

# St. Patrick's Shamrock

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May 2021



## Message from the Principal

### HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY and Month of Mary!



Meet Carol Mattson, my mom and the mother of two more girls and six boys. Her birthday is in April and she would have been 89 years old. Her strong Catholic faith kept us all centered in knowing we had protection from worldly distractions, that prayer would keep us grounded in the truth that she was our strong, loving mother who would step in front of any danger that came our way.

Carol Mattson never lost sight of God's plan. There are nine Mattson children, 21 cousins and neighborhood friends who, for many years, were privileged to know Carol and celebrate Mother's Day with her. My wish for all of you is that you are able to have a cheers on this Mother's Day to those who have influenced your life. I send out my well wishes to all of you who are mothers yourselves. Finally, my hope is you feel the protection Mary offers to all of the faithful and you are enveloped in the joy available to you.

Thanks to all of the families that have already enrolled. This is very helpful as we plan for the 2021-2022 school year. The following are things that are based on current enrollment: Classroom teachers and support staff, books and curriculum supplies, classroom furniture, lunch schedule, technology supplies, etc. Early enrollment helps us to be better prepared.

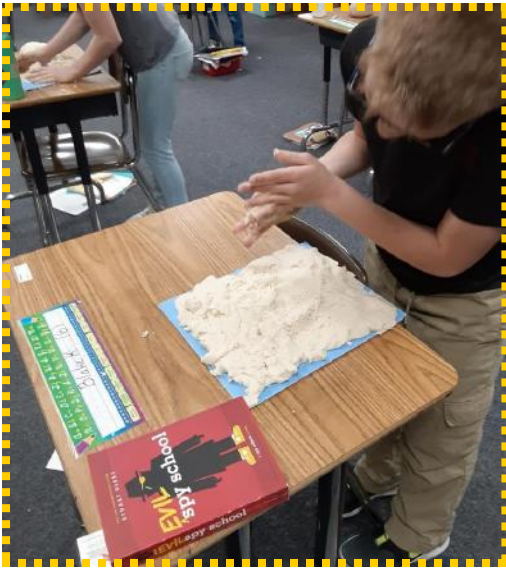
Please continue to share the good news about St. Patrick School as we work to fill our school with eager learners. Financial grants are available.



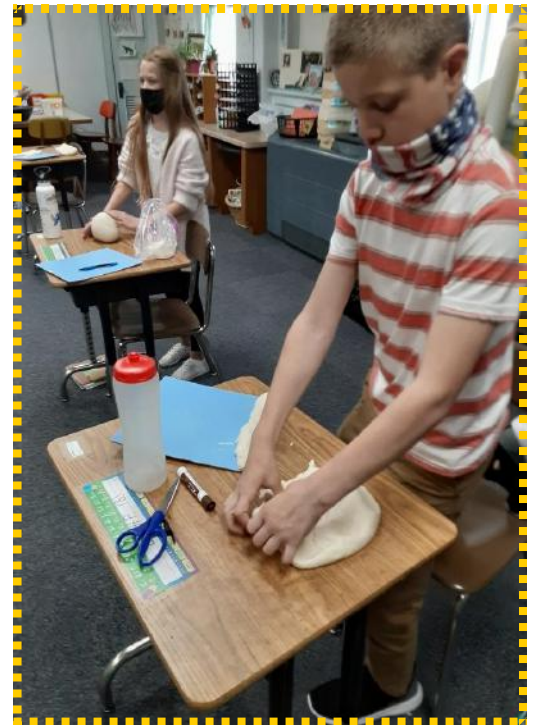
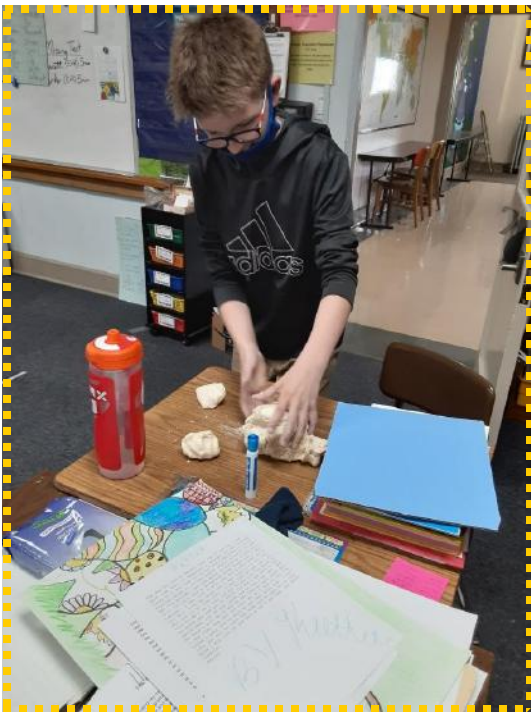
*Sally Bowers*



