

Inspiration For:

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Faith

in Jesus is the foundation of our work



At their core, schools are a

Community

*Sunday | Celebrating Your Parish
Focus on Beauty*

"The Eucharist is 'the source and summit' of the Christian life." (CCC 1324)



Sunday, January 28: We begin our Catholic Schools Week with an 8:30 a.m. student led Rosary followed by 9:00 Mass with students proclaiming the Word of God in the Mass readings. After Mass there will be a Eucharistic procession in the Church after which all are invited to the school for refreshments with some of our teachers and staff.

There will also be a Holy Hour from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Church with the intention of asking God's blessings on the students, parents, teachers, staff, and benefactors of St. Patrick Catholic Classical School. The 5 p.m. Mass will follow.

*Monday | Celebrating Your Community
Focus on Goodness*

*"We give thanks to God always for all of you... remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope on our Lord Jesus Christ."
(1 Thessalonians 1:2)*

Monday, January 29: With a focus on our community, today we will begin a Novena to St. Patrick for the needs and intentions of our community. We will be collecting baby items for the Pregnancy Help Center, which students will deliver on Friday and also making beautiful, inspirational cards our students will deliver to a nursing home. We end the day at the gym with a pep rally to show our school spirit and love for Jesus.



*Tuesday | Celebrating Your Students
Focus on Truth*

"After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers." (Luke 2: 46-47)



Tuesday, January 30: Today being true to our Classical School theme and focusing on truth our students will gather and show off their memetic ability with the recitation of a favorite work. Then the older students will listen as the younger students read to them. This activity is always a big hit at our school!



*Wednesday | Celebrating The Nation
Focus on Piety*

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!" (Psalm 33:12)



Wednesday, January 31: We begin our day in which we celebrate the nation and focus on piety praying for our veterans and fallen heroes at Mass and afterward, having our flag ceremony, which is very moving. We will be praying an all-school Rosary at the Grotto (if the weather is warm enough) for our nation, our nation's leaders, and all involved in service to our communities.



*Thursday | Celebrating Vocations
Focus on Listening for God's Call in Our Lives*

"Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.'"
(Matthew 16:24-25)

Thursday, February 1: Today we will celebrate vocations. At the invitation of Fr. Denzil, three non-cloistered Dominican sisters will be speaking to our students and afterward our students will go to the Monastery of the Infant Jesus to present them with the items that students have collected to help them in the service of God. A priest from another parish will come and speak to our young men about his call to the Priesthood and his Priestly vocation.



*Friday | Celebrating Faculty
Focus on Self-Gift*

"Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.'" (Luke 11:1)

Friday, February 2: Today we celebrate Faculty with staff lunch for teachers. Help us make our teachers feel special.



*Saturday | Celebrating Families
Focus on the First School of Love*

*"The family is the community in which, from childhood, one can learn moral values, begin to honor God, and make good use of freedom. Family life is an initiation into life in society."
(CCC 2207)*



Saturday, February 3: Today we celebrate families. Students and parents can enjoy a movie Night in the Cafeteria at 6:30 hosted by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. All are welcome.

