



St. Patrick Catholic School  
The Irish Weekly  
Week of October 4-8, 2021



**Our Mission Statement**  
To lay the foundation for students through Catholic traditions and high standards of education in a safe, nurturing, and welcoming environment.

**Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.** Mark 10:14



**COVID Impact on Our School**

We had one staff member test positive for COVID-19 this week. Due to her limited hours on campus and not having close contact with any students, no one (other than the staff member) had to be quarantined this week.

We will continue to let you know when students test positive. Because of privacy laws, we cannot disclose the names of the students. We will let the parents of students who have been in close contact know so that they can be quarantined based on the current requirements of the diocese and the Department of Health.

Thank you for all your help with the mask mandate that is currently in effect. We ask your continued patience and assistance with this and in reporting any new positive cases to us.

**Fall Festival October 23**

Save the date of **October 23**! St. Patrick's HSA is hosting a Fall Festival here on campus. There will be pumpkins for purchase, food trucks, games and vendors. More details will be coming out over the next few weeks.

**First Quarter Ends on October 8**

It's difficult to believe it, but the first quarter is coming to an end. The final day for grades will **be Friday, October 8**. Report cards for grades K-8 will be distributed on **Friday, October 22**.

**Rosary Club Update**

We will be combining the two groups of Elementary and Middle School Rosary Club into one group, meeting on the first Tuesday of each month from **Oct 5th to May 3rd** at 3:15-4pm.

**Early Release Day October 22 with Parent Conferences**

**Friday, October 22**, will be an early release day (aftercare WILL be available). On that day, K-8 parents will be able to come in and receive their child's report card from their teacher. More details will be forthcoming.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Planet Fair was Out of This World!

Our fifth grade recently completed their science unit on the solar system and hosted a Planet Fair in the Parish Hall. Students shared their knowledge and research on their assigned planet with students from the younger grades. The unit culminated in a field trip to the Museum of Science and History (MOSH). Congratulations to Mrs. Fox and the class for a job well done!

## Homeroom Communication Form

To assist with communication, our Homeroom Parents will begin meeting as a group and with their classroom teachers. To assist them in reaching out to families, we have designed the following Google form. Please take a few moments to reply to this form so we know your communication preferences. The form can be accessed from this link: <https://forms.gle/UHhXCxNvVDLi3yD57> Your response will be kept confidential.

## Irish Spirit Wear Update

Thank you to everyone who purchased items through our Spirit Store. T5, the company who manages our spirit items, had a delay in processing the orders, but we have been notified that the store (website) has been closed and orders are being processed/prepared. As soon as they arrive at the school, we will deliver them to your children (we were told that it takes 7-10 business days, so they should be in next week). We will re-open the Spirit Store at the beginning of the next sports season (middle to end of October).

## Flu Shot Clinic

St. Patrick will be offering flu shots for students who are interested in receiving one. The clinic will be sponsored by Health Heroes and will take place on **Wednesday, October 13**. permission forms were sent home this week.

## Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation and First Eucharist (2nd graders) and Confirmation (8th graders)

Classes for the Immediate preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation begin in the winter/spring of 2022.

Many parents ask, “*Why does my child have to attend classes for sacraments?*”, “*Does not the parish school teach the sacraments to their students?*”, “*Is not sacramental prep part of what I am paying for in tuition to the school?*” The answer is immediate sacramental preparation is not something the school provides. It is the privilege of the parish priest to ensure that all his parish members are prepared to receive the sacraments. While the school does teach their students about what the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation are (this is what the diocese refers to as “remote preparation”), it does not spiritually prepare children and their families to actually receive these sacraments (what the diocese refers to as “immediate sacramental preparation”).

If your child is baptized, has been in religious education in 1st and 2nd grade (for FHC and Confession) or 7th and 8th grade (For Confirmation, must have received FHC and Reconciliation), and your family is a member of St. Patrick parish, you must pre-register for these classes in order for your children to receive the sacraments in May of 2022. To register your child for sacramental prep classes at St. Patrick, you will need to contact our parish Director of Religious Education, Cathy Taylor, and provide a copy of your child’s baptismal certificate to her. Call, text, or email: 904-860-3891 [cataylor@addressplus.net](mailto:cataylor@addressplus.net) If your home parish is not St. Patrick, but you would like to have your child prepared and receive sacraments at St. Patrick, call your home parish and speak to a DRE.

## Coach Needed

We are excited to be able to offer coaching stipends for anyone interested in coaching this year! We currently need a volleyball coach to participate in the league. Each head coach will be offered a coaching shirt and equipment, and you can choose if you would like the coaching stipend or credit for Family Service Hours. **If you are interested, or you know someone that might be, please contact Coach T or Mr. Meyer for more information: [coacht@spscjax.org](mailto:coacht@spscjax.org).** The team is composed of 5-8th grade girls. Tryouts are the 1st or 2nd weekend of November (after basketball ends). Practices are determined by the coach, and the season runs from Dec. to Feb. (with time off for the holiday break).

## This Week-At-A-Glance

### Monday, October 4

- Basketball at Christ the King. Girls 5pm, Boys 6pm

### Tuesday, October 5

- Rosary Club Meeting 3:15-4pm
- Soccer Shots on campus
- Basketball Practice 3:00-4:30

### Wednesday, October 6

- Engineering for Kids on campus
- HSA Board Meeting 6pm
- Basketball Practice 3:00-4:30

### Thursday, October 7

- Basketball Game vs. St. Paul's (Location TBD). Girls 5pm, Boys 6pm

### Friday, October 8

- 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Ends

**\*\*Please remember that there is NO SCHOOL on Monday, October 11.\*\***

### **Lunch Menu** (please order through <https://stpatricks.ahotlunch.com>)

All school lunches will be served TO-GO style in a plastic bag with all food, drink, utensils, and condiments included. *Due to limited availability of some of our commonly used products, Chef will pre-select the sides for the day. Some examples include Baby carrots, string cheese, yogurt, apple, orange, banana, granola bar, or apple sauce.*

<b>Monday 9/27</b>	<b>Tuesday 9/28</b>	<b>Wednesday 9/29</b>	<b>Thursday 9/30</b>	<b>Friday 10/1</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cheese pizza with chip, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• Pepperoni pizza with chip, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• 2 Pepperoni pizza with chip, drink, and 1 side item - \$7.00</li><li>• 2 Cheese pizza with chip, drink, and 1 side item - \$7.00</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chicken Cheddar wrap with lettuce, chip, drink, and 1 side - \$5.00</li><li>• Double Wraps - \$7.00</li><li>• Grilled Cheese with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• Double Grilled Cheese - \$7.00</li><li>• Cold Ham and cheese sandwich on Butter bread with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwich on Butter bread with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Classic Buttermilk Pancakes (3 Buttermilk pancakes with 2 turkey breakfast sausage, syrup on the side) drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• Breakfast Wrap (Hash browns, scrambled eggs, and cheddar cheese inside a warm tortilla) drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• Double Wraps - \$7.00</li><li>• Cold Ham and cheese sandwich on Butter bread with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwich on Butter bread with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grilled Hotdog with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• Double Dog - \$7.00</li><li>• Cold Ham and cheese sandwich on Butter bread with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwich on Butter bread with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• TBLT on croissant with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Baked Ravioli with Garlic bread, mixed vegetables, and drink - \$5.00</li><li>• Chicken Patty Sandwich with American cheese on a hamburger bun with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• Double Sandwich - \$7.00</li><li>• Cold Ham and cheese sandwich on Butter bread with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li><li>• Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwich on Butter bread with chips, drink, and 1 side item - \$5.00</li></ul>