

# St. Patrick Catholic School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy and Blessed 2020!

During the week of January 26 to February 2, we will celebrate our Annual Catholic Schools Week (CSW). For those who joined us this year, Catholic Schools Week is an annual celebration of Catholic Education in the US. Catholic Schools throughout the country observe the week with Opening Holy Mass, Open Houses and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members. Our theme this year is: ***Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.***

As opposed to previous years where we started Catholic Schools Week activities with Opening Holy Mass, this year, we will mark the end of Catholic Schools Week and activities with a Solemn Closing Holy Mass on Sunday, February 2 at 8:30am in Saint Gerard Chapel. Please allow me to highlight the following: Students shall report in their classroom at 8:20am for attendance. This is NOT optional but a REQUIREMENT for all our students, and a cordial invitation to parents and guardians. All students are required to wear school uniform. 5 through 8 grade students to wear Dress School Uniform. Students, parents, faculty and staff will take part in the liturgy. Students will be seated with their classmates and their respective teachers. Parents will have reserved seats where they will be ushered to. There will be testimonials from one of the parents, teachers and students on the impacts of Catholic Education in their lives. Teachers will be in charge of readings. Students will do the Prayers of the faithful and parents (4) will be gift bearers during the procession of gifts. We will have an opportunity to enjoy and discover the talent and beautiful voice of our School Choir under the leadership of Ms. Davis (Assistant Principal & Choir Instructor) and Mr. Davis (Music Instructor). Mrs. Simmons (President of HSA) will coordinate the selection of Gift bearers and a parent who

will share with us the impact of catholic education (5 minutes max). Please be ON time!

*Catholic Education would not be possible without the unique partnership between parents and educators to foster a challenging and positive learning environment for children, we are blessed to serve. For this reason, I want to take this opportunity to thank you in a very special way for you have given your children a tremendous gift, the best gift: a quality Catholic Education. You have made sacrifices to send your children to a Catholic School, you might be the only member of your immediate family who has chosen this path for your family. We thank you and salute you for having the courage, confidence, and conviction to send your children to a Catholic School.*

On behalf of our Bishop, Herbert Bevard, and the entire dedicated faculty and staff of SPCS, I thank you for choosing SPCS, and wish you all a very blessed Catholic Schools Week. Please do not forget to visit our website: <https://www.saintpatrickusvi.org/>. 2020-2021 registration package is available by clicking on "SPCS" and selecting "Admission".

Please call the office for Scholarship Application Form.

God Bless.



Fr. Boniface-Blanchard Twaiibu  
Principal



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