

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC SCHOOL MISSION

Mission...

We, the members of St. Patrick Parish, Perry, Iowa, affirm our union with all members of the Roman Catholic Church founded by Jesus Christ and governed by his vicar, the Bishop of Rome. Through the grace of the Holy Spirit, we recognize ourselves as sharers in the role of Christ, the Priest, the Prophet, and the King, and we declare ourselves willing to accept the mission of our Lord Jesus Christ to carry on his work of salvation in the people church of St. Patrick.

Mission Statement of Catholic Schools...

The mission of the Catholic schools of the Diocese of Des Moines is to provide meaningful educational experiences for children/adolescents in an environment integrated by Gospel values which nurtures faith, community, prayer and service.

Therefore we believe that...

- Catholic schools exist to teach the traditions and doctrines of the Catholic Church and to live the Gospel message of Jesus Christ.
- Parents are the primary educators and that Catholic schools are partners with parents in the education of their children/adolescents.
- Each child/adolescent in the Catholic schools will learn the value of human dignity and the concepts of peace and justice to enable them to be participants in a global society.

Students in the diocesan Catholic schools will...

- Access and use information effectively
- Apply technology competently
- Think critically and creatively
- Solve problems independently and cooperatively
- Reason scientifically, mathematically and historically
- Accept church, civic and personal responsibility
- Anticipate and constructively react to change
- Communicate ideas and feelings effectively in various ways
- Demonstrate global awareness, cross-cultural understanding, and social justice principles
- Cultivate an understanding and appreciation of the arts