

St. Patrick School
100 Harvey Street
Washington, IL 61571
309-444-4345

February 22, 2019

Irish Messenger

"Change: Think, Change, and Grow"
"Believe the incredible and you can do the impossible."
-Archbishop Sheen

Important Upcoming Dates

Feb. 21—3rd Grade Evening Adoration 5:30-7pm

Feb. 23—Confirmation Retreat

Mar. 3— Confirmation

Mar. 4— No School Faculty In-Service

Save the Date

Mar. 13—Early Dismissal 2:00pm

March 16— POT O' GOLD

March 21—2nd Grade Evening Adoration 5:30pm-7pm

Mar. 23— **Mar. 31**— Spring Break

April 10—Early Dismissal 2:00pm

April 11—1st Grade Evening Adoration 5:30pm-7pm

April 13—Daddy/Daughter Dance

April 18— Early Dismissal 2:00 pm (Easter Break)

April 19— **22**— Easter Break

May 8—Early Dismissal 2:00pm

May 10—No School; State Track Meet

May 16—Kindergarten Evening Adoration 5:30pm—7pm

May 17—Graduation **Tentative** 6:00pm

May 24—**Tentative** Last Day of School; 11:30 am Dismissal



UPCOMING SPORTS / ACTIVITIES

FEB 23—7TH GRADE
VOLLEYBALL REGIONALS
@ BLESSED SACRAMENT
TBA

FEB 23- 6TH GRADE
BOYS BASKETBALL
TOURNAMENT @ OLYM-
PIA TBA

FEB 25—BOYS BASKET-
BALL 5/6 @ WMS 5:30PM

FEB 28—SCHOLASTIC
BOWL MEET @ ROANOKE
BENSON 4:15PM

MAR 2—BOYS BASKET-
BALL 5/6 TOURNAMENT
@ CENTRAL TBA

MAR 14—SCHOLASTIC
BOWL MEET @ WASH-
INGTON CENTRAL
4:00PM

MAR 19—SCHOLASTIC
BOWL MEET @ ROBEIN
4:00PM

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



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Parents,

**Thank you to everyone who re-enrolled in the past 2 weeks!
Looking forward to the 2019-2020 school year!**

To listen to this weeks Spanish podcast please click on this link: <https://anchor.fm/expresionesdeaprendizaje>

For additional Tuition Assistance, please check out this link: <https://cdop.org/why-choose-catholic-schools/financial-assistance/>



VIRTUE OF WEEK

Our virtue this week is **TRUST**—The strength to confidently believe in someone regardless of the situation. It is truly a blessing to find a person who is genuinely **TRUSTWORTHY**. **TRUST** is one of the building blocks every good team is built on.

PRAYER

Lord Jesus, I **TRUST** in You. You are worthy of my **TRUST** because You gave Your life for me when You did not have to. Thank You for Your love and Your sacrifice. Give us the strength to **TRUST** one another on this team so we can do great things together and brings others closer to You in the process.

REFLECTIONS

“IT IS THOSE THINGS THAT ARE UNCHANGING THAT ALLOW US TO MAKE SENSE OF CHANGE. SO, AT A TIME WHEN CHANGE HAS NEVER BEEN MORE CONSTANT OR INTENSE, WHAT IS UNCHANGING IS MORE VALUABLE THAN EVER.”

MATTHEW KELLY, *THE CULTURE SOLUTION*

“OUR SUFFERINGS TEST US, BUT THEY ARE ALL TAILOR-MADE TO BRING US CLOSER TO GOD. WHEN GODS SENDS US A CROSS, IT APPLIES UNIQUELY TO OUR OWN SITUATION.”

“IF WE ARE TO BECOME CHILDREN OF GOD, WE HAVE TO GO AGAINST THE GRAIN AND REACH OUT TO OTHERS IN COMPASSION, PATIENCE, AND SERVICE.”

