



# Shamrock News

3/15/19

### **Congratulations:**

- To the Varsity girls basketball team on their District Championship and advancing to the Regional Championship before being beaten by the defending state champions.
- To Summer Russman who was named as a candidate for the Daughters of the American Revolution scholarship and was also named as St. Patrick School Congressional Medal of Merit recipient.
- To McKenna Pixley who was chosen as St. Pat's Heartlands February Student of the Month.

**Bus:** Due to Portland Public Schools snow day recovery, there will now be busing on Thursday and Friday, March 21 & 22.

**Monday, April 22:** Please be aware that Monday, April 22 will be a full day of school. It was previously scheduled as a No School Day but now we will be in session and follow our regular class schedule that day.

**Friday, June 7:** Please be aware that Friday, June 7 will now be a full day of school.

**Stations of the Cross:** Please join us for Stations of the Cross on Fridays. Stations of the Cross are scheduled at the following times each Friday in the church:

- March 22: 1:30 pm
- March 29: 9:15 am
- April 5: No School-Spring Break

**Blood Drive:** Please be advised...the Red Cross has canceled our upcoming blood drive that was planned for March 19th due to staffing shortages. They regret the inconvenience and hope to be at full staffing levels in time for our next blood drive in September.

### **Save the Date**

The date for Grandparents Day has been changed to Thursday, May 16th.

**Winter Sports Banquet:** The Winter Sports Banquet will be Wednesday 3/20/19 @ Knights Hall 6:30 start. Please come and honor our winter St. Patrick High School athletic teams for their efforts this season. The main dish and drinks will be provided by the Athletic Association. Please bring your favorite dish to pass and your place setting.

Teams to be recognized:

- Varsity Boys Basketball
- JV Boys Basketball
- Varsity Girls Basketball
- JV Girls Basketball
- Varsity Girls Bowling
- Varsity Boys Bowling



### **ALOHA**

If you can't make it to the Shamrock Auction, you can still support the cause by purchasing a Tuition Raffle ticket or making a donation. Tuition Raffle tickets are \$20 and the winner does not need to be present to win. Grand Prize is 50% off the cost of tuition for your first child for the 2019-20 school year. If you'd rather take cash, you'll take home \$500. Visit [bit.ly/shamrockauctiondonate](http://bit.ly/shamrockauctiondonate) for more details.



## **Calendar of Events**



3/16	6th grade girls BB LCYL Tournament vs. St. Mary Westphalia @ St. Mary Williamston 10:45a	Play Practice Grades 6-12 2:30p	PTO Meeting in room 115 6p
3/17	<b>HAPPY ST. PATRICKS DAY</b>		Winter Sports Banquet at Knights Hall 6:30p
3/18	Play Practice Grades 6-12 2:30p	3/21	Mass for grades K-8 9:30a
3/19	PFCU - Student Branch during lunches - VIP Day		Coding Club in room 200 2:20-3:45p
	Play Practice Grades 6-12 2:30p	3/22	Senior Open Campus Lunch
	Chess Club MS 2:30-3:40p		Stations of the Cross in church 1:30p
	Chess Club Grades 3-5 3:50-5:00p		Var. BB & SB @ Bellevue 4p
	Drama Club Grades 3-5 5:30-6:30	3/23	Var. Track @ Jim Gardiner Invit. Aquinas College 9a
3/20	8th Grade to Abrams Planetarium 8:45a	3/24	All School Open House 12:30-2:30P
	Mass for grades 9-12 9:30a		Athletic Association Meeting in the Parish Hall 6:30p
	Art Club grades 6-12 2:30-4p		

# Portland St. Patrick Catholic School All-School Open House



**Sunday, March 24**  
**12:30 — 2:30 p.m.**  
**122 West St., Portland, MI**

Please enter through the main office doors, off of Church St.

- Explore academic and extracurricular opportunities • Meet school staff
- Review scholarship options • Talk with current families • Learn more about our school where a personal relationship with Jesus Christ is encouraged

**Why St. Patrick Catholic School?** Earn college credits through dual enrollment classes both on and off our campus • Leading standardized test scores • STEAM curriculum

- Safe and supportive environment • Low staff turnover • PS — 12 in one building

**Join Our School Family — Now Enrolling!**

Preschool — 12th grade

Find out more about St. Patrick Catholic School

517-647-7551

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



We Pray! We Learn! We Achieve!



The Franciscan Life Process Center Presents:  
Spark a Conversation Speaker Series

## Banana Peels & Climate Change A Daily Examen

Join the University of Notre Dame's Dr. Phil Sakimoto and Sister Damien Marie Savino, FSE, Ph.D. for a Franciscan discussion about the connection of faith and environment. Dr. Sakimoto is an astrophysicist and the former acting director of NASA's Space Science Education and Public Outreach Program. Sister Damien Marie Savino, FSE, Ph.D. is the Dean of Science and Sustainability at Aquinas College.

What about the banana peels?  
Join us to find out!

**Register at: [bananapeels2019.eventbrite.com](http://bananapeels2019.eventbrite.com)**

**When:** March 21, 2019 at 6:30pm

**Where:** St. Robert of Newminster Parish  
6477 Ada Drive SE Ada, MI 49301

**Tickets:** \$50

**Includes:**

A build your own baked potato or salad bar  
Beer & wine

Franciscan Life Process Center  
Phone: 616.897.7842 | [www.lifeprocesscenter.org](http://www.lifeprocesscenter.org)  
Locations in Grand Rapids & Lowell

# Franciscan Lenten Lunch

Join us for our Franciscan Lenten Lunch Prayer Experience held from 12 p.m.— 1 p.m.  
Wednesdays from March 13th through April 10th at our Lowell campus.

## Featuring

Soups donated by area restaurants  
Bread prepared by our volunteers  
Fresh applesauce made from apples from our farm

At 12:45 there will be a brief prayer experience for those wishing to participate

No reservations are required. Doors will open at Noon.

Donations are appreciated

### March 13th

Schnitz Ada Grill  
Schnitzadagrill.com

Chicken Noodle

Scones

### March 20th

Cannonsburg Catering  
Cannonsburgcatering.com

Potato Soup

Dilly Bread

### March 27th

Applause Catering  
Applause-catering.net

Broccoli Cheese

Oatmeal Bread

### April 3rd

GRCC Culinary Program  
www.grcc.edu

Beef Barley

Cinnamon Bread

### April 10th

Vitale's Ada  
Vitalesada.com

Minestrone

Extreme Garlic



## FRANCISCAN LIFE PROCESS CENTER

Lowell Campus: 11650 Downes St. NE, Lowell, MI 49331  
Grand Rapids Campus: 654 Davis Ave. NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504

(616) 897-7842 • [www.lifeprocesscenter.org](http://www.lifeprocesscenter.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:	Unable to donate