

ST. MALACHY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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With Christ



February 10, 2025 Newsletter

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Kennison's Corner

Dear Parents,

I know the second and third grade teachers and students have been working hard on learning, practicing, and reinforcing the essential reading skills that will be assessed on IREAD-3. Our second and third graders will take the IREAD-3 assessment beginning on March 3. We expect results fairly quickly. In this letter, I'm providing some information about the proficiency levels for IREAD for 2nd and 3rd graders.

IREAD-3 proficiency levels for 2nd graders - what if they don't pass?

Second grade students can be promoted to third grade without passing IREAD-3. Since IREAD-3 assesses third grade foundational skills, there is not a "Did Not Pass" proficiency level, instead second grade students can receive the following indicators:

- On Track - Students scoring "on track" are meeting current foundational reading expectations and are expected to pass IREAD-3 in third grade. No additional remediation is necessary before they test in third grade.

- At Risk - Students scoring "at risk" are not meeting current foundational reading expectations and are not predicted to pass IREAD-3 in third grade. These students will receive additional reading support, will be offered summer program opportunities, and will retake the test in third grade.

3rd graders who do not pass IREAD-3

Third graders pass with a score of 446 - 650. Students who do not pass the IREAD-3 assessment are required to take summer school at Brownsburg Community School Corporation (BCSC). We have partnered with BCSC for many years, and we have seen wonderful results. Those students will then retake IREAD-3 with BCSC. If a third grader doesn't pass on the second try in the summer, the student must repeat third grade per Indiana law passed in 2024 and continue to take IREAD-3 until they pass or complete 6th grade. There are a few exceptions to this law that I have listed below. If a student meets one of the exemptions below, the student would be assigned to fourth grade but will take IREAD-3 in fourth grade again.

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What exemptions are available for 3rd grade students to be promoted to fourth grade?

If one of these “Good Cause Exemption” situations applies to your student, they are legally allowed to move on to fourth grade, even if they do not pass IREAD-3.

- The student has an intellectual disability or the student's Individualized Education Program specifies that retention is not appropriate, as determined by the case conference committee.
- The student is identified as a Multilingual/English Learner and has received services for fewer than two years, with the ILP committee determining that promotion is appropriate.
- The student passes the ILEARN Math assessment.
- The student has been retained twice in Kindergarten through 2nd grade and has received intensive intervention for at least two years.
- The student has already been retained once in third grade.

St. Malachy's third grade students historically have performed very well on IREAD-3 since COVID with an average passing rate of 97% which is well above the state average of 81.8%. If you have any questions about IREAD-3 please don't hesitate to contact me or your child's teacher.

In Christ,

Mrs. Sandra Kennison, Principal

BIG “R” AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen by staff for displaying one of the

3 “R” traits: Respect, Responsibility and Resembling God

Scarlett Wells
Avery James
Jaymar Cabral
Christopher George
Lydia Desta
Ben Szewczyk
Bella Gonzalez
Sloan Mattie
Priya Patel
Oliver Cozart
Edward Cain
Tinsley James
Nora Brazzale
Zoe Flores-Alvarez
Briar Thompson
Mila Hopf
Dylan Navas-Brito
Sophia Salcedo-Sainz
Pia Nunez
Charlie Schroeder
Daniel Kiefer
Nadia Bylinowski
Sebastian Rodriguez
Robin Gandionco
Nora Fon
Veil Bernstein
Jonathan Janik
Anita George
Lorraine Williams

Nyah Alcorn
Luca Salmon
Hadleigh Harris
Caroline Rohrbach
Miguel Mondragon
Kendal Sears
Dottie Beckley
Leo Morgan
Ann Hardebeck
Simon Koleszar
Ellie Sallee
Piper King
Lyla Hunter
Molly Townsend
Erin Duke
Chase Alley
Samuel Ndjadi
Jackson Cochran
Natalie Sippel
Mackenzie Richer
Emily Parra
MarieClaire Akakpo
Taylor Schenkel
Ellery Henninger
Nahom Desta
Elyse Crevier
Emmett Ransdell
Tiwa Olabintan
Bob Schmieman

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Meadow Frazee
Chizitere Ogbuobe
Tinsley James
Isaac Christensen
Emma Guarino
Addison Dellinger
Kolden Acius
Mary Dela Cruz
Sadie Parsley
Austen Allen
Josie Beckley
Jeanne Hulsman
Calvin Hession
Liam Kay
Cora Mackenzie
Ben Hopf
Damian Cain
Lydia Feller
Delaney Crago
Taylor SChenkel
Claire Nesbit
Piper May
Ann Reynolds
MaireClaire Akakpo
Henry Pritchard
Hank Hendrickson
Dani Bowman
Maci Hovermale
Emma Capps

