



March 15, 2010

Dear Parents and Guardians of our Students,

Saint Patrick Feast Mass: Wednesday, March 17, 2010 – 8:10 am

Please, take some time to join us in celebrating our Patron Saint Mass this Wednesday, March 17, at 8:10 am.

Spinning the Wheel – Thank you Roxanne Van Houndt!

This year, we have had a large amount of students spinning the wheel. In the beginning, the students spun in the Cafeteria, but it became so loud that we decided to spin the wheel on the soccer field: The last time, 65 children spun. I want to thank Roxanne Van Houdt for taking the time to organize this fun event for the last four years and for providing all the prizes. It is the prize to the students for selling their raffle tickets and returning the stubs and money on time. God bless you, Roxanne!

Irish Games: Friday, March 19 and Saturday, March 20, 2010 at TRAC

With a lot of enthusiasm, we are four days from the games. We still need more volunteers to cover specific positions. If you have not signed up to help, please do it. As you know, there will be lots of entertainment, food, a car show and recreation for all ages. Basketball tournaments, arm wrestling competition and more. Friday night, we have the play "Put the Nuns in Charge". Saturday night, there will be the CCR tribute. Also, we have the return of Davis Carnival. Wristbands are being sold in the school at a discounted price thru Thursday.

Thank you, Jennifer Peterson

I want to express my deep gratitude to Jennifer for investing herself completely in the success of our Irish Games this year. Mrs. Peterson, our Development Director, has helped tirelessly in the entire major fundraisings the school has during the present school year, and has invested the last four months in the organization of the Games. Also, through Jennifer, I want to thank you the countless number of volunteers who are helping her in the details of the event. Most of all, thank you very much to her family for the support and cheer her up every second during this time. God bless you all!

Uniforms and weather

As weather starts to change, just want you to remember that:

1. Student can begin to wear shorts on April 6, 2010.
2. **Check your child's uniform is not too short or too tight to their body. Always think on modesty.**
3. The socks have to be shown over the shoes – we will give your child the proper pair the first time, the second time we will charge you for those socks.
4. Remind your child to keep their shirt tucked in at all times.

Parents-Principal-Pastor meeting

As of last Friday, we have interviewed 65 families and have enrolled 105 children. This means we are a close to the 50% mark for our current families. We have 35 appointments made for the next two weeks. Please, remember that our goal is to have all of our current families enrolled by Friday, March 26 (before Spring Break), and if you enrolled after that date, your Registration fee goes up \$75.

**You don't have to pay the registration fee at the moment of enrollment; there are some options for you.**

Volunteer training

I am starting a new set of trainings for volunteers. It includes: code of conduct, volunteer opportunities, policies, procedures and duty responsibilities. These trainings last 45 minutes. The dates for the trainings are: Tuesday, March 16 or 23, at 2:00 pm, Wednesday, March 17 or 24, at 8:00 am.

As we celebrate the Irish Games week, we pray to our Lord for blessings upon our school, our parish, and our community. Let us take a moment in our lives to think on the actual meaning of Saint Patrick's life and dedication to our Catholic Church.

See you this weekend for the games at TRAC! God bless you all,

Toño Vegas, Principal

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## Calendar

Day	Date	Activity
Monday	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Crazy Hair Day</i> 5:30pm ~ Soup Night in the Gym
Tuesday	March 16 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Multiplicity Day</i> 2:00pm ~ Volunteer Training
Wednesday	March 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Decade Day</i> 8:00am ~ Volunteer Training 8:10am ~ Mass 1:45pm ~ Early Release
Thursday	March 18 <sup>th</sup>	<i>SPS Pride Day ~ Green &amp; Gold</i> Middle School Honor Roll Trip
Friday	March 19 <sup>th</sup>	No School ~ K-8th 4:00pm ~ Irish Games 2010 begin!
Saturday	March 20 <sup>th</sup>	Irish Games 2010

### Stations of the Cross

Please plan on attending, and inviting your family members and friends, to our yearly program, "The Stations of the Cross through the eyes of Mary", on Friday, March 26, 2010 at 11:00am in Saint Patrick Church. I hope to see you all there.

### Food Drive

One key part of Lent is almsgiving—which means giving money or necessities to people who need them. Our Middle School religion classes are sponsoring a food drive during Lent. After a tour of the St. Vincent de Paul food bank, we have decided to collect those food items that are in most need at the present time.

- K-2<sup>nd</sup> grades please send baby food
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grades please send canned meats or fish (soups, stew, chili, tuna etc)
- 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades please send tortillas

We will begin accepting donations today Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup> and will gather the last of the items on Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. **The Middle School students will collect the items from your student's homeroom and will deliver them to St. Vincent De Paul.**

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Davis Carnival Presale Wristbands ~ Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup> or Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup>

\$17 presale - \$21 at the door

Deadline to purchase presale tickets is 4:00pm on Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup>

\_\_\_\_\_ Number of wristbands @ \$17 each

- Please send my wristband coupon home with the oldest child in my family
- I will pick my wristband coupon up in the School Office

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Make Checks Payable to: ST PATRICK IRISH GAMES



15 de Marzo del 2010

Estimados Padres de nuestros estudiantes,

Misa por la Festividad de San Patricio: miércoles 17 de marzo a las 8:10 am

Por favor, acompáñenos a celebrar la fiesta de nuestro Santo Patrono este miércoles, a las 8:10 am.

Rueda de la Fortuna – Muchas Gracias, Roxanne Van Houdt!

Este año, hemos tenido muchos niños girando la rueda de la fortuna. Fue todo un evento. Las primeras veces fue en la Cafetería, pero llegó a ser tan bullicioso que decidimos hacerlo en el campo de fútbol: la última vez, 65 niños giraron la ruleta. Quiero agradecer profundamente a Roxanne Van Houdt por tomar el tiempo de organizar este evento divertido durante los últimos cuatro años y donar todos los premios. Es el premio que obtienen los niños por vender sus tickets de rifas. Dios te bendiga, Roxanne. ¡Y que vengan muchos años más!

Juegos Irlandeses: viernes 19 y sábado 20 de marzo del 2010

Con mucho entusiasmo, ya estamos a cuatro días de los juegos. Todavía necesitamos más voluntarios. Si no se ha inscrito como voluntario, hágalo pronto. Como sabe, habrá mucho entretenimiento, comida, muestra de carros y recreación para todas las edades.

**Competencia de básquetbol, y mucho más. El viernes en la noche, tenemos la presentación de "Put the Nuns in Charge". El sábado en la noche tenemos el tributo de Randy Linder a Creedence Además, tenemos el regreso de Davis Carnival. Los brazaletes están a la venta en la escuela a precio de descuento. Cómprelos pronto, ya no quedan muchos.**

Muchas gracias, Jennifer Peterson

Quiero expresar mi más profundo agradecimiento a Jennifer por dedicarse completamente al éxito de las Juegos Irlandeses. La Señora Peterson, nuestra Directora de Desarrollo, ha ayudado incansablemente en todos los pedidos de dinero durante este año escolar y se ha dedicado los últimos cuatro meses a la organización de los juegos. También, a través de Jennifer, quiero agradecer a los incontables voluntarios quienes están ayudando en todos los detalles de los juegos. Sobre todo, muchas gracias a su familia, por el apoyo y ánimo que le dan casa instante durante este tiempo. Dios los bendiga a todos!

Los uniformes y el clima

El clima comienza a cambiar, y quiero recordarles que:

1. Los estudiantes pueden comenzar a usar shorts después del 6 de abril
2. Verifique que su uniforme no está muy corto o muy estrecho. Siempre piense en la modestia
3. Los calcetines deben verse por encima del zapato – le daremos los calcetines apropiados la primera vez, la segunda vez le cobraríamos a usted el costo de estos calcetines
4. Recuerde a sus hijos de mantener sus camisas dentro de los pantalones

Reunión Padres de familia – Director – Párroco

Hasta el viernes, habíamos entrevistado 65 familias y matriculado 105 niños. Esto significa que estamos cerca al 50% de nuestras familias actuales. Tenemos 35 reuniones más planeadas para las siguientes dos semanas. Recuerde que nuestro objetivo es matricular a las familias actuales antes del viernes 26 de marzo (antes de las vacaciones de primavera) y que si se matricula después, su matrícula costará \$75 más. No debe pagarlo en el momento de su matrícula, hay otras opciones.

Entrenamiento de voluntarios

Estoy comenzando una serie de entrenamientos de voluntarios. Incluye: código de conducta, oportunidades para ser voluntario; normas, procedimientos y responsabilidades. El entrenamiento dura 45 minutos. Los días son: Martes 16 ó 23 de marzo, a las 2:00 pm, Miércoles 17 ó 24 de marzo, a las 8:00 am.

