



Shamrock Newsletter

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Upcoming Dates

Mar. 24: PK-4 Parent Lunch

Mar. 24: Early Dismissal

Mar. 24: Report Cards go Home

Apr. 2-5: Easter Break

Apr. 9: Countdown (see explanation)

Jeans for Greens for Mrs. Ellis

As a result of the generous and loving spirit of the St. Patrick School family, Mrs. Joann Ellis was presented with a check Friday, March 12th in the amount of \$1,247.68. Mrs. Ellis lost her home and most of her personal belongings in a house fire earlier this month. On behalf of Ms. Ellis, THANK YOU and God bless you all! In addition to the cash donations, she received several gift cards and gifts.

Countdown

The Countdown is an annual School Advisory Council fund raiser benefiting St. Patrick School. It is an adults-only event. Only three hundred tickets will be sold, with the **top three prizes being \$1,000, \$2,500, and \$5,000**. A Silent Auction will take place throughout the evening. Purchasing any partial or whole ticket entitles you to attend this event. Tickets are available from School Advisory Council Members or Mrs. Mary Yarger by calling (601) 482-6044 or (601) 693-5099. **Please see enclosed flyer for more details regarding all prizes and prices for tickets.**

Liturgical Dancer Update

The Liturgical Dancers will perform at the 8:10 a.m. mass on March 25th.

Regional Science Fair Winners

The following were among 18 of our students who represented St. Patrick School at the Region V Science Fair in Starkville, MS on Thursday, March 11th and earned the following awards: **Second grade** – Jacob Partridge, 1st place; Grace Taylor, 2nd place; Judson Moore, Mason Daniels and Jordyn Pinkston, 3rd Place. **Third grade** – Cassandra Klutz and Clay Shumate, 3rd place. **Fourth grade** – Rose Albert, 1st place. **Sixth Grade** – Chelsea Grissett, 3rd place. Congratulations to each of you!!

Duke TIP (Talent Identification Program)

We are very proud to announce the names of the following students who qualified for the Duke Talent Identification Program (TIP) for 2010: **4th grade:** Rose Albert, Andres Alonzo, Jenna Graupman, and John Graupman. **5th grade:** Madeleine Hodge, Alli Lopez, Grace Perry, Virginia Pressly, and James Snowden. These students scored among the top 5% in the nation on the Stanford Achievement Test (SAT) this school year. Congratulations boys and girls! We are so proud of you !

Lenten Service Project

Our Lenten Service Project this year is collecting money for the people in Haiti suffering from the recent earthquake. The money will be sent to Catholic Relief Services, an international relief organization. Please be generous in this effort to reach out to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

More News on Back

PK-4 Parent Lunch

PK-4 Parent Lunch will be held **Wednesday, March 24th** at 11:30 a.m. Please return your reservation form, if you have not yet done so. Keep the upper portion as a reminder to you, and return the bottom portion to the school. Thank you.

Pre-Registration for 2010-11 School Year

Pre-Registration continues. **All** registration is on a first come, first serve basis. It is **VERY** important that you submit both a Pre-Registration form along with the \$175.00 fee for your child to be registered. Extra forms are available in the office. **The fee will increase to \$200.00 beginning April 1st.**

Whether or not your child is returning next year, please submit a form indicating yes or no. **This is very important for our budgeting process.**

Stations of the Cross

During Lent, the students in grades 3rd through 6th attend Stations of the Cross in the church beginning at 2:00 p.m. each Friday. Parents are welcome to join us.

Choir News

Attendance at choir practice is very important. There will be two performances this spring, and it will be important to practice and be prepared as they are learning new material. Please send a note on the days your child will not be attending practice.

The Church Office has requested the choir to perform at Confirmation on **Thursday, April 22nd at 6:00 p.m.** Watch for news regarding a Spring Concert to be held in April.

Parent Opinion Inventory

Last call! If you have not returned the **Parent Opinion Inventory and Catholic Identity Survey**, please do so. It is a very important process and will remain anonymous.

Photos for Yearbook

If you have any interesting photos you would like to submit for this year's yearbook, please copy them to a disk and leave at the school office attention to Joan Albert. Thank you.

Bad Weather Make-Up Day

Mark your calendar. There **WILL** be school on **Thursday, April 1st** to compensate for our last inclement weather day.



In accordance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, there will be no discrimination on the grounds of race, creed, color, national origin, or handicapping condition in regards to student enrollment or staff employment.