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Principal's Report

Dear St. Patrick Families,

Here we are again at this time of year where IF we blink, we will surely miss something! The school is filled with so much activity and excitement with all of the upcoming events. Teachers work tirelessly but make it look effortless! Families calendars are full and evenings are short.

I would just like to share a few things that take place over these last few weeks of school and the preparations for our students. These activities provide those extra opportunities and learning experiences that allow for educational growth and differentiation at a level that brings St. Patrick's education to the next level.

We end April with a few field trips that are special to the tradition of St. Patrick's. First, the overnight middle school trip. Without the extra time, dedication, and persistence by Mrs. Whitney this trip would not be possible. We also rely on our parents as chaperones for this event as well. The students have a blast and get to experience many things through this trip. This year, they visited lowa and Galena, Illinois. They visited the Fenelon Place Elevator, National Mississippi River Museum, Field of Dreams, Crystal Lake Cave, had special meals, and so much more! This is something that is special for the middle school students and a great trip for the chaperones and teachers as well.

Then we have Upham Woods for our 5th and 6th grade students. This day was filled with exploration and fun. They spend the day with classmates and chaperones working on team building, individual growth, and learning outside of the classroom. The 5th graders are also lucky enough to get another outdoor trip to Outdoors Forever- Conservation Day! This is a great time that they are again learning with hands-on experience.

Our other students are also taking time to visit children's museums, zoos, or other team building activities. This is a great way that we get to show the community how our students behave in public. They also get a chance to practice many of the skills that they learn throughout the school

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year. This privilege is one that we work hard to provide for our students and requires much outside time and effort. Parents are also a big help at many of these events and get to experience the relationship that has been built between our students and staff.

St. Patricks takes pride in our athletes, and throughout the year we provide sports opportunities for our students. We are also blessed to be able to co-op with our local public school. This provides additional opportunities for our students to be involved in athletics. In our annual sports banquet, we recognize the many coaches and athletes that are part of St. Patricks community. Many of our coaches are parents who help out, and we are also blessed with some outside coaches that come to work with our children, providing additional guidance. We are also grateful for the OMS coaches and teams that allow our students to participate with them. Athletics teach many skills and provide opportunities for children to grow in areas outside of the classroom walls. With the sports banquet, we hope to show our appreciation for parents, coaches, and the athletes!

May brings about further opportunities for involvement and participation with the larger community! We are looking forward to bringing in the NED Show this year! NED is a character who teaches students to "never give up", "encourage others", and "do your best." The NED Show provides lessons for teachers, materials for families, and a fun way to get kids engaged.

Our calendar holds some other distinct events for our 8th graders with trips, social events, and a lock-in. They also have a special graduation night and awards ceremony. This is a special time for our 8th graders to be recognized and share a night with family and friends. They receive service awards as well as academic awards. They are granted diplomas from St. Patricks and have a special mass with the teachers and staff.

May Crowning is another special event that all students get to participate in! This is a special mass where the first communicants get to dress up in their outfits again and they are part of the procession of flowers to Mary. Each class also has a representative that is part of the processions. We have special songs that the choir has prepared and the kids are part of. The crowning of Mary is to show our respect and love for Mary as the mother of Jesus. This mass is also open to the public and shared with families that are able to come as well.

With all of the excitement and joy, please know that we are working hard and continue to build on the foundation that sets St. Patrick School apart. Our students, families, and staff are some of the very best around! We are also blessed with an active parish that supports our students and families as well! Thank you all, for all that you do!

