



Virtue of the Week—SILENCE



This week our strength building on the virtue of HUMILITY is **SILENCE**. The strength that disposes the soul to converse continually with God. We know that in order to draw closer to God — to move from stage to stage of our relationship with Him — we must embrace the Holy Spirit and allow Him to direct our lives. We will only be able to achieve this docility to the Holy Spirit in **silence**, as Mary did.

Prayer

O Lord, I offer you this moment of **silence**. Help me to slow down my thoughts and my imagination, Help me to calm down my fears and my emotions, Help me to exercise patience and humility And I offer you these feeble efforts... I lift up my soul to You, Lord. I love You and I need You. Amen.

Important Upcoming Dates

- Fri, 12/10: **Boys Basketball**; 7th Grade Tourney St. Joe - Pekin 6:15pm
- Sat, 12/11: **Girls Basketball** vs. Cissna Park @ Clinton Junior High 2:30pm
Boys Basketball; 7th Grade Tourney St. Joe - Pekin TBD
- Sun, 12/12: **Pre-Lego League** Rm. 101 4:00pm
- Mon, 12/13: **Boys Basketball** vs. Delavan @ Home 5:30pm
- Fri, 12/17: **Early Dismissal** 11:30am; Christmas Break Begins

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Attached is a video on how to upload photos and videos to the School Photo Repository. We would love to see photos or videos from any St. Patrick School Event.

<https://show.pics.io/preview/61af7de6a7a03d001ae0b60a>

"It is a fair, even-handed, noble adjustment of things, that while there is infection in disease and sorrow, there is nothing in the world so irresistibly contagious as laughter and good-humor."

CHARLES DICKENS
A Christmas Carol

Dynamic Catholic

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.

We had a special visitor on Monday for the Feast of St. Nicholas! In the Middle Ages it was custom throughout Western Europe to select a boy or young man to be the Nicholas Bishop for this feast day. Dressed in a bishop's regalia, the Nicholas Bishop would use his honor to serve others and have fun.

The teachers recognized 8th grader David Stevenart for his academic achievements as well as strength in virtue and selected him to serve as our first St. Nicholas. Congratulations, David!

A HUGE thank you to parishioner, Laurie Hawley, for making the beautiful cape and miter. We are grateful for your generosity of time and talent! Wow!

Looking forward to this tradition for years to come! St. Nicholas, pray for us!

- St. Patrick School Parent Ministry



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

Any teacher having to teach our holiday-ready-kids between Thanksgiving break and Christmas break deserves recognition in and of itself

(can I get an AMEN?!) 🙏

However Mrs. Schlack, 3rd grade and Mr. Jeff Draeger, Junior High (another Packers fan) celebrate SUMMER birthdays- so here we go! HAPPY 1/2 birthdays to you both, Mrs. Schlack 6/1 and Mr. Jeff Draeger 6/3! We appreciate all that you do for our (sugared up) kids!

🍀 St. Pat's Parent Ministry



Congratulations to the 8th Grade Girls Basketball on their Sectional win Wednesday! The Lady Irish are headed to State! They will play on Saturday at 2:30pm in Clinton.

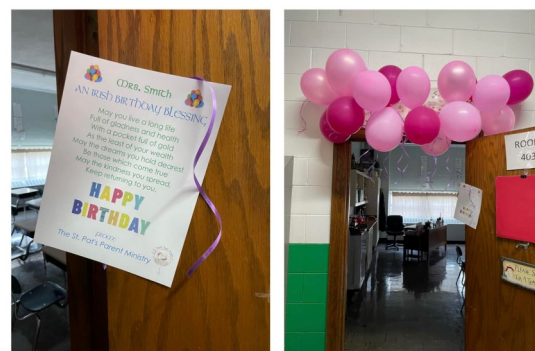


Thank you to State Farm's Brian Barron and Corey North for donating recyclable water bottles to St. Patrick School.



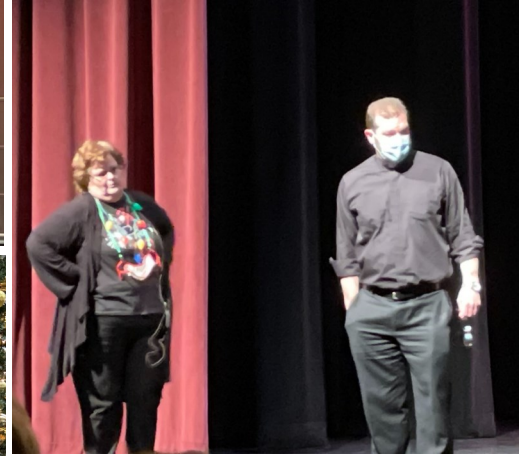
Shout out to Mrs. Smith (Junior High) - celebrating a Sunday birthday!! HAPPY (early) BIRTHDAY to you and many more to come. We hope you enjoy your weekend celebrations.

