

ST PATRICK SCHOOL

Irish Messenger

*"Be Merciful, Kind, and Respectful
to All You Meet Each Day"*

January 20, 2023



Congratulations to the 2nd Grade students who made their First Confession this week. Please pray for them as they continue experiencing God's Mercy through the Sacraments.

On Friday, January 27, students may wear spirit wear to show support for our 5th grade Lego Team as they will be going to State on Saturday, January 28.



"St. Pat's
"For Loop Coders' (5th-grade team) Best Robot table run of 185 points earned them 19th out of 29 teams in that portion of the competition. They also earned the Robot Design Award from among all 29 teams, and were selected for the state tournament in January.



Registration/Re-enrollment will be from Wednesday, February 1 –Friday, February 17 this year. Please take note of these dates so your student's registration is completed on time.



**Good Luck at State,
Lego League!**

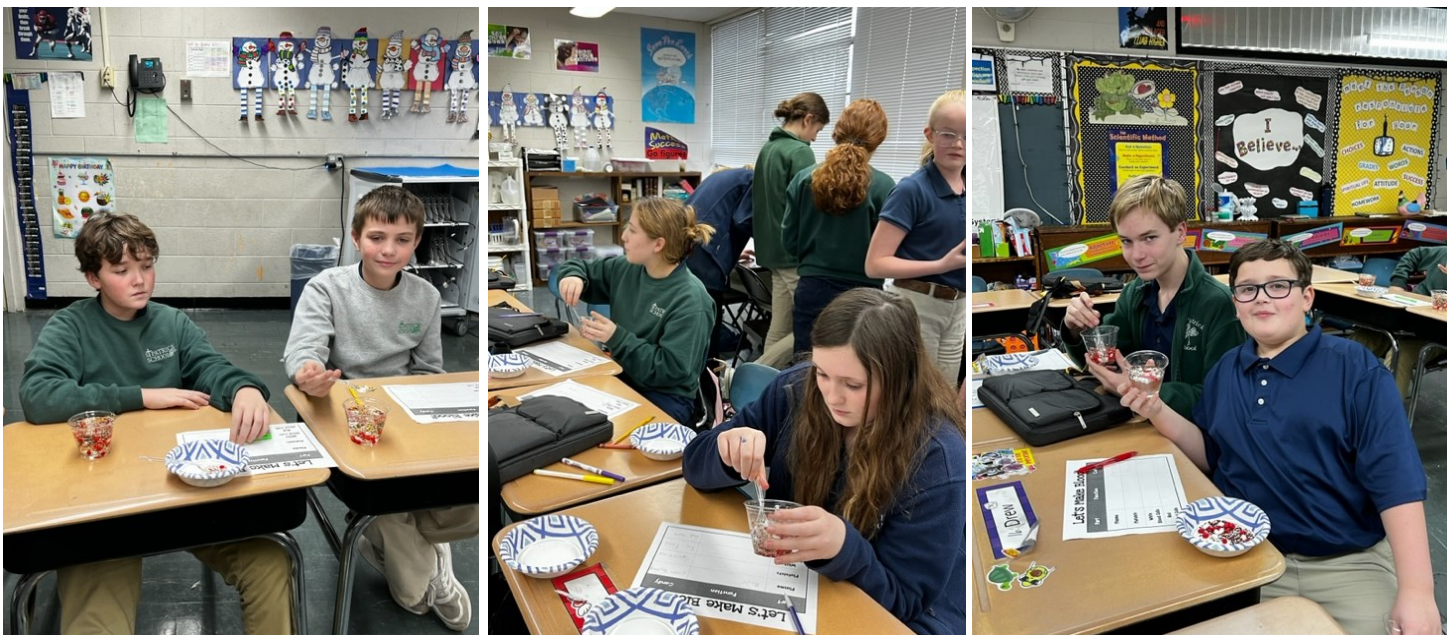
THE MISSION OF ST. PATRICK SCHOOL is to foster the spiritual growth and academic life of its students, faculty, and staff, and to teach children, with the cooperation of parents, a Catholic way of life.



Congratulation 8th Irish Boys Basketball and Cheerleaders at 8th Grade Night this past week!



6th grade made “blood” to conclude their circulatory system unit. Students used different candies and foods to represent different parts of the blood.





Dear ST. PATRICK SCHOOL,

The Kroger Co. Family of Stores is committed to bringing hope and help to the local neighborhoods we call home. Our stores are on a mission to not just part of, but to help create a stronger community. We recognize that every community has unique causes that need support. Thank you for being such an important organization in our community.

We encourage you to ask your supporters to link their rewards card to your organization. Community Rewards is easy to use, The more your supporters shop with us, the more money your organization will earn!

We are committed to carefully protecting our customer's personal information. In order to meet their expectation of privacy, we have adopted a simple policy to never share a customer's personal information. Our privacy policy applies to Community Rewards participation as well.