Blessings, Toni Ross

A Message From Father

My dear children, parents and teachers,

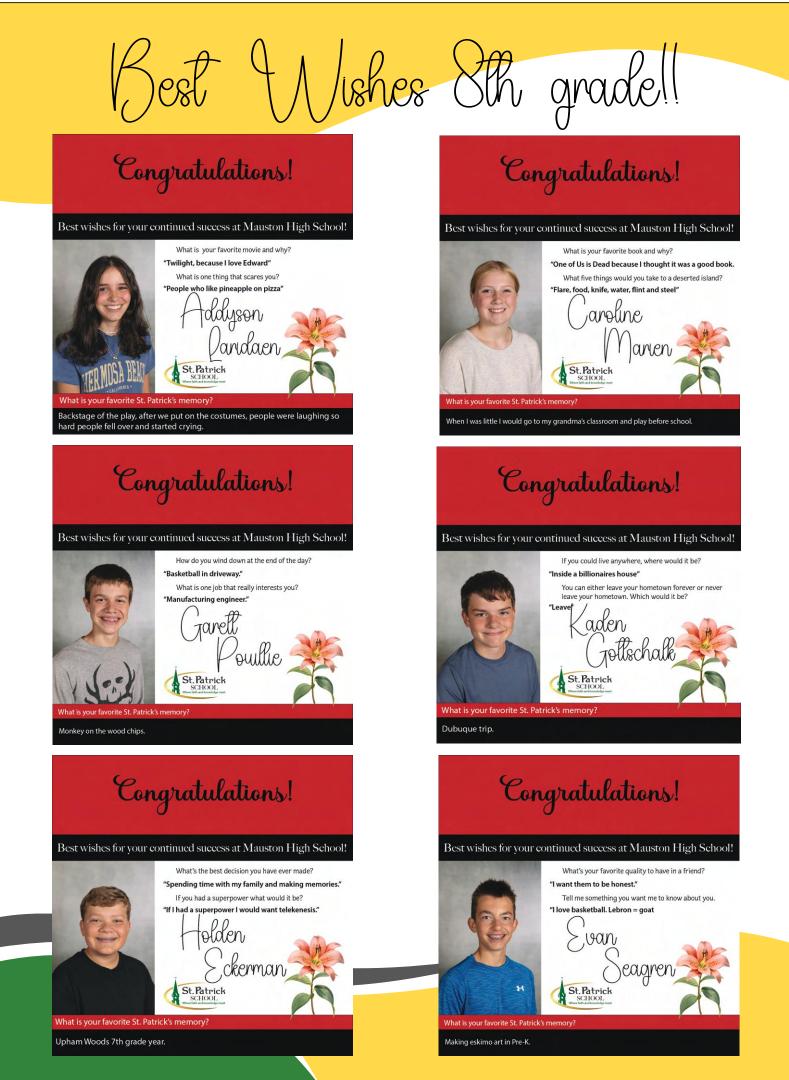
It was an exciting moment, when our school children came up on the altar and crowned our Blessed Mother Mary proclaiming her as "The Queen ofHeaven." While Mary the Mother of God is revered and celebrated all year long, May is a special month to celebrate the "Queen of Heaven."

May has been Mary's month since the medieval period, when May was considered the end of winter and the start of a new season of growth. It's a time for new beginnings and the chance to begin with gratitude and devotion.

There are many reasons she is considered the "Queen of Heaven." She was a perfect follower of Christ, and so is considered the crown of creation. She is also the Mother of the Son of God, Jesus, who is the King of Israel and the universe. And of course, she is the most important woman of our faith, and our spiritual mother. It's our hope and prayer that this May, we will have a special encounter with Christ through the Virgin Mary.



God bless, Fr. Jey



Congratulations!

Best wishes for your continued success at Mauston High School!









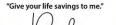
Seeing my friends.

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Do you think of yourself as cautious or a risk taker? "Both."

If you could make one rule that everyone in the world had to follow, what would it be?







Dubuque trip.

Truth or Dare on the bus coming back from Dubuque.

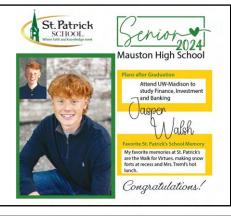
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Attend The University of Wisconsin-Madison to study nursing and become a cardiac nurse practitioner.

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Winning the student council dodgeball tournament in 6th grad and playing football in the field.

Congratulations!



Breakfast Menu



Lunch Menu





Open House

& Science Fair









8th Grade: 1st Holden Eckerman

2nd Myah McNally and Kaden Gottschalk

7th Grade 1st Jonny Riley

2nd Adalynn Lenorud

6th Grade: 1st Ryleigh Vinopal

2nd Noah Tambornino







Walk For Virtues The rain didn't stop us!!

















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