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# Irish Messenger

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

## Important Upcoming Dates

- Feb. 13**— Early Dismissal 2:00pm  
**Feb. 18**— No School Presidents Day  
**Feb. 21**—3rd Grade Evening Adoration 5:30-7pm  
**Feb. 23**—Confirmation Retreat

## Save the Date

- Mar. 3**— Confirmation  
**Mar. 4**— No School Faculty In-Service  
**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 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

- FEB 8 & 9**—6TH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT @ ST. JUDE TBD  
**FEB. 9**—GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT @ HOME TBD  
**FEB. 11**—GIRLS VOLLEYBALL @ RANKIN 4:30PM  
**FEB. 11**—5TH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL VS BETHEL @ HOME 5:30PM  
**FEB 12**—GIRLS VOLLEYBALL @ PEORIA HEIGHTS 4:30PM  
**FEB 14**— GIRLS VOLLEYBALL VS BLESSED SACRAMENT @ HOME 4:30PM  
**FEB 15/16**— 5TH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT @ DEE-MACK TBD  
**FEB 16**—COUNTY 8A TOURNAMENT @S. PEKNIN TBD

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*MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL*

**Parents,**

**Don't Forget to Reenroll by Friday, February 15th to get your Free Dress Days!**

Accelerated Math Free Dress Day is Tuesday, February 12th for those who mastered minimally 5 objectives from October 22– February 4. Teachers have the list.

House of St. Blaise (Black T-shirts) won the House Games on Wednesday for Catholic Schools Week. They will be honored with a free dress day on Thursday, February 14th along with their partner class, Mrs. Teel's 2nd grade, who were the cheering team for the House.

Thank you to all our families who shopped at Kroger this quarter. We received \$415.00!

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**

The virtue this week is **LEGACY**– The strength to hand down a virtuous tradition and memory of your actions. Yes, leaving a **LEGACY** is not just for old people. We can leave a **LEGACY** too..

**PRAYER**

Lord, instill in us an undying faith and devotion to You our God. Let the Cross be a reminder of Your sacrifice, Your grace, Your love, Your **LEGACY** of absolute dedication to us. May we find our encouragement, our peace and our inspiration in You..

**REFLECTIONS**

“LIFE IS ABOUT CHOOSING PRIORITIES AND PUTTING THEM AT THE CENTER OF OUR LIVES. WE DO THIS BY PASSIONATELY PLACING WHAT MATTERS MOST AT THE CENTER OF EACH DAY.”

“WHEN WE FOCUS OUR EFFORTS ON INFLUENCING WHO AND WHAT WE CAN MOST INFLUENCE— OURSELVES—WE TEND TO HAVE THE MOST IMPACT. YOU ARE THE EPICENTER OF YOUR UNIVERSE OF INFLUENCE.”

“COURAGE IS THE MOTHER AND FATHER OF EVERY GREAT MOMENT AND MOVEMENT IN HISTORY. IT ANIMATES US, BRINGS US TO LIFE, AND MAKES POSSIBLE WHAT HAS ALWAYS SEEMED IMPOSSIBLE.”

“SEARCH FOR WHAT IS TRULY UNIQUE WITHIN YOURSELF, AND GIVE THAT TO THE WORLD IN SMALL PORTIONS EACH DAY. DECIDE TO BE UNIQUE IN A WORLD OF TYPICAL.”

*MATTHEW KELLY, THE CULTURE SOLUTION*

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# CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK EVENTS

## FAMILY FUN NIGHT





# GRANDPARENT LUNCH





# HOUSE GAMES



St. Blaise won the House Games!





# TALENT SHOW





**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 8TH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL  
TEAM ON WINNING SECTIONALS!**

**GOOD LUCK AT STATE!**





# Congratulations to the 7th Grade Boys Basketball Team on coming 4th at State!





Members of Spanish Club discovered the geography of South America this past Wednesday at their meeting.



A 3D model of the topography of South America printed here at St. Patrick's helped them learn about the geographic features.



Members also worked on creating symbols of Hispanic culture with TINKERCAD, a 3D design program.



# 4th Grade Gift Bearers & Greeters Wanted!

If you will be able to attend one of our Masses during the weekend of February 9th & 10th and want to help out, **please** sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0845ACAE2EA2FD0-4thgrade>  
You may also email [TallJ700@gmail.com](mailto:TallJ700@gmail.com) with your preferred sign-up if you don't want to use the SignUp Genius.  
FYI: There are no slots available for the 8:30 AM Mass due to the Scout Sunday Mass.

**Greeters** will be opening doors, greeting parishioners, and/or handing out bulletins as they enter church.

Please arrive 20 minutes before the start of Mass. Check in with an usher located in the back of church. If enough greeters have signed up, some will go to the side entrances while others remain at the main entrance. At least two people should open doors and greet parishioners while another two can ask to hand out bulletins at the main entrance. (If it is cold, please open the doors ONLY as needed!) At least one person is needed for each role at the side entrances. You may take your seat in the church when the cantor welcomes the congregation.

**Gift Bearers** have the honor of representing the entire parish as we return to God a small part of the many blessings that He has given to us. The unleavened Bread and Wine that you carry will be consecrated to become the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Please check in with the ushers at least 10 minutes before Mass starts. After the Prayers of the Faithful (petitions), head to the back of the church by the gift table. An usher will help you with the gifts. You will proceed down the main aisle with the gifts after the collection (when the priest/deacon and altar servers are in place at the front of the altar).

When you arrive at the altar, present the gifts one at a time to the Priest/Deacon. Stay with the group until everyone has given their gift. Then, as a group, bow reverently when the priest or deacon bows, and return to your seats.

Date	Time	Available Slots (# of volunteers needed)
2/09/2019 (Sat.)	4:30pm	Greeters (6) Gift Bearers (4)
2/10/2019 (Sun.)	8:30am	None – due to Scout Sunday Mass
2/10/2019 (Sun.)	11:00am	Greeters (6) Gift Bearers (4)

**THANK YOU** for volunteering!



# 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
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705 E. Jefferson in Washington



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sales

Call 444-3524 for more info



**4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Group**

**Sunday February 24<sup>th</sup>**

**6-7pm**

**St. Patrick's Gym**

**Bring a Friend**

**FUN**

*GAMES!!!*

*Friends*

**Faith**

**WALKING TACOS!!**