



LITTLE GIANTS BIG NEWS

May 2022 Edition



Mission Statement

“The mission of Saint Patrick Catholic School is: That everyone in the Saint Patrick Catholic School community encounter Jesus, grow as His disciples, and witness to others through a Christ-centered academic environment.”

NEWLETTER

If you'd like to add anything to the newsletter, please email Hillary Lange at hslange10@gmail.com

Principal's Note

What a school year we have had, it is hard to believe it is almost over! I remember the first day, as if it were yesterday... It was so much fun meeting our teachers (new and old) and our new friends and getting reacquainted with old friends. New ways to do old things and new people to do old things with. The boogie with Mrs. Miller, Calendar Time with Miss Gangway. Our first Chapel time in the Gym for Morning Prayers, and lighting prayer candles before the icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help.



Remember how our prayers for the sick and for the Souls of the Deceased kept growing. So many of our prayers were answered in miraculous ways! Before we could blink it was Halloween Carnival, and then snow and sunshine in late November. God blessed us with a morning in in the snow, how fun! Then Christmas came and went with the blink of an eye! We enjoyed Saint Patrick's Winter Olympics and Catholic Schools week in January.



Blinked again and it was Ash Wednesday. Soon Easter came and went. The First Grade celebrated two Sacraments: Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, while some of our seventh and eighth graders were confirmed. We had sidewalk chalk for respect life day, and the most beautiful Fatima Procession and May Crowning.

And here we are about to say good-bye for another summer. What a blessing this year has been to all of us, and what a privilege to serve God and to serve your wonderful families here at Saint Patrick School. It has been a privilege to work with you all this year. May God bless you all this summer. Come back rested. Don't forget to say your Morning Offering every day and pray for your teachers and our support staff.

WONDERS AWAIT YOU IN THE FALL!!!

-Mr. Lenze



School Committee Update

We met for the month of May and welcomed four new members: Hope Link, Nicole Jaskot, Andrew Konyha, and Jenna Heiden. We are preparing to hit the ground running next year starting with Back-To-School Night! Please mark it down for Monday, August 22nd with more details in the coming weeks. The yearly school calendar will be coming soon as well to help you prepare. Note that these dates are subject to change, and we will continue to send home monthly calendars and will do our best to give you advance notice of any changes.

As we revamp our approach to curriculum, we thought it would be important to share that our STAR test results came back. Overall, our students have tested above the national average, which we are very proud of each of their hard work! However, there are always opportunities to improve, and we are using these results to direct future focus.

Small reminder that each School Committee member is available for you to reach out to for any concerns you may have as a parent. If you have any questions pertaining to School Committee, please reach out to Joel Grubb or email to school committee at SchoolCommittee@stpatrick.school.

PRESCHOOL ENJOYING THE OUTDOORS



ON ONE OF THE BEAUTIFUL DAYS THE PRESCHOOL CLASS HAD A LARGE CHUNK OF THEIR CLASS OUTDOORS. THEY PLAYED HOT LAVA WITH SHAPES. THEY HAD TO RUN TO THE SHAPE THAT WAS CALLED TO BE SAFE. THEY HAD A RELAY RACE, COLOR SORTING POM POM BALLS. THEY PAINTED WITH FLY SWATTERS AND HAD EXTRA PLAYTIME OUTSIDE.

CYO

It's that time again to start thinking about fall sports. With the nice weather and busy schedules among us please don't forget to sign up your children for Fall sports. Registration for CYO fall sports will be open through July 29th. All Divine Grace Parish members and St. Patrick School students are eligible to participate. Available sports are:

Girls Volleyball: Grades 4-8

Boys Tackle Football: Grades 5-8

Co-Ed Soccer: Grades 5-8

Co-Ed Flag Football: Grades 1-4

Please register with Justin Roof (734)323-3905 or jrgrain@gmail.com by the July 29th deadline.

Anyone interested in coaching or assistant coaching your help would be greatly appreciated to make this a successful season for our young Catholic athletes. Please call, text or email Justin Roof for more details

