

Shamrock

Newsletter



Mrs. Ross

Principal's Report

October 2024

Dear St. Patrick Families,

September has come to a close and we are moving through our 2024-25 school year! The Holy Spirit has been busy at work with all of the amazing things that are happening. We have new staff that we are very excited to have on board with us, we are blessed with support from our families, and the various committees are getting back to business as well.

This year, we were blessed to have returning classroom teachers and most of our support staff. However, we had a couple very important people leave. We were blessed to be able to bring on new support staff that are fitting in perfectly. St. Patricks also had the addition of a 3K classroom which brought the need for another teacher and support. Our 3K teacher is Miss Bailey Hammon. We have also hired Mrs. Annette Heitman, Mr. John Hersil, Miss Heather Hersil, Miss Cailey Simons, and Mrs. Patty Wilke as our support staff this year.

Mrs. Heitman and Mrs. Wilke are here to support our youngest students in 3K and 4K. They have retired from the Mauston School District but have not lost their passion to work with children! We are happy to have them on board. Mr. Hersil has been a great face to have around the building as well! He is working hard to make our after school program- Extended Care- an amazing experience for our students and the best part is, he is accompanied by his daughter Heather Hersil who has been a great support as well! Heather has joined our team to support extended care and is a wonderful addition to work with our students. Miss Simons has joined us from the daycare field and is a younger person who is passionate about helping others. She is working with students of all ages and doing library classes as well! The Holy Spirit has been great to place so many people in our path to help form the children of St. Patricks.

St. Patricks has a long history of community engagement. One way that this happens is through our many committees that help support the St. Patrick School. The first committee is Home and School. They are a core group of parents that put together fundraisers, opportunities for students, and share their support with the teachers and staff. Home and School meets monthly throughout the school year on the first Wednesday of each month. The Education Committee also helps support the academic side of the school. They review the handbook, help with curriculum, provide feedback and are made up of members that represent various other committees or participants in the parish. Other committees also include the Gala Committee, Hunters Night Out, Fall Fest, and other donors. They all provide support for our staff, families, and school community. We are blessed to have the ongoing support and dedication!

St. Patricks School is grateful for our new staff, the continued dedication of returning staff, and all of the outside support from various committees and donors! The school year has continued to be fast paced and full of excitement! I am certain there will be many things to share again next month.

Toni Ross

Fall Sports are well underway here at school! It's been a season so far for our girl's volleyball team and cross country squad!



The next home volleyball match is Oct. 7 vs. St. John's (*B Team only) 5:00 start time

Our Cross Country Home invitational is next Monday October 7th. with a 4:30 start time



Don't forget to keep an eye on our Mauston Golden Eagles Youth Football team as well! Our St. Pat's boys are a force to be reckoned with on and off the field!

Have you heard the exciting news!? Thanks to the generosity of our **Hunter's Night Out** committee and all who attend their banquet each year, St. Pat's now has a **Hudl cam** installed in the gym so if you or a family member aren't able to make the game you can still catch all the excitement by streaming the game online! Just go to **fan.hudl.com** and search **St. Patrick's Mauston** or **visit our website** and click the link to find our games!



Welcome to our 2024/2025 Student Council! This year's officers are...

- President: Kaden Cook
- Vice President: Jonny Riley
- Secretary: Stella Finucan
- Treasure: Ryleigh Vinopal
- Reporter: Cecelia Marien



Congratulations to all who placed at this year's annual Punt, Pass, Kick Competition sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #2770.

