



# Shamrock News

4/16/21

**St. Patrick School Virtual Open House:** The virtual open house video is now available on Youtube at <https://youtube.com/IM4cw>.

**Would you like to share a testimonial about St. Patrick School?**

You can easily submit one by going here <https://catholicschools4u.org/blog/share-why-you-love-your-family-catholic-school>.

**Elementary and Middle School Yearbooks:** Order forms are going home this week to order your elementary and middle school yearbooks. They are \$11 each and checks should be made out to HR Imaging. Orders are due by April 30th.

**Hunter's Safety Course:** Classes are April 26, 28, and May 3 from 6-9 p.m. Field exercise day is on Sunday, May 2. Attendance is mandatory for all classes and field day. Cost is \$10 and payable on the first night of class. Classes are at the Grand River Conservation Club, 7345 Lyons Road, Portland. Registration forms are in the school office.

**Shorts season has begun:** Students may wear shorts to school beginning April 1. Please remember that shorts are not allowed at school Masses. They must be navy or khaki (walking type) and no shorter than one inch above the knee.

**St. Patrick Athletics Rapid Testing Program:** All spring sport participants ages 13 - 19 will be tested for Covid-19 on Monday mornings at 7:15.

**Shamrock Auction:** The Shamrock Auction is only **1 week away!!!** Now is the time to visit our website ([www.bidpal.net/shamrockauction2021](http://www.bidpal.net/shamrockauction2021)) to register so you are able to bid on our fabulous auction items on April 24th beginning at 6pm. It only takes a few minutes to set up and while you're there, you can preview some of the silent auction items, buy raffle tickets, and/or make a donation to the school. There is NO fee to register or preview the items, but we are asking each St. Patrick family to buy a few extra raffle tickets or make a donation in lieu of the entry fee. The Shamrock Auction is a vital funding source for the school and athletics and the Auction Committee and the students of St. Patrick appreciate your support!

**April 21 & 28, May 5, 12, 19 & 26**

No Buses - PPS virtual instruction days

**Friday, May 14 & 28**

No Buses - Portland Public Schools not in session

**MAPS Testing:** Spring MAPS testing for students in grades K-8 will be taking place over the next couple of weeks. Please make sure students eat a good breakfast and get a good night's sleep. Virtual students will test at another time.

**High School Yearbooks:** The price of a high school yearbook has been reduced. Due to the generosity of local businesses and the hard work of our yearbook staff, we can now offer yearbooks for \$30 each until April 30, and for \$35 starting May 1. Contact [annebennett@portlandstpats.org](mailto:annebennett@portlandstpats.org) with questions. Make checks payable to HR Imaging. You may also purchase books online at <http://book.hrimaging.com/>. The discount does not apply for online purchases.

**Enrollment for the 2021-2022 school year:** A letter was emailed to all parents to officially open the enrollment for next fall. We are using continuous enrollment which means that you do not need to do anything to register your child(ren) for the 2021-2022 school year if returning in grades K-12. The \$50 per student registration fee and \$75 per family technology fee will be added to your first SMART Tuition payment. New students in preschool, kindergarten and older grades will need to fill out the paperwork which can be found on the website. Please see the letter for more information.

**Students not returning for the 2021-2022 school year:** Families will need to complete an exit survey to be unenrolled for the 2021-2022 school year. Exit surveys can be obtained by contacting the school office. If you fail to notify the school about unenrolling a child by June 1, 2021, your SMART Tuition account will be billed for the upcoming school year.

