



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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# St. Patrick School Post

Dear Friends,

The waxy smell of a new box of crayons, the excitement of labeling each school supply, and the anticipation of meeting new teachers and getting reacquainted with old friends all mark the start of a new school year. St. Patrick started school on August 11<sup>th</sup> with 48 eager learners. Observing our students has caused many of those memories to come surging back. Oh, how I remember!

In *some* aspects, the experiences of our students are much like my own as a young child. Sadly, I was not able to participate in a faith-based education until I became a college-student. I am so thankful that our students have the opportunity to gain a greater understanding of God's love and saving grace. He is so good.

There are many exciting changes at St. Patrick School this year, including

positive behavioral expectations, academic offerings, and mentoring opportunities from Big Brothers/Big Sisters. In addition, we have adopted a new reading series, which covers the five components of reading instruction. As part of our focus on literacy, all students have been assessed for reading concerns by the Title I teacher and further evaluation of reading will be conducted using an online assessment during September. We are excited about providing a greater focus on individual needs. Later this month we will begin a whole-school intervention which will focus on fluency. Furthermore, we have implemented a new hands-on approach to science. The students are enjoying watching the progress in their fall garden.

As part of our new "healthy lunch" program, we have switched our lunch and recess schedule. Our students come back from recess, ready to eat and enjoy their meal. We are seeing less food waste and more intake of healthy foods,



such as vegetables and fruits. The lunch period allows us a time to calm down, so we can go back to the classroom ready to listen and learn.

I am sincerely thankful for the opportunity to be part of St. Patrick School. I am truly blessed to work with such a terrific faculty and staff, and I enjoy the children immensely. If you should have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 217-523-7670 or to email me at [kamarsaglia@st-patrick.org](mailto:kamarsaglia@st-patrick.org).

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Listed below are the PTO meeting dates scheduled for the 2011-2012 school year. Meetings start at 5:30 and the public/our donors are welcome (*and encouraged*) to attend. PTO dates are as follows:

9/1, 10/6, 11/3, 12/1, 1/12, 2/2, 3/1, 4/12 and 5/17.



# SCHOOL LUNCH... YUM, YUM, YUM!



Does anyone ever say this? The children at St. Patrick are saying it this year! Over the summer, a kitchen/cafeteria remodel was completed with the assistance of several community partners: Cabinetworks of Springfield designed and crafted the cabinets to fit our existing space, the Nudo Products, Inc. donated wall board and ceiling panels to match the redesigned color scheme, Greco, Inc. donated rubber interlocking flooring to provide a non-skid, shock absorbing overlay to the existing tile, Midwest Office Supply and Anderson Environmental Engineering donated and delivered used

wall partitions to define the cafeteria space and line the balance of the gym walls to provide a sound and safety barrier, and volunteer, George Fairchild, donated his time and energy to coordinate an aesthetically pleasing paint job!



used in the past. These upgrades were financed through funds accrued from State Board of Education through their National School Lunch Program.

...but what about the lunch? St. Patrick worked with genH Coalition to develop a menu consisting of fresh fruits/vegetables combined with whole grains to provide a nutritionally balanced, appetizing lunch on a daily basis. Requests for proposals were sent to area vendors to secure competitive pricing. Ultimately, St. Patrick contracted with Arena Food Service to provide lunches within the parameters established in the proposal guidelines. The lunches have been not only delicious, but also nutritious!

We thank all of our community partners who helped to make this vision a reality for our students and staff!



A new stainless steel refrigerator, full-size warming oven, and dishwasher helped to finish the upgrade. Keeping with the recycling program that was implemented last year, reusable plates, bowls, cups and silverware have been added to replace the consumable wares that were

## The School That Mary Claire's Dad Helped Build

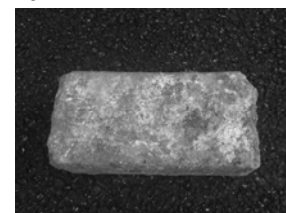
In the Spring of 2011, St. Patrick received a City Block Grant to repave a portion of the parking lot. When the workers began demolition of the old pavement, they discovered bricks from the original two story school building buried below. Then principal, Gary Sullivan, kept these bricks thinking he would share a piece of St. Patrick with board members.