St. Patrick School Foundation Update

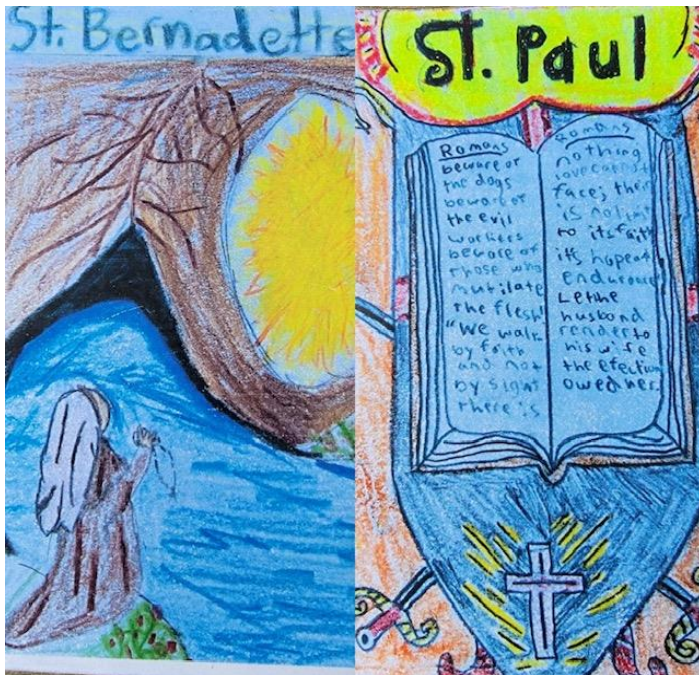
Lights Camera Action!!!!

Through a donation from an anonymous donor in partnership with the St. Patrick School Foundation we have brought lights to the school pavilion. We look forward to providing light for those dark mornings and nights. Thank you to Tom Busen and Ray Langton for providing the labor and skilled craftsmanship to make this happen!



THE 5TH & 6TH GRADE HELD A WONDERFUL SAINTS WAX MUSEUM THIS MONTH!

BELOW IS SOME OF THE ARTWORK THEY CREATED OF THEIR CHOSEN SAINT.



PTO

We've had an amazingly beautiful and chaotic past couple of weeks on the PTO. We were able to utilize some of our funds to appreciate and celebrate the Secretary and Principal, as well as the Teachers and Staff at St. Patrick School. In addition to supplying breakfast and lunches, we were able to gift each individual a present on behalf of all of the families at our school.

Our coordinated efforts to fundraise through our spirit wear and plant sales plus our Mother's Day Brunch has generated enough funds to host an end of the year picnic complete with a visit from the ice cream truck!

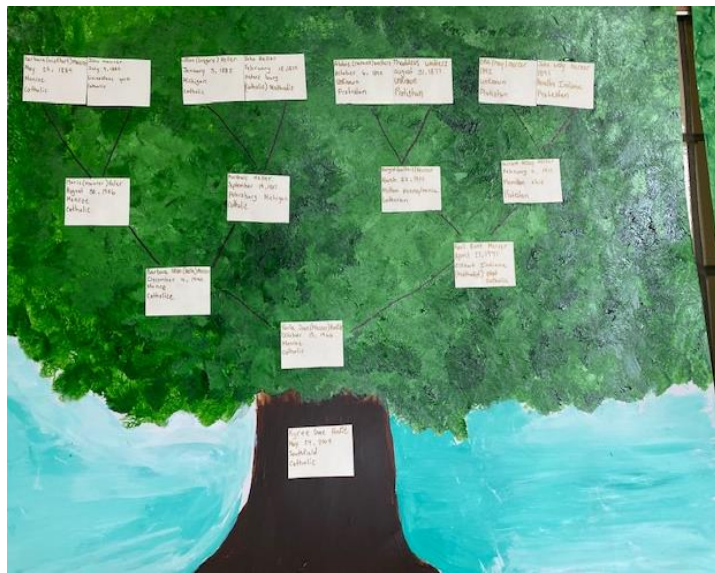
We couldn't have accomplished all of this without your help and we sincerely appreciate your support! We hope that you have a relaxing and fun-filled summer and look forward to seeing you in the fall





Reminder that beginning for the 2022-2023 school year it will be required for each family to enroll and spend \$250. You can get a head start and enroll now. Scrip is a great fundraising program that makes it easy to earn tuition credit. This school year (May to May) the school has raised around \$1000 from only 17 families. Imagine what we could get from everyone doing some!

THIS SPRING OUR 7TH & 8TH GRADERS WORKED ON A PROJECT! AFTER THEIR DISCUSSION IN HISTORY OF THE IMMIGRATION IN THE MID-1800, EACH STUDENT COMPLETED A FAMILY TREE FOCUSING ON WHERE OUR FAMILY TRADITIONS MAY HAVE DEVELOPED.



PEACE GARDEN:

We are working to give the peace garden some love in order to revive it and make it a place of beautiful serenity. If you or someone you know has any interest or ideas on how to improve, please contact Hillary Lange (906)281-0402