

Welcome back Irish! As we kick off this new year, the entire faculty and staff at St. Patrick School would like to extend our *gratitude* to all of our wonderful families for their generosity this Christmas season. We ended first semester with a great mix of learning and fun. We started 2nd semester this week with MAP testing. *Report Cards* will be available online after school today, 1/11/25. We are looking forward to cheering on our *Boys Basketball* teams as they wrap up the regular season and enter post season play soon and our *Girls Volleyball* teams as they are just getting started. Please join us in praying for our 2nd graders as they prepare for their *First Reconciliation* this month. *Catholic Schools Week* kicks off Sunday, 1/26/25. Find the details of our week of celebration in this Irish Messenger. Be sure to attend *Family Fun Night on 2/1/25*. We can't wait to see you all there!





Jeff Draeger and Grace Johannsen held the door open so that Sister Magdalena could bring items in from her car.



Mr. Jones, Mrs. Hatton, and Coach Lee prepped and cleared the snow from Sister's car so that she could drive home after the heavy snow.

**By this everyone will know
that you are my disciples, if
you love one another.**

JOHN 13:35

Parents, let us know if you catch someone being a Good Disciple. We would love to share it in a future issue!



What a beautiful way to celebrate the season!



ST PATRICK SCHOOL

Love • Learn • Lead

PK Christmas Program





We had tons of fun showing our CHRISTMAS SPIRIT!





Mrs. Smith planned a Home Alone themed game for staff before break. Everyone had fun playing along!



ST PATRICK SCHOOL

Love • Learn • Lead
PEORIA CIVIC CENTER

Rivermen Game



Mid-Illinois Companies Maintenance • Industrial • Commercial CONSTRUCTION

Building Business. Growing

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Our 3rd, 4th and 5th Graders attended the Peoria Rivermen education day in December. It's pretty awesome when you make the Jumbotron!

