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The mission of Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy is to provide an affordable education in the Catholic teaching tradition that inspires in students a life-long thirst for knowledge, wisdom, and truth; a desire to reach the full potential which God intended for them; and a recognition of the discipline of mind and heart required for effective service to others in the love of God

"Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker." Father, I ask for a heart that truly worships You.

Amen.  
Psalm 95:6

### DATES TO REMEMBER

- Feb. 21 - March 18<sup>th</sup> - Cheesecake Fundraiser
- Feb. 23 - March 16<sup>th</sup> - SVDP Help for the Homeless Hygiene & Cleaning Drive
- Feb. 28 - CCAC - Pizza Making
- March 2 - Home & School Meeting - 6:00 PM - MS/HS
- March 10 - March 14<sup>th</sup> Spring Break
- March 18 - Peeking into PreK Days 10:15 AM - 11:30 AM
- March 19 - BOT Meeting 6:30 AM High School Library



### "Support Our 10th Graders' Literary Journey with The Lonely Hen"

Our talented 10th grade students have poured their creativity and hard work into a wonderful book titled "The Lonely Hen." This delightful story is now available for purchase, and we have around 30 copies for sale at just \$10 each. The price covers the cost of printing and supports our students' efforts. Don't miss the chance to own a piece of our students' literary achievement!

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

March Birthday Celebration will be on Monday, March 3rd! All students and teachers who have a March birthday have a non-uniform day and will receive a treat from our Elementary Student Council.

Students will be attending the WorldFest Music Concert on March 18th. The yellow permission slip is in the family envelope and is due back on Monday, March 3rd.

March 2-6 is Read Across America Week! Elementary students will participate in fun dress up days and have surprise guest readers throughout the week. There will also be a Dr. Seuss Read-A-Thon on Friday, March 7th! Please see the pink sheet (both sides) included in the family envelope.

The Elementary school office will be closed from 8:30-9:30am on Wednesday, March 5th. You can call and leave a message and someone will get back to you after Mass



Ryder Radandt from the St. Francis class was chosen as the February Student of the Month. The quality of the month was RESPECT. Ryder shows kindness toward his classmates. He is always willing to share his pink colored pencil and includes everyone when playing. Ryder listens attentively and follows instructions. He focuses during independent time and completes his work. He is polite and shows his manners, saying "please" and "thank you". Congratulations to Ryder! He is pictured above with Mrs. Brief and Fr. Ed.

### Middle & High School news

#### Join Our Middle/High School Track Team! 🏆

Ready to break records and push your limits? 🏃🏃 Sign up for our Middle/High School Track Team in the office today! Don't miss out—let's make this season legendary together!

#### Join Our High School Baseball Team! 🧤

"Step up to the plate! 🏏 Be part of our high school baseball team! Sign up in the office today let's make this season unforgettable!"

#### Join Our High School Golf Team! 🏌️

Swing into action! 🏌️ Be part of our High School Golf Team! Sign up in the office today Don't miss out—let's hit the green together and make this season unforgettable!



## PEEKING INTO PRE K

**March 18th or April 8th**  
**10:15- 11:30**  
**141 S. Wood St. Peshtigo**

Class participation, observation of the routine, a hands-on project, and a tour of the Elementary Campus for any parent(s) and children that are interested in PreK3 or PreK4 for 25-26. From 11:15-11:30am, there will be time for a Meet and Greet with Ms. Amy for parents to ask any specific questions they may have. Sign ups for Peeking Into PreK are required by March 17th and April 7th so that we can plan accordingly.

**Call to Register:**  
**(715) 735-7481**

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## SENIOR INFORMATION

**Seniors: two scholarships that have just arrived.**

1. The Military 20 Year Club-Richard J. Boye
2. The Military 20 Year Club

Both scholarships are worth \$500.

To qualify, you must have a parent, grandparent, or guardian who has served Honorably in the United States military services. You must be attending a college, university, trade or vocational college.

See Ms. Matykowski for an application.

Scholarship application/s are due before March 1, 2025.

## CAVVIES SPORTS SCHEDULE

### Boys Varsity Basketball

**WIAA 2025 Boys Basketball Tournament - Division 5, Sectional #2**  
March 4 - Tournament Home Game - Oneida Nation - 7:00 PM Passes not allowed, Cost \$6.00 Each

### Fishing Club

March 5, 2025 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM,  
Location: Mrs. Rice's Room# 105

<https://www.stthomasaquinasathletics.com>

[www.marinetteandocontoconference.org](http://www.marinetteandocontoconference.org)

**GO CAVVIES!**



## Art Room Donation Request

Our middle and high school art room is seeking a gently used microwave to support our students' creative journeys. We are specifically looking for a microwave that is over 1000 watts, as it will be used for mini kiln firing.

If you have one to donate, please contact Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy Marinette office at 715-735-7481 or stop in at the Marinette campus. Your kindness and generosity will greatly enhance our students' artistic experiences and nurture their God-given talents.

Thank you for being a blessing to our school community.

## Gratitude Corner

### A Heartfelt Thank You to the Linda & Jason Wilkie family.

We deeply appreciate the generous donation of paper products and wipes. Your kindness supports our school's needs and keeps our community thriving.

