

Virtue of the Week—PERSPECTIVE



Our virtue theme this week is that of **PERSPECTIVE** - The strength to have a true understanding of the relative importance of things. Many times we can forget the importance of the process, the journey, the time together in whatever we are doing as a group or team. The bond of a true team where each person truly loves one another, cares for one another and is willing to sacrifice, sweat and work tirelessly for one another. Those moments are what help us gain the **PERSPECTIVE** of what is truly important in life.

PRAYER

Lord, thank you for giving us the opportunity to live this day. Help us to do it for Your glory and honor. May we gain more **PERSPECTIVE** today so we put things in their proper order.

Important Upcoming Dates

Jan. 31—Feb. 6:	Catholic Schools Week
Mon. Feb. 15:	No School ; Presidents' Day
Mon. Mar. 8:	No School ; Region I Faculty In-service
Sun. Mar. 14:	Sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral @ 3:30pm
Mar. 29-Apr. 5:	No School ; Easter Break
Tues. Apr. 6:	School Resumes
May 14-15:	State Track Meet; No School (Fri. May 14th)

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Facebook: St. Patrick Catholic Parish,
Washington, IL



Mrs. Smith was awarded the **PNC First Grant** this year. The foundation received 83 applications this year, and Mrs. Smith was one of the 45 that were awarded. She will use the \$370 towards purchasing copies of *The Hunger Games*, along with other supplies, for her 8th grade English Language Arts class. The class will complete a novel study that coincides with a Utopia/Dystopia project using the supplies purchased with the grant.

Congratulations Mrs. Smith!



Happy Birthday...

Abbey Reinhart—January 22nd

Grace Johannsen—January 25th

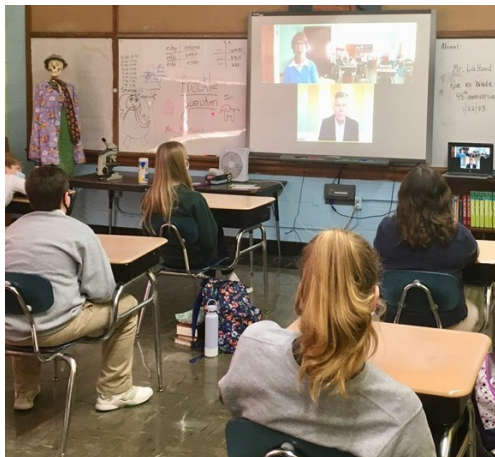
Xavier Williams—January 25th

Kyli Rigo—January 28th

Owen Klein—January 28th

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7th Grade Zooms with Congressman LaHood



The seventh grade spoke with Congressman LaHood about protecting the unborn and his job in the House of Representatives. He taught the students about the Hyde Amendment which does not allow the use of federal funds to pay for abortions. We also prayed with Mr. LaHood and our parish Pro-Life representative, Kay Grillo, for a peaceful transition of the presidency and for the protection of the unborn.



HELP WANTED!

We are in need of an **Assistant Volleyball Coach** as soon as possible for 7th and 8th grade girls. Practices will be held a couple times per week for 1 ½ hours and up to two games per week. Practices will begin next week after school. You will have to meet all the safety protocols required of coaches.

Contact Jeff Draeger (jdraeger@stpatswashington.org) as soon as possible if you are interested or have further questions



Tax Credit Scholarships for 2021-2022

On Wednesday, January 13, 2021, the Empower Illinois portal opened for families to apply for a 2021-2022 tax credit scholarship. These tax-credits, income-needs based scholarships offer up to 100% of K-8 tuition provided through the generous support of donors who receive a 75% credit on their Illinois income tax. The scholarships are a result of the IL Invest in Kids Act, which is in its fourth year of implementation.

For more information, please visit the Empower Illinois website at empowerillinois.org. As of December 18, 2020, the Catholic Diocese of Peoria had received **\$2,024,429** in donations with **398** scholarships awarded to our schools.

Thank you to our donors for this incredible effort to assist families in providing opportunities to attend our Catholic schools!



We're excited to share that our school is participating in Cash for Classrooms, part of Casey's Rewards. This opens up Saint Patrick School to new funding opportunities to help improve learning environments for students. The best part? Donations don't come out of your own pocket. When you buy from Casey's and use their rewards program you can simply turn your points into a donation to our school.

Sign up for Casey's Rewards by creating an account through the Casey's app or online at Caseys.com. Start earning points on everyday purchases and turn those points into a donation to your school. It's that easy! See full terms and conditions at caseys.com

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Sunday: Celebrating your parish

- o "Why I love going to St. Pat's" posters hung in the church entry.