Mientras celebramos la semana de los Juegos Irlandeses, rezamos para que Nuestro Señor bendiga nuestra escuela, nuestra parroquia y nuestra comunidad. Tomemos un momento en nuestra vida para pensar en el sentido de la vida de San Patricio en nuestra Iglesia Católica actual.

Nos vemos este fin de semana en los juegos en el TRAC! Dios los bendiga,

Toño Vegas, Director, [tvegas@dioceseofspokane.org](mailto:tvegas@dioceseofspokane.org),  
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El Pan Braided será entregado el lunes 22 de marzo. Si usted compró, por favor recójalo ese día después de clases, ya que no tenemos muchas congeladoras para mantenerlo congelado. Gracias!

## Calendario

Día	Fecha	Actividad
Lunes	15 de Marzo	<i>¡Día de Cabello loco!</i> 5:30pm ~ Noche de Sopa en el Gimnasio
Martes	16 de Marzo	<i>¡Día de la Multiplicidad!</i> 2:00pm ~ Volunteer Training
Miércoles	17 de Marzo	<i>¡Día de la década!</i> 8:00am ~ Volunteer Training 8:10am ~ Misa
Jueves	18 de Marzo	<i>Día del Orgullo de la Escuela- Verde y Dorado!</i> Middle School Honor Roll Trip
Viernes	19 de Marzo	No hay clases ~ K-8th 4:00pm ~ Irish Games 2010 comienz!
Sábado	20 de Marzo	Irish Games 2010

### Via crucis

Los esperamos a usted y su familia a nuestro program anual "El vía crucis en los ojos de María", el día viernes 26 de marzo del 2010, a las 11:00 am en la Iglesia de San Patricio. Esperamos verlos a todos ahí.

### Colecta de comida

Una parte importante de la cuaresma es la limosna—con el que damos dinero o asistencia personas que la necesitan. Nuestroro clase de religión de Media está dirigiendo una colecta de comida durante esta cuaresma. Después de visitar el Banco de Comida de San Vicente de Paul, decidimos coleccionar comida para personas que lo necesitan.

- K-2° por favor, envíen comida de bebé
- 3° - 5° por favor, envía latas de carne o pescado (sopas, atún, frijoles, etc)
- 6° - 8° por favor envíen tortillas

Estaremos aceptando donaciones desde hoy hasta el jueves 25 de marzo. Los estudiantes de media coleccionarán las cosas de las aulas y los llevarán a San Vicente.



Thank you, Lourdes Health Network,  
for being our 2009-2010 FAITH Partner.

Week of March 15, 2010

[Kindergarten – Ms. Anne Chesterfield \(achesterfield@dioceseofspokane.org\)](mailto:achesterfield@dioceseofspokane.org)

[Kindergarten – Ms. Tina Cuevas \(tcuevas@dioceseofspokane.org\)](mailto:tcuevas@dioceseofspokane.org)

**Classroom news & activities...** I hope everyone had a great weekend! This week is our Spirit Week and Irish Games weekend. Make sure to look on the March calendar to see what we have going on every day. Also, reminder that there is no school on Friday—but we will have child care available. In class this week, we will be learning about insects and our letter of the week is letter “Mm”. This week our word of the week is the word “me”. Our VIP student is Ariadna.

[1st Grade – Mrs. Jaclyn Moore \(jmoore@dioceseofspokane.org\)](mailto:jmoore@dioceseofspokane.org)

[2nd Grade – Jessica Ford \(jford@dioceseofspokane.org\)](mailto:jford@dioceseofspokane.org)

**Classroom news & activities...** Hi 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Families! This week your student will become an “expert” on a specific animal. He, or she, will be responsible for teaching their group mates about their animal. Their success will be put to the test later in the week, when we play a game about animal knowledge. In Social Studies, we are still working with the seven continents and five oceans. Spelling will deal with vowel diagraphs (-ew, -ow). Please reinforce the use of analog time. It is still challenging for some students and they have become dependent on a digital clock. Have a great week!

