



Shamrock News

12/16/22

This is the last newsletter for the year. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you for supporting St. Patrick School. Have a safe and relaxing Christmas break.

High School Students of the Month: Congratulations to the following high school students for being named students of the month:

September	Davide Cannilla
October	TJ Chamberlain
November	Maizie Pelc

Hot Lunch Accounts: Don't forget to check your child(ren)s accounts to make sure that you do not have a negative balance. Go to <https://portland.familyportal.cloud/> to check out your balances or move money between your children. You can add money to your account on this site or send in a check made payable to Portland Food Service.

Flu Season is Here: Please be diligent with simple prevention strategies such as frequent handwashing, sneeze/cough etiquette, and staying home when sick. Many illnesses do not require exclusion. However, children should stay home if the illness prevents the child from participating comfortably in school activities or if there is risk of spreading sickness to others. Some reasons why a child should stay home include fever, diarrhea, vomiting, and abdominal pain. Children should not return to school until they are fever, diarrhea and vomit free for 24 hours without medication.

Lost and Found: We have several items in lost and found — gloves, water bottles, St. Pat jackets, sweatshirts, and a hat. Please take a look if your child is missing anything. Items that remain on January 13th will be donated to the uniform sale or a local charity.

High School Yearbooks: The 2022-23 yearbook can be purchased now! They are now \$35. Cash and checks made out to SPS can be given to the office or to Mrs. Rockey until April 21st. Online ordering can be done by visiting inter-state.com/order and entering this code: 72531T. If you have any questions or if your business would like to purchase an advertisement, please email Mrs. Rockey - christinerokey@portlandstpats.org.

December 19 - January 2

Christmas Break

Tuesday, January 3

No busing - Portland Public Schools not in session

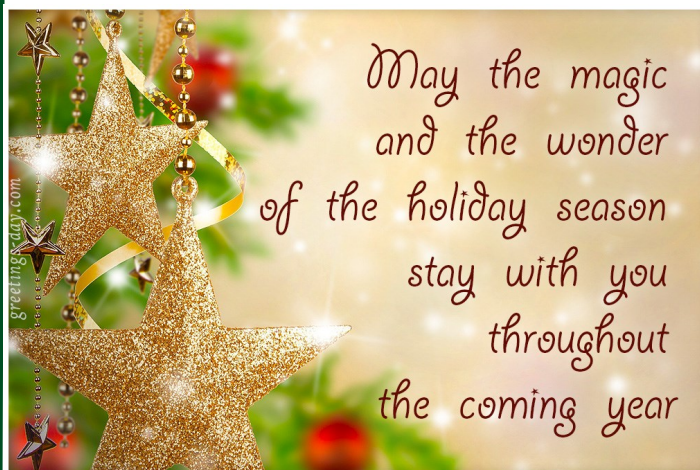
Monday, January 16

No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Friday, January 20

No Busing in the afternoon

Senior Capstone Project: Payton Russman and Simon Brown will be sponsoring a mental health theme project during the varsity girls basketball game against Bath on February 7. There will be mental health awareness shirts available for purchase from Fabricated Customs via a link that will be sent out on January 3rd and close on January 13. The shirts will cost \$20. All proceeds from the shirts will go to the Franciscan Life Center Counseling Program in Lowell. The Franciscan Life Center has worked with struggling individuals for over 45 years and is very worthy of the donation. Simon and Payton would very much appreciate it if you would consider buying a shirt and donating to their cause. They are also hosting a volleyball tournament in the Pit on February 20. The tournament is open to 8-12 grade students. The tournament will be from 10am-1pm. The cost is \$5 per person and all proceeds will also go to the Franciscan Life Center.



Calendar of Events



1/3 School Resumes
No busing - PPS not in session
JV & Var. Boys BB vs. Laingsburg @ PMS 6p

1/4 No Mass
JV & Var. Girls BB @ Laingsburg 5:30p

1/5 No Mass

1/6 High School Choir Concert 9:30a
Senior Open Campus Lunch

1/7 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition 9a

1/8 Athletic Association Meeting in Parish Hall 6:30p

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The yearly St. Patrick School Calendar is [here](#).





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St. Patrick MEGA ROCK Raffle



St. Patrick Parish and School continue to seek out new ways to meet the financial needs of our parish, school, and athletic programs. One of the new ways of trying to fund these programs is through a new raffle that will begin after Labor Day, this is the St. Patrick MEGA ROCK Raffle.

The oldest student of each Shamrock family brought home the MEGA ROCK raffle tickets. We are asking all school families to sell four tickets each. Tickets may also be purchased using our [One Cause](#) account. Please note that when a family refers an individual to purchase a ticket online, those sales will count towards that family's sales total.

It is important to note, this new raffle will replace the weekly sports raffle, the Fall Festival raffle, the Parish Festival raffle, and the large Shamrock Auction raffle. Instead, we will have one annual raffle where the tickets will be sold for \$500 each. This provides our benefactors the opportunity to win more cash prizes while not being asked to purchase tickets four times a year. The goal is to sell 1,000 tickets which will help fund our parish, school, and athletic programs.

There will be 4 drawings with MEGA prizes that will take place throughout the year. Drawings will take place at the:

- Fall Festival on October 15
- Marriage Gala on February 11
- Shamrock Auction on April 21
- Parish Festival on June 24

There will cash prizes totaling \$11,250 at each of these events. The breakdown of cash prizes at each drawing are as follows:

- Grand Prize: \$5,000
- 2nd Prize: \$2,500
- 3rd Prize: \$1,000
- 4th Prize: \$750
- 5th Prize: \$500 (2)
- 6th Prize: \$250 (4)

There will also be a monthly drawing on the last Friday of each month for 10 months with one \$500 winner per month beginning Friday, September 30.

One does not need to be present at any of the drawings to win.

Raffle sales will begin immediately after Labor Day with the special opportunity to "buy two tickets and get one free ticket" from September 6 through October 9. Winning tickets will be put back into the drawing each time, so it is possible to win multiple times. It is important that all our stakeholders support this raffle as it will go a long way in supporting our parish, school, and athletic budgets.

Any family that sells four tickets (either a printed copy or online) will receive an Out of Dress Code slip for each student in the family. The families who sell the most tickets will received the following additional prizes:

- 1st Place: 10 Out of Dress code slips and a \$100 scrip gift certificate of their choice.
- 2nd Place: 7 Out of Dress Code slips and a \$75 scrip gift certificate of their choice.
- 3rd Place: 5 Out of Dress Code slips and a \$50 scrip gift certificate of their choice.
- 4th Place: 3 Out of Dress Code slips and a \$25 scrip gift certificate of their choice.

**Please note that if a family purchases two tickets and gets a third free, the free ticket does not count as a sale.

If you have any questions about this new raffle, please contact Randy Hodge by calling the school at (517)647-7551 or by email at randyhodge@portlandstpats.org.

