



Virtue **COURTESY**

**BEING THOUGHTFUL OF OTHERS**

Saint of the Week: Ven. Pierre Toussaint

**Patron Saint of the Week: Venerable Pierre Toussaint, 8C**

(1766-1853, Haiti & United States) Feast: June 30

Pierre Toussaint was born and raised as a Catholic slave in Haiti when it was still a French colony. To escape the slave rebellions that eventually drove out the French government, Toussaint’s owners fled, with him, to New York. He was assigned as an apprentice to one of the city’s leading hairdressers, and became quite successful.

When his slave-owner died, Toussaint quietly supported his owner’s widow. She, in gratitude, freed Toussaint from his slave status. Toussaint later married and used his considerable wealth to support charitable causes, including work against religious and racial prejudice. Toussaint’s death in 1853, at age 87, sparked widespread mourning. Just 13 years ago, Pope John Paul II declared Pierre Toussaint, Venerable- the first step to becoming a saint.



*Blessed Pierre Toussaint, thank you for showing us that whatever we do to the least, we do Christ. Help us to defer to others because they are made in the image of God. Pray that we may become more thoughtful of others and imitate you. May we practice the virtue of Courtesy.*

(Closing Prayer will be on intercom at 6:10 & 7:55)

Next week: St. Martin de Porres, Class 1C

- **Tonight will be Confessions for the 6<sup>th</sup> graders.** There will be a very short Prayer in Church so please come up to the Church immediately after attendance and one Catechist to do the service in Church.

October	30	6 <sup>th</sup> Gr.
November	6	5 <sup>th</sup> Gr.
November	13	4 <sup>th</sup> Gr.
November	20	3 <sup>rd</sup> Gr.

- **“Safe Touch” classes tonight for Grades 7 and 8.** This program will consist of about 10-20 minutes out of one class period. Some classes will be combined for the presentation. You will be called from your room to go to the cafeteria for the program. Please go to the program with your class. Mrs. Barb Dunnerman will be presenting the material.
- **HAPPY HALLOWEEN:** You may give out Halloween treats but students may not open them or eat until in parents’ car at dismissal!

**St. Patrick Basketball has some openings at certain grade levels and opened registration back up until they fill. It will be open through Friday, November 1.**

**3rd grade girls 4th grade girls 8th grade girls <https://spaa63385004.sportssignup.com>**



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**Chicken Dinner THIS FRIDAY!** The last Knights of Columbus Chicken Dinner of the season is Fri, Nov 1, from 4:00- 7:00 PM at St. Patrick Social Hall. **ALL YOU CAN EAT** fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, green beans, fries, coleslaw, rolls, ice cream, and beverages. Adults - \$11, Kids 8-12 yrs. - \$5, Under 8 yrs. - Free. Dine in or Carry out.

**Trivia Night Fundraiser MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS (6-8TH)** Middle School Trivia Night, Friday, November 22. Doors open at 6:30 PM, Trivia starts at 7, St. Patrick Social Hall. \$10 in advance or \$12 at door. Pizza slices, candy, chips, & soda available for purchase. Heads or Tails-\$1 to play; Surprise guest MC & DJ. No outside food or drinks. RSVP by Nov 18 preferred but not mandatory. To register, visit [www.stpatrickwentzville.org/youth-events](http://www.stpatrickwentzville.org/youth-events). Teams of 8 or less.

### ANGELS & SAINTS

All you angels and saints of God.

Pray for me please as I prepare with my class to celebrate the Feast of All Saints.

I love this feast because it says that all of us, every single one of us,  
Is called by God, as all of you were, to give thanks and praise.

Teach us, guide us, and show us how to share the joy of our calling,  
To reach out to one another, to listen, to share, to comfort, to console one another,  
To encourage one another when we fail, to pray for one another when we falter.

It is a great feast, and I want the children to know what a privilege it is  
To be among the communion of saints.

I know, of course, that they are more concerned about Halloween  
Because of its fun and festivity, costumes and candy. It's a hard act to follow.

But help me to make a dent, dear friends of God.  
Help those I teach to look to you for guidance, to learn from you,  
how to be children of God and followers of Jesus Christ. AMEN.

From [A Prayerbook for Catechists](#) by Gwen Costello

