

St. Patrick Catholic School

Wednesday Note





VIRTUE OF THE MONTH: CHARITY

Loving God with all your heart, mind and strength, and your neighbor as yourself.

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- ♣ Thursday, September 12: All School Mass
 - ♣ NOON DISMISSAL/Spirit Day/Faculty meeting
- ♣ Friday, September 13: **NO SCHOOL**/FALL FESTIVAL
- Saturday, September 14: FALL FESTIVAL
- ♣ Monday Friday, September 16 20: Testing Week
- ♣ Monday, September 16: Parent/Teacher Signup for large families
- ♣ Tuesday, September 17: Parent/Teacher Signup for everyone
- ♣ Wednesday, September 18: Gr 5-8 Mass prepared by 7P

SPIRIT DAY TOMORROW

See attached guidelines

NOTE: Acceptable shorts:

- Daily navy uniform shorts
- Spirit Shorts purchased through Sportsprint
- Update! St Patrick basketball shorts with the St. Patrick logo
 - Grades 6 8 PE shorts (if fit loosely)
- Smaller children may wear other loose fitting, appropriate length athletic type shorts in green, black or gray* (no jean shorts)

*We were made aware that the smallest size of spirit shorts purchased through Sportsprint are still too big for some of our little ones; therefore, those students (only) may wear other shorts on spirit days. We ask that if choosing to wear shorts, they be **loose fitting**, **appropriate length athletic type shorts in green**, **black or gray or that they wear their regular navy uniform shorts**. Jean shorts or tight fitting shorts are not permitted.



THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY!

Check out the flyer attached!

Rides & Games Times:
Friday – 6:00pm – 11:00pm
Saturday – Right after Mass, between 4:30-5:00pm until 10:00pm.

THIS JUST IN.....

RIDE WRISTBANDS WILL BE SOLD OUT OF THE PARISH OFFICE TOMORROW, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

Praying for a beautiful weekend!

Testing Week - September 16 - 20, 2019



Students in Grades 3 through 8 will be taking their annual lowa Assessment in next week. We ask that parents assist by making sure the students get a good night's sleep, bring healthy snacks and lunches, and avoid missing any days that week, if at all possible. Anything you can do to help is greatly appreciated!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

We will be sending the link for signing up for conferences after the Fall Festival. Please note the following schedule.

Monday, September 16th – **8:00am** – Families with three or more children will be sent the link in hopes to help manage their conference times better.

Tuesday, September 17th – **8:00am** – The remainder of the St. Patrick families will be sent the link to sign up for conference times.

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October 11th – Parking lot opens at 6:30pm. More details to follow!

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Grandparents of students in Kindergarten through Grade 8 are invited to join their grandchildren on **Friday, November 8**th **from 9:00am to 11:30am** for Mass and a special morning full of planned festivities! More details to come! Please be sure to let the grandparents know.

This will be a NOON DISMISSAL DAY and there will NO AFTERCARE. The faculty and staff will be participating in a Tier 1 Tactical Training session that afternoon.

Grandparents can take their grandchildren to Chick-fil-a for lunch! It will be a St. Patrick School Pack the House Day!

Technology News

GoGuardian:

For the 2019-2020 school year will be using GoGuardian to monitor students work activities on their chromebook and windows devices. GoGuardian monitors all websites and internet activity and reports to teachers and admins about inappropriate web surfing.. This year grades 5-8th are been monitored. In addition, we are using other methods to keep them on the right track when using internet resources. If your child uses their St. Patrick Google account at home, GoGuardian will automatically protect them at no cost to parents. We introduced GoGuardian in the 2017-2018 School Year.

BARK!:

For the 2019-2020 school year we will also be using the FREE service called Bark for all grade levels. BARK is our anti-bullying protection plan that seeks out keywords in documents and much more alerting us to any potential cyber-bullying, drug/alcohol, violence, depression or self-harm issues. BARK has a free Parent app that monitors these issues after school hours (3pm-8am), holiday breaks and over the Summer. Please send Mr.Kalist an email if you would like a Free BARK account that includes monitoring from your smartphone (iPhone/Android). BARK also offers a 20% discount on their paid App that monitors your entire family and over 35 social media apps. We introduced BARK in the 2018-2019 School Year. For more information contact Mitch Kalist (mitch@stpatsch.org) or the school office/administration.

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The 2019 High School Nights will be held in September and October. Eight locations will host these events that give an opportunity for 6th, 7th and 8th graders and their families to hear from school representatives about their programs and policies. Watch for more information on the particular High School Night in your area. Complete information is posted at

https://www.archstl.org/catholic-education-and-formation/high-school/high-school-nights.

For more information, please call the Office of Catholic Education and Formation at 314-792-7390.

