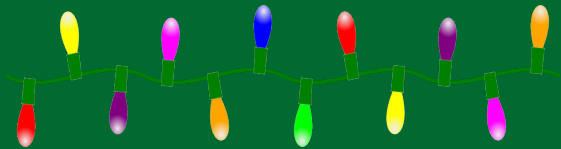


### Christmas Break

Christmas Break starts Tuesday, December 20 at 11:30. No aftercare will be provided. School will resume Thursday, January 5.



### Christmas Program

The Christmas Program is on Monday, December 19 at Five Points. Please plan to attend the show. More details will come from your student's teacher.



**Dr Chris Johnson spoke to the 6th & 7th grade about organ transplants.**



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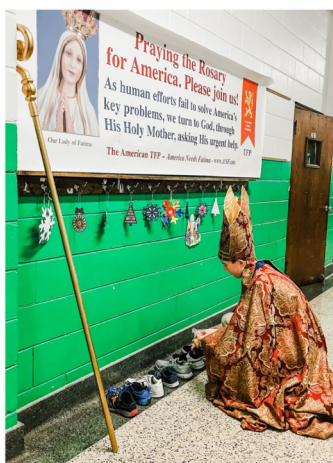


In the Middle Ages it was custom throughout Western Europe to select a boy or young man to be the Nicholas Bishop for this feast day. Dressed in a bishop's regalia, the Nicholas Bishop would use his honor to serve others and have fun.

The teachers of St. Patrick School recognized 8th grader Max Armstrong for his academic achievements as well as strength in virtue and selected him to serve as our second St. Nicholas. Congratulations, Max!

Thank you again to parishioner, Laurie Hawley, for making the beautiful cope and miter.

St. Nicholas, pray for us!  
- St. Patrick School Parent Ministry





# 7th Grade Girls Basketball wins first place at State!

**St. Patrick School Girls Basketball**

**7-1A IESA STATE Champions!**



*Congratulations! We are proud of you!*







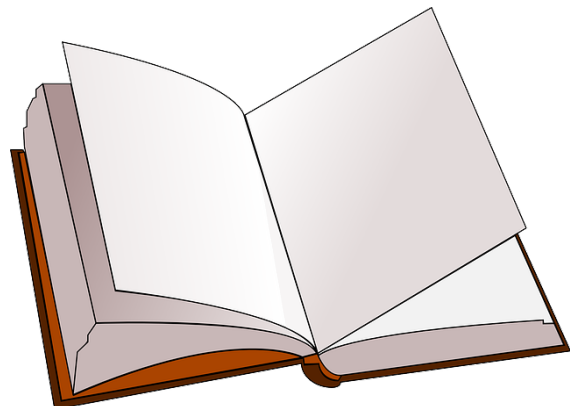
**1st and 6th  
Grade made  
STEM Snowball  
Launchers this  
week. They  
worked to see  
who made the  
one that went  
the farthest.**







**5th grade helped with New Kindergarten Reading Groups!** They assisted with new short a sounds, new words and reading strategies.





## Lego League

In Lego League the teams have 3 different robot runs spread throughout the day. The judging sessions involve robot design, their innovation project, and a discussion of core values (Discovery, Fun, Inclusion, Impact, Innovation, Teamwork). Each type of judging session includes time for the teams to present and Q&A from the judges. The long day also includes opening and closing ceremonies along with awards. The main focus is for teams to celebrate their success throughout the season, have fun, and learn from each other and other teams.

**December 10th:** 8 AM-4 PM tournament for 6th/7th grade. Tournament is at Liberty Leadership Middle School in Peoria. Approximately 18 teams participate in total.

Click the link to view a video about our Lego League.