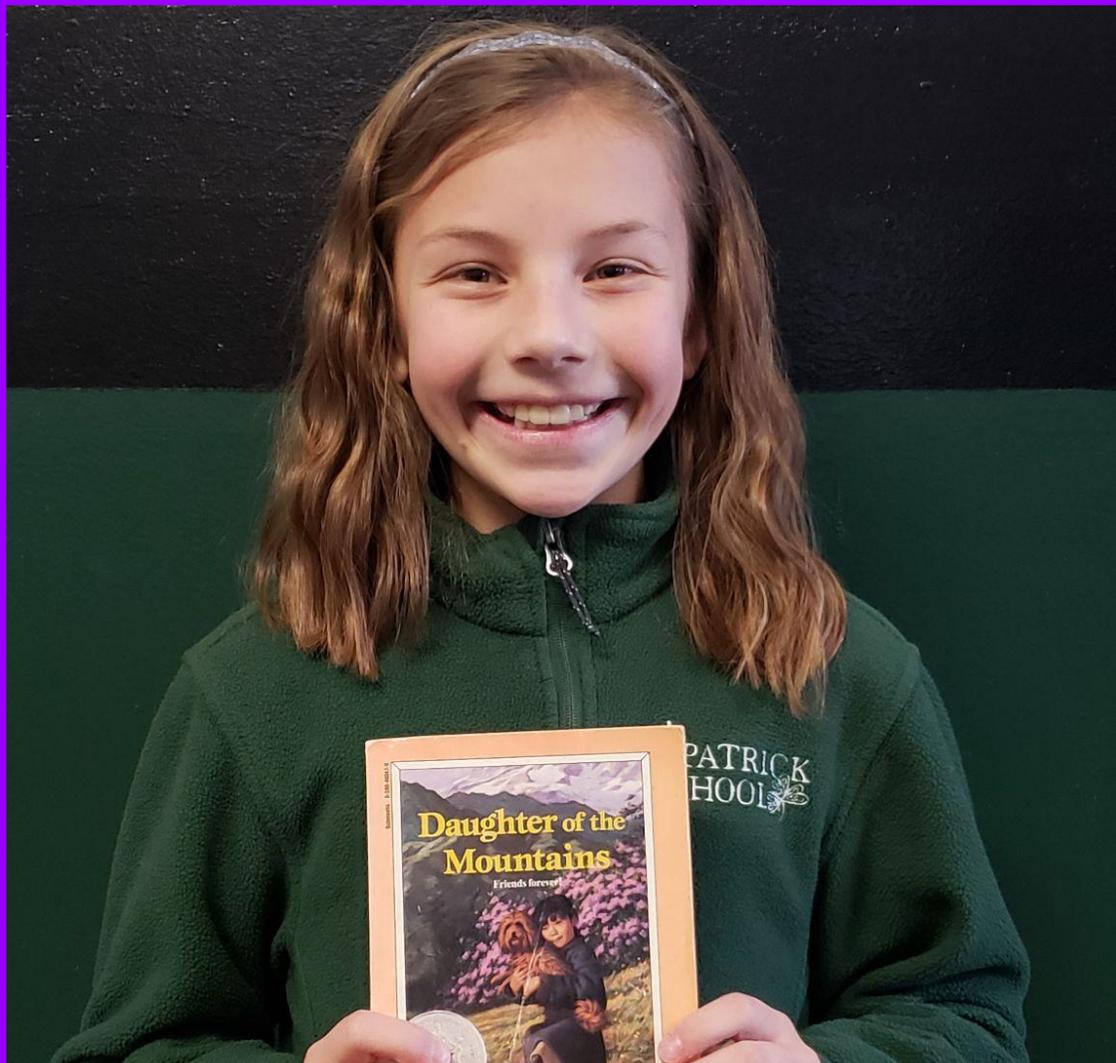


Our Kindergarteners spent time with Jesus and Father Bazi during Adoration this week.

CONGRATULATIONS to our newest
CLASSIC READER!

Classic Readers have completed the Accelerated Reader program by receiving all certifications. Certification criteria can be found on our school website under resources.

Way to go **Anneliese!**



Anneliese Schlack
5th Grade

SUPPORTING MRS. HARRIS



**THURSDAYS
ARE
WEAR
TEAL DAYS**



STUDENTS CAN WEAR THEIR MRS. HARRIS
SHIRTS OR TEAL SHIRTS WITH UNIFORM PANTS
ON THURSDAYS FOR THE REST OF THE
SCHOOL YEAR.



New this year, **5th-8th grade students** please consider signing up to clean up the gym after home **basketball** and **volleyball** games, and you will be allowed in that night's game for **free!** 7th & 8th grade students are allowed to use one of these as a confirmation project. We are looking for 3 students for each home game.

Sign up link is below. **Thank you!**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0A4CAFAA2FA57-51529829-clean?useFullSite=true#/>



Families, please consider signing up to greet and bring up the gifts at **weekend masses**. This is a great opportunity to serve the parish together as a **family**. Sign up link is below. **Thank you!**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D45A9A822AAF58-53422476-greeter#/>

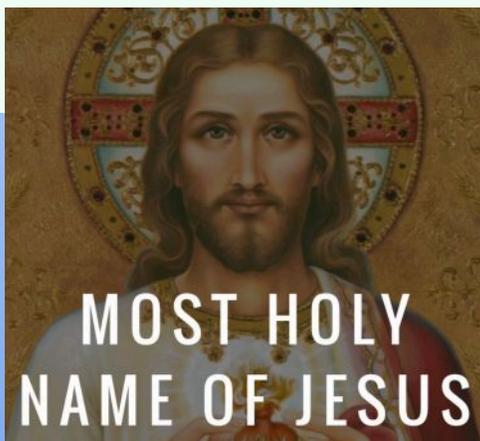
VIRTUE OF THE WEEK



RESOLUTION

Always use the name of Jesus with prudence and reverence. Do not take the Lord's name in vain.
Praise Jesus!