Boys

8 Year Olds

- 1st:** Easton Ware
- 2nd:** Ronan Miller
- 3rd:** Maximus Chambers

Boys

9 Year Olds

- 1st:** Jeffrey Franck
- 2nd:** Jaxon Ketcham
- 3rd:** Mason Laack

Boys

10 Year Olds

- 1st:** Talon Ketcham
- 2nd:** Evan Ehleiter
- 3rd:** Liam Bouchette

Boys

11 Year Olds

- 1st:** Boehn Horstall
- 2nd:** Gunnar Ward
- 3rd:** Bennett Martin

Boys

12 Year Olds

- 1st:** Simon Andres



Girls

9 Year Olds

- 1st:** Riley Rotzoll

Girls

10 Year Olds

- 1st:** Maci Andres



Grandparents' Day Schedule

8:30- Grandparent's Arrive

9:00- Mass

10:00-Musical Program in the church

11:00- Activities and Lunch (students with last name K-Z)

12:00 -Activities and lunch (students with last name A-J)

Friday October 11

WE ARE HOSTING AN IGNATIUS BOOK FAIR!

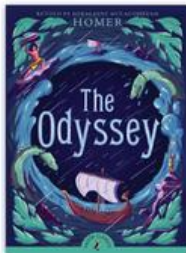
Every book purchased supports our school.

Oct 26- Oct 30
1:00-4:30
St. Pat's School Gym

Shop all 7
Volumes of
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of Loupio**



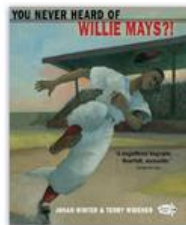
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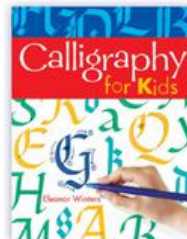
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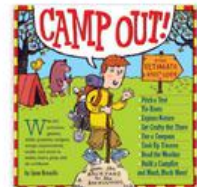
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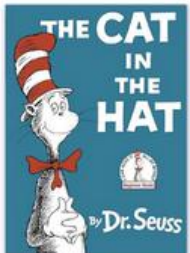
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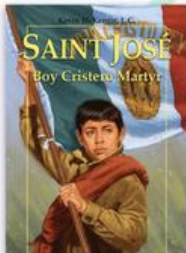
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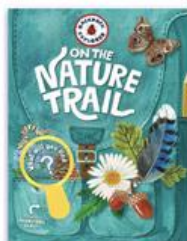
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The Ultimate Kids Guide**



The Cat in the Hat



Saint Jose, Boy Cristero Martyr



On the Nature Trail



Mason Jar Science



**The Virtue Chronicles:
The Hidden Heroes
The Saintry Outlaw,
The Warrior Maiden**



The Gospel Told by the Animals



The Kids Book of Chess



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St Patrick's Parish



WOMEN'S RETREAT
FANNING THE FLAME

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8:00 A.M.

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Join us for a day as we welcome guest speaker Clare Ruff, from the Diocese of LaCrosse, while she speaks on Faith and the Real Presence: Recognizing Jesus in the breaking of the Bread; and The Sacrament of Love: Christ's call to communion.

It will be a day filled with adoration, prayer, talks, discussion, activities and time away with your friends.

Free daycare will be provided.

Continental breakfast and lunch will be served.

To register for this event, please contact the rectory at 608-847-6054 or email pastoralcare@stpatrickismauston.com by November 9, 2024.

Congratulations to Sophie O. and Caroline M. for being elected as their freshman class officers! Caroline was elected to fundraising chair and Sophie is now freshman class President. Congratulations ladies!

Sophie O. and Caroline M. pictured to the left-top left and bottom left respectively



Weston Pouillie ran a fantastic race at the Thunderbird Challenge last week, coming in 6th overall and helping cinch the 1st place spot for the boys MHS CC Team! Well done boys!



Sophomore Weston Pouillie is pictured above on the far right with his medal after the Baraboo Thunderbird CrossCountry Challenge

Congratulations to Addyson Laridaen, a 2024 graduate of St. Pat's who decided to receive her Baptism and First Communion at St. Patrick's this last September. Addyson is now in CCD classes with her graduating class and is set to receive her Confirmation with them in 2 years. Congratulations Addyson!



Addyson Laridaen pictured left at her Baptism and First Communion in September with her grandma Sue Wafle

We would like to take a moment to thank all of the families that participated, helped, and contributed their time, talents, and treasures to our annual Fall Festival. Without all of your hard work and support, this event would not be possible. The money raised each year at the Fall Fest goes to supporting our school, to helping keep our classrooms up-to-date, and keeping tuition costs manageable for ALL our families.