**Found:** A Nintendo Switch game was found in a St. Patrick parking lot. We have it in the office.



## Calendar of Events



4/16 Var. Track @ Fowler Invitational 4p

4/19 MAPS testing begins

Golf CMAC Jamboree @ Timberidge 3:30p

Var. BB @ Lansing Christian 4p

4/21 No busing

Mass for grades 9-12, live streamed 9:30a

Career Quest for Sophomores 12:30-2p

Golf CMAC Jamboree @ Pine Hills 3:30p

JV SB @ Olivet 4p

JV BB vs. Bath @ FFF 4:30p

Var. Track CMAC Tri @ Fulton w/ Fowler 4:30p

4/22 Mass for grades 5-8, live streamed 9:30a

Var. SB & BB @ Bath 4p

JV SB vs. Merrill @ FFF 4:30p

MS Track @ Fowler 4:30p

4/23 Var. Track PW Spring Invitational @ PW 3:30p

4/24 JV BB @ CC-C Tournament 9a

Shamrock Auction - Virtual 6p

The 6th graders are learning how to become entrepreneurs through their Personal Finance class. All students have created a business that will be selling goods to students during the middle and high school lunches next week. Check out two of the ads below:

Would you like to help us raise money for our bathrooms? If so, Krispies for a Cause is selling Rice Krispie treats in the hallway on Tuesday, April 20th during middle and high school lunch. Buy one jumbo treat for \$2.00 or a small for \$1.00. All proceeds will be put toward the new bathroom fund. Thank you!!

## CocoBerries

Delicious Chocolate Strawberries

“Cocoberries are selling on April 21st at lunch. Each purchase includes 3 chocolate strawberries. The money will be donated to the bathroom fund. Pay \$1 and get a delicious bag of chocolate strawberries.”





## Shamrock Auction 2021: A Virtual Event A Night to Celebrate the Strength of the Shamrocks!

Saturday, April 24, Begins at 6:00 p.m

*No matter where you are this year don't miss this night of fun!*  
Join us from your home or a friend's, in a small group or by yourself. All you need is Internet access to join our event and support St Patrick School!

Online events include:  
LIVE auction, silent auction, raffles, 50/50, and more!

Raffle tickets are now available @

<http://bidpal.net/shamrockauction2021>

ALL ARE WELCOME!  
No Entry fee will be charged

In light of the continuing Covid-19 pandemic and the many unknowns that still lay before us, many of the businesses that we have relied on in the past for larger donations are unable to help us this year. We recognize that this may be your situation as well. We humbly ask for your consideration. Anything you can do is truly appreciated! Please consider a cash, gift card, or item donation to help make this year's auction a success.

Donations can be turned into the school office between the hours of 9:00-3:00 and **must be dropped off by April 1, 2021.** 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

Name & contact number:	Donation: (Cash amount/description of item)

*Our 19th annual auction-based fundraiser provides funding for both academic and athletic programs at St. Patrick School as well as a fun night of fellowship. The proceeds from this annual event have enabled us to continue our tradition of excellence both in the classroom and in our athletics. With your donations and support of this event, we have surpassed \$1,100,000 in funds raised.*



# ***PTO***



# ***at The Port***

## **April 21st**

## **4:00-7:00 p.m.**

The Port, along with Modern Craft Wine  
has generously offered to donate

## **20% OF ALL WINE SALES**

(tastings, glasses and/or bottles) to St. Pat's PTO  
on 4/21/21 between 4:00-7:00 p.m.

If you are looking for a wonderful atmosphere to enjoy a  
glass of wine, or if you need to stock up on your wine  
selection at home, The Port is the place to go!

We hope to see you there Wednesday, April 21st!

### **CANDLE ORDERS:**

*For those who ordered from the recent PTO Candle  
Fundraiser, your order will be available for pick-up  
at The Port on 4/21 from 4-7 p.m. as well!*

Questions?