Monday: Celebrating your community

- o Theme: Mismatch Day – Pay a dollar or more to donate to the "Right to Life" and you can wear your most mismatched outfit. Plaid with stripes or tie die with zigzags. Make it fun!

Tuesday: Celebrating your students

- o Theme: Favorite Book Character – Dress up as your favorite character from your favorite or any book.
- o Pizza Party! There will be cheese and pepperoni pizza for students to eat at lunchtime (2 slices per student). Thank you to all who donated to the pizza parties during last year's auction.
- o No Homework Day – Students will enjoy a homework free night from their teachers.
- o Upper grades will plan to read to lower grades through a Google Meet.

Wednesday: Celebrating the nation

- o Theme: Wear Red, White, and Blue to celebrate our nation.
- o Students will get a donut today!
- o Classroom scavenger hunts (K-4, 5-8) Winning classes get a free dress day.

Thursday: Celebrating vocations

- o Theme: Time Travel: Dress for the decade assigned to your grade level.
 - PreK, K and 8th Grade – 90's
 - 1st, 2nd, and 7th – 80's
 - 3rd and 6th – 70's
 - 4th and 5th – 60's
- o Students will be making cards for our adopted Seminarian. Please send in monetary or gift card donations to send to him. We were unable to do this for Christmas.
- o Virtual Talent Show – Performances will be held in the gym and shared via Google Meet with the other classes. The performances will be recorded to send out to families.
- o We will celebrate our priests and sisters in a special way.
- o We will pray a Novena to St. Patrick at the beginning of each class period over the intercom. <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/st-patrick-novena-prayers-patron-saint-of-ireland>
Intentions will be made for vocations: priests, deacons, sisters, married life, single life, monks, brothers, Consecrated Virgins, and Being open to God's will.

Friday: Celebrating faculty, staff, and volunteers:

- o Theme: Spirit Wear Day (jeans or athletic pants)
- o Students will get to see baby pictures of their teachers at lunchtime and guess whom they are. The class with the most correct guesses gets will win a free dress day.
- o Faculty Luncheon

Saturday: Celebrating families

- o Look for family fun ideas in the Irish Messenger.



TO: St. Patrick School Families

FROM: Mrs. Doreen Shipman, Principal

DATE: January 20, 2021

RE: Catholic Schools Week/Donuts for Students

On **Wednesday, February 3, 2021** student will get a donut with milk. We will definitely miss having breakfast with Parents and Grandparents this year.

Cost is \$3.00 per student Preschool – 8th Grade.

Correct change is appreciated. No refunds will be issued.

If paying by check, please make check payable to: St. Patrick School.

---Please return bottom portion only---

**RETURN THIS FORM, ALONG WITH YOUR PAYMENT, TO THE SCHOOL
OFFICE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2021.**

Student Name: _____	Grade: _____
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Amount Enclosed: \$_____



.....ROUND TWO

St. Pat's Irish Sweepstakes

This raffle will begin February 1, 2021 and will run through Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021.

60 CHANCES TO WIN (February & March daily drawings) Flip to see schedule

- 50 chances to win \$25
- 4 chances to win \$100
- 4 chances to win \$200
- \$500 St. Patrick's Day Drawing
- \$1000 Easter Sunday Drawing

Winners need not be present to win. Purchase or sell the enclosed tickets anytime between now and April 1st, 2021.

Tickets are available in the parish office or online. All proceeds will go toward our budget shortfall.

There are several ways to buy tickets (\$20 each or 6/\$100):

- Send in your completed tickets or drop in the collection basket with a check or cash
 - Call the parish office to buy tickets or to obtain more tickets
 - Purchase online from our website: <https://stpatswashington.com/>
 - Pay with a credit or debit card by using the form below and return to the parish office
- (If you purchase tickets online or use the form on the back, the parish office will fill in your tickets)

If you have questions, please contact the parish office at 309-444-3524.

Sincerely yours in Christ, *Fr. John*

FEBRUARY

2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$100	\$25
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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28						
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MARCH/APRIL

2021

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28	29	30	31	April 1	April 2	April 3
\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25			
April 4						
\$1000						

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Credit Card#: _____ Exp. Date: _____

CVC Code: _____ #Tickets: _____ Amount \$ _____

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PEORIA NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS OF 2025

VIRTUAL ENROLLMENT WORKSHOP

January 26, 2021 - 6:30 P.M

Check pndhs.org for the meeting link

Enrollment Process Overview
Tuition and Financial Assistance Overview
Curriculum and Course Placement Overview
Q & A



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