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Welcome Home!

Above: (1-3) Our students in Mrs. Willett's class pictured above enjoyed a field trip to Derby Dinner to watch A Year With Frog and Toad. (4) Mrs. Kaelin's class learned the jelly bean prayer this week. (5-8) Photos of Ms. Allen's class at Derby Dinner. (9) Rocky was out greeting students in morning carpool to help celebrate our swim team. (10-15) STEM class with 2nd & 3rd grade. (16) 1 Green, Mrs. Leffert's class had a fun field trip to Derby Dinner.

School Updates

We hope you are having a prayerful and meaningful Lenten season.

This week, our fifth-grade class presented the Stations of the Cross to our middle school students. We are proud of their thoughtful preparation and leadership.

Throughout Lent, we will continue offering the Stations of the Cross to students in Junior Kindergarten through 8th grade on an alternating weekly schedule, providing each class with the opportunity to participate in this special devotion.

On Holy Thursday, April 2nd, our eighth-grade students will host the Living Stations of the Cross from 8:30–10:30 a.m. We look forward to this powerful and prayerful experience as they lead our school community in reflection on Christ's journey to the Cross.

Kelley Dawson
Office Manager

6 Days Left to Re-Enroll!

RE-ENROLLMENT
2026-2027
NOW OPEN

February 20 - March 4th



Securing your child's place early helps us plan

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Re-Enrollment Fee

A \$175 Re-Enrollment Fee *per child* (Non-Refundable) will be automatically withdrawn on March 6th from the payment method on file.

HOW TO RE-ENROLL

1. Login to your FACTS Family Portal and choose the "Apply/Enroll" option in the menu, then select "Enrollment/Re-enrollment".
2. Choose "Start Enrollment Packet" for each child. **Complete and submit by March 4th.**

Not Returning or Unsure

- From your FACTS Family Portal, choose the "Apply/Enroll" option, then select "Enrollment/Re-enrollment".
- Choose "Will Not Enroll" and enter your reason for withdrawing or why you are unsure. **Complete and submit by March 4th.**
- You will not be charged the \$175 re-enrollment fee.
- This means you are releasing your seat for another potential student.

Important Notes

- **Preschool 4's do NOT need to Re-Enroll**, you have already applied for Kindergarten.
- Tuition Rates for 2026-2027 will be posted on the school website by March 2nd.

Questions?

Please contact Suzy Mackowiak, Director of Admissions at smackowiak@stpatlou.org

THANK YOU!

We are grateful for your continued partnership and look forward to another wonderful year together.



JK /K- 8th Grade

NUMBER OF CHILDREN	*REGULAR RATE	*REGISTERED/ ACTIVE PARISHIONER
1	\$10,880	\$9,395
2	\$18,900	\$14,575
3	\$25,380	\$18,235
4	\$32,400	\$18,945

Preschool Only

NUMBER OF CHILDREN	Full Time	*Part Time <small>*offered for 3s only</small>
1	\$9,070	\$6,615
2	\$18,140	\$13,230

PTO News

Evening PTO Meeting - March 5th

Our next PTO meeting is our annual evening meeting. We hope to see you March 5th at 6:30pm in Schindler Hall. If you are unable to attend live but would like to participate virtually we have a google meet set up [here](#). It has also been added to the digital calendar.

Career Fair Volunteers Needed

We will be hosting a Career Fair on April 24th from 8:30-11:00 am for 3rd - 7th graders.

We are looking for volunteers to cover some careers we do not have covered through our initial interest form responses. For information on how the career fair will work and what is being asked of volunteers please see our [info sheet](#). To see what careers we are looking to cover and sign up for a spot please see our signup [here](#).

Thank you for considering helping us make this event a success!

Important Dates

Have you subscribed to our 25-26 PTO Parent Calendar? Click [HERE](#) to load the Google cal to your own device!

- **Feb 23 - Third Trimester Begins**
- **Feb 27-Regular Uniform Day**
- **Friday, March 6th Stewardship**
- **Friday, March 13 School Day (Snow make-up day #1)**
- **Wednesday, March 25th Grandparents Mass (5th-8th)**
- **March 27-29 Spring Musical**

CAM News



ATHLETICS INFORMATION

Open GameDay Registrations
Field Hockey - closes March 13th



In order to continue to provide a variety of athletic programs we do need every sport to have a coordinator.