### Uganda Bake Sale

A heartfelt Thank You to all our incredible volunteers who helped make the Uganda Bake Sale a success! Your dedication and hard work at the Elementary, Middle, and High School events made a huge difference.

We also extend our Sincere gratitude to the talented bakers: Moms, Aunts, Grandmothers, Mini Vinnies, Youth, and Adult Vincentians. Your culinary skills and generosity provided delicious treats for everyone to enjoy.

Thanks to your collective efforts, we raised **\$105.20!** Special thanks go to Estelle Boehm, Cindy Powers, and all the Mini Vinnies, Youth, and Young Vincentians who helped sell the baked goods.

Your support and enthusiasm are truly appreciated. Together, we are making a positive impact on our school community and beyond.

Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy's 43rd Auction is around the corner and we need your sweet help!

## Calling all Bakers



Please pre-wrap items individually for us to sell. Thank You!

**March 28th & 29th**

Drop off at STAA High School Office

Friday 8 -3 or Gym Doors 4-6  
and Saturday at HS gym 9-4

715-735-7481

STAA 1200 Main Street, Marinette



## **SPRING RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE NOW!**

\$20 Each or 6 for \$100

(Only 400 Tickets to be sold)

1<sup>st</sup> Prize - \$1000, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - \$500,

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - \$250

Tickets available at STAA Marinette Campus Office

Drawing to be held at conclusion of the Live Auction on March 30<sup>th</sup>.



## **REMEMBER TO USE SCRIP WHEN SHOPPING!**

Sign up to purchase Scrip online at <https://www.raiseright.com/> and use the enrollment code: 8F6EL331497L Download the RaiseRight App right to your phone to make your shopping even easier. Scrip is also available to purchase by stopping in the STAA Marinette Campus or sending in your blue order form placed in family envelopes with payment to either school office by Monday Morning to receive Scrip by Friday.

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## It's Auction Time at Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy! 🎉

Join us for our 43rd Annual Auction on Sunday, March 30th,  
2025, from 11:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.!

This is our school's biggest fundraiser, and we need your support to make the 2025 Auction the best one yet. Working a shift at the Auction is a fun experience, filled with socializing and laughter! Plus, you can enjoy delicious food before and/or after your shift.

### Volunteers Needed!

Please Sign up below to be part of this wonderful event:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0845ACAB2DA4F49-47847947-42nd#/>

### Auction Donations Being Accepted Daily!

Drop off your items between 8:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. at the STAA  
Marinette Campus.

Thank you for your time. It is truly priceless, and we greatly  
appreciate your support!

If you have any questions about the event, feel free to reach out to  
our Event Coordinator, Tammy, at [events@staa-edu.us](mailto:events@staa-edu.us).



Loving and Merciful God,

We come before You in prayer, lifting up Your servant, Pope Francis, in his time of need. You are the Source of all healing, and we ask You to surround him with Your loving presence, granting him strength and recovery. May Your divine grace rest upon him, restoring his health and filling him with renewed vigor to continue leading Your Church with compassion and wisdom.

“But I will restore you to health and heal your wounds,  
declares the Lord.” (Jeremiah 30:17)

We place Pope Francis into Your hands, trusting in Your eternal care. May he be comforted by the love of the Church and the prayers of all the faithful. We ask, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, that his recovery be swift, and his spirit be strengthened in Your peace. May Your will be done in his life, O Lord, and may Your healing power be with him always.

We offer this prayer in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit.



## The Family Radio Network 2025 Help for the Homeless Hygiene & Cleaning Products Drive

Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> to March 16<sup>th</sup>  
At Both STAA Elementary and MS/HS Campus

We warmly invite you to join us in this meaningful  
initiative by donating new, unused hygiene and  
cleaning supplies.

### The most urgently needed items include:

- Soaps: laundry, dish, soft, shower gel, 2-in-1 shampoo
- Trash bags (shelters especially need these for bedrooms)
- Diapers (sizes 3-6 and Pull-Ups)
- Deodorant (unscented)
- Wet wipes
- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Disposable razors
- Tampons and maxi pads

Your generous contributions will significantly support those  
experiencing homelessness within our community.

Let us unite as a school community to extend our help and  
compassion to those in need.

We deeply  
appreciate your kindness and commitment to making a  
positive impact.

### Announcing! Youth Basketball Camp - Summer 2025

The Youth Ball Handling and Scoring Skills Basketball Camp  
Register Today For 20% Off!

Improve your shooting, ball handling, passing, footwork, decision-making  
and 1 on 1 moves to take your game to the next level.

#### Location Details:

Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy, 1200 Main Street, Marinette, WI 54143

#### Basketball Camp Details WHEN:

Tuesday, June 10, 2025 - 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
Wednesday, June 11, 2025 - 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
Thursday, June 12, 2025 - 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

#### AGE CATEGORY:

The basketball camp is for boys and girls from 3rd grade to 8th grade.  
Players will be grouped based on grade and gender to start during the  
individual skill work drills.

#### PLAYER LIMIT:

Each session is limited to 60 players to ensure a high number of  
repetitions and improvement

#### Registration

Link: <https://www.breakthroughbasketball.com/camps/camp.asp?name=MarinetteCamp>