


Peek of the Week

Fund the Mission of St. Theresa 

June 11, 2021



School Information

Congratulations to our Kindergarten Graduations, the STCS future Class of 2029!

The school year has come to an end and it's time for some summer fun. We wish everyone a restful and safe summer. For those quiet summer days evening, we have included a **Summer Kit for Catholic Families**, provided by the Catholic Schools Office. The Summer Joy Prayer below is included in the Summer Kit.

Have a fun and safe summer Vikings!

A Prayer of Summer Joy

Loving God, we give you thanks for the beauty of summer. Let us join with other creatures in emerging from winter darkness into the full light of the season. May love emerge in us as well, giving rise to praise for you and for the gifts of your creation. Help us to weather the storms that hit without warning and do damage to heart and soul. Turn our faces towards the sun and let joy be the mantle we carry throughout this blessed time. In your holy name, we pray.
Amen.

Fr. Diefenbach Award



Every year the Fr. Diefenbach Award is presented to the two 7th graders who demonstrate outstanding achievement in education by earning the highest and second highest overall averages. In recognition of their achievement, the student with the highest overall average is awarded a \$500 tuition scholarship and the student with the second highest overall average is awarded a \$250 tuition scholarship.

This year Samantha B. was awarded the \$500 tuition scholarship and Lauren T. was awarded the \$250 tuition scholarship. We are so proud of both students and their achievement. Congratulations!

Fr. Diefenbach Award

Rev. Ralph Jacob Diefenbach was the founding father of our St. Theresa parish and school in 1946. Under his 13-year leadership, he built a new church, a 17-classroom school building, library, cafeteria and rectory.

Fr. Diefenbach was a graduate of St. Thomas High School and St. Mary's Seminary. He was ordained in 1937 and then extended his vow of service to his country, as he became a lieutenant colonel with the 143rd Infantry Regiment of the

Texas National Guard's 36th Division. Then later served as Chaplain for Gen Patton's third army, where he was assigned the task of returning one of Hungary's most prized religious relics – the hand of St. Stephen, Hungary's first king- which was removed from its treasure trove during the war and became lost.

Fr. Diefenbach's life ended tragically on June 10, 1959 when his Cessna 170 airplane crashed in Houston shortly after takeoff....but his legacy of service and his commitment to education will never be forgotten.



St. Theresa has partnered with Best In Class School Supplies to set up quick and easy online ordering for your child's school supplies.

- Each supply pack is customized by our teachers
- **School supplies will be delivered directly to St. Theresa Catholic School**
- For 1st - 8th Grades, there are a few items not included in the School Supply Pack, so please check the [supply lists](#) to make sure you have everything.
- To order, go to [School Supply Packs](#) and enter our school ID: **THEHOU**
- **Deadline to order is June 18.**
- No late orders will be accepted.

If you would prefer to purchase your child's school supplies on your own, the [supply lists](#) for each grade are posted on our website.



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There is still time to make your gift for the 2020-2021
St. Theresa Catholic School Annual Fund.
Your annual gifts to **Fund the Mission of St. Theresa** are a vital
part of our school's continued success.

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This year corporate matching funds to our school annual fund were over \$20,000! If your annual fund gift is eligible for a matching gift there is still time reach out to your employer matching gift administrator. Contact cynthia.garza@sttheresa.cc for questions about matching gifts.





After an unprecedented year we are so grateful for your support. Thank you for standing by us and for believing in our school mission. This year our school was able to continue to fulfill its mission because of your love and care. Thank you for all that you do for STCS!

St. Therese of Lisieux - Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing.

[Click here to view the School Calendar](#)

Thursday August 12
First Day of School

St. Theresa Catholic School

**St. Theresa Catholic School is a diverse community of Love
rooted in Faith, Service and Knowledge.**

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Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 7:30 am – 4:00 pm | Dismissal at 3:30 pm

Weekly Mass

Wednesday at 8:10am (Mass uniform required)

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