Thank you for being such an important organization in our community,

Community Rewards Staff

**01-Oct-2022
to 31-Dec-2022**

122
Households

\$ 343.37
Total Donations



Catholic Schools Week 2023

January 29–February 4



www.NCEA.org/csw

#CSW23





St. Patrick Schedule of Events for Catholic Schools Week 2023







January 29 – Sunday - Celebrating Our Parish

-  Attend Mass as a family
-  Display in vestibule of church from students




January 30 – Monday - Celebrating Our Community

-  Parent/Grandparent Breakfast and Open House – vote on best decorated classroom door – votes can be dropped off in container in foyer
-  Book character day – Dress up as your favorite book character
-  Reading partner activity
-  Begin collection for the “Dream Center Peoria” - List of items for each grade sent to families and students




January 31 – Tuesday - Celebrating Our Students

-  Team Up Tuesday – Students may wear t-shirt or top of their assigned class color and with jeans, athletic pants, or uniform slacks
-  Free throw contest in the morning
-  Teachers will not assign any homework today to celebrate their students
-  Students will have an afternoon movie in the classroom with popcorn







February 1 – Wednesday - Celebrating Our Nation

-  Students may wear red, white, and blue with jeans, athletic pants, or uniform slacks
-  Grades 5-8 will hold Spelling Bee
-  School Assembly – Dream Center Peoria – Time to be determined


February 2 – Thursday - Celebrating Vocations

-  Spiritual bouquets will be created for Pastor, Parochial Vicar, Sisters, and Seminarian Deacon Hopper
-  Talent Show will be performed from 1:30-3:00 p.m.
-  Dress up as what you want to be when you grow up celebrating vocations and careers

February 3 – Friday - Celebrating Teachers and Staff

-  Feast of St. Blaise – All School Mass will be held at 8:15 a.m. – Blessing of throats at Mass
-  Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass – All School Benediction at 2:15 p.m.
-  Fandom Friday – Students may wear Irish Spirit-wear with jeans or athletic pants.
-  Students will have lunch in their classrooms from 11:00 a.m.-11:40 a.m.
-  Teachers and staff will have lunch together from 11:40 a.m.-12:45 p.m. – Classes will be covered by St. Patrick Parent Ministry Room Parents
-  Students will help pack up Dream Center donations

February 4 – Saturday - Catholic Schools Week Conclusion

-  Celebrate Families – Family Fun Night – 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. after Saturday Vigil Mass.

 *Faith. Excellence. Service.* 



Dream Center Toiletry Item Collection List

As part of Catholic Schools Week this year, students and teacher will be collecting toiletry items to donate. Items will go to the [Dream Center in Peoria](#). The Dream Center is a homeless shelter. It has apartments also for those in need. The goal of the Dream Center is to help individuals and families transition back into society by helping them find jobs, rent an apartment, and become independent. Each grade has been assigned an item to be donated. Items can be brought to school between January 30 - February 3.

PreK 3 - loofa

PreK 4 - toothbrush

Kindergarten - toilet paper

First Grade - shampoo

Second Grade - deodorant

Third Grade - toothpaste

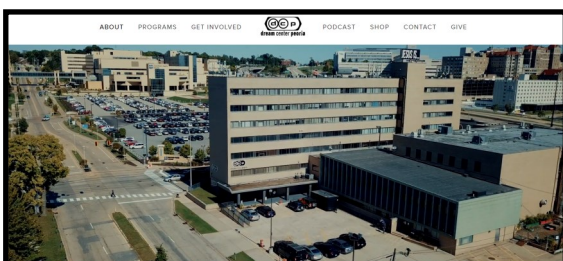
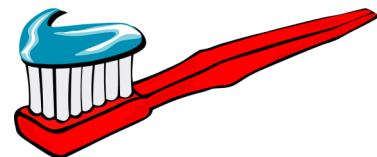
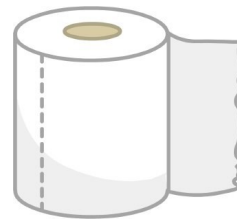
Fourth Grade - bar of soap

Fifth Grade - toothpaste

Sixth Grade - deodorant

Seventh Grade - toothbrush

Eighth Grade - men's deodorant



ST. PATRICK SCHOOL
INVITES YOU TO

Snow Much Fun!

a **FREE** event for **ALL** Current & Potential
Pre-K3/4, Kindergarten,
& 1st Grade Families!

Monday, January 30th
@ St. Patrick School Gym
6-7:15pm

MEET & GREET with OLAF!

& Join us for Face Painting,
Games, Crafts & Sweet Treats!

RSVP Preferred

309-444-4345

hughess@stpatswashington.com

100 Harvey St / Washington



FAMILY FUN NIGHT



february 4
5:30-8:30

Celebrate St. Patrick's School and Catholic Schools Week with a family friendly evening of games, food, and fun!

cupcake walk to support
8th grade class gift

face painting \$1 popcorn

**\$5 Admission includes
hot dog, chips, & drink**

half time show *games*

St. Pat's teams vs parents
basketball game



On Sunday February 5th, from 7:00–8:30pm in the Saint Patrick's School Gymnasium. Snacks, games, and fun!



