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Welcome Home!





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## ***Looking Ahead***

As October winds down, we turn our attention to a fruitful November with much to look forward to and be thankful for. It will be an important month for sacraments. 2nd Grade will receive the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time, and 8th graders will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on November 3. Next week is All Saints Day and believe it or not, Advent also begins on Sunday, November 27!

Additionally, November brings with it the end of Trimester 1, Frozen, Jr. The Musical, the beginning of new clubs and extracurriculars, and Thanksgiving Break.

Please keep our student body, their families, and our faculty and staff in your prayers! We are certainly grateful to be part of their journey and for the joy they bring to others.



Above: 1Green held a Harvest & Gratitude Prayer Service yesterday for Kindergarten and 1st grade as well as their parents. Deacon Mark was also on hand to preside and speak to the students about the importance of being thankful.







Above: Many but not all of our wonderful parent volunteers at our first Campus Showcase event of the year on Thursday evening. These parents shared their personal St. Pat stories and experiences with prospective families as they toured them around our campus. A special thanks to Mrs. Lauren Alderman for organizing the event in collaboration with our Director of Admissions, Suzy Mackowiak.

### ***MakerSpace***

Students in grades 5-8 have been thoroughly enjoying and learning lots in our newly designed MakerSpace Lab, which is located in Miles Hall near the 5th grade wing. This unique space was included in the Beacon of Hope campaign and renovation work. The class is taught by our middle school Librarian and STEM teacher, Mrs. Mary Allison Henry, and they are doing incredible things!

What do you do in a MakerSpace Lab? Here are some recent student projects this month: building battle bots, using Sphero robots, 3D design using 3D printers, graphic design, Microbit coding, coding video games, designing futuristic cities, learning the essentials of video production, and flying drones!



### ***Halloween Accessories***

Students may wear Halloween accessories on Monday, October 31 with their school uniform. Costume privileges are afforded to Kindergarten and 8th grade. Accessories allow us to celebrate the holiday, but still move forward with classroom instruction for the day.

Class parties will take at the end of the school day. We hope everyone stays safe this Halloween and can get a good night's rest for school the next day.

Accessories on 10/31 may have a definite Halloween theme, or they may just be orange and black in color. Items that may be worn include:

- jewelry,
- scarves,
- socks, and
- belts.

No hats, wigs, colored hair, nail polish, or other items that are not specifically mentioned. Remember, students must be in their school uniform, but can add a little Halloween Spirit to the uniform.

### ***Professional Learning Days - 2022-23***

A new addition to this year's school calendar for St. Patrick and most other Catholic elementary schools is the inclusion of two professional learning days for faculty.

**There is no school for students on these days.** Teachers will be attending workshops and trainings either at their local school site or elsewhere.

Our first professional learning date is Tuesday, November 8th. This has been noted on our 1-page school calendar that was first shared with families last school year and again throughout the summer and start of school. You can access it again [\*\*HERE\*\*](#).

### **Important Dates**

- **Oct. 31-** Class Halloween Parties & Accessories
- **Nov. 1** - All Saints Feast Day (Mass on Tuesday)
- **Nov. 2** - Dress Up Day
- **Nov. 3** - Confirmation, 7:00 p.m.
- **Nov. 6-8** - KYA Conference
- **Nov. 8** - No School for students (Professional Learning Day)
- **Nov. 10** - PTO Meeting, 8:00 a.m.
- **Nov. 11** - End of Trimester 1
- **Nov. 18** - Spirit Wear Day
- **Nov. 18-20** - Frozen, Jr. Performances
- **Nov. 21** - Report Cards Trimester 1
- **Nov. 22** - Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast
- **Nov. 23-25** - Thanksgiving Break

**CSA Kickoff!**





## **CSA School Participation Contest Begins Next Week!**

***Theme: Comfort My People (Isaiah 40:1)***

As the adults of our community reflect and pray over their commitment to the Catholic Services Appeal, we would like to encourage our youngest stewards, our children, to do the same, along with their families. Historically, our parish has never exceeded 40 school families participating in the Archdiocese of Louisville's primary fundraiser of the year. We believe we can increase participation and we need support from our school families to reach our goal as a parish community!

