

**St. Patrick Catholic School**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading List**  
**2016**

Dear 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents and Students,

\*\*\*Please read at least 3 books\*\*\* this summer (preferably 4 or more). The number you read should depend on the length. An average length is 40 to 50 pages. If you read shorter books, read more. If you read longer books, read fewer. Choose books you like, but not books that are too hard OR too easy.

A simple “finger trick” could help you decide if a book is appropriate for you.

Open to a middle page and begin to read. Each time you come to a word that is unfamiliar or you can't decode, put up a finger. By the end of the page, see how many fingers you have up:

0 – 1 fingers: easy (may be too easy)

2 – 3 fingers: medium (probably a good level)

4 – 5 fingers: hard (may be too difficult)

Keep track of all books you read in a journal. Write the title and author of each book at the top of the page. Show your feelings about the book by writing 3 – 4 sentences about the book to share with your classmates. Please bring journals in for a grade on the first day of school.

Happy Reading,

Mrs. Dembowski