FATHER ANDREW APOSTOLI, CFR
WALK HUMBLLY WITH YOUR GOD

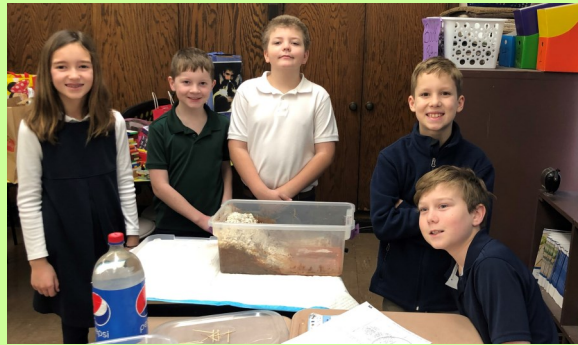
“FORGIVENESS REFUSES TO LET THE PAST ROB YOU OF YOUR FUTURE.”

BETTER TOGETHER *DYNAMIC CATHOLIC MARRIAGE PREPARATION & ENFRICHMENT*

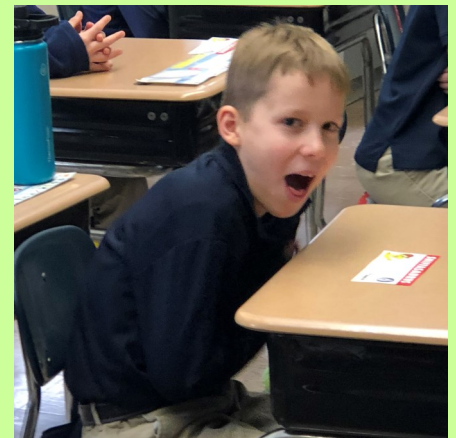
Reverence, Respect, Responsibility.....Excellence in Academics and Faith Formation”

FUN EVENTS AT ST. PATRICK SCHOOL

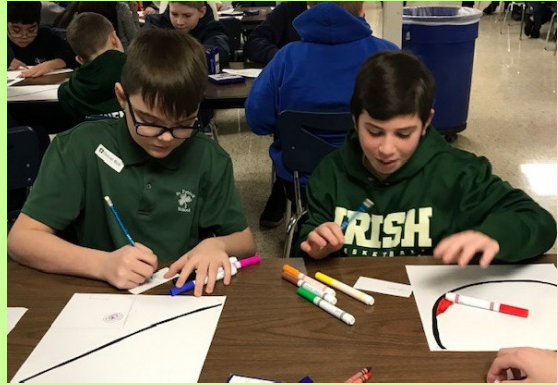
THE 4TH GRADE HAD A FUN FILLED VALENTINES STEM DAY PROJECT. THEY BUILT DAMS AND TESTED THE STRENGTH OF THEM!



THE 4TH GRADE HAD A VISIT FROM AMEREN ILLINOIS. THEY LEARNED ABOUT STAYING SAFE AROUND ELECTRICITY AND NATURAL GAS.



**5TH GRADE ATTENDED
THE PEORIA NOTRE
DAME ART DAY!**



**FR. JOHN ENJOYING
LUNCH WITH OUR
K-4TH GRADES**



ST. GEORGE HOUSE FILLING EASTER EGGS AT THE PARK DISTRICT!