Encourage your friends & family to do the same!



NEXT WEEK'S VIRTUE

VIRTUE=STRENGTH.

VS.

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CIRCUMSPECTION

The strength to carefully consider all circumstances and possible consequences.

VIRTUE=STRENGTH.



CIRCUMSPECTION

“Occupy your minds with good thoughts, or the enemy will fill them with bad ones. Unoccupied they cannot be.”

- St. Thomas More

IRISH BOYS BASKETBALL ACTION

GOOD LUCK

To our boys boys basketball teams as they enter the last 2 weeks of regular season play



Come cheer on the Irish

1/10 & 1/11 6th Grade Tourney @ St. Jude

1/13 *8th Grade Night* @ Home vs D50

1/16 @ Home vs Robein

1/17 & 1/18 8th Grade Tourney @ Blessed Sacrament

1/20 @ Bartonville Oak Grove

1/23 @ Home vs Low Point Washburn

**7th Grade
Record:
13-6**



**8th Grade
Record:
10-7**



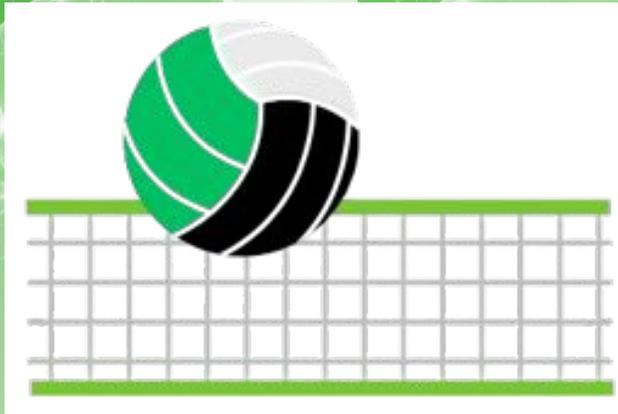
We are the Irish!



IRISH GIRLS VOLLEYBALL BEGINS

GOOD LUCK

to the girls volleyball team as their season kicks off at home this Saturday, 1/11, with our 5/6th grade tournament!



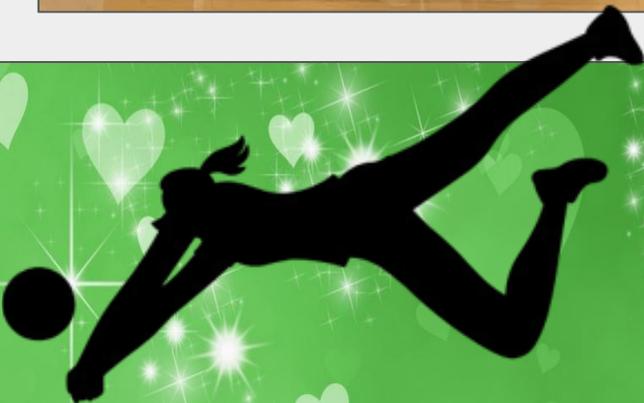
Come cheer on the Irish

7th & 8th grade begin regular season play Tuesday

1/14 @ Home vs Robein

1/16 @ Norwood

1/17 & 1/18 City Tournament



ST PATRICK
BOYS' BASKETBALL

01.13.2025

7TH GRADE GAME

05³⁰
PM

*8th Grade Night Ceremony
& Game to Follow*

8TH
GRADE
NIGHT



MONDAY in the Sister Mary Ann Gym

**MONDAY
01.13.2025**

**8TH GRADE
NIGHT**



**7TH GRADE
GAME**

**05³⁰
PM**

*Ceremony will
follow the 7th
Grade game*



CONGRATULATIONS

on a phenomenal 8th grade girls' basketball season!



25 years of Irish Girls' Basketball
25 Regional Champions

**Final 7th Grade
Record:**

17-6



**Final 8th Grade
Record:**

24-1

We are so proud of you!



