

Shamrock

Newsletter

October 2025



Mrs. Ross

Dear St. Patrick Families,

Wow—how have we already reached the end of the first month of school? The year is flying by! We are off to a fantastic start, and we're excited for all of the new opportunities we are blessed to be a part of this year.

One of the most exciting additions to St. Patrick's School is the blessing of a new foreign language teacher. As many of you may know, St. Patrick's has been working for years to bring a dedicated language program to our students. In the past, we've explored online classes, collaborated with public

schools, and tried other methods—none of which fully met our expectations.

This year, our staff, Fr. Cruz, and I felt called to take a serious step forward. We wanted to implement something meaningful—an opportunity that would benefit both our students and our families. Our original goal was to launch a Spanish program, but the Holy Spirit had other plans for us!

Just when it seemed we might not meet our goal, we were introduced to Mrs. Beata Worwa—and everything changed. She brings with her strong credentials, a deep passion for working with students and families, and a wealth of experience. Most importantly, she brings a genuine desire to support our St. Patrick's community. Now we are grateful for the opportunity to have Polish Language Classes for our students.

Each year, our school relies deeply on the support of our parish—and what a blessing that support continues to be. In addition, we are fortunate to be lifted up by generous donors and supporters beyond the St. Patrick's parish. It's heartwarming to witness the many ways people show their care, whether through time, financial donations, or prayers.

As we begin this new school year, we are especially grateful for the many contributions we've received—tuition assistance for families, classroom supplies for teachers, and even larger gifts like laminators and playground equipment. These blessings make a real difference. Please know that our students, staff, and families are sincerely thankful for every act of kindness and generosity.

When I speak with current or prospective parents, I always remind them: St. Patrick's is a partnership. It takes a village to raise a child, and here, we are blessed with a strong, loving village. Our community is filled with generous, caring individuals who support our mission and the families we serve.

Thank you for your continued prayers, your commitment, and your partnership as we carry out our mission: to provide a strong foundation of faith, community, and knowledge—forming courageous disciples ready to serve generously.

Blessings,
Toni Ross

This year's volleyball teams are lead by Coach Katie Marien (A Team) and Coach Marsy Koca (B Team), both being assisted by Assistant Coach Lauren Wilke. We have a great group of girls this year both on and off the court! We are so proud of the great leaders they are evolving into and the excellent sportmanship they show to each other and their opponents.



Let's hear it for the St. Pat's Cross County Team! Our Boys team came in first at their meet in Adams-Friendship and missed 4th place by 1 point at Westfield. Our very own Mason Laack earning a 10th place medal overall at the Wautoma meet on Sept 22nd, which we are very proud of! Be sure to come cheer the entire team on at their Mauston meet on October 6th The race begins at 4:30 with the starting line behind Mauston High School.

Logan Randall, Theron Miller, and Eddy Riley are the St. Pat's middle school boys on the Mauston Golden Eagles Football team this year! We are grateful to the Mauston school community for allowing our students to be a part of the Mauston Youth Football Program! Be sure to keep an eye on all our students coming up through the Mauston Golden Eagles Youth Football Team!



**We are proud to announce this year's
St. Patrick's Student Council Officers**

From left to right:

Savannah Danekas, Reporter

Ryleigh Vinopal, President

Mary Vinopal, Secretary

Logan Randall, Treasurer

Eddy Riley, Vice-President



7th & 8th Grade Field Trip Fundraiser



Our 8th graders are selling beautifully marvelous mums and more* to raise money for their annual Spring fieldtrip! Check out our FB page for more information and prices! *Only while supplies last

Holiday Wreaths

Before you know it, it'll be time to trim the tree! Be prepared for the holiday season and order your Christmas wreaths today from St. Patrick's School! These beautiful holiday decorations are made at Winter Woods in Glidden, WI and go perfect with every house!



All orders must be returned to the school office NO later than **October 27th.**

Payment must be made when order is placed.