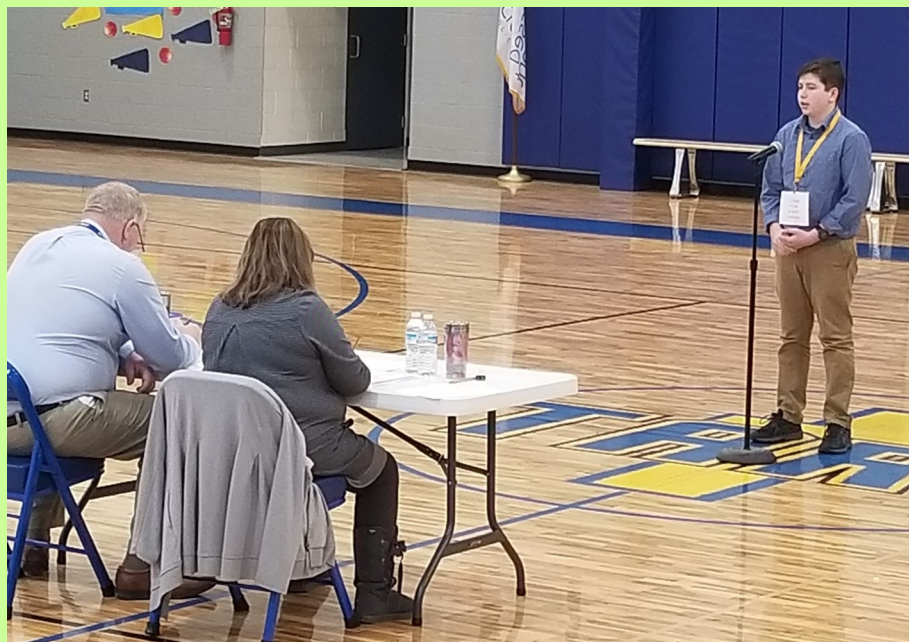


Father John blessed bread at Mass for the 2nd graders who are preparing for First Holy Communion. The 2nd graders distributed their loaf of bread to parish members, asking the parish members to pray for them.



TJ Watson took 1st place at the School Spelling Bee and Madden Mendoza came in 2nd place. They both participated in the Tazwood Conference Spelling Bee where TJ came in 4th place. TJ also participated in the County Spelling Bee where he came in 3rd place!

CONGRATULATIONS TJ & MADDEN!



Read-a-thon

Dear Parents,

On Friday, March 1st, students at St. Patrick's School will participate in an all day read-a-thon. They will participate in silent reading, taking AR quizzes, and read alouds, along with other reading activities.

Students will be able to dress in Spirit Wear with (school appropriate) pajama bottoms – athletic pants, sweat pants, flannel pants. They will also be able to bring a pillow, blanket, and/or slippers to enjoy a day of comfy reading fun. Please note any guidelines for this day provided by your student's homeroom teacher.

To prepare for this exciting day, read to your child at home, provide them with opportunities to tell you about what they're reading, or let them see you reading.

We are looking forward to celebrating a day of reading at school!



5th through 8th Grade House Members and Parents:

Kristen Berchold, from South Side Mission of Concern, will be coming to school on Thursday, Feb 28th, during 1st hour to speak with you about the services the South Side Mission provides and the people they help. In preparation for her arrival, we will be collecting items to help them with their mission.

The following is a message from the South Side Mission of Concern:

“We have a HUGE need for items for our resident “store” at New Hope Apartments, our largest housing location. All of the 84 residents at that facility have some type of disabling condition (a mental illness, physical disability and/or intellectual disability) and were homeless before moving in. Nearly 80% of the residents have three or more disabling conditions.

Residents at New Hope can earn “New Hope Bucks” for participating in counseling groups and activities, helping other residents, volunteering, completing chores around the building, etc. They can then “spend” those “Bucks” at the New Hope store for things they need, but don’t have money to purchase at a regular store. The store is a great educational tool that helps us keep the facility clean and safe, helps residents become more self-sufficient, and teaches important daily living and employment skills.”

Items currently needed for the store include:

- Deodorant
- Bar soap or body wash
- Hand lotion
- Mouthwash
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Razors
- Toilet Paper
- Laundry Soap/Dryer Sheets
- Dish soap
- Toothpaste/Toothbrush
- Brush/Comb
- Books, magazines, puzzles etc.,,

In an attempt to not collect too much of one item, we are asking each House to bring in specific items to donate, however, we will except any and all donations.

- House of St. Nicholas: Deodorant, soap, body wash
- House of Blessed Trinity: Mouthwash, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes
- House of St. Blaise: Shampoo, Conditioner, Hair Brushes/Combs
- House of St. George: Toilet Paper, Laundry Sheets/Detergent
- House of St. Michael: Dish Soap, Hand Lotion
- House of St. Anthony: Books, Magazines, Puzzles (These can be new or previously read or used)

Please consider bringing these items to your House teacher before February 28th, so that we have a good collection to give this great charity.

