



Shamrock News

1/11/19

Welcome Back: We hope you had a great Christmas break and are well rested.

Welcome: Welcome to our new high school English teacher, Anne Bennett and our new middle school science teacher Amber Ingraham who will begin on January 22.

Calendar Change Reminder: We want to remind you of the calendar change. **St. Patrick School will be in session on March 8. St. Patrick School WILL NOT BE IN SESSION on Monday, March 11.** Change your calendar now! The revised calendar can be found on the school website.

2019-2020 School Calendar: The 2019-2020 calendar is now available. It is attached to the end of this newsletter and can also be found on the school website.

Monday Night Community Dinner on January 14: St. Patrick Church is in charge of getting student workers for the Monday Night Community Dinner at the First Congregational Church every second Monday of the month (September-May). The students will wash dishes, serve food, help carry trays for the elderly, and clean up. The dinner is from 4-6pm. No sign up is needed, just show up and help.

Subs are needed: We are always looking for substitute teachers for our school. Prospective candidates need to have 60 credit hours of college level classes. If you are interested or know someone who is interested please sign up through WillSub at willsub.com. We recently increased the full day payment to \$90 a day.

Chess Club: Chess club will start up again on Tuesday, January 15. This year we will have a Middle School Chess Club from 2:30-3:40 and an Upper Elementary Chess Club for grades 3-5 from 3:50-5:00 every Tuesday. Mr. Tom Jandernoa will be the advisor and he will be assisted by Mr. Timothy Dugan and Mr. Todd McElmurry. Permission forms were emailed to parents, placed in elementary Friday folders and handed out to middle school students.

Wed. - Thurs., January 16-17

No busing at dismissal for grades 6-12.
Portland High School on exam schedule.

Friday, January 18

No Busing DK-12 - PPS not in session.

Monday, January 21

No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day



Youth Stewardship Contests

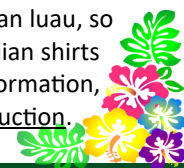
The St. Patrick Stewardship Committee is sponsoring two competitions for our students. There will be a poster challenge for all 4th and 5th graders of our parish. The students will work in teams of two. The poster theme is "Stewardship is.....". The poster (22" x 28") may consist of a drawing, picture collage, painting, poem, etc. Prizes: first place = \$25/per person, second place=\$15/per person, third place = \$10/per person.

The middle school students of the parish will be doing an "art prize" competition. The entries may be completed by 1-2 people and consist of a sculpture, collage, painting, poem, drawing, etc. portraying stewardship. Use your imagination!!! Prizes: first place = \$100/per team, second place = \$50/per team, third place = \$25/per team.

All entries are due by Wednesday, January 23. They can be turned into the Parish Office or Mrs. Weems' classroom.

ALOHA

SAVE THE DATE: The Shamrock Auction will be taking place on April 27 at 6 p.m. at the Knights Hall. The theme for 2019 is Hawaiian luau, so get ready to bring your Hawaiian shirts and grass skirts! For more information, visit: <http://bit.ly/shamrockauction>.



Calendar of Events



1/11 JV & Var. Boys BB vs. Bath @ PMS 6p
 1/12 5th Grade Boys BB Tournament vs. St. Joe @ SPS 10a
 1/14 Juniors to Teen Court 8:20a
 Bowling vs. P-W @ Meadow Bowl Lanes 3:30p
 7/8 Grade Girls BB @ Fulton 5p
 1/15 JV & Var. Boys BB @ Potterville 5:30p
 1/16 No busing at dismissal for grades 6-12
 Mass for grades 9-12 9:30a
 JV & Var. Girls BB vs. Potterville @ PMS 6p
 7/8 Grade Girls BB vs. P-W @ SPS 5:30p
 PTO Meeting in room 115 6p

1/17 No busing at dismissal for grades 6-12
 March for Life bus departs at 5a
 Mass for grades K-8 9:30a
 March for Life Rally in Youth Room 12p
 Coding Club in room 200 2:20-3:45p
 1/18 End of second quarter/first semester
 No busing DK-12 - PPS not in session
 March for Life in Washington DC
 1/19 Students return from March for Life 10p
 1/21 No School—Martin Luther King Jr. Day



PFCU St. Pat's Shamrock School Branch News

Don't forget! Students who use the PFCU School Branch get an extra advantage to win money!