Jacob Wright
Jaxon Boodt
Andrew Carlson
Christopher Platz
Christi Ericson
Matthew Bell
Millie McGraw
Kelsey Phillips
Maddi Head
Coco Adler
Jonathan Fetzner-Roell
Blaise Zarich
Nicole Fakarai
Wade Heim
Hank Dellinger
Halsted Rickus
Maela Rosalva
Harper Reynolds

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Congratulations West Deanery Art Show Winners!



These students had their artwork submitted to the West Deanery Art Competition for 2025. Their artwork was chosen as the best in their grade level. They are:

Back Row: Desmond Kremer- Sixth Grade/Second Place, Charlie Cline- Seventh Grade/First Place, Ellery Henninger- Eighth Grade/Second Place, Rose Ernstberger- Fifth Grade/First Place, and Kyra Williams- Fourth Grade/Second Place.

Front Row: Carson Kuepper- Kindergarten Participant, Natalia Lehe- First Grade/Second Place, Lucy Fugate- Third Grade/Second Place, and Addison Dellinger- Second Grade/First Place.

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Congratulations Cadet Girl Scout Troop 780!



On Sunday, February 2, 2025, St. Malachy's Cadet Girl Scout Troop 780 was recognized for receiving the Marian Medal - the only Girl Scout Troop ever to do so!

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Catholic Schools Week!



ST. MALACHY WINTER

UNIFORM & SPIRIT WEAR

Online Site

OPENS: FRIDAY, 1/24

CLOSES: MONDAY, 2/10

IN-HANDS: TUESDAY, 2/25

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St. Malachy Ministry Notes

ST. MEINRAD'S MEN'S WEEKEND

March 14-16, 2025

Join other parish men to rejuvenate your prayer life, attend Mass and prayers with the monks, and enjoy the peaceful and holy atmosphere of St. Meinrad. Father Denis Rovinson OSB is the presenter.

Scan the QR Code to register



Scan me to register!

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

TRIVIA

Quest

NIGHT

Feb. 21 | CAFETERIA | 6-7:30 PM

Featuring Guest Speakers & Trivia Game based on Catholic and Cultural "Outward Expressions of Your Inner Self"

REGISTRATION REQUIRED!



WORD BECAME FLESH

Bible Marathon

The proclamation of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation

STARTING MARCH 2ND AT 11:30 AM
ST. MALACHY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Valentines Date Night **BABYSITTING!**



Saturday, February 15th
5:30-8:30 pm

Get Ready

ASH WEDNESDAY 2025

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OUR MISSION

To Jesus, through Mary, by means of our redemptive suffering for the salvation of souls, we will grow a field of C.L.O.V.E.R. at St. Malachy

Confession

- Increase total number of confessions in a year
- Encourage memorization of "Act of Contrition" prayer
- Teach examination of conscience & 10 commandments
- Teach definition of sin
- Teach asceticism (fasting)
- Encourage Divine Mercy Chaplet and memorization of DMC prayers

Life

- Increase participation in 40 Days for Life
- Inform community on current Life issues and policies
- Teach Catholic Social Teaching
- Restructure all Outreach ministry to Catholic "Life" focus
- Encourage infant baptisms

Our Lady

- Encourage Rosary & memorization of Rosary prayers
- Teach Brown Scapular and encourage wearing Brown scapular
- Teach True Devotion to Mary
- Teach Consecration to Immaculate Heart of Mary
- Increase number of consecrations to Immaculate Heart of Mary

Vocations

- Personal witnesses of seminarians & religious sisters
- Increase number of seminarians & religious women in formation
- Develop Marriage Prep Program
- Teach discernment
- Teach Theology of the Body
- Bishop Brute visits

Eucharist

- Increase number spending time in Adoration
- Increase number attending weekday/Sunday Masses
- Teach genuflection
- Teach Real Presence
- Teach Mass "ministers" true roles & reverence
- Create Perpetual Adoration Chapel

Revealed Word

- Encourage reading & memorization of Sacred Scripture
- Teach typology
- Teach Catechism of the Catholic Church (Scriptural grounding)
- Increase FORMED subscriptions/activity