Donor, Mary Claire Haugh, stopped

by the school to drop off a donation. While obtaining her information to send a certificate of donation, she shared that her father had been one of the original students of St. Patrick and had actually helped to construct the school. She went on to say that he helped to carry the bricks with which it was constructed...possibly some of the same bricks that were discovered in the parking lot!

Accordingly, we have awarded Mary Claire a commemorative brick in memory of her father's efforts and attendance of St. Patrick.

*(Pictured below is the brick awarded to Mary Claire.)*



Gary Sullivan, Executive Director

Kim Marsaglia Principal

Michelle Marley, Development Director

Denise Fisher, Administrative Assistant



# STEINBECK & GRISHAM & SEUSS, OH MY!

Dr. Seuss wrote "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." And the volunteers and staff at St. Patrick School believe this message quite strongly. It is this belief, and the conviction to St. Patrick's students, that has fostered the lengthy (and

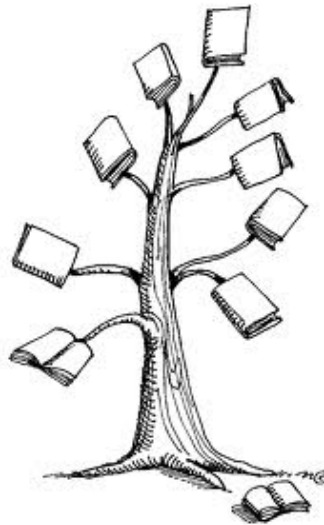


sometimes tedious) task of creating a new school library. Over the last nine months books have been collected, sorted, labeled and shelved, affording our students and their parents a library filled with a wealth of new ideas, old friends, facts, opinions and dreams.

It is only because of the generous donations of local social groups, community members and other area schools, that St. Patrick School has been able to purchase new book shelves, refurbish older shelving, and purchase library software

for our computer system.

With the official library grand opening to be scheduled near the beginning of October, St. Patrick School owes an overwhelming debt of gratitude to Eagle Scout, Luke Buscher who worked tirelessly soliciting donations of books and volunteers, initiating the process of making the St. Patrick School Library the wondrous place that it will be for our students.



## "TOP FIVE SCHOOL" MEANS PIZZA PARTY FUN!

What child (or adult for that matter) does not love pizza? Recently St. Patrick teachers and administration attended an "Educator's Night" hosted by America's Incredible Pizza. Based on the percentage (100%) of our teachers that attended, St. Patrick received the honor of being deemed a "TOP FIVE SCHOOL". What does this mean for us? Many exciting incentives such as:

- A free pizza party for the ENTIRE school at our location

- A free pizza party for the ENTIRE school at their location
- \$50 off a field trip
- Buy 1 get 1 free to-go pizzas
- Spirit Night Fundraiser in which we get 15% back on entire night's sales

Katie Kent and her team from America's Incredible Pizza, pictured below, came to school during lunch and awarded the children our TOP FIVE honor. Needless to say, our students were excited! We thank

America's Incredible Pizza for choosing us as a TOP FIVE SCHOOL and for their support with PIZZA throughout the year!



Barbara Moore, Kindergarten

Rosemarie Bates, 1st / 2nd Grade

Sarah Stanley, 3rd Grade

Suzanne Tockey, 4th / 5th Grade

Tracey Nelson, Art

Shirley Green, Science /

P. E. Instruction

# St. Patrick School

## 7th Annual Chilli Luncheon



Saturday, October 29, 2011

11:00 am—4:00 pm

Held in the

St. Katharine Drexel Parish Basement

1720 South Grand Avenue, Springfield

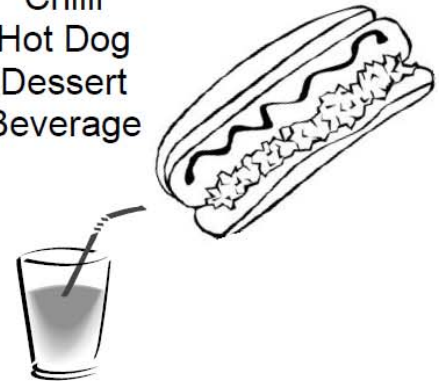
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Chilli  
Hot Dog  
Dessert  
Beverage



