



# Shamrock News

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

11/14/24

### **Congratulations:**

- To Teaghan Olney who was baptized this past weekend.
- To Kennedy Drake who is the October high school student of the month.

**When reporting an absence:** When calling in or emailing your student absent for the day, please include the reason for the absence and symptoms if it is an illness. It will help us record attendance correctly and report symptoms to the county each week. Please also let us know before school begins if your child will not be attending school or if they will be late that day.

**All School Mass on Wednesday, November 20:** Due to a funeral on Thursday, grades DK-12 will attend mass on Wednesday.

**Immaculate Conception Masses:** This year the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is transferred to Monday, December 9, so as to not conflict with the second Sunday of Advent. This is a holy day of obligation. Masses will be held at 8:00 am (high school students will attend), 9:30 am (grades DK-8 will attend), and 6:00 pm. We will follow the same elementary drop off procedure as a rainy day drop off like we did for All Saints Day Mass.

**PTO Wine Night at the Wheel:** The Wine Tasting will be held on Thursday, November 21 at 6:30pm at the Wagon Wheel. You have to have reservations in order to participate. \$25 per person, cash only. Call 647-4989 now!

**NHS Blood Drive:** The American Red Cross blood drive is being hosted by St. Patrick School on November 19 starting at 8 am and going to 1:45 pm in the Parish Hall. Visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) today to sign up to donate.

**TOYS FOR TOTS** The St. Patrick Catholic School chapter of the National Honor Society is partnering with the US Marine Corp Toys for Tots to collect new, unwrapped toys for children in need in our community this Christmas season. Donations can be dropped off in collection boxes near the school office entrance from November 18 to December 12. The grade level (DK-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12) with the most toys collected will earn an out of dress code day!

### **Friday, November 15**

No School - Opening day of deer firearms season

### **Wednesday-Friday, November 27-29**

Thanksgiving Break · Daycare closed Nov. 28 & 29

### **Friday, December 20 - Friday, January 3**

Christmas Break

December 20 = 1/2 day, no PS, school resumes on January 6  
Daycare closed December 24 - January 1

### Did you know?



**Bishop Walkowiak provides \$550,000 each year for a needs-based scholarship to students in Catholic schools.**

### In the current 2024-25 school year,

- 55% of eligible students, or 835 students, were awarded a Bishop's Scholarship
- Of those awarded, Bishop's Scholarship has distributed \$503k, or \$602 on average per student

For more information: [catholicschools4u.org/scholarships](http://catholicschools4u.org/scholarships)

**DK-5 Christmas Program:** The Christmas Program will take place on Thursday, December 5 at 1 pm & 6:30 pm in the school gym. Preschool students will sing at their Christmas party this year.

## ☘ Shamrock Pride ☘



## Calendar of Events



11/15 No School - Opening Day of Deer Firearms Season  
 11/18 7/8 Boys BB @ Dansville 6:15p  
 11/19 NHS Blood Drive in Parish Hall 8a-1:45p  
 11/20 Mass for grades DK-12 9:30a  
 Var. Quiz Bowl @ Bath 4:30p  
 5th gr. Boys BB @ Resurrection 7:10p  
 11/21 No Mass

7/8 Boys BB vs. Laingsburg @ SPS 5p  
 PTO Wine Tasting Fundraiser @ The Wheel 6:30p  
 11/22 Jeans and Spirit Wear Day  
 3rd grade field trip to State Capitol and Museum  
 Senior Open Campus Lunch  
 11/23 5/6 Boys BB vs. St. Joseph @ SPS 10a  
 Var. Girls BB Scrimmage vs. Okemos & Leslie @ Okemos TBD

# Shamrock Apparel Pre-Order at Fabricated Customs

Shamrock jackets, sweatshirts, hoodies, t-shirts, and hats are available again for pre-order from Fabricated Customs. The orders will arrive in time for Christmas! <https://fabricatedcustoms.com/collections/st-patrick-winter-spirit-wear>

This pre-order will close on **November 21st, 2024 at 8pm**. Please make sure all orders are submitted before then. All garments will print and distribute within 2-3 weeks of the pre-order close date.



