



# Shamrock News

2/15/19

**Calendar Information:** Please keep an eye on the newsletter, the school website and Facebook page for any information relating to dates and events being rescheduled due to the many snow days we've encountered this winter.

**Reminder:** School will be in session on Monday, February 18. Midwinter break was cancelled this year due to the inordinate amount of snow days.

**Prayers:** Please keep those affected by the recent flooding in Portland in your prayers. The school will be having our SOUPER Bowl can/boxed food drive on February 20 & 21, so we can help replenish the Portland Food Bank.

**Mass Days:** Next week we will be switching Mass days. Grades K-8 will be attending Mass on Wednesday, February 20 and grades 9-12 will attend on Thursday, February 21. This will also be our SOUPER Bowl can/boxed food drive. Students are allowed to wear Sunday Best on their Mass day. Clothes should be school appropriate, no short skirts/dresses and shoulders should be covered.

**Hot Lunch Choices for Monday, February 18th:** Choice 1: homemade cheese pizza, Choice 2: cinnamon French toast stix, Choice 3: PB&J crustables w/string cheese, Choice 4: chef salad.

**Report Cards:** You should have received an email today to inform you that the second quarter/first semester report cards for students in grades DK-12 are available on the Infinite Campus Portal. Please log into the portal, select the appropriate student, select Reports, select Report Card and the appropriate grade level if applicable, view/print.

**Thank you:** To Mr. Mike Bozung and crew for the great job with the installation of new lights on the West Street side of our school building. If you haven't had an opportunity, please drive by the school on West Street at night and you cannot help but notice the great improvement in the safety and security of our building with these new lights, especially at morning drop off. Special thanks to Troy Smith and Braden Bozung for their help in this project.

**Congratulations:** To senior Brandon Scheurer who scored the 1000th point of his basketball career this past week. Brandon is also the Lansing State Journal Athlete of the Week.

**Protecting God's Children:** Ss. Peter and Paul in Ionia will be holding a Protecting God's Children session on Monday, February 18 at 6:00 pm. Please register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) prior to the session. You must attend one of these sessions before you can volunteer or be a chaperone at St. Pat's.

**St. Patrick School**  
**Preschool, DK & Kindergarten Open House**  
Thursday, February 21, 2019  
6:00 pm: Presentation in the Parish Hall  
6:30 pm: Visit Classrooms



## Calendar of Events



2/15	Bowling vs. P-W @ Fowler Lanes 3p JV & Var. Girls BB vs. Bath @ PMS 6p		5th Grade Girls BB @ Ss. Peter & Paul 6p 6th Grade Girls BB @ St. Joseph (Pewamo) 6p
2/16	2nd Grade Reconciliation 11a JV & Var. Boys BB @ Fowler 1:00p High School Winter Dance in Parish Hall 7-10p	2/21	Elementary 100th Day Celebration Mass for grades 9-12 9:30a Coding Club in room 200 2:20-3:45p 7/8 Grade Girls BB @ Saranac 5p JV & Var. Boys BB @ Fulton 5:30p Preschool/DK/Kindergarten Open House Parish Hall 6p
2/18	SCHOOL IN SESSION - busing available JV & Var. Boys BB vs. Potterville @ PMS 6p	2/22	Jean and spirit wear day Bowling Regional Team Tournament in Muskegon 8a Senior Open Campus Lunch 7/8 Grade Girls BB vs. Laingsburg @ SPS 5:30p JV & Var. Girls BB vs. Fulton @ PMS 6p
2/19	PFCU - Student Branch open during lunches Chess Club MS 2:30-3:40p Bowling vs. Carson City @ Sheridan Lanes 3:30p Chess Club Grades 3-5 3:50-5:00p 6/5 Grade Girls BB @ St. Mary (Westphalia) 5p 7/8 Grade Girls BB @ P-W 5p School Board Meeting in Parish Hall 6p	2/23	Bowling Regional Individual Tourn. in Muskegon 8a 5/6 Grade Girls BB vs. St. Mary (Williamston) @ SPS 10a 2nd Grade Reconciliation 11a
2/20	ACT Test for Junior Class report to Parish Hall 7:30a Mass for grades K-8 9:30a JV & Var. Girls BB @ Potterville 5:30p		

## 30th Annual Right to Life of Michigan

### High School Oratory Contest

**You Are the Pro-Life Generation!**

**Speak Up! Speak Out! Speak Life!**

The Right to Life of Michigan Educational Fund is sponsoring a High School Oratory Contest! There are cash prizes and the state winners will travel to S. Carolina this summer to compete in the national competition.