Orders will be delivered to the school for **pick up on Tuesday, November 25th.**

Grandparents Day Schedule

8:30- Grandparents Arrive

9:00- Mass

10:00-Musical Program in the church

11:00- Activities and Lunch (students with last name K-Z)

12:00 -Activities and lunch (students with last name A-J)

Friday, October 17

We would like to take a moment to thank all of the families that participated, helped, and contributed their time, talents, and treasures to our annual Fall Festival. Without all of your hard work and support, this event would not be possible. The money raised each year at the Fall Fest goes to supporting our school, to helping keep our classrooms up-to-date, and keeping tuition costs manageable for ALL our families.

-Fall Fest Committee-

Mr. Moore Mr. Onsager Mrs. Stevens



CUSTODIAN

APPRECIATION DAY!

Thank you to Mr. Moore, Mr. Onsager and Mrs. Stevens for always keeping our school safe, clean, and at it's very best! These three work tirelessly to make sure St. Pat's is always well kept up. Be sure to tell them how happy you are that they are a part of our school the next time you see them!



Thank you to Fr. Cruz for making the time to come and be a part of our volleyball practices!

What is Scrip?

Though the **Scrip Program** has been in existence for a long time, many new parishioners and school families have never heard of it. Because we would like to build the Scrip Program, we want to give those who are new and refresh the memory of those who may have heard the word, a description of the program. Scrip is a program that which gives back a percent of the purchase price to our parish. There are two types of Scrip- **National Scrip** and **Local Scrip**

National Scrip is a gift card, the same as you would receive for a birthday or Christmas: think Kwik Trip, Amazon, Walgreens, Walmart, Festival Foods, Kohls. There are 100s of merchants to choose from, the most familiar ones we carry in our inventory box. Rebates range from 1.5-15%



Local Scrip, or what we refer to as Yellow Money, is used to buy products from any of the following local merchants:

Gas and Go
Castle Rock Golf Course
Culver's of Mauston
Eagle Promotions
Hammond Auto
J & S Liquor
Dirty Turtle

Kudick Chevrolet
Mauston True Value
Miller's Grocery Store, Lyndon Station
Northside Mobile
Null's Quick Lube
Ray's Shoes
Rudig-Jensen, New Lisbon

These merchants give back anywhere from 2-10%

When you buy a gift card, or local scrip you are getting full value; our profit comes from the business.

There are several ways to purchase Scrip-

From the sellers who are in the gathering area at every weekend Mass

At the school office during school hours

At the rectory office when school is not in session

AND, shop on-line; many of our customers do!

We receive our profit for online shopping directly from the company (RaiseRight) each month. (Our profit from online shopping for the last 3 months was \$1,459.23)

Kwik Trip is only available at the parish level.

We look forward to welcoming you as a new Scrip customer, and thank those who have been loyal customers.



St. Pat's Sales

St. Pat's Apparel Sale



NOW thru October 15th St. Patrick's School and Eagle Promotions online apparel store will be open!

Check out our online store at
<https://saintpatshomeandfamily2025.itemorder.com/shop/home/>
or scan the QR code to see all of the amazing items we have this year!



This year, for every item you purchase, \$1 will be donated back to the school for Security Upgrades around the building. Please consider purchasing an item for any loved ones on your Christmas lists that would enjoy showcasing their support for our school!

ARE YOU READY FOR

ButterBraids

OCTOBER 13-27
DELIVERY NOV. 21



The annual Butterbraid sale is back, with all their delicious flavors and treats! Such a tasty way to help support our students and staff! Don't currently have a family member who is a student? Don't worry! Contact
Kristi at 608-548-7613
or
Steph at 608-853-0149