## JESUS LOVES YOU

2024-25 apparel

new colors & styles available



orders open Now-Nov22

<https://fabricatedcustoms.com/collections/st-patrick-campus-ministry-1>

Order here.



ST. PATRICK PTO

## WINE NIGHT AT THE WHEEL

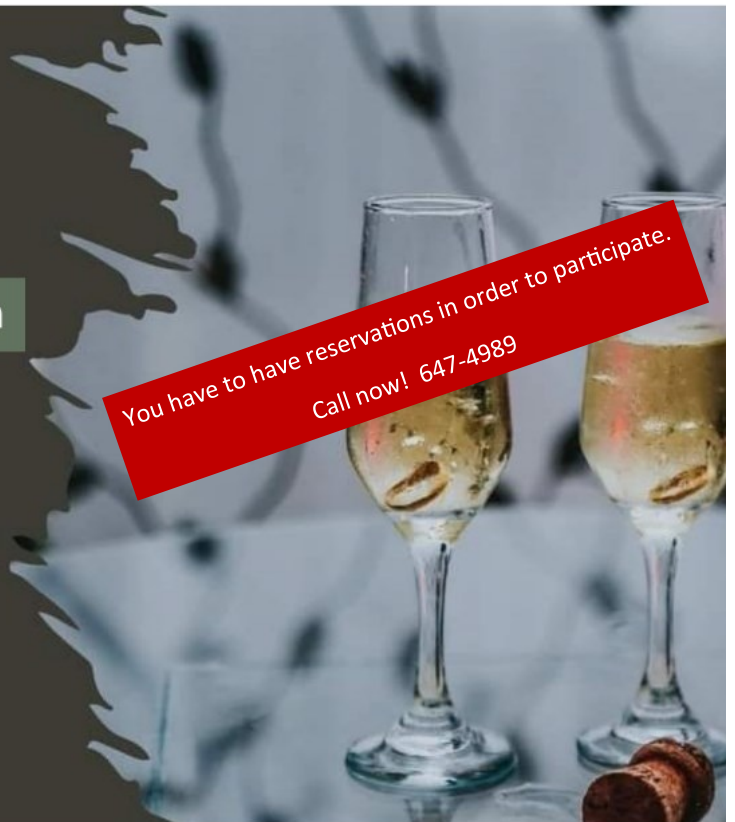
Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> @ 6:30pm

Our annual wine and beer tasting at the Wheel is BACK! Join us for a fun evening to sample wine and beer and enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres. Gift baskets are also available!

Space is limited! Reserve your spot today by calling the Wagon Wheel directly at 517-647-4989! \$25 per person (cash only).



You have to have reservations in order to participate.  
Call now! 647-4989





Ladies...Join us for our **FREE** Women's  
retreat this **Advent!** Enjoy a few hours  
away with other women exploring ways to  
take back time and be present in the  
current moment.



*Hope*



Where: Parish Hall

When: Saturday, December 7

Time: 8:30 am - 1:00 pm (lunch included)

Speaker: Kathryn Mulderink

RSVP: not necessary but appreciated to

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

# CHRISTMAS CHOIR



## ALL Singers Grade 4 thru College

**Christmas Choir rehearsal begins Saturday - Nov 9th**

Rehearsals will be held in the Music Room at St. Patrick School  
(Enter thru the doors at the corner of West & Center Streets)

Please reserve the following dates and times:

**11/9, 11/16, 11/23, 11/30, 12/7 from 10:00am - 11:30am**

**12/14 and 12/21 from 10:00am - NOON**

**We will be singing at the 6:00pm Christmas Eve Mass**

Registration NOT required

Questions? Call Mr. James Tavazze at 517-940-2410

**NOTE: College Age Singers must have attended a  
Protecting God's Children Awareness Session**

