



LITTLE GIANTS BIG NEWS

September 2022 Edition

PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Welcome Back to school! A shout out to the many new faces around campus both new families and new staff. We had a great start to the year, and the students seem to be adjusting to our new format. Hopefully you are hearing about “Socratic Conversations” and seeing a new emphasis in reading, this year! All part of the new Classical Curriculum at Saint Patrick School.

You may have noticed the Virtue Tree in the New School Entry Way. We started with a leafless tree, and already our students have been hard at work acting out in virtuous ways and adding colorful leaves to the tree. Please keep an eye on this tree this year. We expect it to be falling over with so many, awesome, acts of virtue.

Please note that your students will be taking the Star Renaissance Test this fall, and two more times this year (mid-winter and in the late spring). The Fall test is to see where the students are after the long summer break. We will also use this test to see if any of our students could use an extra boost to stay on task. We will be offering tutoring after school this year. It will be free of charge due to a grant from the Federal Government, through the State of Michigan. Days and times will be forth coming.

A couple of dates to remember:

- Saint Joe’s Festival is the weekend of September 16-18.
- There is no School on Monday, September 19, because the staff will be in serviced through the AoD.
- Rummage Sale drop off begins Tuesday, September 20 and the sale runs through Sunday, September 25.
- September 25 is also the Fun Run. We start the run right after the 11:00 Mass!
- The Annual Hootenanny is slated for Saturday, October 8.
- Monday, October 17 is another Professional Development Day for the Staff. There will be no school that day.

I want to thank everyone for making this start of the year a success!

God Bless you all,
Carl Lenze, principal



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

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL FOUNDATION

Our parking lot initiative continues to move along nicely. We are now at \$108,350 pledged and are still working towards our goal of \$130,000. With our pledges already secured, there is a strong chance that the project will move forward in the fall, but it is a little bit tight without contingency or any extras. Please help the St. Patrick School Foundation by reaching out to family and friends who are in a position to help us with this project. Thanks again.

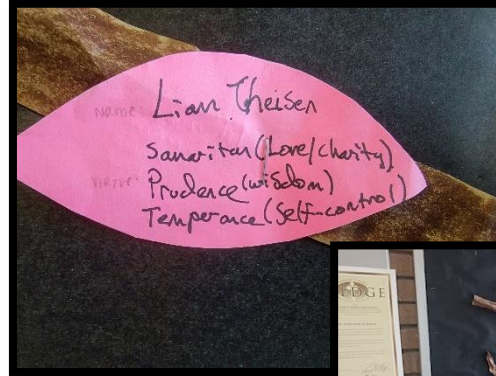
Regards,
Aaron



As Mr. Lenze mentioned, this year, we are introducing a Catholic Virtues Tree as a form of student recognition.

It is displayed in the front corridor near the school office. The tree will be barren at the start of the school year but will begin to bloom with the kind and caring actions of the students at St. Patrick School. Congratulations to Liam Theisen, 4th grade, who received a leaf for displaying the virtues of Samaritan (Love/Charity), Prudence (Wisdom), and Temperance (Self-control).

Thank you for being a Christian leader at St. Patrick School, Liam!!



Scrip is an easy fundraiser for our school! You can purchase physical cards, reloadable cards and e-gift cards. Mark your calendars for physical card orders through the school! They will be placed on the FIRST Friday of each month and usually has a two day turn around. The LAST scrip order will be placed on May 5th, 2023.

Each K-8 family is required to purchase \$250 worth of scrip for the school year. When scrip is purchased 40% of the rebate amount goes to the school while 60% of the rebate amount goes towards your next years tuition unless otherwise noted. Pre-K families are also encouraged to use the scrip program as you can start now, earning money back towards your child's Kindergarten tuition! This is another great opportunity to get family members involved in purchasing their gift cards through scrip too, please contact Maegan Theisen on how to get them set up!

Also, please remember to fill out the scrip form and send that into Kelly Varcie. The form was sent home in your white folder at Back-to-School Night or if you need a new one please contact Maegan Theisen or Kelly Varcie for the form.

If you have any questions or need help getting set up and started contact Maegan Theisen at 734-735-

RAISE RIGHT (SCRIP)

GIANTS CELEBRATING SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Hunter Hieden, turning
- Quinn Jaskot, turning 5
- Adam Wickenhieser, turning 6
- Jed Kohlman, turning 4
- Crew Bishop, turning 5
- Anna Goins, turning 8
- Wyatt Woodman, turning 4
- Samantha Kus, Turning 4



ST. PETER CLAVER

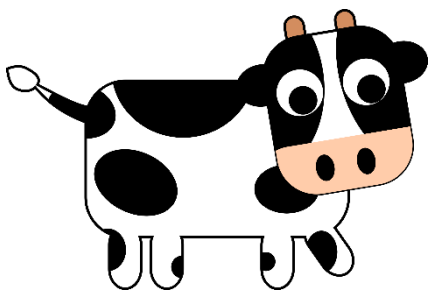
THE SAINT FOR SEPTEMBER IS ST. PETER CLAVER, WHOSE FEAST DAY IS ON SEPTEMBER 9. HE WAS BORN IN 1581 IN SPAIN. HE LEFT SPAIN IN 1615 AND WENT TO CARTAGENA, A MAIN PLACE OF SLAVE TRADE IN SOUTH AMERICA. THERE HE SPENT 40 YEARS HELPING SLAVES. ST. PETER PROVIDED THEM WITH MEDICINE, FOOD, BREAD, BRANDY, AND TOBACCO. HE BAPTIZED ABOUT 300,000 SLAVES. ST. PETER CLAVER DIED IN 1654, AND IS KNOWN AS THE 'SLAVE OF SLAVES'. HE IS ALSO THE PATRON SAINT OF SLAVES. ST. PETER CLAVER, PRAY FOR US!

