



# Shamrock News

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

1/5/24

## Congratulations:

- To first grade student Jaxson James who was baptized on December 20th during the all school Mass.
- To Bella Russman who is the Ionia County Career Center December Student of the Month.

**Music:** Mr. James Tavadze has announced his wish to step away from the K-5 music program. Mr. Tavadze will continue to direct liturgical music programming, middle school/high school student choirs, adult choir, and vocal/instrumental lessons. Mrs. Anna Carpenter has agreed to sub in the position as a guest teacher for the months of January and February. Mrs. Anna Carpenter is a music major and brings enthusiasm as she meets students this week.

**Physical Education:** As you know, Portland Public Schools has posted the teaching position and is working on the steps of their hiring process. The posting expired on Friday, Dec. 15, 2023. We await communication as the next step is for the interview cycles to be scheduled. Portland Public Schools has communicated there are several candidates and they plan to include both Mr. Hodge and Mrs. Smith in the interview process. Various guest teachers will be filling the position in the interim.

- Students may bring a water bottle to PE class with them.
- Students are expected to participate fully, demonstrate respect and safety, sportsmanship, attitude and following direction with proper footwear (no slip-on shoes including Hey Dudes).
- Locker room privileges will be revoked if students vandalize the locker room, horse play and throw/spray deodorant just to name a few....

**Jesus Loves You Shirts on Sale:** The St. Patrick Campus Ministry Team is on a mission to spread the word of God's love to all they meet. This is a message for EVERYONE to spread. Please consider pre-ordering a t-shirt, sweatshirt, or hoodie with the message "Jesus loves you" on the back for all to see! These are available in different colors. Pre-order is available now through 8 pm on January 5th and can be found here: <https://fabricatedcustoms.com/collections/st-patrick-campus-ministry>



## Monday, January 15 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

No School, Daycare Open

## Friday, January 19

No PM busing - PPS half day

**Teacher Assistant:** Mrs. Stephanie Krabill joined our school staff as part-time teacher assistant in Mrs. Scheurer's third grade classroom.

**Talent Show:** We are excited to announce we will be hosting a St. Patrick School Talent Show during Catholic Schools Week on our very own gym stage! All students and staff are invited and encouraged to participate. [Click here to register](#) by Friday, January 19! Auditions will occur on Friday, January 26 during the school day. Catholic Schools Week is January 28-February 2, 2024 with the talent show occurring on Friday, February 2 during the school day. Remember that all acts, attire, and props must be school appropriate. We can't wait to see the talents of our students and staff!

**Free Throw Contest:** The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest is this Saturday, January 6 in our school gym from 9-10:30am. Kids from 9-14 years old can just show up, complete a short registration form, and take your 25 shots after a few warmups. After that you can either leave, or stay to see if you win your age group. Winners will be notified once the event is over to see if you would like to compete in the district round which is about a week later.

## Dress Code Adjustments:

- Monday, January 8: all students and staff may wear U of M apparel from the waist up with school uniform bottoms to support the Maize and Blue in their quest for a national title. Only U of M apparel may be worn.
- Friday, January 12: all students and staff may wear Detroit Lions apparel from the waist up with school uniform bottoms in honor of the Lions first ever home playoff game at Ford Field on Sunday, January 14. Only Detroit Lions apparel may be worn.

GO GREEN!

GO WHITE!



## Calendar of Events



1/6 K of C Free Throw Contest in gym 9a  
 1/8 Var. Bowling @ P-W 3p  
 1/9 JV & Var. Girls BB @ Perry 5:30p  
 JV & Var. Boys BB vs. Fulton @ PMS 6p  
 1/10 No Mass  
 JV & Var. Boys BB vs. Perry @ PMS 6p

PTO Meeting in Parish Hall 6p  
 1/11 No Mass  
 JV & Var. Girls BB vs. Lansing Christian @ PMS 6p  
 1/12 Senior open campus lunch  
 JV & Var. Boys BB @ Lansing Christian 5:30p  
 1/15 No School—Martin Luther King Jr. Day

## *Congratulations Mr. Hodge*

Please join us in congratulating Randy Hodge who will be ordained a permanent Deacon on Saturday, January 13. The ceremony will take place at 10:00 a.m. at St. Andrew's Cathedral with Bishop Walkowiak presiding. All are welcome to attend. This is a long and arduous process, and we are incredibly proud of Randy's acceptance to God's calling. ***A reception will be held in his honor at St. Patrick's after all masses on Saturday, January 13 and Sunday, January 14 in the Parish Hall. Light snacks/refreshments will be served. Please stop by and thank him for saying "YES".***

JOIN US EVERY TUESDAY  
@ 5:00PM FOR  
**Praise and Worship  
before the Tabernacle**

**PRAY WITH US FOR  
EXPECTING MOTHERS  
AND THEIR BABIES**