The CSA is an opportunity to be connected and engaged, to contribute, to make a difference, and to build solid and deep relationships. Every donation, no matter the size, is important. Thank you for your support.

St. Patrick Goal: \$146,600

Family Goal to Participate: 333 families

Gifts can be made in the following ways:

- Online at [archlou.org](http://archlou.org)
- Online at [stpatlou.org](http://stpatlou.org)





# Youth Ministry

Grades 6-8! Details and sign-ups for events at the [Youth Ministry Website](#)

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## Upcoming Events

- **November 3** - Confirmation Mass
- **November 13** - Souper Youth Night
- **November 20** - Guatemala Mission Trip Meeting
- **December 7** - Reindeer Run (Scavenger Hunt)



Above: 20 students from 7th and 8th grade travelled to eastern Kentucky this week to support families through critical mission work. Thanks to Youth Ministry, these students worked with Hand in Hand and represented St. Patrick well bringing Christ's light to those in need.

## Cafeteria Food Services Update



***New Middle School webpage:***

<https://menu.taherfood4life.org/schools/StPatrickCatholicMiddleSchool/>

***New Elementary School webpage:***

<https://menu.taherfood4life.org/schools/StPatrickCatholicElementarySchool/>

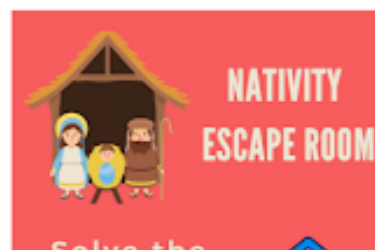
## Parish Happenings

### ***Learning Together***

Click [HERE](#) for our "Learning Together" parish page. There are lots of opportunities to learn and get involved!

Important Dates for Children's Formation:

- **October 22** - Grade 2 Parent/Child First Reconciliation Workshop
- **November 12/13** - Baptisms at Mass
- **November 16/17** - Grade 2 First Reconciliation
- **December 9** - Nativity Night, Grades 3-5





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Solve the  
mystery to  
See the  
Light!



**DEC 9**

**6-8:30 P.M.**

**MILES MEETING  
ROOM**



**NATIVITY ART PROJECT**

**DECORATE CHRISTMAS  
COOKIES**



*The Major Events Ministry invites you to*  
**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Saturday March 18, 2023**  
**✿ Celtic Ceilidh ✿**

an evening of food, fun and beverages  
featuring *Tony and the Tanlines*

For Sponsorship Opportunities please email  
[celticceilidh@stpatlou.org](mailto:celticceilidh@stpatlou.org)

## CAM



Click [HERE](#) for the CAM website and newsletter, which is updated regularly for all sporting news, announcements, and sign-ups.

CAM is looking for a NEW Chairperson. The term will officially begin in May 2023, but will begin with the current Chairperson.





but will train with the current Chair, Steve Kaufman, for the next six months. This position is recommended by CAM and then appointed by the Pastor.

**CAM Position BIO Form** can be found [HERE](#). Please return bio form no later than Monday, October 24 to [saintpatrickCAM@gmail.com](mailto:saintpatrickCAM@gmail.com).

## A Prayer for Confirmation

God, our father,  
We ask you to bless all candidates  
who are now preparing to receive the  
spirit of your love in the Sacrament of Confirmation.  
May the gifts within each one  
be touched by your Holy Spirit  
and become blessings for our parish family.  
Bless, too, our parents, our sponsors, our teachers and Catechists,  
and all those who have been the reflection  
of your son's love for us.  
This we ask you through Christ, our Lord.  
Amen.



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