Tickets: \$5.00 in advance  
\$6.00 at the door

Carryout Available in Two Sizes

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For more information and tickets call or e-mail:  
(217) 523-7670 / mmarley@st-patrick.org



# Little Ways to Help by Shopping

## Max Dollars for Education-

St. Patrick is registered to receive "Max Dollars for Education" from Springfield and surrounding area County Market stores every time you shop for groceries! If you are a County Market shopper, log on to [mycountymarket.com](http://mycountymarket.com), select your favorite store location, click on "Promotions & Events", and then click in the green bar "Max \$ sign up". Simply enter your max card number (the first 11 numbers below the bar code on the back of your card), the school name (St. Patrick School), and the school number (10231). Then, shop till you drop and St. Patrick will be the benefactor! We could win \$5,000 if we're one of the top five participating schools. If you do not have internet access, you can register at County Market, or call the school at 523-7670 and we'll get you registered.

## Target Red Card Rewards Program-

Are you a Target shopper? If so, you can help St. Patrick. How? Go to the Target store nearest you to apply for a Target Red Card (two types: debit or credit). Once your application is processed, log on to [target.com](http://target.com) and designate St. Patrick Catholic School as your school of choice. St. Patrick will then receive a 1% reward, and you will receive a 5% discount on each purchase made using your Target Red Card.



## Box Tops for Education-

This program has expanded beyond its original offering of points/rewards for redeeming clipped Box-Tops. Now, there are four ways you can help St.

Patrick through the "BoxTops for Education Program" as follows:

1. Clip box tops from many of the grocery store products your family uses each and every week. Mail or drop off your box tops to St. Patrick and we'll do the rest.
2. Sign up on-line at [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com) to receive and give eBoxTops to St. Patrick from over 100 well-known retailers when you shop at the "Marketplace" from this website.
3. Go into the "Reading Room" on this website and purchase books from Barnes & Noble. Earn up to 6 eBoxTops with every qualified \$10 purchase made.
4. Bonus box tops are offered from time to time to the schools with the most active users.

## Campbell's Soup Labels-

Winter is coming and we know Campbell's Soup is "mm good" in cold weather! Drop off or mail your soup labels to St. Patrick for us to redeem for classroom supplies at the on-line Campbell's store.



# St. Patrick School Annual Fund Drive

## 100+ Years of Serving Our Community

Here's my contribution:

\$1,000 \_\_\_\_\_ \$500 \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip \_\_\_\_\_



Please mail gifts and contributions to: 1800 South Grand Ave. East Springfield, IL 62703

# Thank You For Supporting St. Patrick School

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## HELP US WIN A NEW FACE ON THE WEB!

Levi, Ray & Shoup, a supporter of St. Patrick, is hosting their "2<sup>nd</sup> Annual \$10,000 Website Makeover Contest". St. Patrick has been accepted as a successful nominee! The deadline for nominations to be submitted is October 5<sup>th</sup>. At that time, ten finalists will be selected and the community will be invited to vote for the non-profit organization that they would like to see win the makeover. Supporters can vote once each day during the voting phase (October 17<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>) from each e-mail address they

have. Please mark your calendars and plan to vote as we need the community's support to give us the presence on the web necessary to effectively communicate to our donors, families and students. You can vote by going to the following link: <http://www.lrs.com/lrswebsolutions/makeover/>

Thanks for your support!

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# Our Students Are A-Maze-Ing!

On Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, Ms. Tockey and her 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade class, accompanied by science teacher, Shirley Green, went on a field trip to the Auburn United Methodist Church's "A-MAZE-ing Corn MAZE." Carrie Winkelmann, "Ag in the Classroom" Coordinator from the Sangamon/Menard County Farm Bureau was their guide for the day. Students were able to explore the corn field maze and learn about the many uses of corn in our lives. The \$2/student admission fee for this experience was

paid through the classroom's \$500 MAGIC MATCH sponsor whose generous donation allows the teacher discretionary dollars to use for field trips and other classroom materials/educational extensions that might not be possible otherwise. Kalil Plato, 4<sup>th</sup> grade student, wrote the "thank you" letter below that just had to be shared!

Hello!!

Dear First United Methodist Church, Thank you for inviting us to your corn maze, We had so much fun! We hope to come back next year. Thank you for the snacks we hope to see you in person again. If you want to see me go to St. Patrick school. I had a good time. I would like to know how exactly did you get the questions they seemed like good questions to answer. The dance, the maze, and the snacks we owe you one. How can we owe you?? That's right this is how I owe you, I hope you

love this letter. I hope you write me back. I am a very good boy. I always wanted to go to a maze it was my first maze. You made the maze look cool and fine. I was very happy. Sometimes we get lost but we found ourselves none of us are lost we are always together. Everything we did there it was fun. Hope you loved us there. Of course you loved us there. Now were doing a test and all the things about corn. One thing I always wanted to know, how much corn do you pick everyday???

Hope is all that we need at our school and that would be wonderful. If that would be fine with you that is certainly fine with me. Visit our website:

[www.st.patrick.org](http://www.st.patrick.org)

Sincerely,  
Kalil



## SPONSOR A STUDENT...ENRICH A LIFE

Are you looking for a way to be involved in the life of a child? We have the answer: SPONSOR A STUDENT! Although we strive to keep our tuition rates low for our families (\$735/year), many still struggle to pay their monthly tuition amount of \$73.50. As a private, non-profit school with no direct parish affiliation, we rely on the assistance of donors to "bridge the gap" of around \$8,000 between our cost to educate each child and what parents pay in tuition. Hands-on science (our

preference) involves the use of creativity and consumables that must also be financed. Out of these needs for the children comes our 2011-2012 "Sponsor a Student" Program.

When you make the choice to sponsor a student, you will be connected to a specific child who will send you a photo and a "thank you" card. It is our hope that this is just the beginning of the relationship and that you and your student will continue to correspond throughout the year.

You are also welcome to visit your student and his/her classroom to see their progress. Some of our sponsors, from past years, have even become a tutor. The possibilities for involvement are endless... the reward for enrichment priceless! Consider sponsorship today!

Please fill out this form and mail it to St. Patrick Catholic School,  
1800 S. Grand Ave. East,  
Springfield, IL 62703.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

[ ] \$50, *Science Buddy*: This will go toward the purchase of educational science kits to be used in classrooms.

[ ] \$73.50, *Student Supporter*: This covers one month of tuition for a student.

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[ ] \$735, *Student Savior*: Creates a scholarship in your name for one student to attend St. Patrick School for one school year.

[ ] \$8,000, *Bridge the Gap*: Covers the cost between tuition charged and the actual cost to educate one student for one school year.

[ ] *Create your own sponsorship*: Name your donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## CALLING ALL ALUMNI... PLEASE RESPOND!

If you are an alumni of St. Patrick and/or have family members or friends that were students, please e-mail the following contact information to [mmarley@st-patrick.org](mailto:mmarley@st-patrick.org) or enter your information on our website by going to:

[www.st-patrick.org/alumni-form.html](http://www.st-patrick.org/alumni-form.html)

- 1) Name
- 2) Address

- 3) Phone number
- 4) E-mail address
- 5) Years attended St. Patrick (i.e. 1961-65)

After we have completed the database, we will be hosting an Alumni Celebration to invite former students to revisit their school, share memories, photos, food, drink and fun!

Additionally, for those who are interested in helping their 100+ year old school continue to serve the community, plans are being made to form an Alumni Foundation that could help to fund special projects beneficial to the future of St. Patrick.