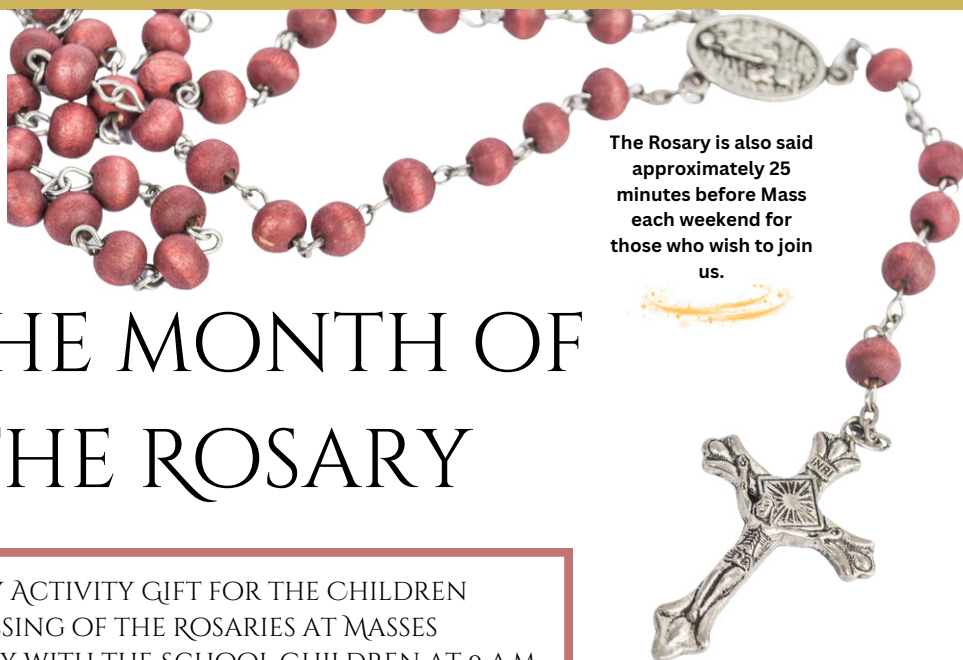


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October

IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY



The Rosary is also said approximately 25 minutes before Mass each weekend for those who wish to join us.

OCT. 4-5: ROSARY ACTIVITY GIFT FOR THE CHILDREN
OCT. 11-12: BLESSING OF THE ROSARIES AT MASSES
OCT. 23: LIVING ROSARY WITH THE SCHOOL CHILDREN AT 9 A.M.
OCT. 23: LIVING ROSARY WITH PARISHIONERS AT 6:30 P.M.

This year's 4 week Advent Bible Study will be starting November 19th in Reardon Hall. It will run from 7:00PM - 8:00PM every Wednesday evening from November 19th thru December 17th. The books will cost \$5.00. There are 15 spots available this year, and spots will be filled on a first come, first served basis.



Rejoice! Advent Meditations with Joseph is a prayer resource with daily meditations that will enrich your Advent by inviting you to experience the first Advent with Joseph and Mary, as they await the birth of their son, the Savior of the world.



Holy Happy Hour

AT GRAVITY BOX
BREWING CO.

Thursday
October 30, 2025

6:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.



Holy Happy Hour Topics

October 30-Rosary and my life

(Structure of rosary, the mysteries of rosary, spiritual benefits of rosary, rosary as a path to Holiness)

January 29-Praying with the psalms

(Psalms in times of suffering, in moments of joy, your favorite psalms, psalms of repentance)

February 26-Call to conversion-

(Prayer, fasting, almsgiving)





BINGO Night

at The Gravity Box

October 9, 2025
5:30-7:30

10 Rounds
\$10 per card



All proceeds go to Hope House



CARL W. NELSON
ANIMAL SHELTER
GIVING PETS A SECOND CHANCE

The Pig Pen

SPAY-GHETTI DINNER

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 29TH
5-8 PM, MAUSTON AMERICAN LEGION

FOOD CATERED BY THE PIG PEN!

ALL PROCEEDS TO SUPPORT THE SPAY AND NEUTER FUND AT CARL W. NELSON ANIMAL SHELTER

TICKETS \$15-25




TICKETS AVAILABLE BY:
• SCAN THE QR CODE
• CARLWELSON.ORG
• VISIT THE SHELTER
DINE IN OR CARRY OUT

LIMITED TICKETS. MUST PURCHASE BY 10/15




NOODLES FOR NEUTERS~ PASTA WITH A PURPOSE


HATCH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Stuffed Animal Clinic



Thursday, October 16th
5:30-6:30 PM
At Hatch Public Library



We hope you'll take a minute to check out all these great opportunities in Mauston to help support our neighbors and build a stronger community

While Father Cruz recovers from being under the weather this week, we are filling in with a message from Pope Leo XIV, as taken from his recent interview publicized on Vatican News

"Someone who says, 'I'm against abortion' but is in favor of the death penalty is not really pro-life, and someone who says, 'I'm against abortion' but I'm in agreement with the inhuman treatment of immigrants in the United States', I don't know if that's pro-life."