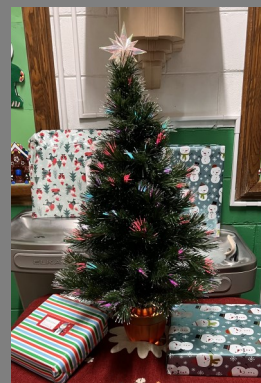
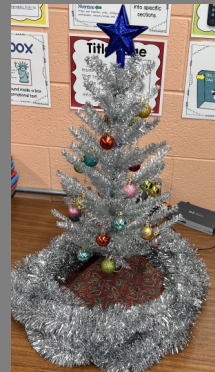
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Congratulations to our 5th Grade team that will be advancing to the State Competition.





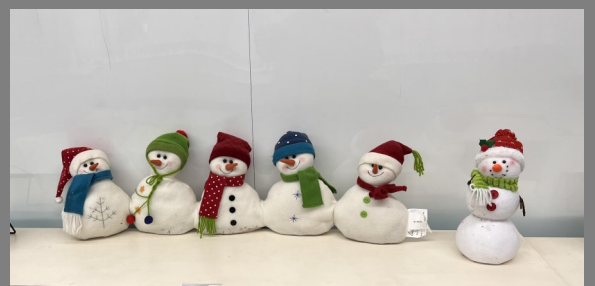
It's beginning  
to look a lot like Christmas...







Our school has been decorated  
for the Christmas season.



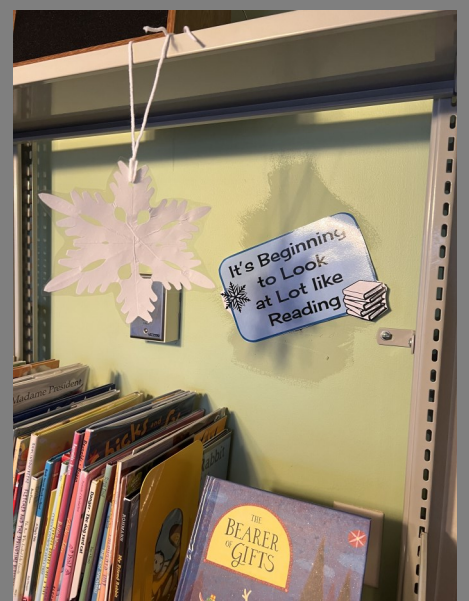
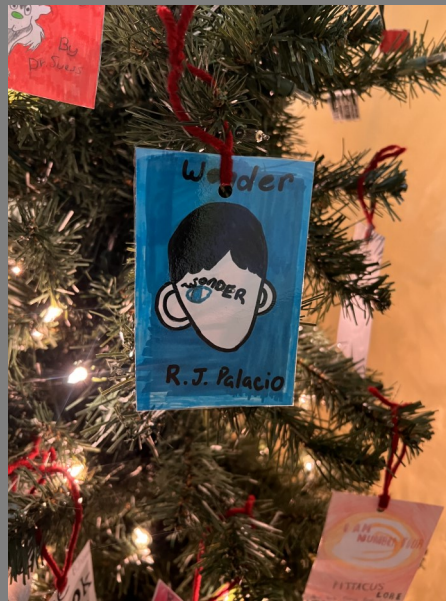
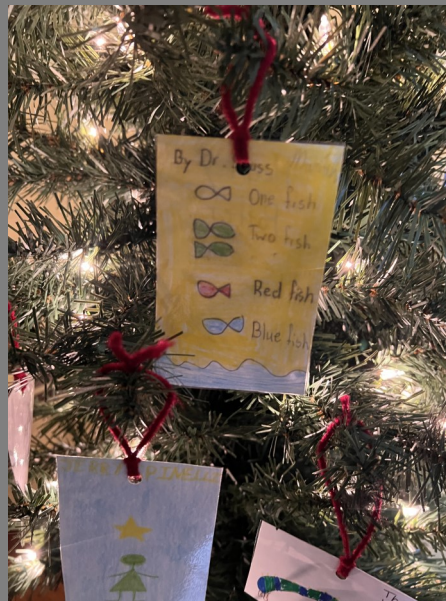
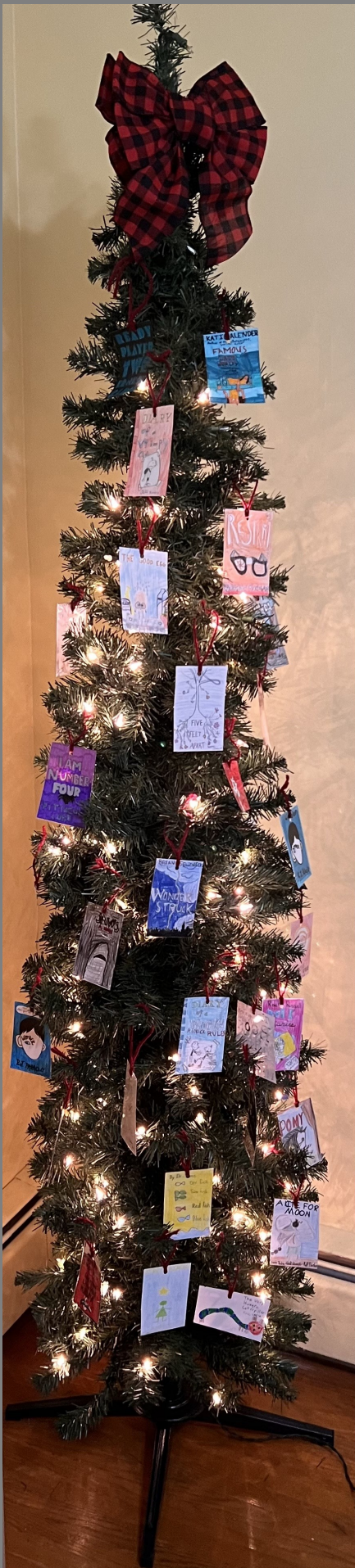




