



Irish Messenger

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

November 11, 2022



Please send your student with a coat, gloves, and a hat now that it is cold outside again. We do go outside during the day.

Thanksgiving Break

Thanksgiving Break will begin on Tuesday, November 22 at 2pm. There is no aftercare on that Tuesday. There is no school on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday. School will resume on Monday, November 28.



Congratulations to Mason Schlack in 5th grade for completing the Accelerated Reader program and reaching Classic Reader. He will be getting a poster hung in the hall and a certificate of achievement. In order to reach Classic Reader a student must pass all other certification levels and complete the requirements for Classic level once: read 3 books with a book level of 6.0 or higher that have an AR quiz worth at least 7 points. Keep reading Irish!



Picture Retake Day

Picture retakes for those



students that were absent on Picture Day or would like their picture retaken is on Wednesday, November 16. Only students having their picture taken that day may be out of uniform.

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.



News from the Principal



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Illinois Tax Credit



You Can Still Donate: December 31: last day to earn a 2022 state tax credit and earn a 75% Illinois tax credit on your donations.

Dear Parishioners and School Families, and Friends:

St. Patrick School continues to participate in the Catholic virtue-based program called "SportsLeader Ministry". We have been in this program since 2017. The virtue program has four pillars: Virtue, Mentoring, Ceremony, and Catholic Identity. The program is designed for schools and teams who want a structured, intentional, specific curriculum and method to help teach virtue. Each athletic program has activities and ceremonies the athletes participate in such as Father/Daughter Jersey Night and Letters to Mom. Teams start and end practices with prayer, often times go to a Mass together or Adoration and participate in service. The virtue program has been extended to all students in the school. Each week the students learn about a new virtue and a prayer that goes with it. This is part of the daily announcements. Teachers receive a communication each week that includes stories, videos, and quotes about the virtue for the week. Below you see the St. Patrick School girls basketball team praying with the team from Epiphany School in Normal after a game they had recently.



**"Reverence, Respect, Responsibility...
Excellence in Academics and in Faith Formation"**



STEM in Action

On Thursday, first and sixth worked on a stem challenge where they built turkeys without using paper. Materials used were coffee filters, tin foil, cardboard, and other household items.

Our project taught the classes how to collaborate, problem solve, and use exploration to determine a solution.



We thank you Veterans for all you have sacrificed for our country!

Second grade made cards to show their appreciation for the men and women who have served our country.



National Vocations Awareness Week

This week of November 6-12 was National Vocations Awareness Week. During the week students learned about the priesthood, consecrated life, and holy matrimony.

Please pray for Vocations with your family at home.



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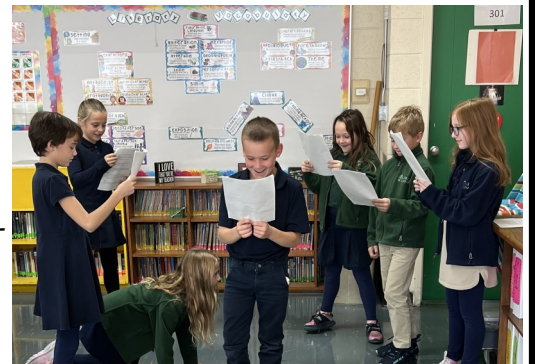
LORD, MY GOD AND MY LOVING FATHER,
YOU HAVE MADE ME TO KNOW YOU TO
LOVE YOU, TO SERVE YOU, AND THEREBY TO
FIND AND TO FULFILL MY DEEPEST
LONGINGS. I KNOW THAT YOU ARE IN ALL
THINGS, AND THAT EVERY PATH CAN LEAD
ME TO YOU.

