



May 2025 St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Preschool

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Your monthly guide to the preschool information and events.

Where has the year gone? It has been a wonderful year. The month of May will be filled with so many fun and engaging activities. We can't wait to share these special times with you.

A huge THANK YOU goes out to Robin Matthews for keeping everyone up to date on all the St. Catherine's Preschool world through our website, Facebook, and Instagram.

As we move forward, we want to make sure that you have marked your calendars for some important events for the 2025-2026 school year:

- 2025-2026 - Supply Drop Off Day will be on Tuesday, August 5th and Wednesday, August 6th. A detailed schedule will follow in your summer letter.
- 2025-2026 - Parent Orientation Night – will be on Wednesday, August 6th and Thursday, August 7th. A detailed schedule will follow in your summer letter.
- 2025-2026 - Meet and Greet Morning – will be on Friday, August 8th. A detailed schedule will follow in your summer letter.
- First Days of School for the 2025-2026 school year will be on Monday, August 11th at 8:00 a.m. for our Five Alive students and 9:00 a.m. for all other classes except our Wee 2's class which will begin on Tuesday, August 12th at 9:00 a.m.
- If your email or phone number have changed, please make sure that you contact the preschool office with that information so that we can keep in touch with you.

Thank you again for all your continued love and support. We are blessed that you are a part of our preschool family.

Have a very blessed summer!

Blessings,

Director

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MAY

Religious Theme

FAMILY “Father and Mother I Love you”

Religious Thought

“Mary is the Mother of Jesus”

Church Words

Review All

Faith Words

Priest, Deacon and Sister

Holy Hero (Saint)

The Holy Family:

Joseph (Our earthly father), Mary (Our heavenly mother) and Jesus (Our heavenly brother)

Monthly Prayer

Review the Hail Mary

Wee 2 and 2's Manner

“Be a good listener”

Always Listen to God

3's Virtue

PEACE- “I am calm”

K-4's and 5's Commandment # 4

#9-You shall not covet your neighbor's wife

#10 You should not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor

K-4's and 5's Monthly Seeds of Faith

Y- “You are the light of the world”

(Matthew 5:14)

Z- “Zion heard, and was glad”

(Psalm 97:8)



Our preschoolers always amaze me with how much they have learned this year. Our Catholic faith is so rich. Gratefully, we are surrounded by so many wonders of our Catholic faith. We have explored so many new Church and Faith words each month. Our preschoolers learned the difference between the Cross and Crucifix and the Church and Chapel. Our preschoolers know that when the candle is lit next to the Tabernacle, Jesus is there. Our students are like sponges – they soak up all the wonderful treasures our Catholic faith has to offer.

Each month, we highlighted a special Holy Hero (our Saints) and learned about their strong love and dedication to God.

Our theme for May is FAMILY – Father And Mother I Love You! The preschoolers visited a special table dedicated to Mary and crowned her as Queen of the Heaven and Earth.

Thank you for allowing us to share our precious Catholic faith with your children this year.

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Pickens". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Director



Spring Fling Fun

A HUGE and LOVING thank you to Miss Karen Grantham for putting together a great Spring Fling. We experienced this amazing day all together. The weather was perfect. The preschoolers enjoyed the giant slide, the curvy train ride, the School House obstacle course, the Ferris Wheel jumpie, the Spider-Man obstacle course, amazing face painting and other fun games. The children enjoyed a delicious lunch prepared by the awesome Knights of Columbus. Thank you to John Babyak, Jerome Day, Lori Day, David Landau, Ed Labra, David Bobe, Tim Nord and Dennis Puntel who prepared the lunch for our preschool families. They also were treated to a delicious snow cone. Our sweet, tired little ones went home with a memorable T-shirt and water bottle. It was a great day!



Music With Mom

The theme of our Music with Mom this year is "Welcome to the Islands"! From the beautiful handmade placemats, to the decorations for the room, to the sweet gift and treat – a lot of love was put into this event. The sweet voices of our three's filled the hallways!

