

St. Patrick's Shamrock

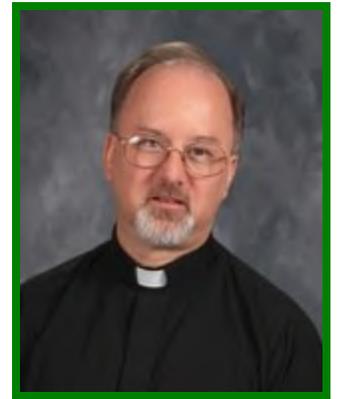
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February 2021

Words from Father

As we begin February, the shortest month, there is a great deal going on. Obviously Catholic Schools Week is a great time to grow in appreciation of the gift of Catholic schools. Being able to bring in the faith deepens all dimensions of education. Your students perhaps shared with you many of the daily activities and updates on the Penny war that benefits the food pantry. We also had the blessing of throats thanks to St. Blaise on his feast day.



Ash Wednesday is coming up and how to begin that great season of conversion is being worked out with our teachers. Not just the Mass but also reflecting on how to daily bring our hearts ever closer to Jesus. Being a part of the Mass is a key way of doing that. Our students are able to do that on a weekly basis. I am encouraging our families to do the same each Sunday. For some that may mean re-forming that habit of Sunday Mass attendance. As we are able to get out more for so many activities, sports or family, let's not forget Jesus.

Our second grade is preparing for their First Reconciliation retreat and the sacrament of God's mercy. During the Lenten season our school will have time to pray the Stations of the Cross. On Tuesday evening following the Mass everyone is invited to pray the Stations. We will be using the Divine Mercy format as we did last year. As I write this we are working with a candidate for our interim principal position to help us go through the rest of the school year with strength and preparation for the next academic year.

-Fr. John



"The Lord looks for us where we are, He loves us as we are, and He patiently walks by our side."

-Pope Francis



School Happenings

St. Patrick's was blessed with almost 100 new books for the library through an anonymous donor! We cannot thank them enough for their generous contribution to the school!



Congratulations to our 2021 Spelling Bee winner Ava Stanila, and our runner up Dylan Loftus! Wish them luck as they compete in the virtual Regional Spelling Bee on February 10

In January St. Patrick's celebrated National Crossing Guard week, by thanking our crossing guard, Kathy Turner! We are so grateful for all the work she puts in every morning and afternoon to help our students!





School Happenings

This year the Student Council is doing some activities for the teachers and the students. These activities include a cart of refreshments for the teachers, along with a Valentine's day box. We are doing a snack sale for all of the students. We are also doing a movie day for all of the grades. We are raising money for missions and the food pantry. We wish you all a happy Catholic Schools Week!!



—St. Patrick's Student Council

Be sure to check out the school FB page for great pictures of all the fun had this week as the students celebrated Catholic Schools Week



Mark your calendars for the start of Advent this year.

Ash Wednesday falls on February 17, 2021.

-Masses open to the public will be on the 17th at 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

-Stations of the Cross will be after Tuesday evening mass at 5:30 p.m.

-Communal Penance for Lent will be held March 25th at 7 p.m.





School Happenings

The 7th and 8th graders wrote many poems before Christmas, during our Poetry Unit. They were able to print them, design a 2-page section, and have their poetry published. Parents were able to order a copy and we received a complimentary copy for just two examples of created. We are very Congratulations to the school. Below are the great poems they proud of their work!! our authors!



Mother Nature by Justyna Jakacki

By the tree's strong trunks,
Within whispering winds,
Through flowing leaves,
 Along streams thin,
 Past oceans deep,
Over beaches warm,
 Down valleys long,
Between bees in a swarm,
Mother Nature shows her kindness.

Softball by Samantha Zenthoefer

You run the bases when you hit the ball,
Go to first, then second, then hit them all.
Back to the dug-out, then hang up your bat,
Take off your helmet, then put on your hat.
Click the dirt off your cleats, then sit, relax.
Watch the game, look at the field and your tracks,
 Get ready for the out-field position.
Run to your place and wait for the mission,
Catch the pop-fly, then throw it to first-base,
Get them out, then watch the third-base retrace.
 Get three out, then run back to dug-out.
Watch the opponent lose; then win the game.
Congratulate the team, leave the ballgame.



News from the Rectory

"Happy Catholic Schools Week!!