We are in need of coordinators for the following:
PeeWee Flag Football (starting Fall 2026 season)
PeeWee Golf (starting Spring 2027 season)

Contact CAM: stpatathleticdirector@gmail.com

St. Patrick's swim team will be participating in the Catholic school swim meet tomorrow, against 21 other Catholic schools in town! Good Luck to our swimmers and Coach Olivia Leftwich.

Parish Happenings

Please join KY Right to Life on March 11th.

Students and families in 6th, 7th, 8th grade

Mr. Gates will be happy to answer any questions you may have regarding details and attending.

His email is mrjoegates@gmail.com and phone 502-544-9391

For carpool purposes please notify Mr. Gates if you plan to attend.

LOGISTICS:

1. Carpool 8:15 AM: Depart St. Patrick School

9:30 AM: Mass at Good Shepherd Catholic Church with Bishop John Efert from N. KY. (NOTE: Addia will be sending invitations to various KY priests to see if they might want to concelebrate mass with the bishop. This would include Fr. Jeff, or Fr. Will I suppose, if the school participates.)

11:30 AM: Gather in the front lawn of the capitol with Music / Prayer

12:00 PM: Various Speakers (Fr. Michael Schultz, St. Albert the Great, was the keynote speaker last year - not sure who is scheduled this year)

1:00 PM: Walk or Drive to Frankfort Cemetery to Memorial for Abortion Victims

1:30 PM: Graveside Memorial Prayer Service

2:00 PM Conclude / Depart

3:00 PM Arrive St. Patrick School

2. Kids should bring a lunch that will be eaten immediately following mass. Lunch will be indoors at about 10:30 AM at Good Shepherd Church in a separate facility. While at church, students will be given bags with a prolife scarf and possibly signs to carry to the capitol and on the march.

3. After lunch, carpool to the front lawn of the capitol to hear music, prolife clergy, respect life organizations & politician speakers

4. Walk ~1 mile (or drive if needed) to the Memorial for the Unborn at a cemetery nearby. Dress according to the weather forecast.

5. Attend a short prayer service at the cemetery and possibly place roses at the memorial site and then depart for home

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11th FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY



LET'S MARCH Kentucky



JOIN KENTUCKY RIGHT TO LIFE AS WE RAISE OUR VOICES TOGETHER FOR LIFE. FAMILIES, STUDENTS, AND SENIORS UNITE FOR A DAY OF HOPE AND PURPOSE.

9:30 AM



MORNING PRAYER AND CELEBRATION OF LIFE MASS

Everyone is invited to begin the day with morning prayer and celebrating Mass with Bishop John Iffert. Good Shepherd Church in Frankfort, KY.

11:30 AM



THE GATHERING-PRAISE AND PRAYER RALLY

Kentucky State Capitol, Front Lawn and Steps

12:00 NOON



EVERY LIFE IS A GIFT CELEBRATION AND RALLY

Join ProLife friends from around the state. Great speakers and witnesses for Life. Front lawn and steps of the Kentucky State Capitol. (rain or shine!)

1:00 PM



LET'S MARCH PROLIFE KENTUCKY!

Two Paths, One Voice
The Pilgrim's Path (1 Mile. More challenging and hilly)
The Path of Hope (0.4 miles. Shorter and more accessible)

2:20 PM



REMEMBRANCE SERVICE AT THE MEMORIAL FOR THE UNBORN

As our day together draws to a close, we gather as pilgrims to honor the memory of our children lost, entrusting them to love eternal. We also lift in prayer their mothers, their fathers, and their families. Our time together will conclude in quiet reflection and prayer.

Two Paths, One Voice, Many Hearts United for Life

Participants will unite in prayerful witness for life, choosing one of two paths based on ability while remaining united in purpose and prayer.

Click [HERE](#) for the latest Celtic Communicator, a weekly message from the parish to stay engaged with all the activities happening in our community.

The Office of Youth and Young Adults continues preparing for **The "I Am" Encounter on March 15**, we want to make sure to inform and invite you and your young people to be part of this evening of prayer, community, and encounter with Christ. We are excited about how this gathering is coming together, and we truly hope your students can be part of it.

This event is designed for **all 8th grade - 12 grade students**. This event will offer them a space to encounter Jesus, reflect on their identity as sons and daughters of God, and be encouraged in living their faith in everyday life.

The evening will include:

- Live praise and worship music
- A keynote message from nationally known Keynote Speaker- Gian Gamboa
- Teen witness talks
- Breakout sessions led by priests, religious, young adults, and ministry leaders
- Dinner and community time
- Eucharistic Adoration with Archbishop Shelton and Fr. Tony Cecil

You'll find a full **promotion and registration toolkit on our website:** <https://www.archlou.org/youth/>

The **cost is \$25 per person**, and **registration is due March 2**.



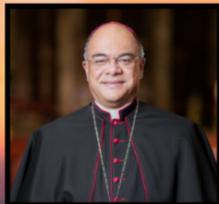
THE I AM
Encounter

COME AS YOU ARE
Leave as you are Called

03.15.26.

4-8:30 PM
Sacred Heart Academy

Keynote Featuring Gian Gamboa
Breakout Sessions
Dinner
Adoration with Archbishop Fabre



**ALL YOUTH
IN 8-12TH
GRADE
ARE INVITED!**

SIGN UP TODAY WITH
YOUR YOUTH MINISTER/
CAMPUS MINISTER/TEACHER!

Registration Fee: \$25



**New Addition
To Fish Frys!**

DILLI TADG

PULL TABS

BRING CASH TO PLAY!
Must be at least 18 years old to play,
purchase, open, or cash out pull-tabs.

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH | LIC.#0000190

Want to learn more about all the exciting offerings of Youth Ministry? Bookmark their website! <https://stpatrickym-lou.weebly.com/>

Volunteers Needed for Fish Frys:

In order to keep volunteering organized, we are utilizing Helper Helper, a volunteer management system. If you would like to volunteer for one (or all!) of our fish frys, please click on the link below.

The link will take you to the system where you will sign up. It will ask you for your email address which you will then confirm through your personal email. Once you sign up, you will be able to use the system for not only Fish Fry but any volunteer opportunities that are set up in the system.

All volunteer positions have job descriptions so that you can find what works best for your gifts and abilities. It's a fast and easy way to share your time and talent! Please use this link to see Fish Fry volunteer opportunities:

<https://app.helperhelper.com/inst/1430/opportunities>

If you have any questions regarding Helper Helper or signing up, please reach out to Carrie Williamson at cwilliamson@stpatlou.org or by calling the Parish Office at 244-6083, ext. 119.

Cafeteria

St. Patrick Cafeteria

Your Food Service Update



March 2026



IMPORTANT LINKS:

- Elementary Menu
- Middle School Menu
- MySchoolBucks
- Follow us on Facebook

Your Lunchroom at a Glance

Your voice matters! Let us know what you think of school lunch → [Survey](#)

Please take some time to fill out our survey. These surveys are important to us for determining what you and your family like about our lunch program. Survey ends 2/28

Healthy to a T Newsletter: [>Click Here<](#)

March Harvests of the Month:

- Pineapple
- Radish
- Parsley

March Highlights:

March 6th: Limited Time Only- Get ready! Our Baja Fish Tacos drop next Friday, March 6th—crispy, fresh, and packed with coastal flavor. Available for a limited time only!

March 17th: St. Patrick's Day- Delicious Homemade Shepherd's pie. All lunch buyers will get a tasty sugar cookie with their meal.

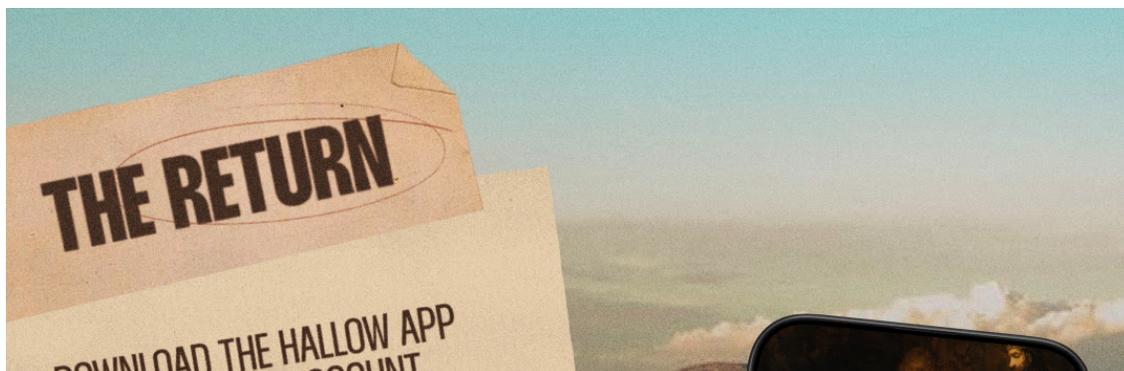
March 20th: Chef Matt is rebuilding the Sushi Bowl from the rice up. This project will be based on the same flavors and recipes students enjoyed in September for our Sushi Days. Traditional sushi rice, Imitation crab meat, avocados and spicy siracha mayo!

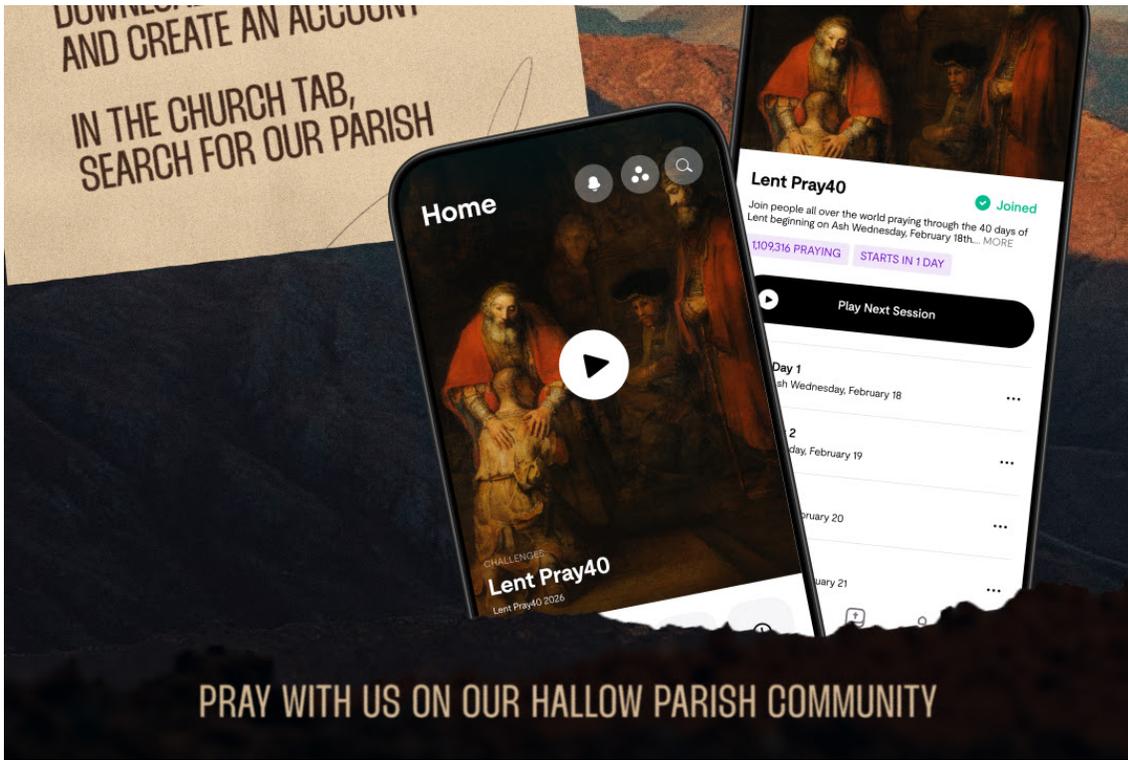


Check out the latest newsletter from Taher!

For the latest information you may access their full website [HERE](#).

Grow your prayer life!





Have a great weekend!

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