TWS WEEK'S ATTACHMENTS

- Spirit Day Dress Out Guidelines
- ♣ Fall Festival
- ♣ PGC Class
- *St. Dominic Cheer Clinic



September

12	SPIRIT DAY! – Noon Dismissal – Fall Festival Set-up
13	FALL FESTIVAL – No School
14	FALL FESTIVAL
19	Grade 8 – Right START parent meeting 6:30pm @ ICOM
16-20	IA Assessment
16	Parent/Teacher Conference sign-up for large families
17	Parent/Teacher Conference sign-up for everyone
26	Board of Education meeting – 6:00pm

Handbook Guidelines

SPIRIT WEAR DAYS

Student attire contributes in large measure to the atmosphere of the school. While dress out days are uniform-free days, the student's attire should always reflect a level of modesty that demonstrates one's commitment to the Catholic values of self-respect and should reflect the dignity of one who is a child of God.

The following are **Spirit Day** guidelines:

- Shirt must be a St. Patrick Spirit Day shirt purchased from Creative Stitches or Sportsprint or a collared uniform shirt
- Pants must be an acceptable out-of-uniform pant—<u>loose fitting only</u> (i.e. jeans, athletic pants or khakis)
- Uniform Shorts or Spirit Shorts purchased from Sportsprint <u>are the only shorts allowed</u> on Spirit Dress Out Days. Grades 6-8 may wear PE shorts on Spirit Days.
- Athletic shoes must be worn that fit snuggly on the feet secured by Velcro or shoelaces.
- Sock of some sort must be worn.
- Be sure to note items below, which are never permitted.

Amended Guidelines:

- Grades 6 8 PE shorts (if fit loosely) are acceptable on Spirit Days
- St Patrick basketball athletic shorts with the St. Patrick logo are acceptable on Spirit Days
- Smaller children may wear other loose fitting, appropriate length athletic type shorts in green, black or gray (no tight fitting or jean shorts) on Spirit Days

The following are **NEVER PERMITTED**:

- Clothing and/or personal possessions that reference drugs, alcohol, sexual connotations, or exhibit double meanings; advertise alcoholic beverages, bars, rock bands and their activities, or promote values contrary to the Catholic Church.
- Tight fitting tops, pants, or clothing of any kind.
- Writing across the backside of the pants.
- Low-cut, off-the-shoulder, spaghetti strap, tank, or t-strap shirts or dresses.
- Skirts, shorts, or cut-off shorts that are shorter than 3 inches above the middle of the knee
- Pants or shorts with holes, frays, and stains.
- Tight fitting pants: Yoga pants, pajama pants, leggings worn as pants, and tight jeggings.
- Sandals, open backed shoes with or without straps, and heels higher than one inch.

The Uniform Policy has been established to create an environment that minimizes distractions and serves to keep the focus on what is most important: the spiritual and academic development of your son or daughter and instilling in them the values of respect, integrity, and responsibility.

Attire not in compliance with the uniform policy will prompt communication to the parent for an alternative attire to be brought up to school <u>or change into a school-provided uniform if parents are unable to provide an acceptable change of clothes.</u>

Adherence to the uniform policy is a matter of respect for the guidelines established by the school and a matter of fairness to all students. Parental support in upholding the guidelines and policies of St. Patrick School is crucial to the success of our mission.





"Each of you is a child of God."

Pope Francis



www.usccb.org

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOP

Safe Environment Program

Tue, September 17 | 7:00 PM | Arrive at 6:45 PM St. Patrick Rectory Meeting Room

This workshop is for all St. Patrick volunteers and employees who have contact with children or vulnerable adults, including:

coaches, employees, and scout leaders youth ministry volunteers

school and PSR parents who volunteer in the classroom, lunchroom, library, on field trips, etc.

communion ministers of homebound

St. Vincent de Paul volunteers
home visitors
parish program volunteers

Instructions on how to sign up for our workshop at www.stpatrickwentzville.org/sep

No children are allowed. For questions, contact Rebecca at rebecca@stpatsch.org.

PROTECTING CHILDREN IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS

ST. DOMINIC CRUSADERS CHEER CLINIC

WHO: Grades K-8 WHEN: Saturday, October 5, 2019 – 9-11am- Parents arrive at 10:50 for parent performance pre-view. Where: Crusader Stadium (in case of rain-Fallon Family Center Gym) Cost: \$35 (Checks made out to SDHS Cheer/child's name in memo) Mail checks to: 785 Cypress Knoll Drive O'Fallon, MO 63368 Details: Free T-Shirt and Bow for pre-registration and payment Pre-Registration deadline- September 16,2019 ALL PARTICIPANTS PERFORM AT HALF TIME OF THE VARSITY **FOOTBALL GAME ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11,2019** *Arrival time is 6:15 at the Stadium track and wear your camp T-shirt and Bow! Parents pick up participants from track immediately after Half time performance. Questions: Contact- Jamie Jones (913-486-8111) St. Dominic Crusaders Cheer Registration Form Child's Name & School: **Grade:** T-shirt size (youth/ adult) __ Check#: Parent: Phone: Email:

Address: