



St. Paul's Lutheran School



From the Principal

My mother's side of the family immigrated to the United States from Ireland, so growing up I was exposed to a lot of Irish traditions. As you can imagine, my mom, Margie, would therefore go all out on St. Patrick's Day. Every March she'd haul out all her Irish decorations, knick-knacks, sweaters, cookie cutters and her Bing Crosby album. Yes, all through the month I'd suffer through Bing's renditions of Danny Boy, The Rose of Tralee, and When Irish Eyes are Shining. When St. Patrick's Day was over, Margie would sadly and carefully pack away her Irish keepsakes until the next year.

Except for one thing.

The thing that never got packed away was an old, framed greeting card from some Irish relative with the following prayer. This prayer sat out, very visibly, all year long.

St. Patrick's Prayer

*May the Strength of God pilot us.
May the Power of God preserve us.
May the Wisdom of God instruct us.
May the Hand of God protect us.
May the Way of God direct us.
May the Shield of God defend us.
May the Host of God guard us
Against the snares of the evil ones,
Against temptations of the world.
May Christ be with us!
May Christ be before us!
May Christ be in us,
Christ be over all!
May Thy Salvation, Lord,
Always be ours,
This day, O Lord, and evermore. Amen.*

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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 20-24	Spring Break – NO SCHOOL
April 1	Family Palooza
April 7-10	Easter Break – NO SCHOOL
April 19	Pizza and Praise
May 5	Special Guest Day-1/2 day
May 29	Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL
June 2	Last ½ day of school



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Singing Schedule

April 1	Grades 5-8 @ 5:00pm
April 16	Grades 1-4 @ 10:30am
April 30	Grades 3K, 4K, K @ 8:00am

REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION PAPERWORK WAS EMAILED OUT. PLEASE RETURN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO ENSURE YOU GET A SEAT.

****Registration Fee is \$100 per student until March 15. After that it is \$150 per student.**

ST. PAUL'S CHOICE OPEN APPLICATION PERIODS

MILWAUKEE

February 1 – 20

March 1 – March 20

April 1 – April 20

May 1 – May 22

June 1 – June 20

July 1 – July 20

August 1 - August 21

September 1 – September 14

WISCONSIN

February 1 – April 20

Worship Attendance

All school families are invited to worship with us each weekend. We understand that it is in worship where we draw closer to our God. In worship, God is present, and we have the opportunity to give thanks, receive forgiveness, gather with fellow believers, listen to His Word, pray for others, and to be strengthened in our faith to go out into the world to share Christ and to meet the challenges in everyday living. Our worship life also demonstrates how important God is to us and our families. As we teach our children God's truth, we model how important God is to us and should be in our lives as He is so good. **Make it a priority to worship regularly and spend time in His Word this school year.**



LINCOLN CAMPUS ASC

We are now in the season of Lent.

Every Wednesday there will be a church service here at 10:00am and 6:00pm, with a Lent Dinner starting at 4:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

Because of this, the Lincoln Campus after school care will be held at the ECC on Wednesdays now through March 29th.

Please contact the office with any questions.

Lenten Dinner Menu

(Served each Wednesday before Lenten service)

March 22 Sloppy Joes, chips, fresh veggies, dessert

March 29 Beef Tacos, beans and rice, dessert

**Hot dog meals will be available weekly, as well as coffee, juice and milk



MARCH 20 – 24

NO SCHOOL

BIRTHDAYS

MARCH

Ryan Allmann
Kinley Grafenauer
Autumn Lovas
Reagan Lovas
Leilani Matheu
Noah Segura
Destinae Thornberry
Madison Vogt
Samantha Vogt
Ameena Wilbur
Adalyn Zellmer
Claire Zimmer

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

MARCH BAPTISMS

1 – Mariana Fimreite
5 – Cheyenne Ulatowski
6 – Micah Baars
8 – Josh Hafemann
11 – Lauren Flessert
16 – William Baker
19 – Dominic Immekus
23 – Jacob Lemieux-Petrovic
28 – Jackson Petersen
28 – Nick Ulbing
29 – Ava Bingenheimer

FROM THE PASTOR

Stepping out into the unknown

Jeremiah 29:11 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Yesterday during lunch, as many others did, I turned on the Pat McAfee show to hear what was going to happen to Aaron Rodgers. While I can't say I was surprised to hear his decision to join the Jets, I will be honest and say I had mixed feelings. While I have not agreed with everything that he has said or done, you cannot deny he has been a phenomenal quarterback for the Green Bay Packers. I have been blessed as a Packer fan, for Brett Favre began starting the year I was born. I have never known a season where we did not have a Hall of Fame QB as our starting QB to begin a season. And now that he is leaving, I have no idea what average (or even worse bad) QB play will look for the Packers, and how that impacts our expectations. It is truly a stepping into the unknown.

As I thought about that, isn't it remarkable how often God asks us to step into the unknown? How often he brings us into challenging situations? It is truly shocking how often when we stop and think about it! I did not know what being your Pastor here at West Allis would look like. You did not know what it would be like to be a parent. Though you had a rough idea you had no idea what your job would look like when you first stepped in. You had no idea what St. Paul's would be like when you first came here! But throughout all the unknowns in life we do have one thing that we know- God has a plan for us, and that plan is good.

Indeed God has a plan for everything- he knew even before he created this world that he would send his Son to die for it. Before you even were born he had a plan for you to be his baptized child. And when we go off to journey the greatest unknown through the valley of the shadow of death, he has a plan for that too. He has a plan to be your shepherd through that valley, and to bring you to himself. Though we have many unknowns in life God knows everything! And we can trust that it will all work together, because of his great love for us. Therefore, we do not need to fear the unknown but can journey forth in full confidence, trusting in God's plan.

Pastor Josh

May God continue to keep you in your
Baptismal Grace!