



Shamrock News

The link to the school calendar is here.

April 2, 2026

We wish all of our school families a relaxing and safe spring break. See you on Monday, April 13.

Congratulations: Jan and Jerry Bozung are the winners of the March \$500 monthly drawing of the Mega Rock raffle.

Shorts Season: Short season began on April 1, students are allowed to wear dress code shorts to school. Shorts may not be worn to Mass.

Operation Rice Bowl: Thank you for a successful St. Patrick Operation Rice Bowl!!!! Our efforts raised \$1,665.59 for Catholic Relief Services. Thank you to Portland Food Service, Knights of Columbus volunteers, teachers, parents, and students in making this event a success.

2026-27 Enrollment at St. Patrick School: Enrollment is open. Enrollment letters were recently emailed to all families through Finals site. The letters included the directions with links. If your family will not be continuing at St. Patrick School, please complete the Intent to Withdraw before May 1.

Changes in Finals site: If you make changes to your Finals site account, these do NOT transfer to Infinite Campus. Please notify the office of any changes (address, phone number, email, emergency contacts, health information, employment, etc). Thank you.

2026-27 Financial Aid Applications: The deadline for round four is April 19, 2026. This applies for students in grades DK-11. A new application must be filled out each year. You can find the [application](#) and [instructions](#) here or on the school website under Prospective Families, Tuition/Scholarships.

Special Days

Friday, April 3

No School - Good Friday
Daycare closed

Monday, April 6

Daycare closed

April 6 - 10

No School - Spring Break

Friday, April 24

Shamrock Auction

Join us for the Shamrock Auction! It's a night of fun and fellowship. For only \$30 per ticket you get dinner, drinks, and a great time. See the auction website to purchase tickets and find out more! The spotlight auction this week is the Shamrock Hall of Fame Raffle. [Shamrock Auction Tickets.](#)

St. Patrick Parish Easter Schedule

Holy Thursday

7:00 pm The Last Supper

Holy Saturday

9:00 pm Easter Vigil

Good Friday

12:00 pm Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm Passion Liturgy

Easter Sunday

8:00 am Mass

10:00 am Mass



Calendar of Events

- 4/13 Var. BB & SB @ Laingsburg 4p
PTO Meeting in Parish Hall 6p
- 4/14 JV BB vs. Laingsburg @ FFF 4:30p
School Board Meeting in room 208 6:30p
- 4/15 ICCC not in session
MS Esports Club 4p
Var. Track @ PW 4:30p
- 4/16 HS Bible Study 6:30a
First Communion Retreat
Var. BB @ Lansing Christian 4p
MS Track @ Potterville 4:30p

- 4/17 HS Pep Assembly
Senior Open Campus Lunch
Var. Track @ PW INV 3p
Var. BB & SB @ Fulton 4p
- 4/18 Var. Golf @ Morrison Lake Golf Club 9a
First Communion 4:30p
- 4/19 First Communion 10a

GO GREEN! GO WHITE!

Virtue Corner

Growing in VIRTUE with St. Patrick - PERSEVERE!

Perseverance gives us the ability to endure hardships over time. After his capture into slavery, Patrick's prayer life deepened greatly. He prayed over and over again throughout the day, oftentimes praying for an escape from slavery. His perseverance in prayer made his heart grow closer to the Lord, even through the trial and hardship of being enslaved.

Additionally, it took Patrick decades to complete his education, become a priest and then a bishop, get the approval of the pope to go to Ireland, and assemble a team that could build up the Church in Ireland. This meant he likely did not return there until his forties or fifties, but when he did he did so in a powerful way! His perseverance in his studies and trusting in God's timing provided him with the opportunity to evangelize the Irish pagans and convert much of the land to Catholicism.