St. Patrick Day Festival Choir 2019
At the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

Dear Parents of students in grades 5-8,

We are thrilled to invite your child to be a part of the inaugural St. Patrick Day Festival Choir! At the Bishop's Mass (10:30am), students from Catholic schools all over Central Illinois will join together to provide glorious music to the people of downtown Peoria. The Wednesday before, students will have the opportunity to meet each other, experience the spaces at the Cathedral, practice music together, and get a short tour of some of the spaces.

The main details are as follow:

- ✦ Rehearsal with Mrs. Kaps on **March 7** and **March 11** in St. Patrick Church's sanctuary. We will distribute music and prepare parts on these days. Rehearsal will start at 6:30pm and last for one hour. Please pick your child up at the side door promptly at 7:30pm.
- ✦ Wednesday 3/13 is the tentative whole group rehearsal at St. Mary's Cathedral in the evening. As the date and time has not been confirmed with the directors at St. Mary's Cathedral, this rehearsal is highly encouraged but not mandatory. I am aware there may be major conflicts with extracurriculars, etc. We will do our best!
- ✦ Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday, March 17, 2019. Students must arrive by 9:00am and meet in the vestibule.
 - Please wear black pants and a St. Patrick School polo (green or white preferred).

We need at least eight students in order to be eligible to join this project. If your 5th-8th grade child is interested, please sign up using the Google Form here: [St. Patrick Day Sign-up](#)

Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns. Looking forward to seeing all of you soon!

Mrs. Kari Kaps
Director of Choirs
Sacred Heart Church – Peoria, IL

pot O Gold

DINNER & DANCING

LIVE & SILENT AUCTION

March 16, 2019

6:00pm at Countryside Banquet

Early Bird Ticket: \$50 per person

through 2/17/2019

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING:

Vacation Condo	Museum /Show Tickets
Sporting Tickets	Restaurant Experience
Sports Memorabilia	Themed Dinner Party
Donate a Service	Airline Tickets
Share Talent: Lessons	Concert Tickets
Make Basket	Works of Art
Beauty/Spa Treatment	Memorial in Booklet

****ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS OR BE A SPONSOR!****

Buy online at:

<https://stpatrickparish.schoolauction.net/potogold2019/register>

Or

Mail payment and RSVP Form to
705 E. Jefferson in Washington



Scan QR Code link to ticket sales

Call 444-3524 for more info

4th-8th Grade Youth Group

Sunday February 24th

6-7pm

St. Patrick's Gym

Bring a Friend

FUN

GAMES!!!

Friends

Faith

WALKING TACOS!!



Monday, April 8 4:00pm-6:00pm Parent meeting @ 5:00pm	Tuesday, April 9 4:00pm-6:00pm	Wednesday, April 10 4:00pm-6:00pm	Thursday, April 11 4:00pm-6:00pm
---	-----------------------------------	--------------------------------------	-------------------------------------

- ❖ Where: Peoria Notre Dame Gym
- ❖ Parent meeting: April 8th @ 5:00pm in the PND Commons (cafeteria).
- ❖ What to bring/wear: jazz shoes or tennis shoes, T-shirt, leggings, water, etc.
- ❖ The tryout dance and requirements will be taught on April 8th, 9th, and 10th. April 11th will be the judged tryout.
- ❖ Please download and fill out the tryout form on our team website under
2019 Tryout Information:
<https://pnddanceteam.weebly.com/>.
- ❖ Results will be posted by 9:00pm on April 11th on our team website under *Team Roster*.
- ❖ If you have any questions, please contact Coach Sevier at pnddanceteam@gmail.com.

Peoria Notre Dame Head Volleyball Coach Shelby Lauterbach and Assistant Varsity Coaches Rachel Medland and Tianna Webster would like to invite all interested Parents and their athletes to our pre-season information meeting.

We will be discussing our program goals, structure, pricing, and schedules.

We would love to hear feedback from our program alumni and suggestions from prospective new Academy families!

Teams

12U X2
13U & 13U Elite
14U & 14U Elite

Meeting Info

February 26th and 28th
6:00 – 7:00 pm
PND Library

If you have any questions prior to the meeting, please feel free to email Coach Lauterbach at Coachlauterbachpnd@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing you!