# School Happenings



Ms. Larkin's 5th Graders have been busy and working learning about the ocean floor. They created 3-D models to help demonstrate their new findings!



# *St. Pat's Annual*

## *Speech Contest*

### **Kindergarten**

- 1-Whitney Klapps &  
Toby Vinopal
- 2- Liam Powers
- 3-Harper Marien

### **First Grade**

- 1-Lucas Stanila
- 2-Ariana Pokorney
- 3-Amelia Steen
- 4-Michaelee Koca

### **Second Grade**

- 1-Olive Lynch
- 2-Corbyn Sullivan
- 3-Lyla Wilke & Cecilia Marien

### **Third Grade**

- 1-Ryleigh Vinopal
- 2-Cooper Thayer
- 3-Nolan Klapps
- 4-Noah Tambornino

### **Fourth Grade**

- 1-Myka Krause
- 2- Warrick Housworth
- 3-Stella Finucan
- 4-Keira Randall

### **Fifth Grade**

- 1-Jillian Cook
- 2-Holden Eckerman
- 3-Kaden Gottschalk
- 4-Kord Kobylski

### **Sixth Grade**

- 1-Hannah Hersil &  
Dylan Loftus
- 2-Eden Finucan
- 3-Carson Demaske

### **Seventh Grade**

- 1-Ellie Pouillie
- 2-Ava Stanila
- 3-Lauren Laridaen
- 4-Dylan Walsh

### **Eight Grade**

- 1-Carly Onsager
- 2-Aedyn Lubinski
- 3-Samantha Zenthoefer

# *A note from Mrs. Thayer*

Happy Monday! God sure blessed us yesterday with BEAUTIFUL weather for our 1st Communion!! Congratulations to our 1st Communicants:

**Alayna Anderson**  
**Josie Fuller**  
**Jael Krause**  
**Cecilia Marien**  
**Grant Miller**  
**Owen Randall**  
**Gabriella Sonnenberg**  
**Corbyn Sullivan**  
**Spencer Turpin**  
**Mary Vinopal**



\*\*\*Thank you parents, Mrs. Walhovd, Mr. Tourdot, Mrs. Koehler, and Ms. Cross for helping to make this day possible and to have a part in celebrating it together.

Please keep these students in your thoughts and prayers along with our upcoming Confirmation students, who will receive their confirmation on Tuesday, May 18 in Necedah.



# News and Upcoming Events

## KC Gun Raffle

A HUGE thank you to our Knights of Columbus for their donation of \$2,450 for the St. Patrick's School Science Program! All the money donated was raised from their Spring Hunter's Raffle. This year's raffle winners include...

**1st place-Bob Gunther-Crossbow**

**2nd place- Larry Hamm-Gun**

**3rd place- Phil Clark-Gun**



## Corpus Christi

Please join us as we celebrate Corpus Christi Mass on **June 6th at 10am**. We will be asking last year's AND this year's 1st communicants to join us to recognize their achievement. Following Mass Father and the student will lead the parish down to Riverside Park where the alter will be set up for adoration. We hope you can all come and be a part of this beautiful celebration!



May 27- 8th Grade Graduation

May 28th- Last Day of School for students! Picnic starts at Noon

\*There will be no Athletic or Academic Banquets this year

# Brewers Math Day

Dear Parishioners,

A couple of years ago, our upper grades at the school were able to take a field trip to attend a home game and celebrate Math Day with the Brewers. Unfortunately with the Covid virus, we are not able to attend Math Day in person this year; however, our **5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders** have been given the opportunity to work with the **Milwaukee Brewers** as a fundraiser and those grades will still be able to have a Math Day at school.

In order for us to be able to have access to the Math Day file through the Brewers, we must sell a minimum of 20 tickets. For each ticket sold, \$2 comes back to our school. These tickets are able to be redeemed for home games throughout the season, Monday through Friday, except when noted. (Chicago Cubs/White Sox games, etc.)