Important Dates

JAN 21 SAT - Volleyball @ St. Jude - 9:30 am
 JAN 23 MON - Boy's Basketball Home vs. St. Jude - 5pm
 JAN 24 TUE - Volleyball Home vs. St. Marys - 4:30pm
 JAN 25 WED - Boy's Basketball Home vs. Cornerstone - 6:45 pm
 JAN 26 THU - Volleyball @ South Pekin - 4:15pm
 JAN 27 FRI - Volleyball Home vs. St. Thomas - 4:30pm
 JAN 28 SAT - Lego League State Tournament
 JAN 26-27 THU-FRI - **Preschool Conferences; No Preschool**
 JAN 29 - FEB 4 - **Catholic Schools Week**
 JAN 30 MON - **PreK-K-1st Grade Info Night – 6-7:15 p.m.**

5th—8th Grade students are invited to join the Bishop O'Rourke Speech League Contest. See more information on the following pages for details and registration information.



Next Week's Virtue

VIRTUE=STRENGTH. VS.

FORESIGHT

The strength to think ahead and consider what if or what might happen.

Listen to a song about foresight by clicking the [link](#).

Last Week's Virtue

VIRTUE=STRENGTH. VS.

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CIRCUMSPECTION

The strength to carefully consider all circumstances and possible consequences.

If you are circumspect, you think carefully before doing or saying anything.

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BISHOP O'ROURKE SPEECH LEAGUE CONTEST TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2023

4:45 pm - 7:30 pm at St. Vincent de Paul School, Peoria

SIGN UP TO PARTICIPATE BY THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND. Questions: Mrs. Harris bharris@stpatswashington.org

Speech League (Declamations) is a small skit (5-7 minutes) that a student or a group of students dramatizes with no props besides a chair or table. Students may choose to perform a Monologue, Duet, Small group, or Chorale Reading. (Descriptions below)

Students are able to choose their own groups. They may work with other students in 5 - 8 grades. Students may choose to do up to 3 skits.

On the night of the competition at St. Vincent de Paul School, students will perform in a room with 4 - 5 other skits. Every student will be awarded a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place medal. The placing is determined by their performance and the ability to perform the skit within the allotted time. (Too little or too much time will lower the score.) The students are expected to dress appropriately for the competition - "church clothes," no jeans - but they may not dress the part of their character.

Practice will be scheduled during RTI or before or after school (Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday). The schedule will depend on the number of students participating and volunteers to help practice. I will have a sign-up genius to schedule student's practices.

Students will need to have the skit mostly memorized before coming to practice.

The cost is **\$10 per event** your student is in. If your child is in 1 skit, the cost is \$10. If your child is in 2 skits, the cost is \$20. For a duet, both students will pay \$10.

Please complete the form below and return with your payment by Thursday, February 2, 2023.

Thank you,

Mrs. Brenda Harris

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Types of Events at the Competition

Individual Events

Humorous of Serious Presentation – one or two selections in which two or more persons are characterized in each selection.

Humorous of Serious Monologue – one or two selections in which only one character carries on conversations with one or more imaginary characters in each selection

Poetry – one or more selections of poetry.

An individual may use a single chair and only if it is absolutely necessary and appropriate to the selection.

Duet Events

Duet Acting – A humorous or serious presentation with direct dialogue or conversation between two contestants portraying no more than two characters, who may speak to off-stage characters or to silent characters.

Duets may use two chairs, or two stools, or a chair and a stool, or a table and two chairs, or a table and two stools, or a table and one chair, or a table and one stool, or a table and one chair and one stool.

Small Group Acting

A serious or humorous presentation by three to five performers characterizing three or more persons presenting one selection within a time limitation.

Small groups may use 3 chairs and 1 table.

Chorale Presentation

Chorale groups of nine to twenty (20) members must present two or more selections within time limitation.

Chorale Presentation may use no props

Modified IESA rules will be followed

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_____ will be participating in declamations.

If your child is going to partner with another student or a group of students please list their names.

My child understands that he/she will need to:

- Memorize the skit and work to dramatize the skit through voice and actions. • Skits should be mostly memorized before the first practice.
- Students will need to practice at home with and without their partners. • Practices will be Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday before or after school or during RTI time.
- Students should come to practice once a week beginning February 7. • Sign up for practice times on Sign Up Genius.

If you, as a parent, are willing to volunteer to help coach the students, please let me know what days and times you are available to help. Any help will be appreciated.

I am available to volunteer on _____.

The cost is \$10 per event. Please send in payment with this form

Parent Signature

Questions: bharris@stpatswashington.org - please put declamation or speech contest in the subject line