



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the St. Patrick Faculty and Staff

Notes from St. Patrick School Office week of December 17, 2018



Tornado Donation Update – Through the cooperative effort of the Holy Family & St. Patrick Athletic Boards collecting \$550.00 and St. Patrick School students collecting \$372.00. Our combined donation to St. Mary's School in Taylorville was \$922.00. "Kids to Kids" – what a positive display of community support and caring. Mrs. Di Mondo, Mrs. Sara Butts (Home & School) and Mr. Stokes (Athletic Board), Willow Di Mondo, Parker Summers, and Sean Stokes presented the donation.



Santa Store Update – There were 800 items to purchase. Most children had a list and knew what they wanted to buy and why. The profit from the Santa Store (\$1,414) will pay for carpet cleaning during the holidays, Jr. High door repair, and possible art classes starting second semester. If you know of an art teacher, please call the school office with information.

Science Fair – During Catholic School Week plan to visit the Jr. High students' science demonstrations in the school cafeteria.



Spelling Bee – The St. Patrick School Spelling Bee was held last Friday. Participants included: Moses Lents, Chase Long, Gavin Suter, Drazzie Knotts, Ashlyn Johnson, Tanisha Gardet, Brooke Davis, Landon Jobe, Evie Smith, Skylar Hartman, Felicity Hunt, Tyler Jackson, Drake Long, Willow Di Mondo, Bryson Dion, Savannah Mounce. Alternates included: Ethan Hunt, Logan Jobe, Aiden Over, Max Schilawski, and Viktor Behm. Finishing in first place – Tyler Jackson, second place – Felicity Hunt, third place – Skylar Hartman, and fourth place – tie: Savanna Mounce and Bryson Dion.

Upcoming Events—Watch for the following upcoming events: **Book Fair** January 26 through January 31, **Parent/Guest visitation** during Catholic Schools Week Monday, January 28 starting at 8:00am through the lunch hour. Pastries for Parents 6:45am



The Placement Test for incoming freshmen of the St. Teresa Class of 2023 will be given on Saturday, January 12, 2019 at 9:00 am. The purpose of taking the placement exam is to give St. Teresa information on properly placing students and in developing a successful 4 year academic plan. Please call St. Teresa at 217-875-2431 for more information or to register for the test.

Scholastic Bowl – Scholastic Bowl practice sessions start in January for grades 5, 6, 7 & 8. There is still time to sign up. Meets begin in February and end in March or April. Practice starts Monday, January 7, 2019 from 3:00pm to 4:15pm in the school library.



Financial Assistance for 2019 – FACTS forms must be submitted online at factsmgmt.com/aid with an opening date of **January 2, 2019** and a close date of March 1, 2019.

Empower Illinois – Part 1 of the application will be available at empowerillinois.org on **January 15, 2019** at 7pm. The application is a two part process. Part one is a brief reservation form which will time stamp applications. Families can access part two of the

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application on January 18, 2019 through their new portal on empowerXchange. Families are encouraged to complete part two **January 28, 2019**.



Make a Family flag – A STREAM Project New families to our school will receive fabric to make a family flag which will be hung in the school cafeteria. Flags are due Thursday, January 17. Thank you for working with this STREAM family project. Information will be included in the flag packet.



Auction – Mark your calendar for March 30, 2019 for the Annual School Auction to be held at the K of C Hall. Save the date for this fun event. Ticket prices have remained the same for the past 13 years: \$25 for a delicious dinner and dessert. You will also get to participate in the silent & live auction. Please send a gift for an auction basket.

Protecting God's Children – Classes will be held from December until April in the Springfield area. See the diocesan schedule of training sessions at: <http://dio.org/safeenvironment/scheduled-training.html>. There will be a PGC on Sunday, January 13 at 1:00pm at St. James Parish House. Please call 429-5363 to register.

Monday, December 17, 2018

✚ BINGO at the Macon County Fairgrounds 5:15

Tuesday, December 18, 2018

✚ Mass 8:00am all school attendance

✚ Choir Tour grades 3 to 8, 8:45am to 2:15pm

Wednesday, December 19, 2018

✚ Teacher Holiday Lunch provided by Home & School

Thursday, December 20, 2018

✚ Mass Grades 3,4,5 in attendance

✚ Faculty meeting 3pm

Friday, December 21, 2018

✚ All School Event 9:00am – cafeteria

✚ Character Counts Assembly 1:30pm, cafeteria

✚ All School Sing-a-long 2:00pm, Home & School providing snack

✚ End of 2nd Quarter and 1st Semester

Monday, December 24, 2018

✚ **NO SCHOOL – Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!**

Tuesday, January 1, 2019

✚ **NO SCHOOL – Holy Day Mass at 10am @St. P (4pm on 12/31 @ St. J.)**

Monday, January 7, 2019

✚ Second Semester Begins – Classes Resume

Friday, January 11, 2019

✚ Report cards available online. Also a non-uniform day due to box top goal

Saturday, January 12, 2019

✚ St. Teresa Placement Test for Class of 2023

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve	St. James	4:00pm
	St. Patrick	5:30pm, 10:00pm (9:00pm carols)
Christmas Day	St. James	12:00am (Midnight) (11:30pm 12/24 carols)
	St. Patrick	10:00am
New Years Eve	St. James	4:00pm
New Years Day	St. Patrick	10:00am

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