#TraditionNeverGraduates

The **Irish Girls' Basketball** season ended with the school's **13th trip to IESA State** as the 8th graders qualified again. Both groups won the **Tazwood Conference Championship** and **IESA Regional Championship Titles**.

This group of **8th grade girls** leaves the program with trips to **IESA State** all 4 years, including helping the **Irish** win 3 **IESA State** championships! They won an incredible **49 games** the past two seasons.

We wish our departing **8th graders** the best of **luck** in high school, and we look forward to the continued success of our **7th grade** team as they move up next year.

Special thanks to **Coach McDougall** and **Coach Lee** as they depart the Irish program after many years. Their dedication, hard work, and tireless focus over the years helped develop countless girls on and off the court.

These two coaches will be greatly missed, and we thank them for everything.

mark
your
calendar >

- 1/20 SCHOOL IN SESSION MLK Day
- 1/21 2025-2026 PK/K Info Night
- 1/22 2nd Grade 1st Reconciliation
- 1/25-2/1 Catholic Schools Week
- 2/1/25 Family Fun Night

Upcoming Dates

1/10/25	2nd Quarter Report Cards Published
1/10-1/11/25	6th Boys Basketball Tournament @ St. Jude
1/11/25	6th Volleyball Tournament @ Home
1/13/25	Boys Basketball vs D50 @ Home 5:30 PM
1/14/25	Volleyball vs Robein @ Home
1/16/25	Volleyball @ Norwood 4:30 PM
1/16/25	Boys Basketball vs Robein @ Home 5:30 PM
1/17/25	7th Volleyball City Tournament @ Central
1/17-1/18/25	8th Boys Basketball Tournament @ Blessed Sacrament
1/18/25	8th Girls Volleyball Tournament @ Central
1/20/25	MLK Day - SCHOOL IN SESSION
1/20/25	Volleyball vs Bartonville Monroe @ Home 4:30 PM
1/21/25	Boys Basketball @ Bartonville Oak Grove 5 PM
1/21/25	Surfin' Into St. Pat's PK & Kindergarten Event Sr. Mary Ann Gym 6 PM
1/22/25	2nd Grade Sacrament of Reconciliation 6 PM
1/23/25	Boys Basketball vs Low Point Washburn @ Home 5:30 PM

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.



Surfin' into St. Pat's

A FREE event
for all current & potential
pre-k3/4 & kindergarten families!

January 21, 2025

6 - 8pm

@ St. Patrick School Gym

MEET & GREET with MOANA!
& JOIN US FOR FACE PAINTING,
GAMES, CRAFTS & SWEET TREATS!

rsvp preferred

309-444-4345

shughes@stpatswashington.org
100 Harvey St / Washington, IL





CSW 2025

SCHOOL MASS 11AM

Celebrating our Parish with Student Readers

**SUN
26**

**MON
27**

ANNUAL DONUT BREAKFAST AND OPEN HOUSE

Starting at 8AM - See more information in the *Irish Messenger*
Theme: Green Out - Wear Head to Toe Green

CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS!

Classroom Movie, School Friendly Feud, World Mission Rosary
Theme: Pajamas

**TUE
28**

**WED
29**

CELEBRATING OUR NATION!

Many Gifts, One Nation, Day of Giving Campaign
Students receive a patriotic slap bracelet for a donation to the school
5th-8th Grade Spelling Bee Theme: Red, White, and Blue

ST. PATRICK ANNUAL TALENT SHOW!

Teacher Swap followed by the Talent show at 12:30
Praying for Vocations throughout the Day Theme: Dress like a Saint

**THU
30**

**FRI
31**

CELEBRATING OUR FACULTY AND STAFF!

Treating our teachers to Travelin' Tom's Coffee and Lunch
Theme: Wear your Teacher's Favorite Color with uniform bottoms

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Parent and Student Basketball Game
Hot Dog Dinner Provided by The Knights of Columbus
See Flyer for more Information

**SAT
1**

TO: St. Patrick School Families
FROM: Mrs. Cassi Smith, Principal
DATE: January 10, 2025
RE: Catholic Schools Week

Parents/guardians and Grandparents will have the opportunity to eat breakfast with their school child/grandchild on **Monday, January 27, 2025.**

<u>Period</u>	<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Visit Classroom</u>	<u>Grades</u>
#1	8:00 – 8:20	8:20 – 8:50	6, 7, 8
#2	8:50 – 9:10	9:10 – 9:40	PK, K, 1, 2
#3	9:40 – 10:00	10:00 – 10:30	3, 4, 5

Please indicate below the breakfast period at which you intend to eat.

Cost for adults, preschool students, siblings, and K - 8 students is \$3.00 each.

Correct change is appreciated. No refunds will be issued.

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

Parking will be allowed on the two playgrounds that surround the school.

---Please return bottom portion only---

RETURN THIS RESERVATION FORM, ALONG WITH YOUR PAYMENT, TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE NO LATER THAN MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2025

Family Name: _____

Breakfast Period eating: _____ Grade(s): _____

of Adults: _____ # of Children: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Teacher: _____

BE SURE TO COUNT ST. PATRICK STUDENTS WITH YOUR RESERVATION.



JOIN US FOR FAMILY FUN NIGHT



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2025
5-7PM**

**HOT DOG DINNER PROVIDED BY THE
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
DONATIONS ACCEPTED**



Knights of Columbus - St. Ignace Parish
1000 St. Ignace Court, St. Ignace, MI 49781
www.kohc.org

**CARNIVAL
GAMES AND PRIZES**



**BAKE SALE AND CAKE WALK
HOSTED BY
THE 8TH GRADE CLASS
CASH DONATIONS**



MAINEVENT STARTS AT 6PM

***STUDENT VS PARENT
BASKETBALL GAME***



**W/ HALF TIME SHOOTING CONTEST
AND DRIBBLING RACES**



CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK





January 2025

WASHINGTONPARKDISTRICT.COM
#smalltownBIGFUN



TUMBLE TOTS with *Kathy*

January 7 - February 11
\$48R/\$54NR
2-3 years old

11 - 11:45 am
or
5:45 - 6:30 pm

Sign up online at:
www.washingtonparkdistrict.com

Washington Winter Camp
Jan 23-Feb 20
\$60R/\$70NR

LEGACY SOCCER



Age 7-12 5-6:15 pm

Washington Park District

INDIVIDUAL BATTING CAGE MEMBERSHIP

DECEMBER	\$175	4 MONTHS
JANUARY	\$150	3 MONTHS
FEBRUARY	\$125	2 MONTHS
MARCH	\$75	1 MONTH

GET TWO HOURS EACH WEEK



Heartland Bank and Trust Company

Royal Affair
Daddy Daughter Dance

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 1, 2025
6 PM

\$70/\$75 a couple (\$35 for each additional daughter)
A royal night for the special little girl in your life.

SIGN UP NOW!!!

REACH



VISIT WWW.WASHINGTONPARKDISTRICT.COM TO SEE ALL OF THE OPTIONS.

MUST SIGN UP IN PERSON AT OUR MAIN FACILITY!

Joe the Art Guy Classes
\$26R/\$36NR

Tuesday, January 7 at 6 pm
KIDS AND GROWN-UPS POUR PAINT TOGETHER

Sign up at washingtonparkdistrict.com

INDOOR SOCCER ACADEMY

SUNDAYS: JAN 5-FEB 9

\$50/\$55 K-6 3-4 PM

SIGN UP AT
WASHINGTONPARKDISTRICT.COM

DAYQUESTS
\$32(R)/\$37(NR)

JANUARY 2
JOE THE ART GUY

JANUARY 3
MONICALS

Sign up at washingtonparkdistrict.com

WASHINGTON LACROSSE



REGISTRATION FOR THE 2025 SEASON IS NOW OPEN!

There is a discount for registering early, so don't wait!!