musical Reflections](#)