



Shamrock News

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

11/14/25

Congratulations:

- To the following students who were selected as winners of the Voice of Democracy Essays:

Katrina Chen	Vivian Rockey
Siena Schafer	Gavin Groothuis
Macie Leonard	

- To the Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay winners who will be moving onto the District/Regional Level:

9th grade	Augustus Lewanski
10th grade	Maria Austen
11th grade	Siena Schafer
12th grade	Maizie Pelc

- To the Patriot Pen contest winners:

6th grade	Ethan Chamberlain & Carter Lenneman
7th grade	Faith Higbee & Brooke Thelen
8th grade	Bella Hinds & Josie Pung

Varsity Football Game Tickets: [Here is the GoFan link](#) for the football game on Saturday, Nov. 15, St. Patrick vs. Deckerville at Mt. Pleasant High School at 1pm. Come on out and support the team.

DK-5 Christmas Program: The Christmas Program will take place on Wednesday, December 3 at 1 pm & 6:30 pm in the school gym. Preschool students will sing at their Christmas parties this year.

Please Dress for the Weather: Please be aware of the weather each morning. Students should wear jackets on colder mornings. Students are required to go outside with the rest of the class regardless if they have a jacket or not.

2026-27 Financial Aid Applications: The [application](#) and [instructions](#) were emailed to all families. The deadline for round one is December 1, 2025. This applies for students in grades DK-11. **A new application must be filled out each year.** This information can also be found on the school website under Prospective Families, Tuition/Scholarships. Please contact the office for assistance. The sooner you apply, the better!

High School Yearbook on Sale Now: Please see the high school Week Ahead for ordering information.

 **Shamrock Pride** 

Monday & Tuesday, November 24 & 25

No Busing - PPS not in session

Wednesday-Friday, November 26-28

No School - Thanksgiving Break

Annual Food Drive: We will be having our annual food drive on Wednesday and Thursday, November 19 & 20. Please send non-perishable items with your child. Collection boxes will be located in the elementary hallway by the lost and found table.

NHS Toy Drive: The St. Patrick Catholic School National Honor Society is collecting new, unwrapped toys for kids in need in the Portland area in partnership with the Portland Community Fund. Toys can be dropped in the collection boxes in the 1st floor hallway between December 1st and 12th. The grade level that collects the most toys will win an out of dress code day! Please help to ensure that every Portland area kid has a present under the tree this Christmas. NOTE: Toys for Tots is not operating in Ionia County this year so NHS is partnering directly with PCF who helps distribute toys for TFT.

NHS Blood Drive: St. Patrick Catholic School National Honor Society is sponsoring an American Red Cross blood drive on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, 8am-1:45pm. To schedule an appointment, log into [RedCrossBlood.org](#), the sponsor code is StPatrick, or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

Christmas Choir needs YOU!

WHO: ALL SINGERS Grade 4 thru College

WHERE: St. Patrick School, ROOM #211

*enter thru door #6, from West Street.

WHEN: NOV 8, 15, 22, DEC 6, 13 ~ 10am - 11:30am

DEC 22 ~ 10am - NOON

WHY: TO SING AT THE 6:00pm CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

Questions? Call James Tavadze @ 647-6505 X423

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



Calendar of Events



11/15 Var. FB MHSAA Semifinal vs. Deckerville at Mt. Pleasant High School 1p

11/17 7/8 gr. Boys BB vs. Dansville @ SPS 5p

11/18 NHS Blood Drive in Parish Hall 8a-3p
5/6 gr. Boys BB vs. St. Gerard @ SPS 6p

11/19 Esports Club Room 211 4-5pm
Quiz Bowl @ Bath 4:30p

11/20 7/8 gr. Boys BB @ Laingsburg 5p

5th gr. Boys BB @ St. Thomas 6p

6th gr. Boys BB @ St. Joseph 6p

PTO Wine Tasting @ The Wheel 6:30p

11/21 Jeans and spirit wear day

3rd grade field trip

Senior Open Campus Lunch

Virtue Corner

Virtue of the Week: Honesty

This falls under the cardinal virtue of temperance, which enables us to moderate or balance our use of created goods.

Definition:

Sincerity, openness, and truthfulness in one's words and actions.

Opposing Trait:

- Being dishonest in words and actions; telling lies.

Saint: St. José Sanchez del Rio

José was the flagbearer for the Cristero movement, which was fighting for the rights of the Church during persecutions in Mexico. After he was captured, José refused to be dishonest and deny his faith. He said, "I will never give in. Viva Cristo Rey! (Long live Christ the King!)"

Family Discussion Question:

How can we help each other cultivate the virtue of honesty at home?

NEW Campus Ministry Shirts Now Available!

Start your Christmas shopping early! The Campus Ministry Team is hoping you will help spread the Gospel to all those that see you by purchasing and wearing the newest Campus Ministry shirts! They come in both youth and adult sizes for both t-shirts and crewneck sweatshirts, and in multiple different colors. Orders close November 21st at 8pm so you can have them in time for Christmas! [Order now.](#)





ST. PAT'S PTO

WINE NIGHT AT THE WHEEL

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH AT 6:30PM

Our annual wine & beer tasting at the Wheel is BACK! Join us for a fun evening of sampling wines and beers, enjoying heavy hors d'oeuvres, and gift basket giveaways!



*Space is limited!
Reserve your spot
today by calling the
Wagon wheel directly
at (517)647-4989!
\$30 per person
(at the door)*



Lost and Found