Students who make a deposit at the school branch will be given a ballot giving them a chance to win \$50 deposited directly to their PFCU savings account! This is only for students who utilize the school branch, so the chances of winning are exceptional!

In addition to winning at school, students are also eligible to win the PFCU Monthly Youth Promotion that is available to all youth credit union wide. Prizes range from \$100 gift cards to Amazon and Tanger Outlets to Michigan's Adventure and Grand Rapids Children's Museum tickets! Each student that makes a deposit into their account or opens a youth account at PFCU is automatically registered to win. Seniors: PFCU has a scholarship that you don't want to miss applying for! Check out www.pfcu4me.com to download an application for the McCrumb Scholarship! Whether you're pursuing a traditional 4 year degree or a skilled trade, it's your chance to win \$1,000 towards your continued education!

If you are not already signed up to use the school branch please visit us on a Tuesday when we are open to see how you can start gaining the benefits associated with PFCU!

Thank you,
Maddy Shellberg, Education Specialist

STEWARDSHIP CELEBRATION



The Stewardship Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the many Stewards that give of their time, talents and treasure for the good of the Parish. All are welcome!

When: Saturday, February 2, 2019

Time: After 4:30 p.m. Mass

Where: St. Patrick's Parish Hall

Come enjoy some delicious food and get a chance to win a door prize while sharing in conversation and fellowship!

Also, the winners of the Youth Stewardship Contests will be announced.



Come and save a life at the NHS Blood Drive on January 22, 2019! It will take place at the Parish Hall 10:30 am and the last appointment will be at 5:00 pm. For more information on how you can donate visit www.redcross.org or speak with an NHS member.



2019-2020 School Calendar

12/4/2018

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Aug 2019	12	13	14	15	16
	19	20	21	22	23
	26	27	28	29	30
Sep 2019	2	3	4	5	6
	9	10	11	12	13
	16	17	18	19	20
	23	24	25	26	27
	30	1	2	3	4
Oct 2019	7	8	9	10	11
	14	15	16	17	18
	21	22	23	24	25
	28	29	30	31	1
	4	5	6	7	8
Nov 2019	11	12	13	14	15
	18	19	20	21	22
	25	26	27	28	29
	2	3	4	5	6
Dec 2019	9	10	11	12	13
	16	17	18	19	20
	23	24	25	26	27
	30	31	1	2	3
Jan 2020	6	7	8	9	10
	13	14	15	16	17
	20	21	22	23	24
	27	28	29	30	31
	3	4	5	6	7
Feb 2020	10	11	12	13	14
	17	18	19	20	21
	24	25	26	27	28
	2	3	4	5	6
Mar 2020	9	10	11	12	13
	16	17	18	19	20
	23	24	25	26	27
	30	31	1	2	3
Apr 2020	6	7	8	9	10
	13	14	15	16	17
	20	21	22	23	24
	27	28	29	30	1
May 2020	4	5	6	7	8
	11	12	13	14	15
	18	19	20	21	22
	25	26	27	28	29
Jun 2020	1	2	3	4	5
	8	9	10	11	12
	15	16	17	18	19

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no school

half day

no busing

Daily Schedule

Preschool: 8:30a-11:30a and 12:30p-3:30p
(preschool not in session when DK-12 has half day)
Grades DK-5: 8:40a-3:45p (lunch 11:50a-12:35p)
Grades 6-12: 7:30a-2:20p (lunch 11:07/09a-11:34/36a)
Mass KG-8: Thursday at 9:30a
Mass 9-12: Wednesday at 9:30a