This week we are celebrating our school as well as all Catholic Schools. Usually we try to get our "Extra Margin" requests out in October near Grandparents Day. However, during this most unique year, that did not happen. So we are taking that opportunity now during Catholic Schools Week. The link below explains our **Extra Margin Program** as well as listing the wishes / needs for each classroom. If you are able, please help out our students and our teachers by supporting our **Extra Margin Program**. Also, please feel free to share this with anyone who may be interested in participating in our **Extra Margin Program**. Thank you for all you do to support St. Patrick's School.

<https://stpatrickismauston.com/school/extra-margin/>

SCRIP PROGRAM

As a reminder: Each school family is asked to purchase \$1,500 in Scrip (approximately \$75.00 in profit) between May 1 and April 30 of each year.

You can purchase Scrip at the rectory office during the week or drop your order off in the school office and we'll fill it and return it to the school (usually the same day!)

OR You can order your scrip on-line at

www.shopwithscrip.com

To set up your account for online ordering, go to www.shopwithscrip.com and click the Register tab. Choose to Join a Scrip Program and sign up with the St. Patrick Enrollment Code (please call St. Patrick's at 608-847-6054 to get the enrollment code).

Easy to Order

- ◆ Order online from your personalized Scrip homepage at www.shopwithscrip.com.
- ◆ Your online shopping activity is automatically entered into the St. Patrick Scrip Program.
- ◆ Your order will be delivered to St. Patrick's and you will be notified when it is ready for pick up.

Is there an APP for that??

RaiseRight is supported on Apple and Android mobile devices - just type www.raiseright.com into the browser, login, and you'll be ready to shop!



Need help setting up an on-line account? Contact the rectory at 847-6054.

Did you know that St. Patrick's School is offers mid-semester enrollment right now? If you or anyone you know is ready to send their child back to in person learning, please contact the school or rectory at

847-6054 or 847-5844



St. Patrick's



2021



High Honors

4.0 GPA

Sixth Grade:

Carson Demaske, Dylan Loftus,
Hudson Randall,
Weston Pouillie

Honors

3.5-3.9 GPA

Eight Grade:

Justyna Jakacki, Carly Onsager,
Samantha Zenthoefer

Seventh Grade:

Cody Komiskey, Nolan Powers,
Ellie Pouillie, Ava Stanila,
Sena Vinopal

Sixth Grade:

Eden Finucan, Hannah Hersil,
Owen Lubinski, Carmen Onsager,
Nick Trute, Landynn Miller,
Brayden Housworth

Fifth Grade:

Jillian Cook, Holden Eckerman,
Kaden Gottschalk,
Caroline Marien, Garrett Pouillie,
Parker Smith

Scholastic

Recognition

3.0-3.4 GPA

Eighth Grade:

Aedyn Lubinski

Seventh Grade:

Dylan Walsh
Heath Massey
Sophie Randall

Sixth Grade:

Grace Kobylski
Johnny Tambornino

Fifth Grade:

Blake Komiskey

MADONNA AND ST. PATRICK'S APPAREL SALE!

ALUMNI TEE



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YOUTH



UMNI SWEATSHIRT



YOUTH AND ADULT



ALUMNI TEE



LADIES CUT



St. Patrick's Home and School committee has arranged an on-line clothing store with Eagle Promotions that includes a variety of St. Pats items, including Alumni apparel! The on-line store will be open until **February 14th**. Click the link below to view these items and more! Order them now and give them as St. Patrick's Day gift to help brighten up someone's day! Make sure to show these to grandparents, aunts, uncles, and family friends who would like to help show our school pride!

<https://www.eaglestores.net/st-pats-home-and-fam>



Education Committee Meeting Minutes

ST. PATRICK'S EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

January 7th, 2021 - 5:15 PM

1. Opening prayer - Tammy Johnson

2. Roll call

Present: Rachel Tambornino, Matt Komiskey, Jon Housworth, Tammy Johnson, Jaime Pouillie, Father John, Barb Cowan, Katie Marien, Kim Walsh.

Absent: Ashley Lynch, Cassie Thayer, Keith Riley

3. No additions or corrections of the minutes of December 8, 2020 meeting 4. No interested parties to address the committee

5. CRE report- Cassie not present. No report given. Comments from committee- asked about the Monday Mom's group. Jaime reported that 10ish Moms were there. They had a cookie exchange and cleaned/decorated the church. Father John reported that the Youth News went out in the last week's bulletin.