[3rd Grade – Mrs. Susan Taber \(staber@dioceseofspokane.org\)](mailto:staber@dioceseofspokane.org)

[4th Grade – Mrs. Peggy Merk \(pmerk@dioceseofspokane.org\)](mailto:pmerk@dioceseofspokane.org)

**Classroom news & activities...** Good Afternoon! Thank you to all who were able to attend the School Mass yesterday! Book orders were sent last week and we hoped to get them by last Friday. If you plan to order, please send it as soon as possible. We are working on lesson 26 in Spelling. Last Friday we made slime and investigated whether it was a chemical or physical change. (Ask your child to describe our investigation to you.) I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at Irish Games this weekend! Have a great week!

**Homework...** Monday: Spelling Sort and pp. 158-159; Tuesday: Math w.s. 10-11; Wednesday: Spelling pp. 160-161; Thursday: Reading log

[5th Grade – Mrs. Michelle Good \(mgood@dioceseofspokane.org\)](mailto:mgood@dioceseofspokane.org)

**Classroom news & activities...** Our spelling test will be on Thursday this week since there is no school Friday for a teacher in-service. That also means that reading logs are due on Thursday with 140 minutes. Book report packets will be handed out on Tuesday and students should have their book checked off by Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. This is our last week of writing poems in class. Next week students will have class time to work on their final copies and illustrations for their book, which is due Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. This week we will be reading chapters 3 & 4 in Number the Stars. Students will have an opportunity for extra credit on their next science quiz if they complete ws. 42-43. This will be handed out on Monday and it is due Thursday morning. Students will have a science quiz over chapter 3 on Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Homework...** Monday-Take Home Science Worksheet; Tuesday-Spelling Page 189; Wednesday-Spelling Ws. 175 & Pretest with Signature

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[Mrs. Judith Turner \(jfturner@dioceseofspokane.org\)](mailto:jfturner@dioceseofspokane.org)

Subject Area	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Scripture	Start an outline for your project	p. 61 wkbk & Josiah mini-poster due Monday	NO CLASS	Work on project	NO SCHOOL
Liturgy & Morality	Ch 22 study guide	None	NO CASS	Begin project work	NO SCHOOL
World Cultures	P. 192: People, Places, & Vocab	p. 197:1-4	NO CLASS	Ch 7 notes due Monday	NO SCHOOL
Pre-Algebra	Wkst 4-3 dividing decimals	Wkst 4-4 dividing decimals	Wkst 4-5 Perimeter	p. 169:1-20	NO SCHOOL

Food Drive this week and next. Middle School brings tortillas.

[Mrs. Angie Boothe \(aboothe@dioceseofspokane.org\)](mailto:aboothe@dioceseofspokane.org)

Subject Area	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
L.A. 3	Linking Verbs WS p. 81-82 Vocabulary Sentences		Lesson 25: Using Pronouns WS; VOCABULARY QUIZ #2		NO SCHOOL
L.A. 2		Linking Verbs WS p. 81-82; Vocabulary sentences		Lesson 25: Using Pronouns WS; VOCABULARY QUIZ #2	
Algebra 1	5.3 Slope-Intercept Form; p. 276 #28-39	5.4 - Writing equations in Slope-intercept form p. 284 #11-18	5.4 - Continued p. 284 #19-29	5.5 Writing equations in point-slope form; p. 289-290 #15-22, 27, 28	NO SCHOOL

[Ms. Emily Kruschke \(ekruschke@dioceseofspokane.org\)](mailto:ekruschke@dioceseofspokane.org)

Subject Area	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Literature	Finish chapter 15; 2	Dr. Seuss poster	Chapter 17— 4 questions	None	No School
Physical Science	Materials for experiment	Finish exp. Write up	No class	No class	No School
American History	Stamp act worksheet	Page 153, #3-6	No class	Quiz Monday	No School
Life Science	Quiz on Brain	None	No class	Finish Brain model	No School

[Mr. Toño Vegas \(tvegas@dioceseofspokane.org\)](mailto:tvegas@dioceseofspokane.org)

Subject Area	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Algebra II	Exponential Functions (554). P. 558: 13 – 26 all	Geometric Sequences (567). P. 571: 17 – 54 all	Chapter Review: Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 (p.574-578). P. 579	Weekly test: Chapter 10, Lessons 3, 4, 5 and 7	No School

Goals: (according to diocesan guidelines) Review: Graph quadratic functions. Solve quadratic equations. Graph Exponential functions. Recognize and extend geometric sequences.

Notes: We are starting 3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester and Chapter 10. Please, be sure student brings all materials to class.