Notes

August 2019

- 13 Diocesan Back-to-School Celebration at St. Andrew Cathedral
- 19-21 Staff Professional Development at St. Patrick School
- 21 Welcome Back Open House
- 22 First Day of School Grades DK-12 (full day)
- 30 No School - Labor Day Break

September 2019

- 2 No School - Labor Day Break
- School Picture Day
- Homecoming
- 20 no busing at dismissal (PPS AM only)

October 2019

- 17 Half Day (7:30-11:25a/8:40-11:40a) · P/T Conferences (12:30-3:30p and 4:30-7:30p) · no busing at dismissal
- 18 No School - Staff Professional Development
- 24 no busing at dismissal (PPS AM only)
- 25 End of First Quarter · no busing (PPS not in session)

November 2019

- 8 no busing (PPS not in session)
- 15 No School - Opening Day of Firearms Deer Season
- 27-29 No School - Thanksgiving Break

December 2019

- 13 no busing at dismissal (PPS AM only)
- 18-20 Middle and High School exam schedule (7:50a-11:00a) · no busing at dismissal gr 6-12
- 20 Half Day - Christmas Break begins (7:50-11:00a/8:40-11:40a) · no busing at dismissal (PPS AM only)

January 2020

- 6 School Resumes
- 15-16 no busing at dismissal for grades 6-12 (PPS exam schedule)
- 17 End of First Semester · no busing (PPS not in session)
- 20 No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 2020

- 14 Half Day (7:30-11:25a/8:40-11:40a) · Conferences (12:30-4:30 p.m.) · no busing at dismissal
- 17 No School - President's Day/Mid-Winter Break

March 2020

- 6 or 13 No School - Staff PD
- 19 no busing at dismissal (PPS AM only)
- 20 no busing (PPS not in session)
- 27 End of Third Quarter

April 2020

- 6-10 No School - Spring Break
- 13 No School - Easter Monday
- 24 no busing at dismissal (PPS AM only)

May 2020

- 8 no busing at dismissal (PPS AM only)
- 14 Last Day for Seniors
- 17 Class of 2020 Graduation Ceremony
- 22 no busing (PPS not in session)
- 25 No School - Memorial Day

June 2020

- 3 Middle and High School exam schedule (7:50a-11:00a) · no busing at dismissal gr 6-12
- 4 Middle and High School exam schedule (7:50a-11:00a) · no busing at dismissal gr 6-12
- 5 Half day - Last Day for Students (7:50-11:00a/8:40-11:40a) · no busing (PPS not in session)

- St. Patrick School reserves the right to make calendar changes as necessary.
- This calendar contains 180 days of student instruction and 30 hours of staff development.
- Up to 4 half days are allowed. Diocesan and State of Michigan criteria have been met.
- Inclement weather days beyond statutory limit of 30 instructional hours will be added to the end of the school calendar.

Attention SPS Parents, Family & Friends!



SAVE THE DATE



Saturday, April 27 @ the Portland K of C Hall

Begins at 6:00 p.m

Tickets are \$20 / person

Don't miss this night of fun!

Tickets include delicious food, drinks, and entry into the Shamrock appreciation raffle, as well as a live and silent auction, raffles, 50/50, entertainment and more!

The Shamrock Auction fundraiser was implemented in 2003 in an effort to boost fundraising profits. It has become one of the largest fundraisers for the school with proceeds split 50/50 between the school and athletic association. With your help, we hope 2019 is the year we surpass \$1,000,000 in total funds raised to date.

To reach this goal, we are asking every St. Patrick School family to donate \$25 cash or an item that will bring at least that value at the auction. Please complete the donation commitment form attached at the bottom of this letter no later than Friday, March 1, 2019.

All donations can be turned into the School Office between the hours of 9:00-3:00 and must be dropped off by April 1, 2019. Questions? Contact Mike or Ann Kissane @ kissanes@hotmail.com

As always, thanks for your continued support for St. Patrick School.

Mike & Ann Kissane and Jason & Jennifer Chamberlain, Shamrock Auction Co-chairs

Family Name:	Donation: Cash amount/description of item	Unable to donate