Congratulations to the Hooker Family on winning the \$200 Scrip card for selling the most raffle tickets out of all the St. Pat's School families! Thank you for your hard work!

-Fall Fest Committee-



What a beautiful day for our 19th annual Golf Outing! Thank you to all the teams that came to participate and help with this fundraiser! Even Fr. Cruz was able to get a couple of good hits in on the green!

The Market's
HALLOWEEN
FAMILY FESTIVAL



FACE PAINTING - PUMPKIN DECORATING
ARTS & CRAFTS - GAMES - FOOD TRUCKS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th
10AM-2PM

RIVERSIDE PARK
MANSION STREET, MAUSTON



JCAIRS
Community
Barn Dance & Pizza Party

OCT 12, 2024
6-9 PM

Ganther Pavillion
Juneau County Fairgrounds



Bethany Lutheran
Trunk or Treat!
Sunday, Oct 27
3:00-5:00
Bethany Lutheran
Church Parking lot



HATCH PUBLIC LIBRARY
PUMPKINS
ON THE PATIO

Saturday, October 12th
10:00-11:00 AM



St. Patrick's
Home and School

SPOOKTACULAR
HALLOWEEN
dance

Costume contest starts at 7!

25 OCTOBER
6 P.M.-8 P.M.

Hotdogs, brats, and water are provided for the whole family!
Please bring a side dish, appetizer or treat of your choice to pass

Children must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult

How easy is it to incorporate Scrip into your every day life? We recently asked our parishioners to share their scrip success stories with us. Here's what one member had to say...






“My niece went off to college this past August and we wanted to get her a “Good luck at school” gift, so we bought one of the Scrip Reloadable gift cards to give to her. It’s been absolutely amazing! Whenever my sister or my parents want to send her a little extra love or “just thinking of you” message they just hop of the RaiseRight app or contact me and we load a little more money onto her card. It’s so convenient for her and her parents when she needs a little extra help, not to mention it’s been a fun way for all of us to just quickly let her know we’ve been thinking about her and miss her. If you’ve got a kid, niece, nephew or family friend who’s away at school, I cannot recommend enough sending them a reloadable Scrip card from one of their favorite stores! It’s fast, easy, and a wonderful way to help them out!

Kids, Cats, Calves, we had them all! Oct. 4 we celebrated the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi by asking Fr. Cruz to do a blessing of the animals. What a wonderful turnout we had and an even better time getting to meet everyone’s puppies, bunnies, and piglets!



Mr. Moore Mr. Onsager Mrs. Stevens

**CUSTODIAN
APPRECIATION DAY!**

Thank you to Mr. Moore, Mr. Onsager and Mrs. Stevens for always keeping our school safe, clean, and at it's very best! These three work tirelessly to make sure St. Pat's is always well kept up.



My dear Students, Staff and Parents in Christ Jesus;

Everyone in this world expects some miracles in life. Even as a student of this age some time that expect miracles when they face some problems. What really is a miracle? Let me explain in a short story.

Little Johnny was in Sunday school and his mother came to collect him. "Boy," exclaimed Johnny as he settled himself in the car, "that story of Moses and all those people crossing the Red Sea was something!" "Tell me all about it," said his mother. "Well, the Israelites got out of Egypt, but Pharaoh and his army chased after them. So, the Jews ran as fast as they could until they got to the Red Sea. The Egyptian Army was getting closer and closer. So, Moses got on his walkie-talkie and told the Israeli Air Force to bomb the Egyptians. While that was happening, the Israeli Navy built a pontoon bridge so the people could cross over. They made it!" The woman was shocked, and asked, "Is that the way they taught you the story?" "Well, no, not exactly," admitted Johnny, "but if I told you the way they told it to us, you'd never believe it, Mom." Little as he was, Johnny had imbibed the materialistic mentality of our age that makes no room for miracles and other spiritual realities. It is my view that this kind of faith - in material facts alone - hinders the believer from arriving at that expectant faith without which we cannot experience the miraculous hand of God.