To watch the entire interview visit <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2025-09/pope-leo-xiv-peace-plan-gaza-war-pro-life-migrants-vatican-trial.html>

Pope Leo also released his monthly prayer intentions for October, which we are invited to pray for alongside him. He invites the "faithful to join in praying that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity."

Lubov, D. C. (2025, September 30). Pope's october prayer intention: "collaboration among religions." Vatican News. <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2025-09/pope-october-prayer-intention-collaboration-among-religions.html>

St. Patrick's Mission

To foster a Catholic identity, maintaining high academic standards for 3K through 8th Grade students while collaborating with families of ALL faiths by forming courageous disciples equipped to serve.

St. Patrick's Vision

Our school vision is that we provide a foundational experience of faith, community, and knowledge that forms courageous disciples ready to serve generously.

-Passages to Ponder-

As we try to navigate the world today, let us think on the words and actions of Jesus. Ask him to guide us to follow in his footsteps and his teachings. We hope you'll find a moment this week to reflect on our "Passages to Ponder" section and how it is relevant in our lives today

"You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven. ...If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? **Matthew 5: 43-47**

Spooktacular Halloween Dance

October 24, 2025
6 P.M.- 8 P.M.



Hotdogs, Brats, & Water provided for the whole family.
Please bring a side dish, appetizer, or treat of
your choice to pass

See our FB Page for more details regarding the costume contest

Children must be
accompanied by a parent or
responsible adult

Upcoming Events

October

- 2-Parent Pick Up Day
- 3- Parent Drop Off **AND**
Pick Up Day
- 17-Grandparents' Day
- 24-H&S Halloween Dance
- 30-Holy Happy Hour 6:30
- 31- **Half Day**: Pick Up 12:25

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November

- 1- All Saints Day (HDO)
- 2-All Souls Day
- 6-P/T Conferences (3:45-5:45)
- 7-**NO SCHOOL**- P/T Conferences
- 9-KC Pancake Breakfast (8th Grade)
- 11-Veterans Day
- 26-28- **NO SCHOOL**
Thanksgiving Break

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Sponsor Highlight

Miller's General Store has been in the Miller family and serving the Lyndon Station area since 1977. Bud and Frances took over this family run grocery store and now it is being operated by his son Tom. Tom along with his wife Ashley, and four sons, Landynn, Theron, Griffin, and Ronan, are committed to their community and parish. All four boys have attended St. Pats school. In addition to being a full grocery store, Millers offers many services including an Amazon Locker, Village Post Office, and ATM. The family is very involved with the youth organizations in our area. They have always felt that offering opportunities for the youth in our communities is vital to our future. In addition to helping out at the store, Ashley is a full time elementary education teacher at CESA and also works part time at Mile Bluff Medical Center in the ER. The store is located in downtown Lyndon Station and is open from 8-am - 8pm everyday. Stop in and see what they have to offer and be sure to bring you local Scrip.

Tommy Miller
1987 St. Pat's Graduate

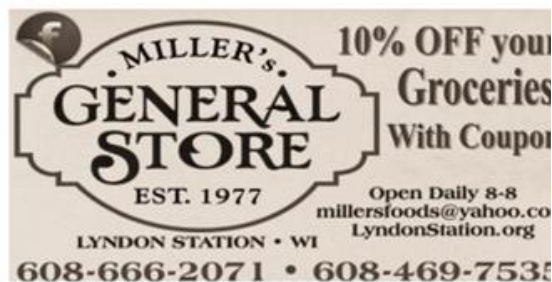


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