"WE MUST SPEAK TO THEM WITH OUR HANDS BY GIVING BEFORE WE TRY TO SPEAK TO THEM WITH OUR LIPS."
-ST. PETER CLAVER

RESOURCES

- SAINT OF THE DAY-EDITED BY LEONARD FOLEY, REVISED BY PAT MCCLOSKEY
- PICTURE BOOK OF THE SAINTS- BY REV. LAWRENCE G. LOVASIK

RIDDLES FOR FUN!!!



Q. THERE WERE 30 COWS ON A FARM AND 28 CHICKENS. HOW MANY DIDN'T?

A. 20 COWS (20-ATE CHICKENS)

BIRTHDAYS, SAINT SPOTLIGHT, & 'RIDDLES FOR FUN' BROUGHT TO YOU BY MR. BOLSTER'S 5TH & 6TH GRADE CLASS



PTO UPDATE

Welcome 2022-2023! We are so glad to be back in school!

A little info about ourselves...we are a group of parents, teachers, and staff that gets together once a month and communicates via WhatsApp. Our goal is to help facilitate the learning environment of St. Patrick's School and we accomplish this through field trips, celebrations, presentations, and other fun activities. We work hard to make sure that our teachers and students have what they need to be successful.

We'd love for you to join us! Shoot us a quick message anytime at pto@stpatrick.school.



“GET REV’D UP FOR AUCTION!!”

Come join our Solicitations team for this year's 2022 St. Patrick School Auction! There is a lot to be done before the big night on Dec. 2nd. Parents, grandparents, and volunteers are starting now to contact local businesses, gathering donations for silent and live auction items!

Contact Christie Salenbien at (734) 755-7279 to sign up to contact a few businesses. It's not hard- most businesses have participating with us for years! A phone call, drop-in, or email is often as simple as it gets. It takes a big team to make this effort successful...many hands make light work! We are working to get all business donations in before Oct. 30th, so we are starting now! If you know of a new business to contact, please text Christie.



CYO UPDATE

Fall sports are kicked off and should continue through November. The athletes having been actively preparing these past few weeks for their upcoming games. We've love to see community support at the games and the game schedules are listed here!

Sept 7th

A VB 5:00PM @ St. Mary Monroe
B1-VB 6:15 @ St. Charles

Sept 10th

B2-VB 11:15 @ Trinity Lutheran
1-2 & 3-4 Flag FB 9:00 @ St. Charles
7-8 FB 10:30 @ St. Charles

Sept 13th

B1-VB 6:15 @ St. Joseph Erie

Sept 14th

A-VB 7:30 @ Home
B2-VB 6:15 @ Home
Soccer 5:45 @ Holy Ghost

Sept 17th

A-VB 10:00 @ Home
B1-VB 11:15 @ Trinity Luth.
B2- VB 11:15 @ Home
3-4 Flag FB 8:00 @ St. Charles
1-2 Flag FB 9:00 @ St. Charles
Soccer 10:00 @ Holy Ghost
7-8 FB 10:30 @ St. Charles

Sept 24th

A-VB 10:00, B1-VB 11:15, B2-VB 12:30 @ Home
3-4 Flag FB 8 & 9, 1-2 Flag FB 9:00 @ St. Charles
Soccer 10:00 @ St. Stephen
7-8 FB @ Holy Family Regional #2 Time TBD

Sept 26th

A-VB 7:30 @ St. Mary Monroe
Soccer 5:45 @ Holy Ghost

Sept 28th

Soccer 5:45 @ St. Joseph Erie

Sept 29th

B1-VB 7:30 @ Home
B2-VB 6:15 @ Home

October 1st

B2-VB 9:00 @ St. Mary Monroe
3-4 Flag FB 9:00 @ St. Charles
1-2 Flag FB 9:00 @ St. Charles
Soccer 9:00 @ St. Joe's Trenton
7-8 FB 10:30 @ St. Charles

Oct 3rd

A-VB 7:30 @ St. Mary Monroe
B1-VB 6:15 @ St. Mary Monroe

Oct 5th

A-VB 7:30 @ Home
B2-VB 5:00, B1-VB 6:15 @ Home
Soccer 5:30 @ St. Paul II

Oct 8th

A-VB 12:30 & B1-VB 10:00 @ Home
B2-VB 1:45 @ St. Mary Monroe
3-4 Flag FB 8:00 @ St. Charles
1-2 Flag FB 9:00 @ St. Charles
7-8 FB 10:30 @ St. Charles