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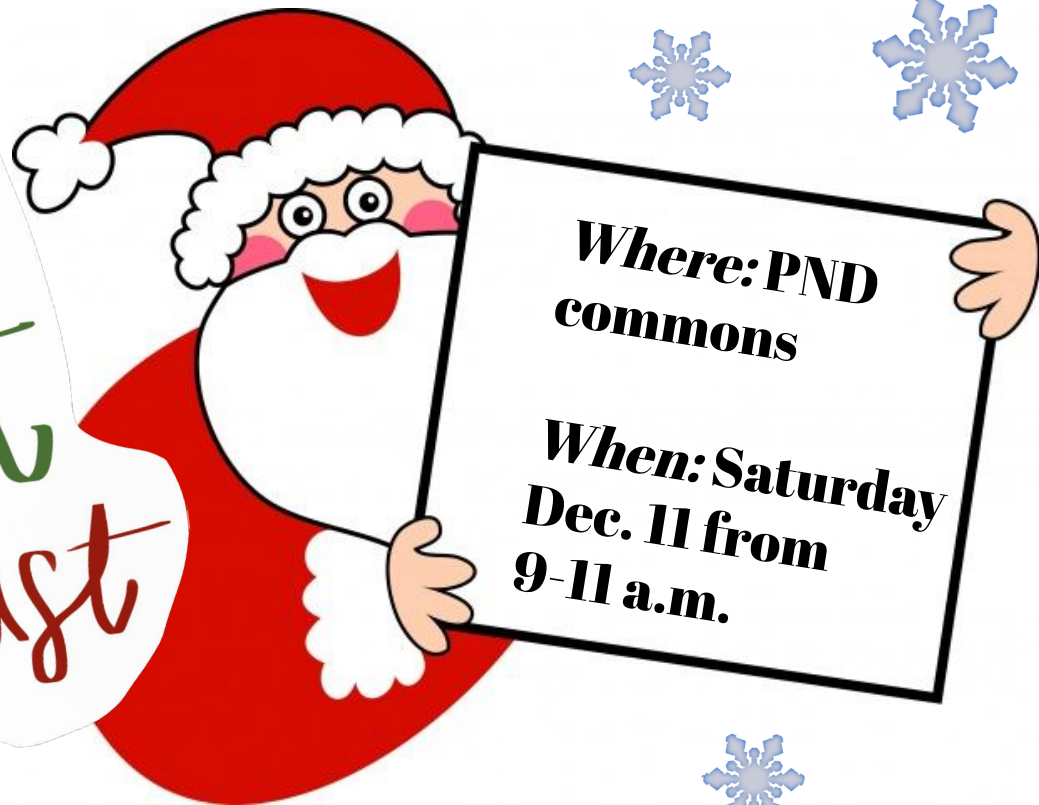
The Annual Christmas Program was held Monday, December 6th.



Merry Christmas!

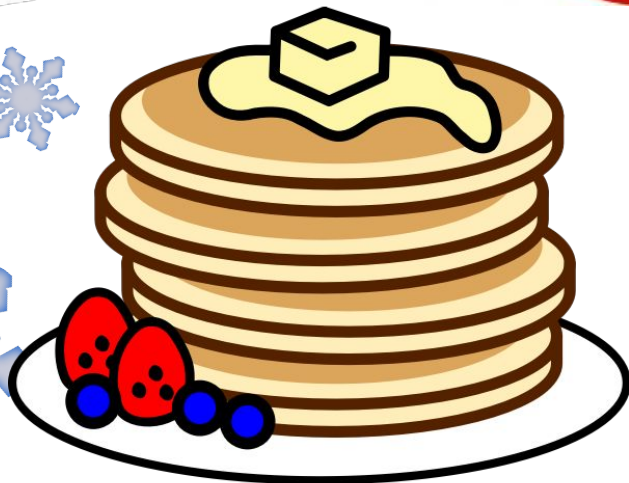


PND's SANTA breakfast



**Where: PND
commons**

**When: Saturday
Dec. 11 from
9-11 a.m.**



- **games**
- **crafts**
- **face painting**
- **balloon animals**
- **meet ***SANTA
CLAUS*****

kids: \$3

adults: \$5

family: \$15

Letter to Santa Drop off



And



Visit

Take your own pictures!

Where? McMahon's(In The Plaza)

When? December 9th & 16th

What Time? 3-5pm

Donations Accepted: Proceeds will go to buy new things for the children's area at the Sunnyland Branch. Wish List: Lego table and Lego blocks. Vinyl, removable chalk banner and chalk.