A big thank you to Brian Hardy and Boy Scout Troop 2 for their assistance in completing this project!

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## MASTER GARDENERS...PRESENT AND FUTURE

On August 19<sup>th</sup>, St. Patrick students joined with the U of I Extension's Master Gardeners and genH Coalition staff to plant a fall garden. New science teacher, Shirley Green, was there to oversee the operation and assist as needed. The children planted lettuce, turnips, carrots, spinach, radishes and peas.

Mrs. Green has integrated gardening into her fall curriculum offerings and facilitates each class as they nurture the seeds they've planted

with daily watering and weeding. In the classroom, they have studied the basic elements necessary for gardening: water, soil, sunlight and



space. The younger students have also all planted their own lima bean and on a daily basis observe the growth and record their results in a scientific manner.

Once the garden matures, the students will harvest and enjoy the fruits (or in this case, vegetables) of their labor. Many thanks to the U of I Master Gardeners and genH Coalition for their assistance and guidance with this project!

## GIVE A GIFT THAT DOESN'T COST A THING-YOUR TIME!

TIME is one of the most valuable assets we can give to another. The TIME we've devoted to someone or something doesn't depreciate or lose its value, but rather appreciates and shows that we care. St. Patrick is blessed to have many volunteers that help in different ways.

Joanna Bucci has been volunteering at St. Patrick since 2004. Retired from working for the State of Illinois,



she has given her TIME to assist in kindergarten, first, second and third grades. What's her favorite

thing about St. Patrick? It's simple...THE KIDS! "I'd much rather work with children than adults. We know why they act the way they do", says Joanna.



Betty White has devoted her life to teaching. She worked at Iles Elementary School back in the '70's with our Executive Director, Gary Sullivan (see photo). Now retired, she still loves children (especially kindergarten). She substitutes and assists on a

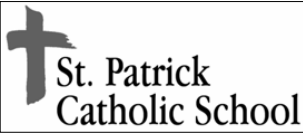
regular basis and we can't thank her enough for her TIME.

Catie Sheehan, Brian Brewer, Danielle Outlaw, Jim McDonough and Sarah Gripper are all members of the St. Patrick Development Committee. They help to plan, organize and work at fundraising events for the school. They donate their business skills, connections, and TIME to help to ensure that St. Patrick remains operational.

TIME...do you have it to give? If so, please call or visit us to discuss the many outlets at St. Patrick in which you can engage. Whether you enjoy reading to children, gardening, painting, tutoring, mentoring...whatever your pleasure...double it by giving your gift of TIME to a child or their school!

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## IT'S "CHILLI" IN OCTOBER

No, not chilly weather - chilli soup! It's time once again for the "7<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick PTO Chilli Luncheon" that will be held on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 11 AM - 4 PM at the St. Katharine Drexel Parish basement, located directly across the street from school. We are fortunate once again to have Master Chili Chef and Judge, Les Eastep, preparing his special blend. If you received our newsletter last year, you may recall that the correct spelling of chilli in Springfield, IL is with two "l"s. Everywhere else in the world it is with one "l". Accordingly, as Les travels around the world making his special blends of chilli and bidding for his third world championship, his title only carries one "l".



Advance tickets can be purchased for \$5 by calling the school office at 523-7670. Tickets can also be purchased the day of the event for \$6. Meal price includes chilli, crackers, hot dog, drink and dessert. DON'T FORGET CARRYOUT AND DELIVERY ARE AVAILABLE! For those of you who are working, or don't have the time to sit and enjoy your chilli at the church, a single serving size of 8 oz. and a family serving size of 32 oz. will be available, along with the other offered items, ala cart. Advance orders, of 20 or more, placed by Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, will be delivered free of charge (within a 5 mile radius of school) on Saturday at the ordered designated time. This is a great way for employers to treat employees who work weekends while helping St. Patrick PTO!

Call today to place your order or reserve your tickets! It isn't everyday that you get to eat chilli prepared by a Master Chef. Let Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> be the day that you do!