



PSR NOTES



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THROUGH VIRTUE



"Deep in the Heart of Giving"
"The stars at night, are big and bright..."
....Deep in the heart of Texas"

Let's Share Our Hearts With Texas for the next two weeks of PSR: September 6 and September 13

All students are invited to come to PSR class in "Texas Theme or Western Wear", (stars, hearts, plaid flannel, boots, hats, bandannas, jeans, etc.) and to bring a small donation to benefit the victims of Hurricane Harvey. The money collected will be sent directly to Catholic Charities. Please prayerfully consider having your child(ren) complete a chore to earn money to donate as their act of service. And please pray as a family for the victims of Hurricane. We will also have a time of prayer during class and also make cards and notes to send to the victims to let them know that we are thinking of them as they recover from this horrendous Hurricane Harvey.



Rally for 8th Grade Confirmation Students Monday September 11 at 6pm at St. Dominic. Presence is Required!

PSR students are also invited to participate in the Generation Life Pilgrimage in January. Letters and permission forms have been sent home with students for parents.

There will be an obligatory meeting on Thursday, September 21 at 7:00 PM in the Social Hall for the PARENTS of all PSR students preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this spring.

DATES TO REMEMBER

September

6	Reg Class		
11	Monday	Confirmation Rally-St. Dominic	6-8pm
13	Reg Class	(Parking)	
15-16		Fall Festival	
20	Reg Class	Bible Presentation	
21		Confirmation Parent Meeting	7:00 pm SH
27	Reg Class		
28		Parent First Sacraments Meeting	7:00 pm SH

October

4	Reg Class	Blessing Of Pets	
7	Saturday	Catechist Day	
11	Reg Class		
15		Sacramental Enrollment?	
18	Reg Class	Penance Service Grades 3-8	
18	Wed	Parent Support Meeting 7PM	
25	NO CLASS	Fall Break	

November

1	Mass	All Saints Day	7:00 pm Church
4	Saturday	Parish Dinner Auction	
8	Reg Class		
15	Reg Class		
16	Thursday	Confirmation Student/Sponsor Meeting	7:00 pm SH
22	NO CLASS	Thanksgiving Break	
29	Reg Class	Practice for 1st Reconciliation	
30	Thursday	First Reconciliation	7:00 pm Church

December

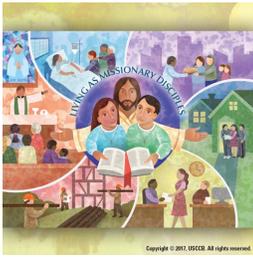
6	Reg Class		
13	Reg Class		
20	Reg Class		
27	NO CLASS	Christmas Break	

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR FALL FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERING!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044dacab22a3f49-stpatricks2>

Our 2017 Fall Festival begins Friday evening, September 15 and concludes Saturday night, September 16. Join us as we celebrate our community with rides, live entertainment, delicious food, activities for all ages, and good friends. Entrance to the festival is FREE! Read all about the St. Patrick Fall Festival at: <http://www.stpatrickwentzville.org/fallfest>

FALL FESTIVAL MEGA-RAFFLE TICKETS: For each St. Patrick PSR student, 4 mega-raffle tickets went home LAST WEEK. Each student is encouraged to sell 4 tickets. The top selling student will receive a Gift Card.



This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 17, 2017. The 2017 theme will be "Living as Missionary Disciples." Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday

is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

A Prayer for Missionary Disciples

Holy Spirit, open my eyes to see my neighbors— those who are before me, and those who are beside me; those you have called me to teach, and those you have called me to serve. Give me wisdom to know the words to say and the deeds to do so that my neighbors may come to know the Good News of Jesus Christ through me. Responding to the challenge of your servant, Pope Francis, help me each day to live as a missionary disciple by being involved, supportive, merciful, joyful, and ever attentive to your guidance. Amen



We are still asking for a weekly donation of one or several non-perishable food items. Also, paper products and personal items are not covered by food stamps, so those would be helpful also. We have crates near the entrance/PSR Office on Wednesday evenings for the items brought in. Thank you for your continued support of our local food pantries.



FRIDAY, SEPT 8 • 4-7 PM

Fried Chicken • Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
Corn • Green Beans • Baked Beans

French Fries • Cole Slaw • Rolls • Ice Cream

BEVERAGES INCLUDED

Soda, Tea, Water • Beer Available

Adults • \$10.00

Children 8-12 yrs. • \$5.00

7 yrs. and younger • Free!!

DINE-IN • CARRY-OUT

The next chicken dinner will be Sat., September 16 during the fall festival and again on Fridays, October 13 & November 10.



There will be a **Parent First Sacraments Meeting** in Social Hall on **Thursday, September 28, 2017 at 7:00 PM**. This is an obligatory meeting for the parents of all children in the Parish who will be receiving First Reconciliation and First Eucharist this year.

Bibles will be presented to the Sixth Grade PSR students during a special Prayer Service in Church on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 at 5:10pm for "A" session and at 6:50 pm for "B" session.



