

# St. Patrick Religious Education Parent Newsletter

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Lord, let your mercy be on us,  
as we place our trust in you.

Psalm 33: 22

**NO CLASS  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5TH &  
SUNDAY MARCH 9TH  
DUE TO ASH WEDNESDAY**



*Hooley is Irish for party, so join us for a family friendly way to celebrate our Patron Saint.*



**March 12th  
5:00pm-7:00pm  
(or until food runs out)  
Parish Center**



Support provided by: Ancient Order of Hibernians Sarpy Co. Div.

Volunteers Needed! Contact Shane at 332-3454 or smfagan@archomaha.org

## Hooley Volunteer

### The Hooley

**Help is still needed for the Hooley!** Especially during the event in the *kitchen, dishwashing, supervisors, and also afterward with cleanup.* If you'd like to help but can't volunteer that night - *we still need desserts!* See the sign up above or reply to the RE office.

**Classes are held next week!** We do have classes as normal on the day of the Hooley. Families can attend after the 4:00 class and before the 7:00 (*we suggest 5:30 families to attend after class*). During the 5:30

### March / April / May Events

March 5th  
**ASH WEDNESDAY**  
Masses: 7:30am, 6:00pm  
Day of Fasting &  
Abstinence

March 5th/9th  
No Class -  
Ash Wednesday break

March 12th, 5-7pm  
Hooley - classes held as  
normal

March 19th/23rd  
No Class -  
GPS Spring Break

April 6th  
7th Grade Confirmation  
Info Meeting, 11am

April 9th/13th  
Stations of the Cross  
during classes

April 16th/20th  
No Class -  
Holy Week /Easter

April 26th / 27th  
First Communion  
Weekend

April 30th/May 4th  
Last Day of Classes

May 18th  
Confirmation, 2pm

class some teachers will bring their class up to watch the dancers.

### Lent 2025

Lent is a time we focus on 3 things: Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving. Below are some Lenten ideas/challenges for our RE kids & families this year:

#### PRAY

Once a week this Lent, say a prayer in church for the students of Fr. Ssonko's St. Mary's School in Uganda. You can say a prayer in your own words or a prayer you have memorized. You can stop in and say it sometime during the week, or before or after Mass on the weekend.

#### FAST

This Lent, think of the things the students in Uganda don't have that you do: things like snacks, candy, and pop. Maybe you can give up pop or candy for all of Lent. Maybe you can give up one snack a day, or no snacks on Friday or some other day each week. When you feel hungry for the snacks, pop, or candy that you gave up: imagine how the things we can have so easily are not available to so many children in the world.

#### GIVE

It costs \$1 per week to feed one student at St. Mary's School. For Lent, you can give \$6 to help feed one student for the 6 weeks of Lent. This can come from your allowance, or you can do extra chores at home to earn some money to donate. If moms and dads or others in your family want to donate, they can, too!

Below is the flyer that was sent home last week.

- The slip at the bottom should be returned even if you are donating online. We will use this to compile all that the kids are doing and send with notes and cards from our kids to the kids at St. Mary's School.
- Please return slips and donations before Easter (by April 13th)
- Make a donation online or learn more about the mission here: [Father Ssonko Missionary Fund - St. Patrick Catholic Church](#)



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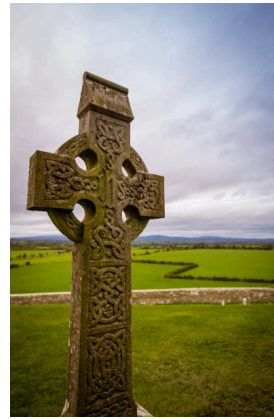
### Summer Programs

*Registration open next month:*

- Totus Tuus at St. Patrick: June 22nd-26th, 6:30-8:45pm (for 7th-12th graders)
- Totus Tuus at St. Patrick: June 23rd-27th, 9am-2:30pm (for 1st-6th graders)

*Registration Open Now:*

[VBS — St. Charles Borromeo](#)



### St. Patrick's Breastplate

Christ with me,  
Christ before me,  
Christ behind me,  
Christ in me,  
Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ on my right,  
Christ on my left,  
Christ when I lie down,  
Christ when I sit down,  
Christ when I arise,  
Christ in the heart  
of everyone  
who thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth  
of everyone  
who speaks of me,  
Christ in every eye  
that sees me,  
Christ in every ear  
that hears me.  
Amen.

### Parish News

Always stay on top of Parish News and Events by checking the weekly bulletin:

**Parish  
Bulletin**

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St. Patrick's Preschool Summer Camps