6. Interim Principal report/*Father John comments* :

-Randall is still not doing well. He is far better, but still is in need of our prayers for healing and strength.

-Principal position is still advertised. Father is getting interest in the position almost weekly, but due to the location most people are just not able to commit. Position will remain posted until it is filled.

-Father received an email from Juneau County Health Department. In phase 1B- teachers are considered essential workers and can receive the vaccination. They are working with the schools to compile lists of teachers.

7. Old Business:

a. Further results on high school survey, Katie-

-Katie will send the graphic report of the results to Father so he can share with the staff. We designed this survey to get baseline data of recent St. Pat's graduates, and we feel that it has been successful. We have considered the survey and reporting complete.

b. Long Range Technology plan report -

-Katie reported that the biggest concern in the classroom is the need for phones. It is a security issue.

-The technology committee looked at the current have/needs of each individual classroom. How do we fill the gaps that exist between the rooms? What pieces of technology does each room/grade need?

Accreditation progress

-Fr. John reported that he has been in contact with Tom at the diocese. He received the paper work that is needed to start the accreditation process. He summarized the 4-8 page "planning document."



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-There are roughly 238 schools in the state with 234 of them being accredited. We are in the slim minority of not being accredited. We have the bishops approval to start the process. It is important to gain this accreditation so that we can pursue more grant and state/federal money opportunities.

-It is a 2-3 year process and we will need to establish a committee. It will be hard work with not having an acting principal.

-All were in agreement that we continue to move forward.

d. Catholic Schools week

-Father John reported that Jan 15 the teachers will be meeting to finalize all the details. Catholic Schools week is Jan 31-Feb 5.

-Students will be doing radio ads again this year.

e. Home & School meeting - Jaime

-Jaime reported that there were roughly 11 people present at the meeting. -Clothing sales will be happening soon. Alumni clothing may also be available. -Fundraising will be happening in the spring. More information to come later. -Trivia is still being talked about, not sure if it will happen as it will be hard to do in a virtual environment.

New Business a. Projects for committee to focus on for rest of school year

-Ideas were discussed. We will be reevaluating our bylaws and our responsibilities as a committee.

-Katie will scan the current documents and send to committee.

b. End of Year Thoughts / Planning:

i. Field Trips

-Can teachers ask parents how they want to proceed? Send a survey home? -We are more than willing to assist teachers in finding locations and protocols for places to take trips this year.

ii. Walk for Virtues

-YES! This needs to be done especially as it is an outdoor activity.

iii. End of Year Picnic

-This also needs to continue.

-Can the awards ceremony be done outside?

-Can to-go boxes be an option if families don't want to stay for the picnic?

9. Any other business

10. Confirm date for next meeting - February 4, 2021 5:15- Rachel will not be present- Jaime will lead.

11. Closing prayer

St. Patrick's Gala 2021

Reminder to get your Gala tickets now! Call Jennifer at 608-847-6054 or go to our parish website at www.stpatrickismauston.com

\$70.00 TICKET INCLUDES:

Dining Certificate (\$30.00)

Name in Drawing for:

Technology Accessory Package

(including tripod, accessories, and adjustable ring light)

Door County Getaway Weekend

(2-night stay for 4 at Scandinavian Lodge in Sister Bay, plus dining)

Charcuterie Board/Wine and Cheese

(Handmade by Don Wilkie and filled with specialty foods)

Live Edge Table

(Crafted by Pat Walsh)

Packer Victory Package

(signed football with case, Packer flag, and apparel)



\$100.00 TICKET INCLUDES:

Dining Certificate (\$30.00)

Name in Drawing for:

Technology Accessory Package

Door County Getaway Weekend

Charcuterie Board/Wine and Cheese

Live Edge Table

Packer Package

Gala Tub of Specialty Beer

Delicate Wooden Ring Box with Thayer's finest jewelry inside

Valentine Box filled with specialty items (5 names drawn)



Please join in the fun, and mail your donation and drawing entries in the enclosed envelope to St. Patrick Parish by Saturday, Feb. 6th. The drawing will take place on February 13th, and the winners will be notified with a phone call. After the drawings have been completed dining certificates and names of winners will be mailed to all who purchased a ticket.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL!

The Gala Committee