The website for ordering vouchers is: <https://www.mlb.com/brewers/tickets/specials/math-day>

You will need to create an account if you do not already have one. Once you sign in from this page, you will need to enter the coupon code “21MDPATRICKS”. This will open the voucher purchasing page. You can purchase the number of tickets you want and then redeem them for a participating home game during the season.

Please consider ordering tickets as a way to spend time with your family at a Brewer game, while also giving back to our school!

Thank you so much for your support,

David Bellows, Cathryn Catterson,  
Dani Larkin, Amy Zenthoefer





# A Word from Father

May brings with it many activities here at St. Patrick. Perhaps our students are looking forward to the end of the year events like the picnic on the last day of the school year or the field trip/activity their class is doing.

This first week of May we had our May crowning at the school Masses. Considering that last year's First Communion class did not have the opportunity to crown Mary and we are celebrating Mass on two different days this year; we had our second and third grade crown her on each of their Mass days. I hope you have had the chance to see it on Facebook. The photos of our grade winners for the speech contest are on our school Facebook page, please check that out too.

Looking ahead for some of our recent graduates is the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep them in your prayers until we gather at St. Francis on May 18th. Looking much further back to graduates of long ago, after 14 months, we have been able to go into Fairview nursing home and celebrate Mass with the residents there. So in and out of school there is a great deal going on in May.

We are also welcoming Fr. Chinnappan to our parish and his service to our diocese. Take a moment to read his letter of introduction on the last page today!

-Fr. John



Take a moment to click on the link below to view the St. Patrick's students' online Art Exhibit! The hallways have looked spectacular this year thanks to all our talented artists!

[https://docs.google.com/drawings/d/1K3IF1TtTqt7ZyqPIUOcUALxZ6BNhqb\\_BnGnPsfAibec/edit](https://docs.google.com/drawings/d/1K3IF1TtTqt7ZyqPIUOcUALxZ6BNhqb_BnGnPsfAibec/edit)



# *Welcome to Father Chinnappan*

Hello Everyone

I am Fr. Chinnappan from India, Diocese of Vellore the southern part of India. I am from small village called Kariyandal, the total population of the village 5200 people, out of which 723 of them are Catholic families. My father, Mr. Pelavendran, passed away in the year 2004 and my mother, Mrs. Annammal, passed away in the year 2016. I have four elder brothers and one elder sister. My only sister is a working in the Sava Missionary of Sisters congregation.



Soon after the ordination I was placed as the Assistant Parish priest of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church and in-charge of Don Bosco Boys home - Polur. It was a home for orphans and semi orphans of that locality.

From 2010 -2012 I was placed as the Parish Priest of St. Lawrence Church, Kasthampbodi. There I started evening study centre for the poor students, that they can be given enough opportunity to learn and practice. During this time the Basic Christian communities of the parish were strengthened, with weekly prayer services and celebrating the Eucharistic in their respective Basic Christian communities. The new presbytery was also build at the same time.

Believing that youth are the pillars of the Church I have done skill development program for the local youth. There were other religious animation were done to improve the faith of the youth.

From 2012 - 2017 I was given opportunity to be the Director of Diocesan youth commission and Director of commission for scheduled caste and Scheduled tribe. Animating the youth of the Diocese at different level for developing their knowledge, skill and personality. There were also motivational session for the youth, who required them. Every year more than 1,000 youth were placed for jobs in multinational companies. Annual retreats were done for more than 1,500 catholic youth for every year. Seminars for the students and married couples were conducted on specific topic to improve their life situation at a regular period of time.

From 2017 to 2021 I was placed as the Parish priest of Haffieldspet. Youth of the Parish have been animated to become effective leaders in the society and in the church. There was also animation for the married people to strengthen their married life. Faith renewal programs are being conducted at regular period. During that time the station of the cross were built. The Diocese also have given me additional responsibility as the Secretary for the Prison ministry. Every Sunday I celebrate mass at 2:00 p.m. in central prison Vellore. Visiting the prison at regularly for counseling the prisoners and giving them the hope life in future. Then I came here the Diocese of La Crasse march 23, 2021 and am now here to celebrate the mass with all of you at St. Patrick's Parish of Mauston.

-Fr. P. Chinnappan