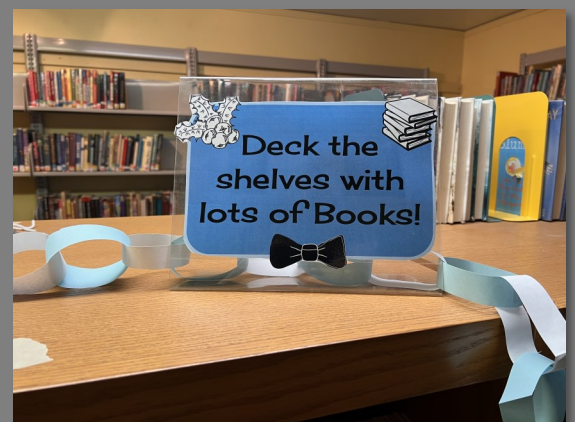
Some have even been turned into  
elves or other Christmas characters.








Ornaments have been made by recreating book covers in the library. They grace a tree there for all to see.







Our Parish Auction will be held on  
Saturday, March 11, 2023 at Five Points,  
Washington. The planning team is  
looking for new ideas and fresh faces in  
roles big and small. Do you like to plan  
events, decorate, help set-up events,  
work on computers, create slideshows,  
sell tickets, or just want to get involved  
and meet new people...we need you!

We will have our next meeting on  
Thursday, December 15th at 7:00pm at  
Keps. Not able to attend the meeting  
but want to help? Contact Megan  
Stevenart at 309-370-8299 or  
[mstevenart@gmail.com](mailto:mstevenart@gmail.com).

**Parish Auction is Saturday, March 11.**





## Important Dates

DEC 10 SAT - 6th & 7th Grade Lego League Team Competition

DEC 12 MON - Boy's Basketball @ Delavan - 6pm

DEC 13 TUE - Boy's Basketball @ Home vs. Robein - 5:30 pm

DEC 14 WED - Boy's Basketball @ Home vs. Rankn - 5:30 pm

DEC 19 MON - Christmas Program @ Five Points

DEC 20 TUE - Christmas Break begins at 11:30; No aftercare will be provided.

## 2nd Week of Advent



## Virtue of Last Week



Why do we genuflect? - Fr. Brice. Click [here](#) to find out.



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