The Seventh Grade classes who received their bibles last year will also participate. **All parishioners, parents and Knights are cordially invited to attend.**

Bring your pets when you come to pick up the kids for a special blessing!



We will have a **Pet Blessing** in the Parking Lot on **St. Francis of Assisi's Feast Day, Wednesday, October 4** at dismissal time. **Pets need to be either in a cage or on a leash.**

We will celebrate a **Sacramental Preparation Enrollment Ceremony** for all children preparing to receive a sacrament (**2nd and 8th graders**) at all the Masses the weekend of **October 14/15**. The children will be asked to stand in their place and respond "We do" to the questions asked by the priest.

On **Tuesday, October 18, 7:00 Pm** in the Social Hall, we will have a **Parent Support Program for Middle School Parents**. This special Presentation by West Count Psychological Associates is to assist parents of 6, 7, & 8th graders with information and suggestions in how to guide their children through some difficult years and issues. You will receive a letter with more information for this important event.

High School Night at St. Dominic for Grades 6-8

Tuesday September 26, 7pm.

High School Nights provide students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade and their parents an opportunity to hear from representatives of the Catholic high schools about their programs and policies.

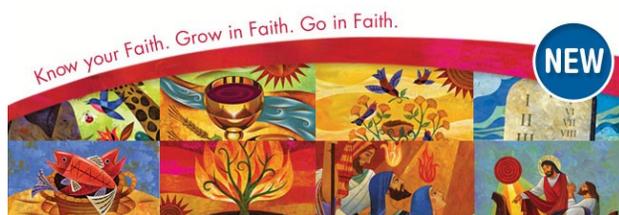
See <http://archstl.org/education/page/high-school-nights>

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VIRTUE OF THE MONTH—**FAITH**—believing in God and all He has revealed

Saint of the Week:	9-6	Nativity of Mary	
	9-13	St. Augustine	Class 6C
	9-20	St. Jerome	Class 3C
	9-27	St. Martha	Class 1C



Our parish has chosen to use *Finding God: Our Response to God's Gifts* for Grades 1-7 to assist you as you invite your children into a deeper relationship with God and with the Catholic Church. *Finding God* was produced by Loyola Press, which is a Jesuit company dedicated to nurturing a living faith. The title, *Finding God: Our Response to God's Gifts*, reflects the inspiration of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits. The program is based on a spiral curriculum that integrates the fundamental themes of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* with Scripture and Catholic Social Teachings. It encourages children to recognize the presence of God in our own lives; to discern the presence of God in all people and circumstances; to recognize the presence of God in our experiences of God's creation; and to live as people for others.

The general themes for each year are:

- ☐ Grade 1: God Found Everything Good—God and Creator
- ☐ Grade 2: I Am the True Vine—Eucharist and Reconciliation
- ☐ Grade 3: Fishers of Men—Church and the Holy Spirit
- ☐ Grade 4: Blessed Are the Poor—Beatitudes and the Ten Commandments
- ☐ Grade 5: The Bread of Life—Sacraments and Worship
- ☐ Grade 6: I Am Who Am—The Old Testament
- ☐ Grade 7: Following Jesus—The New Testament

The book is organized in units based on the program themes of God, Jesus, the Church, the Sacraments, Morality and the Liturgical Year. Each unit begins with the story of a saint whose response to God's love relates to the unit theme. Each session begins with having children think about their own experience. Throughout the sessions, children are engaged in prayer, sharing, and activities as they explore, reflect on, and respond to God's invitation to draw closer to him and apply their faith in their daily lives.

A wealth of resources support and enhance the program and fostering faith at home has never been easier. Kids can actively learn or review important concepts at home with the parents' assistance! Please feel free to access the activities at <http://www.loyolapress.com/finding-god-2013-children-and-families.htm>.

All resources are under the "faith Formation" tab. Go to grade level of child. There are also many other resources...including options for the children to do online. Feel free to explore the entire website!

☐ Grade 8: *Called to Be Catholic and Confirmed in the Spirit* also by Loyola Press can also be accessed.

COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

FALL FESTIVAL

FRI, SEPTEMBER 15 • 5-10P

SAT, SEPTEMBER 16 • 2-10P

ST. PATRICK PARISH
405 S. CHURCH ST • WENTZVILLE

BEER TENT FOOD

Live Entertainment

TYLER "BACKWOODS" LEWIS
THE CATFISH WILLIE BAND

ACTIVITIES

Visit our website
for info & times

- Amusement Rides
- Games of Chance
- Dunk Tank
- Velcro Soccer
- Carnival Games
- Cake Walk



QUILT & AFGHAN RAFFLE

MEGA CASH RAFFLE

LUCKY BUCKET OF CHEER
5K & 1mi RUN

SAT, SEPTEMBER 16
8A-Registration
9A-5K Run
10A-1 mi Fun Run

\$35 Adult
\$15 Youth

Register through our website

CHICKEN DINNER

Serving Saturday from 4:30-7:00P

Dine-in or carry-out

Family Fun

Bring your neighbors, friends,
& family to join in the fun!

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