"I pray to God to give me perseverance and to deign that I be a faithful witness to Him to the end of my life for my God." - St. Patrick



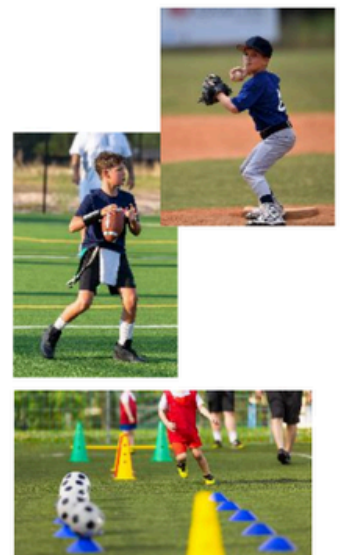
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SUMMER PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Registration for summer programs is now open! To register for programs, visit portlandmi.recdesk.com.

- **DK/K COACH PITCH BASEBALL (COED):** This coed league will take place on Mondays & Wednesdays at Bogue Flats. Participants must provide their own glove. League play will begin in late June. **Registration deadline: Wednesday, May 27, 2026**
- **1ST/2ND GRADE SOFTBALL:** Sessions will take place Tuesdays & Thursdays at Bogue Flats. Participants must provide their own glove. League play will begin in early June. **Registration deadline: Wednesday, May 18, 2026**
- **4/5-YEAR-OLD FLAG FOOTBALL (COED):** Sessions will take place on Tuesdays & Thursdays at Bogue Flats beginning in late May. Mouth guards are required to participate and must be provided by the participant. **Registration deadline: Monday, May 4, 2026**
- **TOT SOCCER CAMP:** Runs Monday-Wednesday, July 27-29, 2026, at the Portland High School soccer field. Led by the Portland High School coach and players. Ages 3-4 from 6:00 - 6:45 P.M. and Ages 5-6 from 7:00 - 7:45 P.M. **Registration deadline: Monday, July 13, 2026**
- **YOUTH SOCCER CAMP:** Designed for ages 7 through 6th graders. Runs Tuesday-Thursday, July 14-16, 2026, at the Portland High School soccer field. Led by the Portland High School coach and players. **Registration deadline: Monday, June 29, 2026**



YOUTH TENNIS CAMPS: Register by May 29, 2026 to be guaranteed a t-shirt.

Portland Tennis is offering another summer of quality, cost-effective summer programs to meet the needs of tennis players from beginner to experienced. Programs will begin in mid to late June and end in mid to late July.

Programs are available for grades K-12 (Fall 2026 grade). To view full descriptions and register please visit portlandmi.recdesk.com. To be guaranteed a Portland Summer Tennis shirt, register by May 29, 2026; registrations taken after June 8, 2026 will receive a shirt only while supplies last.

SHAMROCK AUCTION

Raffle Spotlight

SHAMROCK HALL OF FAME RAFFLE

Want a chance to skip the bidding and take home an auction item for \$50? Buy a ticket in this year's "golden ticket" raffle called the **Shamrock Hall of Fame Raffle**.



We've filled our Hall of Fame board with 100 of the top Shamrock Team accomplishments of all time. For \$50, you pick one of the teams to be yours. If your team is drawn as the winner, you can choose any item from the Live or Silent auction as your prize*!

Make sure to arrive early to get your pick of our top teams!

Buy tickets online or at the event, but the winner must be present to win!

Buy tickets on Auction website under **RAFFLES**

onecau.se/shamrockauction26

****The Auction Committee reserves the right to withhold 1 - 2 items from this raffle.*

SHAMROCK AUCTION 2026

A Night for the

GREEN & WHITE

- DINNER & DRINKS
- DRESS IN YOUR BEST SHAMROCK SPIRIT WEAR!
- RAFFLES & 50/50
- SILENT/LIVE AUCTIONS
- ENTERTAINMENT

FRIDAY

APRIL 24

Doors open at 6:00pm
Knights Hall, Portland

Buy tickets and follow updates on the auction website:

<https://onecau.se/shamrockauction26>

Celebrating Our Roots  *Growing Our Future*