



St. Philomena

MONTESSORI SCHOOL

August 2025 Newsletter

"THE GOAL OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION SHOULD BE TO ACTIVATE THE CHILD'S OWN NATURAL DESIRE TO LEARN."

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Upcoming Events

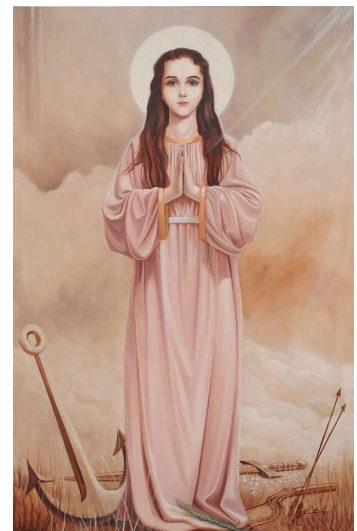
August 8 School Mass & Family Picnic
August 11 St. Philomena Feast Day
August 11 Teacher Work Day
August 12 Popsicles in the Park at Redskin
Park in Fort Loramie 6:30-7:30
August 17 Parish Appreciation Open House
August 18 Open House RETURNING
Students
August 19 First Day NEW Students
August 21 First Day RETURNING Students
August 25 NO SCHOOL

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS!!

August 10 Matthew Ott
August 17 Hadley Borchers
August 24 Jemma Russell
August 26 Grady Gehret
August 27 Roman Buehler

Novena to St. Philomena starts August 2!
Join us in prayer to our powerful
intercessor and school patron saint!

BACK TO SCHOOL REMINDERS!!



Medical & Enrollment forms are due before the first day of school to the office on August 18. Please contact the office if you have any questions regarding.
admin@spmohio.org

Tissues & Paper Towels Needed We are asking each family to donate a box of tissues and/or a roll of paper towels for the start of the school year. You can bring this with you to your scheduled orientation or open house.

Pulled Pork Dinner Fundraiser We are having our annual pulled pork dinner fundraiser at parish picnic this year. We are asking each family to sell at least 4 tickets so that we can meet our fundraising goal. Thank you for your support!

Spirit Wear Orders Due 8/12 Our online store through Ernst is now open until Midnight on August 12. The store is available through Ernst Apparel website.

School Mass & Family Picnic We will have our annual school Mass at 5:30PM at Sacred Heart of Jesus. Fellowship and food to follow in the church basement until 7:30. SPM will be providing hotdogs, buns, and water. We ask each family to bring a covered dish to share.

10 August Activities for Catholic Families



- ☐ 1. **Work on memorizing one prayer or Bible verse with your children this month.** You could start with these: <http://www.catholicicing.com/printable-abc-scripture-cards-for-catholics-free/>
- ☐ 2. **Complete some of the Feast of the Transfiguration activities** from Three Sided Wheel (August 6th): <http://bit.ly/JesusTransfiguration>
- ☐ 3. **Go out past city lights to do some star watching.** How many constellations can you find? Saint Dominic is the patron saint of astronomers and has a feast day of August 8th. Here is a stargazing scavenger hunt that might be fun: <https://www.reallifeathome.com/printable-star-gazing-scavenger-hunt/>
- ☐ 4. **Plan a cookout for your family and friends** in honor of Saint Lawrence, patron saint of grill cooks. His feast day is August 10th.
- ☐ 5. **Make a sacrifice this month that benefits another person.** Saint Maximilian Kolbe, who gave up his life to save someone else's life, has his feast day on August 14th.
- ☐ 6. **Attend Mass on August 15th for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** It's a Holy Day of Obligation! You can also do this Assumption of Mary craft: <https://www.reallifeathome.com/feast-of-the-assumption-craft/>
- ☐ 7. **If you missed out on doing a May crowning, you can still do one** on August 22nd for the Queenship of Mary. You could also do it with this craft activity: <https://www.reallifeathome.com/mary-queen-of-heaven-printable-activity/>
- ☐ 8. **Find a tutorial for making frosting roses and use them to decorate a sweet treat.** Saint Rose of Lima's feast day is August 23rd. You could also make paper roses with this template: <https://www.reallifeathome.com/super-easy-valentines-paper-rose-cutout/>
- ☐ 9. **Have some prayer time for family members that may have fallen away from the church** in honor of Saint Monica's feast day on August 27th.
- ☐ 10. **Do something nice for your Mom,** in honor of Saint Augustine, whose mother (Saint Monica) followed him and prayed for years for his conversion to Christianity. Saint Augustine's feast day is August 28th.