[pto@portlandstpats.org](mailto:pto@portlandstpats.org)







**SUPPORT ST. PAT'S PTO**

# ***Can & Bottle Drive***

***April 24th & May 15th***

**Save yourself the hassle of returning your empty cans and bottles  
by donating them to St. Pat's PTO instead!**

**Dates: Saturday, April 24th & Saturday, May 15th**

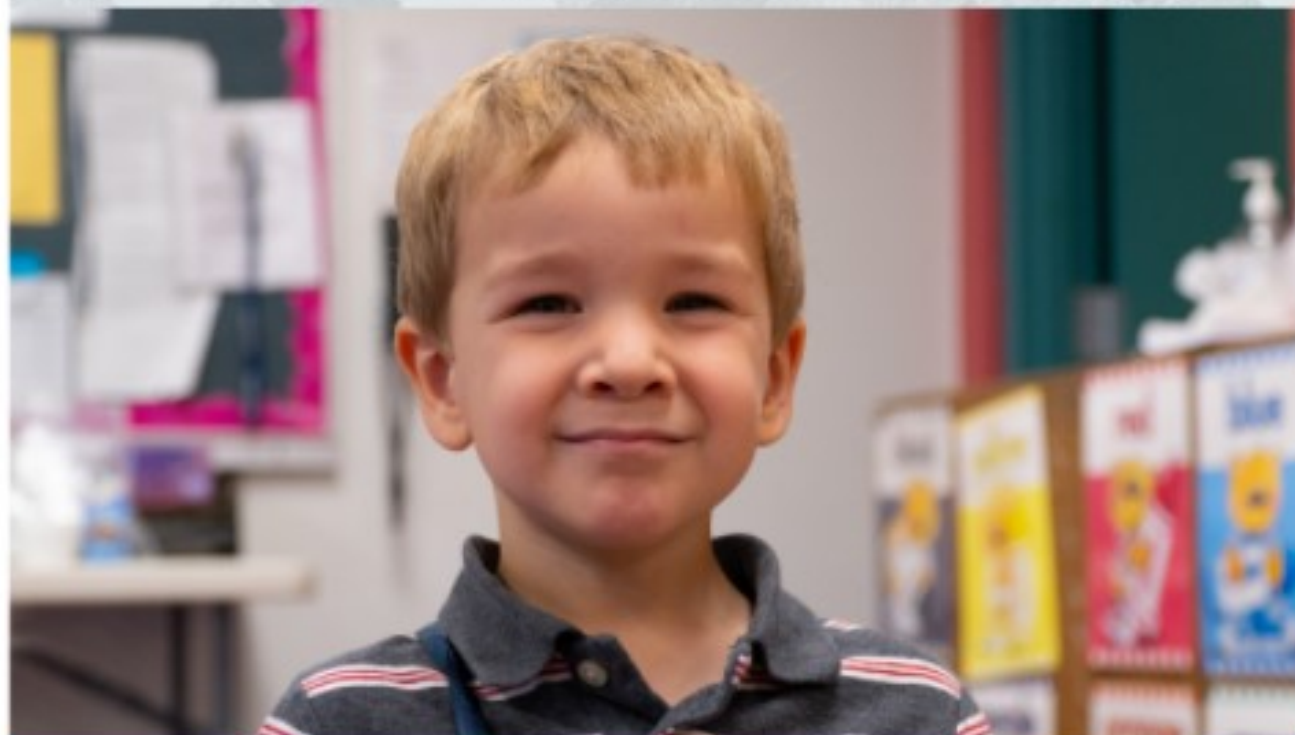
**Times: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.**

**Location: The trailer; corner of West St. & Grand River Ave.**

**QUESTIONS? EMAIL US! [PTO@PORTLANDSTPATS.ORG](mailto:PTO@PORTLANDSTPATS.ORG)**



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## Welcome Scholarships Available For New Preschool & Kindergarten Families!

***Give your child a Catholic school education right from the start!***

Beginning in fall 2021, families who are new to Catholic schools in the Diocese of Grand Rapids will have access to Welcome Scholarships for their preschool and kindergarten students, worth up to \$750 toward tuition!

Catholic school students grow in faith & grace and achieve more in school & life.  
These benefits have greater impact the longer students are in Catholic schools!

***Apply for the Welcome Scholarship today at [CatholicSchools4U.org](https://CatholicSchools4U.org)!***

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