A miracle is not God working for us; it is God working with us.

Henry Ford once said, "Whether you think you can or not, you are right." The same can be said about whether you believe in miracles or not. Believers, by believing, enable miracles to happen in their lives. Non-believers, by not believing, block their chances of experiencing a miracle. As Jesus often said, "According to your faith will it be done to you" (Matthew 9:29). So lets grow in faith and allow God to work with us.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Cruz

Save The Date

40TH ANNUAL HUNTERS' NIGHT OUT



Nov. 2, 2024

Cocktail Hour 6:00

Dinner 7:00

Tickets \$70*

*Ticket includes steak dinner, refreshments, and eligibility for door prize. Attendees must be 18 years or older.

Contact Clinton Poullie at 608-853-0555 for more information.



The Rosary is also said approximately 25 minutes before Mass each weekend for those who wish to join us.

JOIN US FOR

The Living Rosary

THURSDAY OCT. 17: LIVING ROSARY WITH THE SCHOOL CHILDREN AT 9:00
OCT. 12-13: ROSARY ACTIVITY GIFT FOR THE CHILDREN
OCT. 19-20: BLESSING OF THE ROSARIES AT MASSES
OCT. 24: LIVING ROSARY WITH PARISHIONERS AT 6:30 P.M.

Upcoming Events

October

2-No Buses

11- Grandparent's Day

No Extended Care

18-NO SCHOOL

24-Living Rosary

29-BOOK FAIR

No Extended Care

November

1-NO SCHOOL

10-KC Pancake

Breakfast 5th Grade

11-Veteran's Day

26-No Extended Care

27-29-**NO SCHOOL**



Sponsor Highlight

Vinopal Carpentry has been serving the Mauston area since 2010 when Brad and Lisa Vinopal first started the small local construction company. Brad began working construction in high school and later attended WWTC La Crosse for carpentry and cabinet making. After graduating, he worked for WTL Builders for 5 years until Vinopal Carpentry was created. Since then, Vinopal Carpentry has worked on various projects from building new homes to remodeling projects of all different sizes such as kitchens,

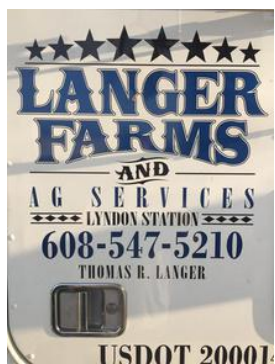


Brad and Lisa (Cowan) Vinopal both 1998 St. Pat's graduates

baths, new siding and windows. Brad has teamed up with several local contractors to complete many of his jobs where he's learned a lot and shape Vinopal Carpentry into what it is today. Quality has always been the primary focus of each job. Brad also values being fair and honest with his customers. He takes pride in the work he does and always handles each project like it was his own.

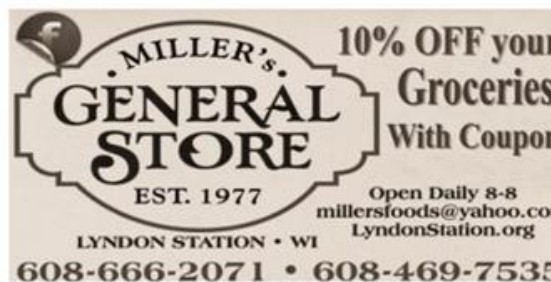
Brad, along with his wife Lisa, have 3 children Ryleigh, Toby, and Maylee who all attend St. Patrick School, where Lisa has been teaching Kindergarten for 10 years. Brad and Lisa are both graduates of St. Patrick School. Brad is active with our parish's Building and Grounds Committee and Lisa is very involved with various school activities. Their family has a long heritage with St. Patrick School, with Ryleigh, Toby, and Maylee being part of the 5th generation to attend school here.

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