From all of us here at the preschool, we wish each Mom, Aunt, Grandmother, Great Grandmother a very blessed Mother's Day!



Barnyard Friends

As you dropped off your preschooler, many of you got to see the cool and engaging visit we had from Miss Darlene and her Barnyard Friends. The children got to feed and learn about chickens, goats, bunnies and even a beautiful llama!

This field trip was exciting and tons of fun!



Pizza Night!

Thank you St. Catherine's families for showing support during our last pizza night of the year!



T.A.C. Treats

A heartfelt thank you to Ashley Bauer (Mary's mom) and Lauren Blond (James' mom) who lovingly put together treats for the teachers. From the yummy snacks to the beautiful flowers and cards, the teachers felt truly loved. The staff and teachers have LOVED all the delicious lunches given to us by the T.A.C. for our monthly staff meeting. Our T.A.C. and all preschool families are the absolute BEST!





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- karengantham@att.net
- <https://www.stcatherinercc.org>

SUMMER CAMPS 2025

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| <p><u>June 2-6:</u> NEW Stories in the Bible Camp</p> <p>NEW Wild West Roundup</p> <p><u>June 9-13</u> Paw Patrol Blazer Cheer Camp</p> <p>NEW “Discover Dance” Camp</p> <p><u>June 16-20:</u> Unicorns, Rainbows and Butterfly Dance Camp Dino Dance Camp Explore the Outdoors</p> | <p><u>June 23-27</u> Fairy Dance Camp Pirate Fun!</p> <p>NEW Disney Musical Theater Camp</p> <p><u>June 30-July 3</u> NEW Celebrate America</p> <p><u>July 7-July 11</u> Princess Dance Camp Little Movers Movement Camp</p> <p>NEW Camp Broadway: Rock and Pop!</p> |
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July 14-18
NEW Jungle Safari
NEW Pixar Pals Dance Camp
NEW Dance through the Decades

Around^{the} PARISH

Sweet Memories & Bright Futures at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic School

Our hearts are still so joyful from the delightful ice cream social where our amazing 4th and 5th graders had an absolute blast spending quality time with their wonderful Pre-K buddies! The laughter and sweet connections made for a truly special afternoon. It gave us a beautiful glimpse of the friendships that blossom within the St. Catherine’s family.

To our precious Pre-K students, we are already buzzing with excitement to welcome you to “the big school” next year! We can’t wait for you to experience all the wonderful things St. Catherine of Siena Catholic School has to offer—from exciting lessons and fun activities to making even more incredible friends. Get ready for a year filled with learning, growth, and lots of love! We’ll be here with open arms to help you every step of the way.

If you’re interested in learning more about our wonderful community at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic School, we invite you to visit www.scsiena.org or call 770-419-8601 today!



Friday, April 4, 2025

Hello St. Catherine of Siena Families,

Registration is now open for St. Catherine of Siena's Vacation Bible School 2025!

Join us this summer in the **Jubilee Year of Hope** from **Monday, June 2nd to Thursday, June 5th** for a fantastic week of faith, fun, and fellowship! The theme is “**True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World.**” Our VBS is open to PreK4 through rising 5th-grade students and will be filled with Bible stories, music, crafts, games, snacks, and more. Campers will meet daily from **9:30 am to 12:30 pm** in the Parish Hall. To register, click the links below. All are welcome—bring a friend!

We are also looking for Adult and Teen Volunteers (rising 6th grade to 12th grade). Volunteers will meet daily from 8:30 am-1:00 pm and help with setup on Sunday, June 1st at 11:30 am. To register as a volunteer, please click the link below.

Don’t miss out on this wonderful opportunity to grow in our faith together this summer! See you there!