BUT OF THEM ALL, THERE IS ONE
ESPECIALLY BY WHICH YOU WANT ME TO
COME TO YOU, SINCE I WILL DO WHAT YOU
WANT OF ME, I PRAY YOU, SEND YOUR HOLY
SPIRIT TO ME, INTO MY MIND, TO SHOW ME
WHAT YOU WANT OF ME, INTO MY HEART,
TO GIVE ME THE DETERMINATION TO DO IT,
AND TO DO IT WITH ALL MY LOVE, WITH
ALL MY MIND, AND WITH ALL OF MY
STRENGTH RIGHT TO THE END. JESUS, I
TRUST IN YOU. AMEN



Readers Theaters

Third Grade acted out Androcles and the Lion as an ending to our Reading Unit on ancient Rome. Reader's Theater scripts are so much fun to perform!

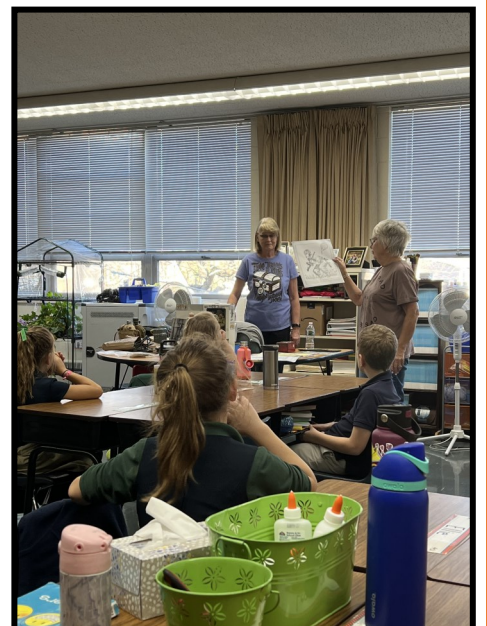


Time Travels Trunk Presentation

Washington Historical Society came to Third Grade this week presenting a Time Travels Trunk on Veteran's Day! We learned a lot about our military forces and how proud we should be of the men and women who protect our country.



Thank you Veterans!



Veteran's Day Breakfast

Our advanced band joined Holy Family's band members this morning to play at their Veteran's Day breakfast. The bands played two pieces: "America the Beautiful" and "A Salute to the Military". Veterans at the breakfast were invited to stand when their anthem was played. Thank you Mr. Booher for giving us this opportunity to celebrate our nation's heroes!



Important Dates

NOV12 SAT - Girl's Basketball Home vs. Dunlap Valley
MS - 10am

NOV 14 MON - Boy's Basketball Home vs. Peoria
Academy - 5:30 pm

NOV 15 TUE - Girl's Basketball Home vs. D50 -
5:30 pm

NOV 16 WED - Picture Retake Day

NOV 15 TUE - Boy's Basketball @ South Pekin -
5:30 pm

NOV 16 WED - Boy's Basketball @ Riverview - 5pm

NOV 17 THU - Girl's Basketball @ South Pekin—
4:30pm

**NOV 22 TUE - Thanksgiving Break starts at 2pm; No
aftercare will be provided.**

NOV 28 MON - School Resumes

DEC 19 MON - Christmas Program @ Five Points

Virtue for Next Week



Watch *Why Gratitude?* with Fr. Brice by clicking [here](#).

Virtue of Last Week



Volunteer to help someone with a particular task this week to live sacrifice.

St. Patrick School - 100 Harvey Street Washington, IL 61571

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St. Patrick's Youth Group

Come join the new youth group for 6-8th grade students on Sun Nov 20th, 7-8:30pm.

Friends, Games, Cookie Buffet, Fun, and more!

St. Patrick's Gym

All students from all schools and church's welcome.

Questions call Mo Osborn 309-643-2027



TEEN NIGHT

@Sunnyland Branch

Falling Leaves Snowglobe
Tuesday, November 15
6:30 PM
Sunnyland Branch



Grades: 6-12



Art & a Movie

Minions: The Rise of Gru & Mini Minions
Storage Jars

Friday, November 18

4:00-5:45 PM

Main Library
Meeting Room

Ages: 9-18

Registration Required



CraftTEEN

Macrame Keychain

Tuesday, November 29

6:30 PM

Main Library

Meeting Room



Grades: 6-12

Registration Required

