



From the Principal's Desk...

Dear Parents,

Thank you so much for your support of St. Patrick's Day. We had such a wonderful celebrating and it is thanks to all of your support and help. A special thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Gill who donated the donuts for our special day! Thank you also to our teachers and staff who worked so hard to get the Olympics set up and carry them out for all the kids to enjoy. One final thank you to the Pius singers who came and celebrated with us by performing for us. We are so blessed to have the support of the parish and community who were a special part of the day.

On March 23rd we will be having an Easter egg hunt for the preschool through 3rd grade students. The junior high students will help get the eggs ready and hidden. It is possible even a special visitor will join us at the event. We are planning to be at the park around 10am.

As we conclude our Lenten journey together, I reflect back on all the grace and mercy the Lord has shown me through these 40 days and thank Him for the wonderful gift of your children in my life. Our staff looks at each one of your children as not just a child but a soul and we work with you to help get those souls to heaven! Thank you for sharing them. We feel blessed!

Sincerely in Christ,
Mrs. Leah Bethune

We are featuring a classroom of the week each week on Facebook. Be sure to make sure you have liked our page:
<https://www.facebook.com/saintpatrickcatholicschool>

School Calendar

March:

- 18: EARLY DISMISSAL/ 3rd Quarter Report Cards go home
- 19: First Confession@ 10am
- 23: Early Dismissal: 12:30pm for Teacher Recollection
- 24-29: NO SCHOOL: Easter Break
- 30: First Communion practice and parent meeting@5:30pm

April:

- 1: First Friday Adoration/Benediction@ 1:30pm/ NED SHOW
- 4-8: Day without shoes campaign
- 10: First Communion @ 2pm
- 12: Home and School Meeting @ 7pm
- 14: Spring Music Program@ 7pm
- 15: Early Dismissal@ 12:30pm/ students who attend HSA wear jeans
- 22: 4th Quarter Midterms go home: 4-8th grade

MAY:

- 2: Spring Band Concert Rehearsal@ 7pm Pius
- 3: Spring Band Concert@ 7pm Pius
- 5: NO SCHOOL: Ascension
- 6: First Friday Adoration/Benediction @ 1:30pm/ May Crowning/
Learning Fair/ Science Fair: 5-7pm
- 10: Home and School Meeting@ 7pm
- 18: 8th grade Mass at Cathedral@ 10:30am
- 20: Last day of Preschool
- 23: 8th Grade Promotion@ 7pm
- 24: Field day/ Talent Show Day
- 25: Last day of School: Early Dismissal@ 12:30PM

DAY WITHOUT SHOES:

Please bring all unwanted new or used shoes to school the week of April 4th to 8th

SAVE THE DATE: Totus Tuus has been scheduled for June 26 to July 1st!

HELP WANTED:

Jo Fujan and Kathy Wilkerson our kitchen staff are retiring after this school year. We are looking for replacements for them. If you know or are interested in the positions, here is the information: St. Patrick Catholic School is seeking a Food Service Manager and Head Cook as well as an assistant cook to begin for the 2016-2017 school year. The job hours would vary based of schedule but lunch is served from 11 to 12:30pm each day. Must be motivated, flexible, and a team player. The position only works on days school is in session. Please email Mrs. Leah Bethune at leah-bethune@cdolinc.net or call her at 402-466-3710. Thank you.

Shorts Season: As per the handbook, shorts season is here. Students may wear uniform shorts and skirts without leggings. Please be aware we are still going outside for recess every day!

Report Cards:

3rd quarter report cards are coming home today. Please sign the envelopes and return them to school by Wednesday, March 23rd.
Thank you!

Honor Roll

3rd quarter honor roll will be presented to students in 4th to 8th grade after Mass on Tuesday, March 22nd. All are invited and welcome to attend.

Home and School News:

What: The Home and School Association March Eat out Event Noodles and Company

Where: 50th and O Street

When: Tuesday, April 12th (5 to 9pm)

What: Noodles and Company will donate 10% for people who say they are with St. Patrick's.

May Eat out Night: Chuck E' Cheese

• **Our next Home and School Meeting will be Tuesday, April 12th in the School gym at 7:00pm.**

- If you come to the meeting, your child(ren) will get to wear school appropriate jeans on Friday, April 15th to school.
- **We are in need of volunteers to help with the daycare or watching of the children at the meetings. Please let us know if you know of someone needing service hours! THANK YOU!**

Volunteer Opportunities:

Athletic Banquet: May 17th

The Home and School Association is currently looking for volunteers to join our Board for the School's Centennial Year: 2016 - 2017. If you are interested in serving as Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Fundraising Co-Chair, or Booster Club Co-Chair, please contact Greg Philson. 402-540-1742. Thank you!

Don't forget to send your box tops to school. The competition ends on Easter and we are very close to our second prize! Keep them coming!!!

Confirmation pictures: The individual pictures were sent home with the students this week along with an order form. The group pictures are available to see in the office. Order forms are due with payment in the office by Monday, March 21st.



