



Shamrock News

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September 11, 2026

Picture Days: Pictures are scheduled for Monday, September 14 for grades PS-5 and Tuesday, September 15 for grades PS and 6-12. Students must dress in school uniform, no jacket or sweatshirts are allowed. Please see the attached for more information. If you need a paper order form please stop in the office. We are looking for parent volunteers to help the picture days run smoothly. If you are available, please let the office know.

MAPS Testing: Fall MAPS testing for students in grades 2-8 will be taking place from Sept. 7 - Oct. 2. Please make sure students eat a good breakfast and get a good night's sleep.

Mega Rock Raffle Tickets: Tickets were mailed home to school families. Please consider purchasing the tickets. This is our main fundraiser for the parish, school and athletic programs. Students receive an out of dress code slip for every four tickets that are sold. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Hodge.

Elementary Lunch and Recess Volunteers: We are in need of volunteers during our elementary lunch time especially on Mondays and Fridays. The time is 11:50a-12:35p. Volunteers can be parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, alumni, etc. All volunteers need to be Virtus trained and have a current background check. Please contact the office if you are able to help or have any questions.

Free and Reduced Lunch/E-Rate School Discounts: All parents: please apply for free and reduced lunch on the [Meal Magic Family Portal](#) regardless of need. Important school discounts are determined using this data. You can also manage your child's meal account from here. We need EVERY family to apply in order to receive discounts.

Special Days

Friday, September 11

No afternoon busing - PPS ½ day

Friday, September 25

½ day of school - no pm busing
no preschool

Friday, October 9

No busing - PPS not in session

Thursday & Friday, October 15 & 16

No School - Diocesan PD

Guided Hunt through the Portland Grand River Conservation

Club: The Portland Grand River Conservation Club is holding a drawing to allow one youth who has not hunted before, but is interested to go on a doe hunt. It must be a student who is aged 12-18 who has never hunted before but is interested in getting into hunting. This will be a guided hunt through the GRCC. One name will be drawn out of a hat. The students' family will be responsible for providing a doe permit for the hunt. If your son or daughter is interested in getting their name in the drawing, please email Dcn. Randy Hodge randyhodge@portlandstpats.org by Tuesday, September 15.

GO GREEN! GO WHITE!



Calendar of Events



9/12 JV VB @ Ionia INV 9a
Var. VB @ Breckenridge INV 9a
5/6 VB (green) vs. St. Gerard/New Covenant @ St. G 9:30a
5/6 VB (white) vs. St. Mary @ St. Mary 9:30a
5/6 FB vs. Morrice @ Breckenridge 1p
Var. FB vs. Morrice @ PHS 7p
9/14 Picture Day for grades PS-5
7/8 VB vs. P-W @ SPS 5p
PTO Meeting in Parish Hall 7p
9/15 Picture Day for grades PS & 6-12
Cherubim Choir Practice 3:30-4:45p
Var. CC @ Perry 5p
JH FB vs. Webberville @ FFF 5p

9/16 Esports 4p
Fr, JV, Var. VB vs. P-W @ SPS 4:30p
5/6 VB (green) vs. Our Savior Lutheran/St. Mary @ OS 5:30p
9/17 High School Bible Study 6:30a
High School Retreats
7/8 VB vs. Saranac @ SPS 5p
Var. CC @ Lansing Catholic INV 5:30p
5/6 VB vs. Resurrection/St. Gerard @ Resurrection 5:30p
Var. FB @ Breckenridge 7p
9/18 Senior Open Campus Lunch
9/19 5/6 VB (green) vs. St. Gerard @ SPS 10a
5/6 VB (white) vs. St. Gerard @ SPS 10:30a
5/6 FB vs. Merrill @ Byron 10:45a
High School Homecoming Dance 7-9p

Virtue Corner

Virtue of the Week:



Definition:

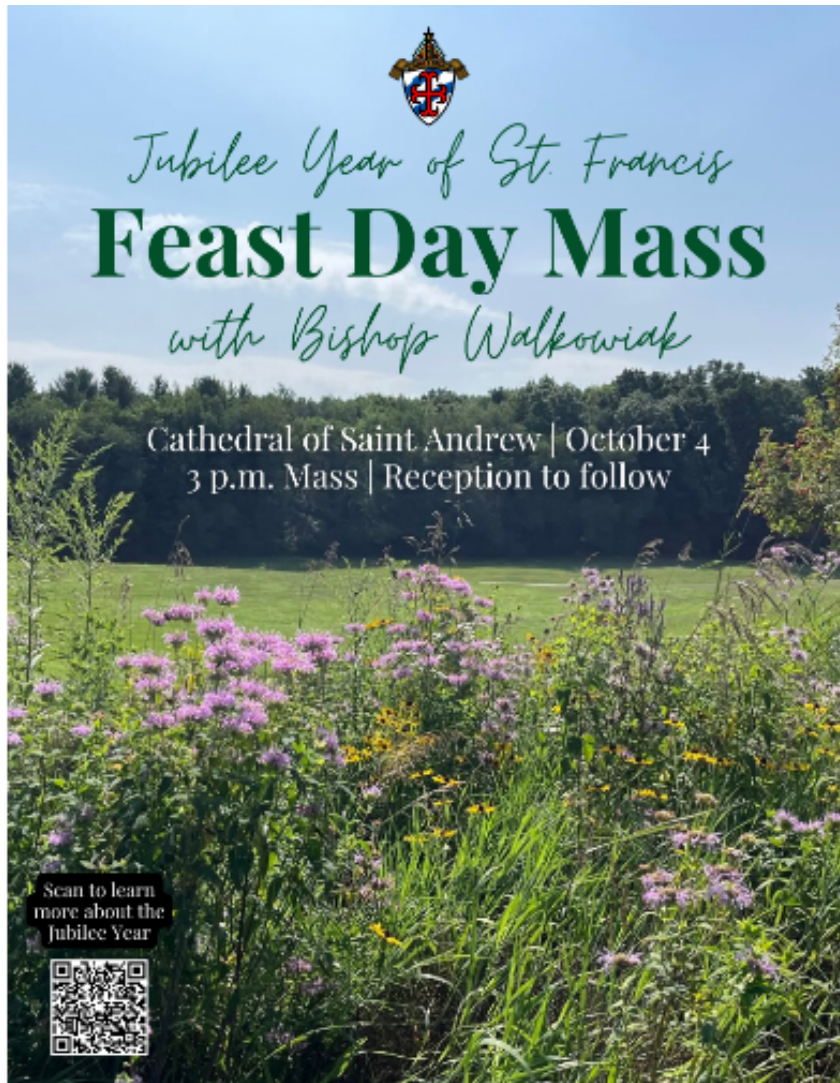
Purity of heart in action, especially in regards to dress and speech.

Saint Witness:

St. Thomas Aquinas was an incredible theologian and Catholics owe a lot to him in our understanding of some of the great mysteries of our faith. He is one of the Doctors of the Catholic Church, often known as the angelic doctor. He devoted his life to teaching, writing, and preaching, making the Gospel known around the world. While praying before a crucifix, Thomas heard a voice asking what reward he wanted for his labors. His reply: "None but yourself, O Lord." He is the patron saint of Catholic universities, colleges, academies, and schools.

"Modesty must regulate the pleasure of speaking. Just as temperance regulates eating, the tongue requires constant discipline and mortification to avoid falling into excess."

- St. Thomas Aquinas



Jubilee Year of St. Francis
Feast Day Mass
with Bishop Walkowiak

Cathedral of Saint Andrew | October 4
3 p.m. Mass | Reception to follow

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more about the
Jubilee Year



Homecoming 2026

Friday, September 25, 2026

Theme: Music

Seniors:	Country
Juniors:	Pop
Sophomores:	Reggae
Freshmen:	Disco
8th Grade:	Christmas
7th Grade:	Salsa
6th Grade:	Christian Rock

Homecoming Court

Queen Candidates: Marian Davlin, Naomi Hass, and Gracelyn Rockey
King Candidates: Brandsen Brown, Tyler Thelen, and Jerryd Scheurer
Juniors: Kennedy Drake and Darren Hengesbach
Sophomores: Adelle Martin and Tanner Owen
Freshmen: Mary Kwiecinski and Easton Scheurer
Prince and Princess: Grace Vogt and Abel Smith

Spirit Week Dress Up Days: Dress up days are for all students DK-12

Monday, Sept. 21: *Comfy Day* - Dress in comfy clothes. Jeans/joggers are permitted. No leggings. No P.J.'s.

Tuesday, Sept. 22: *Michigan Day* - Dress up in something that reminds you of our great state of Michigan. Jeans/joggers are permitted. No leggings.

Wednesday, Sept. 23: *Wacky Wednesday* (mismatch day) No Mass. Jeans/joggers are permitted. No leggings.

Thursday, Sept. 24: *Dress up to represent a music genre.* No Mass. Jeans/joggers are permitted. No leggings.

Friday, Sept. 25: *Super Spirit Day* - Dress up in St. Patrick spirit wear and let your spirit rock! Jeans/joggers are permitted. No leggings.

Activities and Events:

Thursday, September 24:

- 1:00 p.m. Powder Puff at Fr. Flohe Field

Friday, September 25:

- Donuts for all grades
- 8:00 a.m. - Mass for grades 6-12
- 8:50 a.m. - Pep Assembly for middle school and high school students
- 10:10 a.m. - Volleyball Tournament for high school students
- 11:30 a.m. - School dismissed
- 5:45 p.m. - Parade from St. Patrick School to Portland High School. Parade will include 5th-12th grade fall sports teams. Route is along West St. and Ionia Rd. to the High School. Spectators please line up north of Detroit Street along the route.
- 7:00 p.m. - Football Game St. Patrick vs. Flint Cultural Academy @ Portland High
- Bonfire after the football game at Fr. Flohe Field until 11:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 19: Homecoming Dance 7-9 p.m.



FALL PICTURE DAY

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Monday, September 14 - for PS-5 grades

Tuesday, September 15 - for PS & 6-12 grades



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