

Marathon FAQs

What is the “Marathon”?

Notre Dame’s Marathon is one of our biggest fundraisers. Children ask for donations in exchange for their walking in the Marathon. Donations are used to fund many school events and functions, and for large investments to improve our school. In previous years, we used funds to upgrade the library, new playground equipment, science lab equipment, water fountains, the new reading series, the annual air conditioner maintenance and \$100,000 towards the new Parish Center. This year, funds will be used in a two year initiative to help remodel the bathrooms.

What happens on Marathon Day?

Marathon Day starts with all children going to Friday Mass at 8:45. The day consists of a Pep Rally with music from a DJ, a walk, picnic lunch, dances from our teachers and 8th graders, and The Brain Show.

How far do the children walk?

Children walk varying lengths based on their grade. Preschoolers walk the blocks closest to the school (approximately ½ mile) and must be accompanied by a parent.

How can money be raised?

Our goal is for each family to raise \$50 in donations. This way, every family is entered into the Grand Prize drawing. You can reach this goal by sending in your donations during the weekly collections, or by using our online donation system. This is a charitable donation and many companies will match your donation. The children’s mailer is another great way to collect money toward your family goal. Please read the information about the children’s mailer in this packet for more details.

Can parents participate on Marathon Day?

Yes! All parents are encouraged to walk with their children.