



# The Principal's Report

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Dear St. Patrick Catholic School Family,

This is our final report before Christmas break. It is my hope that you will focus on faith and family over the next two weeks. Our relationships, with God, family, and friends, are the most important in our lives.

**Holy Days of Obligation:** All faithful Catholics are expected to attend Mass every Sunday and on Holy Days of Obligation. Over the Christmas break, there are four days with required Mass attendance. Sunday, 12/23 is the 4th Sunday of Advent. Tuesday, 12/25, is Christmas Day. Sunday, 12/30, is the Feast of the Holy Family. Tuesday, 01/01/19, is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. All families should attend Mass on these days or the night before. Please see the parish bulletin for Mass times.

**First Semester Ends:** We have completed two quarters of the school year. Time is flying. I have a few reminders. Parents need to have their 17 service hours completed by May; additionally a parent from each family needs to help with two 2nd Saturday School cleanings. Students should be working to complete their hours by May as well; for students in Grades 4-8, half of their hours were due today.

**Altar Servers:** As an on-going reminder, students need to show up on the days they are assigned to serve. We send home the schedule in newsletters. It is posted in the school in a couple of places. As parents, I would ask you to find out when your student serves or check the newsletter every time it comes home. If your child is unable to serve, then they should find a replacement. Altar serving is a great act of reverence and responsibility.

**Altar Serving Schedule for Christmas Holy Day of Obligation:**

**Monday, 12/24: 5:00 PM** Ryan Zavala and Michael & Veronica Johnson and **7:00 PM (Spanish)** Ruben Lopez and Aaron & Roman Lopez **OR Tuesday, 12/25: 9:00 AM** Conrad, Carter, & Camden Sissell and **11:00 AM (Spanish)** Ana Gonzalez, Miriam Aragon, and Lynneth Cardenas

**Altar Serving Schedule for Sunday, 12/30 Obligation:**

5:00 PM Saturday, 12/29: Alleyna, Alyse, & Annalia Diaz

8:30 AM Sunday, 12/30: Fabian Quezada and Elena & Mariana Ortega

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12:30 PM Sunday, 12/30 (Spanish): Jennifer Lopez, Valeria Batres, and Julietta Garcia

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**Altar Servers for 8:00 AM Wednesday, 01/02-Saturday, 01/05:** Adrian Araiza and Jazminde Valtierra

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Monday, 12/31 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM (Spanish) OR Tuesday, 01/01 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM (Spanish)

**Dress Code:** Please review the dress code section of the student handbook. It is the green pages in the student agenda book. In particular, please pay attending to the sections that talk about undershirts, leggings, and shoes. Please also review the sections about special dress days. Jeans, when allowed, should not be tight or ripped. It is important that young people learn habits of modesty. As parents we must set good examples and provide them with modest clothing.

I pray that each of you and the entire St. Patrick Catholic School

Family will have a blessed Christmas. St. Patrick, pray for us! In Christ,



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*Querida familia de St. Patrick Catholic School,*

*Este es nuestro informe final antes de las vacaciones de Navidad. Espero que se centre en la fe y la familia durante las próximas dos semanas. Nuestras relaciones con Dios, la familia y los amigos son las más importantes en nuestras vidas.*

**Días Santos de la Obligación:** *Se espera que todos los católicos fieles asistan a misa todos los domingos y en los Días Santos de Obligación. Durante las vacaciones de Navidad, hay cuatro días con asistencia a la misa requerida. Domingo, 12/23 es el cuarto domingo de Adviento. Martes, 12/25, es el día de Navidad. El domingo 12/30 es la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia. El martes, 01/01/19, es la solemnidad de María, Madre de Dios. Todas las familias deben asistir a misa en estos días o la noche anterior. Por favor vea el boletín de la parroquia para los tiempos de misa.*

**Fin del primer semestre:** *Hemos completado dos trimestres del año escolar. El tiempo vuela. Tengo algunos recordatorios. Los padres deben completar sus 17 horas de servicio en mayo; Además, un padre de cada familia necesita ayudar con dos limpiezas de la Escuela del Segundo Sábado. Los estudiantes también deberían estar trabajando para completar sus horas en mayo; para los estudiantes en los grados 4-8, la mitad de sus horas se debían hoy.*

**Servidores de Altar:** *Como un recordatorio continuo, los estudiantes deben presentarse en los días que están asignados a servir. Enviamos a casa el horario en boletines. Se publica en la escuela en un par de lugares. Como padres, les pido que averigüen cuándo sirve su hijo o que revisen el boletín cada vez que llegan a casa. Si su hijo no puede servir, entonces debe encontrar un reemplazo. El servicio al altar es un gran acto de reverencia y responsabilidad.*

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**Código de vestimenta:** *revise la sección de código de vestimenta del manual del estudiante. Son las páginas verdes en la agenda del alumno. En particular, preste atención a las secciones que hablan sobre camisetas, leggings y zapatos. Por favor, también revise las secciones sobre los días de vestimenta especial. Los pantalones vaqueros, cuando están permitidos, no deben estar apretados o rasgados. Es importante que los jóvenes aprendan hábitos de modestia. Como padres debemos dar buenos ejemplos y proporcionarles ropa modesta.*

*Ruego por cada uno de ustedes y toda la Familia de la Escuela Católica de San Patricio para que tengan una bendita Navidad.*

*San Patrick, ruega por nosotros! En Cristo,*

*Brendan D. Reple*