Contestants are to research, write, and present an original pro-life speech on one of the four life issues below and make a 5-7 minute presentation to a panel of judges:

ABORTION, EUTHANASIA, INFANTICIDE, EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH/

HUMAN CLONING

Local Prizes - \$100 - \$50 - \$25

State Prizes - \$500 - \$300- \$200

Local contest will be held Sunday, March 10, 2 p.m. at the St. Patrick Parish Hall. State contest will be held Saturday, April 27, in the Lansing area.

**Application and typed speech must be received by the contest coordinator by Tuesday, March 5**

*For contest application and rules, contact contest coordinator: Pam Brown, 11744 Keefer Hwy., Portland, MI 48875 Ph: 517-647-7439*

Email: [brownpambill@hotmail.com](mailto:brownpambill@hotmail.com) or look online:

[http://www.rtl.org/faith\\_school/oratory/oratorycontest.html](http://www.rtl.org/faith_school/oratory/oratorycontest.html)

## ALOHA

The \$100 Big Kahuna Raffle tickets are almost sold out!

Contact Ann Kissane at 517.604.1852 to secure your chance at the \$1,000 grand prize. Only 100 tickets will be sold.

The Shamrock Auction is on April 27 at 6 p.m. in the Knights Hall. For more information, visit: <http://bit.ly/>



[shamrockauction.com](http://shamrockauction.com)



Would you like to put your talents to work for St. Patrick School?

The school board is looking for nominees to help fill next year's board. We have openings for many of our subcommittees: development and admissions, finance, mission effectiveness, public relations/marketing, and strategic planning/policy.

Meetings are held on a bi-monthly basis and last about two hours. Committee work is done independently of board meetings and varies in time commitment.

The board consists of members from the parish at large including school parents, parishioners, alumni, and community members. Please fill out this form to nominate yourself or someone you know: <http://bit.ly/SPSschoolboardnomination>.

Questions may be directed to Annalise Laumeyer, board chair at [schoolboard@portlandstpats.com](mailto:schoolboard@portlandstpats.com).

Nominations will be accepted until March 15.

## Label Contest

Turn in your labels to your teacher by:

**Friday, February 22th**

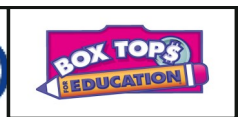
*(The date has been extended due to all the snow days.)*

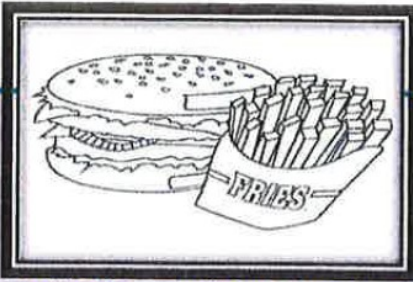
The class (grades DK-5 & 6-12)

with the most labels turned in

per student will win:

**Out of Dress Code Day, Hot Chocolate and Brownies**





[Portland Community Fund Association](#)

*Neighbors helping Neighbors*

# **FLOOD RELIEF**

## **BURGER NIGHT**

At VFW Post 4090 - 1324 E Bridge St, Portland 517.647.4980

# **Friday March 1<sup>st</sup>**

**3-8 pm**

**Cost \$10 - Burger, Fries & Dessert**

Sponsored by

**American Legion Post 129**

**VFW Post 4090**

Dinner donated by

Burger:	<b>Ox's Smoked Meats, Westphalia Sweet Carolina's BBQ, Lyons</b>
Buns:	<b>Tom's Food Center, Portland</b>
Fries:	<b>Portland Party Store, Portland</b>
Desserts:	<b>PCFA Board &amp; Neighbors</b>

**Live Music \* 50/50 Raffle \* Silent Auction  
Ice Jam Flood 2019 shirt sales**

**All proceeds benefit PCFA Disaster Relief**  
PO Box 524, Portland 48875 - [www.portlandcommunityfund.org](http://www.portlandcommunityfund.org)



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](mailto: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

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