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MARCH 2016

21 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Peas Applesauce Dinner Roll/Jelly	22 Hamburger on Bun Oven Fries Broccoli Diced Peaches	23 Chicken Salad Sand. Peas Carrots & Dip Banana Sun Chips	24 Holy Thursday Easter Break----->	25 Good Friday Easter Break--->
28 Easter Monday Easter Break->	29 Tuesday after Easter Easter Break-->	30 Soft Shell Tacos Refried Beans Corn Oranges	31 Chef's Salad Steamed Broccoli Cinnamon Breadstick Strawberry Bananas	1 Tuna or Egg Salad Sandwich Green Beans Oven Fries Diced Peaches



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4 Pop Corn Chicken Sweet Tater Tots Broccoli Mandarin Oranges Muffin	5 Ham/ cheese Stromboli Romaine Peas Diced Peaches	6 Hamburger on Bun Oven Fries Pork 'n Beans Diced Pears	7 Chicken Strips Scalloped Potatoes Mixed Veggies Banana Cookie	8 Mac 'n Cheese Green Beans Raw Veg Cup/Dip Apple Slices Dinner Roll/Jelly
11 Chicken Fajitas Refried Beans Sautéed Veggies Romaine Pear	12 Tater Tot Casserole Corn Oranges Muffin	13 Chicken Tenders Tater Smiles Peas Strawberries Biscuit	14 Baked Potato Bar With Toppings Steamed Broccoli Cinnamon Breadstick Applesauce	15 Grilled Cheese Sand Tomato Soup/Crax Green Beans Carrots & Dip Diced Peaches
18 Ham & Noodles Peas Romaine Dinner Roll Pears	19 Swiss Steak Scalloped Potatoes Calif. Blend Veggies Banana Muffin	20 Fiestada (Pizza) Corn Refried Beans Pineapple Tidbits	21 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Broccoli Dinner Roll/Jelly Diced Peaches	22 Max Sticks/Marinara (cheesy bread sticks) Green Beans Carrots & Dip Applesauce Blueberry Coffee Cake
25 DeliWrap Cole Slaw Buttered Corn Mandarin Oranges	26 Pop Corn Chicken Romaine Broccoli Applesauce	27 BBQ Riblett on Bun Pork 'n Beans Sweet Tater Tots Banana	28 Philly Cheese Sand Crinkle Fries Fresh Veggies &Dip Pineapple Tidbits	29 Pancakes Yogurt Cup Hash Browns Green Bean Orange Juice

USDA is an equal opportunity provider. All meals are served with choice of milk. Additional milk may be purchased for 50 cents per unit. Menus are subject to change without notice. Visitors are always welcome at St Patrick. Charge for adult meals is \$3.50, payable in the office. Please notify the office of your plans by 9:00 am on the day of your visit and always check in at the office before coming to the gym. Thank you for choosing school lunch.

Milk can be purchased daily for cold lunches \$.50

TUITION ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

AVAILABLE FOR PIUS X STUDENTS – If you plan to attend Pius X High School during the 2016-2017 school year, you may now apply. The majority of scholarships awarded are based on financial need. More than \$62,000 in tuition assistance/scholarships will be awarded for the next school year. The deadline to apply is Monday, May 30. Please contact the Pius X Guidance Department at (402) 488-0931 or Pius X Foundation at (402) 488-1046 for assistance or with any questions. The online application can be found on Pius X's website: www.piusx.net. Please select Development/Support - Scholarships, and then "Click here to apply for tuition assistance/scholarships."

A Father/Son Program

to promote respect for human sexuality and chastity will be presented on Sunday, April 17, 2016 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 37th and Sheridan, Lincoln, NE. Boys 10 - 14 years old and their fathers are invited to register. (Mention where they can find a registration form at your church). Cost is \$10 per family. This program is presented by the Lincoln FertilityCare Center and the Family Life Office.

*Parents of Children with Special Needs of All Ages: You are invited to an introductory meeting of a **support group** for parents like yourselves, sponsored by Villa Marie School.*

- ◆ *When: Thursday, April 7th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.*
- ◆ *Where: Dawson Hall at John XXIII Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln*
- ◆ *Sisters and others will share their knowledge and experiences with special children*
- ◆ *There will be time for sharing with each other, as well as a question-and-answer period*
- ◆ *Refreshments will be provided*
- ◆ *Please R.S.V.P. Call Villa Marie School 402-786-3625 or email Sr. Jeanette at sr.jeanette-rerucha@cdolinc.net*

Camp Villa Marie, Villa Marie's Summer Camp for Children with Special Needs, will be held June 6 – 10th, 2016 for children ages 7—16. Enrollment is limited to 16 campers. The cost is \$225 for 5 days for boarders and \$175 for 5 days for day campers. For more information, please call Sr. Jeanette at 402-786-3625 (weekdays) or 402-786-2750 (weekends) or email her at sr.jeanette-rerucha@cdolinc.net



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the
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Pius Singers