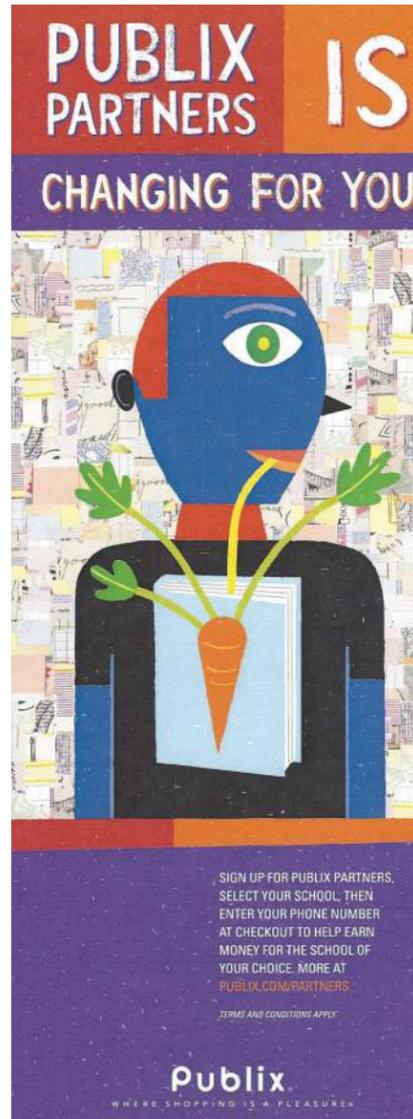


MAY 2025

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| | | | | 1 Last day of Music class | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 Music with Mom 11:30 am for 3's classes only | 8 School Bus visit for K-4's and 5's classes | 9 Last day of Movement class | 10 |
| 11 | 12 Crowning of Mary | 13 | 14 End of year parties | 15 End of year parties | 16 Graduation for the K-4's and 5's students | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |

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FUTURE ST. CATHERINES PRESCHOOLERS

Ms. Jean Esposito welcomed her new grandson Caleb Michael Loy on April 1th. He weighed in at 8 lb 4 oz and 20 inches long. Christina and Jason are very proud parents.

The Carranza-Noguera welcomed baby girl Beatriz Reginal to their family on April 8th. Beatriz weighed in at 8 lbs 7 oz and 20.5 inches long. Leila is a very proud BIG sister

The Peguero Caraballo family welcomed baby boy Emmanuel to their family on April 2^{1st}. He was born on April 2^{1st}. He weighed in at 7 lbs 9 Oz and 20 inches long! Elian and Matias are proud BIG brothers.

CONGRATULATIONS!

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OUR COMMITTEE CHAIRS ARE



St. Catherine Preschool staff would like to lovingly thank the ladies who led a very worthwhile committee this year. These committee chair heads worked many hours for many wonderful causes. We shout out to:

Ashley Bauer (Mary's mom) and Lauren Blond (James' mom) – Teacher Appreciation Committee (T.A.C.)

Rachel Hunter (Victoria and Katherine's mom) – Care and Concern Committee

Nicole Connelly (Luca's mom) – Catholic Schools Week Committee

Trang Sayedzada (Han's mom) – Hospitality Committee

Patricia Ikhwan (Judah's mom) – Newcomers Committee

Megan Sansing (Haynes and Shiloh's mom) – North Pole Committee

Cindy Gentry (Henry's grandmom) – Library Committee

Anne Provost – (Lucas's mom) – Garden Committee

OUR ROOM MOMS ROCK

This year's room moms are amazing. These women worked so hard to keep the important communication link strong between the classroom and the parents. Thank you all for your hard work. We thank:

Alison Eikenberry – Wee 2's – (Clara and Mark's mom)

Lauren Riess – M-Th 2's – (Charlie and Liam's mom)

Sarah Waldron – MWF 2's – (Cecilia's mom)

Amanda Kitchen – MTW 2's – (Wells and Amanda's mom)

Marina Hanna – M-F 3's - (Rachel's mom)

Ashley Bauer – M-Th 3's – (Mary's mom)

Adrian Young – MWF 3's – (Margaret's mom)

Caroline Sutton – M-F K-4's – (Morris' mom)

Victoria Ramirez – M-Th K-4's – (Stella's mom)

Nicole Squillante – M-F 5's – (Jillian's mom)





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