Dear Santa.

My name is _____

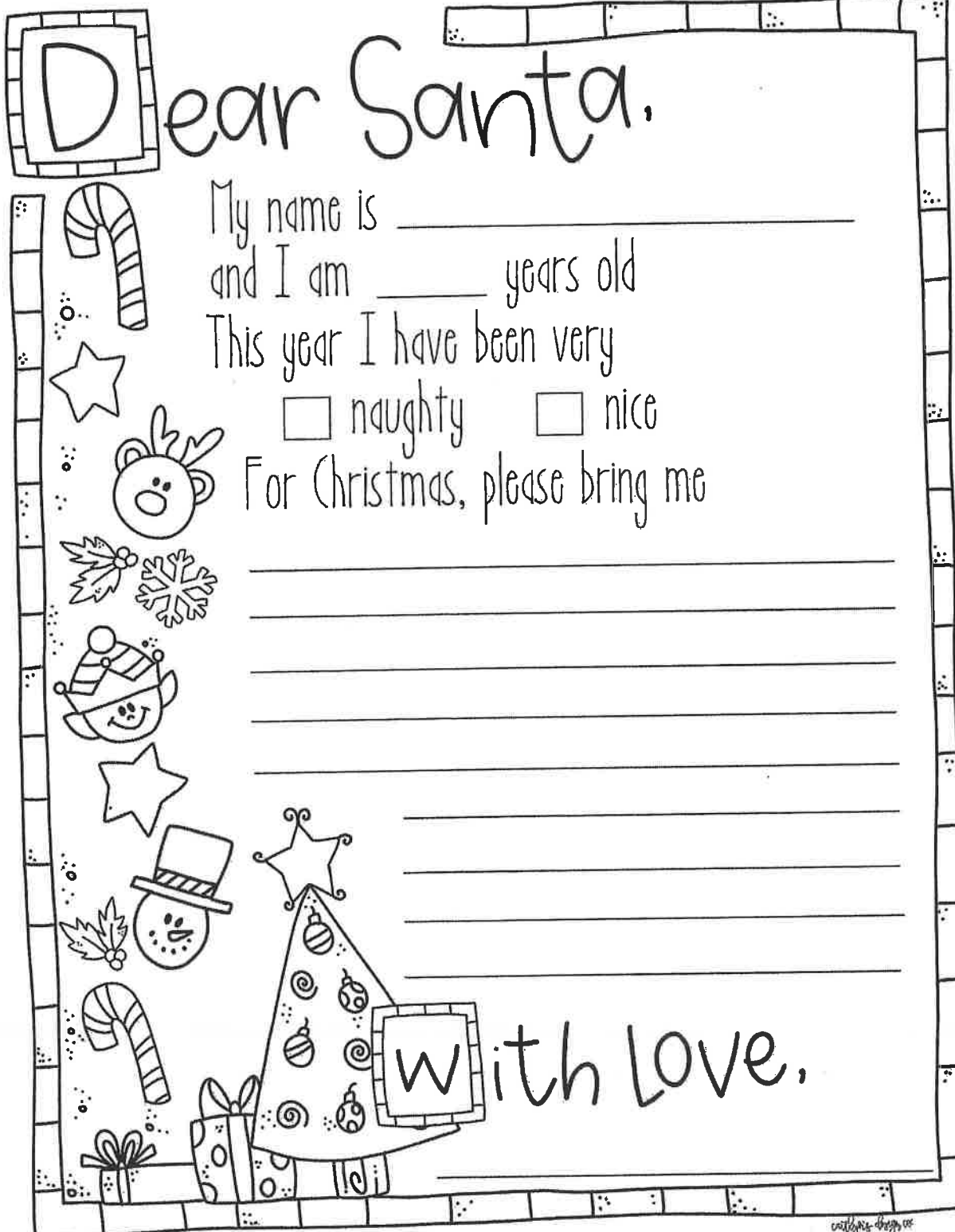
and I am _____ years old

This year I have been very

☐ naughty ☐ nice

For Christmas, please bring me

With love,





In order to raise money for the parish and have a little fun.....

ST. PAT'S IRISH SWEEPSTAKES

This raffle will begin November 5, 2021 and will run through Christmas Day, December 25, 2021.

10 CHANCES TO WIN

- 8 chances to win \$150 (One Drawing on Each Friday Nov. 5-Dec. 24, 2021)
 - \$500 Thanksgiving Day Drawing
 - \$1000 Christmas day Drawing

Winners need not be present to win. Purchase or sell the enclosed tickets anytime between now and December 23, 2021. Tickets are available in the parish office or online. All proceeds will go toward repairing leaks/repairs in the church.

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 on the reverse side 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*

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