



Shamrock News

3/9/18

Announcements:

Parking Around the School: There have been concerns about parking around the school voiced by some of our neighbors. If you are parking on the street, we would like to remind you of the following laws:

There is no parking:

- 1) within 30 feet of a stop sign
- 2) within 15 feet of an unsigned intersection or fire hydrant, or
- 3) within 20 feet of a crosswalk

Survey: It is time to complete our annual Diocesan Program Effectiveness survey. Listed below is the link to the 2017-18 Program Effectiveness Survey. We ask that all school families complete a survey. The survey takes only about 10 minutes to complete. The deadline for completing the survey this year is April 8.

The link for the parent/community survey is: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EffectivenessParentCommunity> (Note: This survey is available in both English and Spanish. The first question will determine in which language the survey will appear.)

When you get to the page that says, "Thank you for completing your survey," please print it off, sign it and send it in to the school office. Once we receive this, each one of your school-aged children will receive an Out of Dress Code slip.

Out of Dress Code slips for those who have already completed the survey will be sent home next Friday for ones that are turned in by March 14.

Jean Days:

Friday, March 16: Positive Solutions Informed Choices (formerly Pregnancy Services of Ionia County). This is a make up for the jean day that was scheduled for 02/09/18 but was cancelled due to a snow day.

Friday, March 23: This jean day will benefit a charity working with orphans in Africa.

Thursday, March 29: Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls: There is no school Mass on Holy Thursday. We will serve students hot dogs for lunch and ask students to make a donation in the giant rice bowl at lunch. Money from this jean day will be added to the rice bowl project.

ATTENTION NHS MEMBERS, INDUCTEES, and PAR-ENTS: Our annual National Honor Society Induction Ceremony scheduled for 7 PM on March 13th has been moved to the school gymnasium.

Congratulations:

- To the varsity girls basketball team for wrapping up their successful season. They finished third place in a tough CMAC and were district champions.
- Congratulations to the varsity boys basketball teams for wrapping up their successful season.
- To senior Kayla Shaw for finishing 20th in the state in girls individual bowling and to junior Stephen Wernet for finishing 17th in the state in boys individual bowling.
- To the varsity boys bowling team for finishing 11th in the state.

Stations of the Cross: Please join us for Stations of the Cross on Fridays. Stations of the Cross are scheduled at the following times each Friday in the church:

- March 16: 9:40a - Living Stations presented by the Student Ambassador Team
- March 23: 9:00a
- March 30: No School = No Stations (Good Friday)

Monday, March 12 - No School
Staff Professional Development

Calendar of Events

3/10	5th Grade Girls BB Tournament vs. St. Paul @ St. Paul 10:45a	3/14	Drama Club play practice in CIA Headquarters 6p
3/11	Daylight Savings Time Begins		Sanchin Ryu in room 209 6p
	6th Gr. Girls (green) BB Tournament @ OSL 2p	3/15	Mass led by the 6th grade 9:30a
	6th Gr. Girls (white) BB Tournament @ OSL 3:15p		HACK Club in room 200 2:30p
3/12	No School - Staff Professional Development		Drama Club play practice in CIA Headquarters 4p
3/13	6th/7th Grade Retreat in Parish Hall 8:30a-2:00p	3/16	Living Stations of the Cross led by SAT 9:40a
	PFCU Student Branch during lunch (VIP Day)		Senior Open Campus Lunch
	Chess Club grades 3-5 Room 115 3:50-5p		Hubbardston Irish Dance Troupe in gym 1:45p
	National Honor Society Induction Ceremony and Reception in the gym and Parish Hall 7p		Sign Language Club Grades 6-12 Room 115 2:30-3:30p
3/14	Shamrock Art Club Room 111 2:30-4:30p	3/18	Sign Language Club Grades 2-5 Room 115 3:50-4:50p
			School Play Dress Rehearsal 1p

Elementary March is Reading Month 2018: Reading is Sweet!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
11	12 No School!	13 Mountain Pass -dress in hiking clothes/ comfy clothes Gingerbread Houses Judged <u>READING LOG DUE...</u> <u>KEEP READING!!!</u>	14 Reading is a Treat -bring a sweet snack to enjoy during reading	15 MASS 9:30am BRLR: Write & Read Together (Guess my favorite candy) -please bring in a candy wrapper for this activity Gingerbread House Winners Announced at Mass	16 Candy Trivia Stations of the Cross 9:40am St. Patrick's Day! -St. Patrick spirit wear -Irish Dancers @ 1:45pm	17



**American
Red Cross**

Blood Drive: St. Patrick Catholic School National Honor Society members are hosting an American Red Cross blood drive March 20th from 10:30 AM to 5:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Please consider giving the gift of life. To schedule an appointment to donate, please see an NHS member or visit redcrossblood.org today!



St. Patrick Student-Run School Branch News

HAPPY SPRING! Just want to update everyone on some great activities that are going on at the St. Patrick Student Branch.

PFCU's first \$50 Student Branch Winner was at Westwood Elementary Raider Branch! A young lady from 5th grade who is a regular depositor won this month. Please encourage your children to get into the habit of saving, it can really pay off! We will be drawing once a month until the end of the school year.

Current youth promotion for March: make a deposit and be automatically entered for a chance to win a \$50 Barnes and Noble gift card in honor of March is Reading month!

Upcoming youth promotion for April: 4 tickets to Grand Rapids Children's Museum, and a \$50 gift card for lunch!

St. Patrick School contest: deposit at the school now until March 27th and you get a ballot for each deposit to enter to win a water bottle filled with candy.

Thanks to all the members that regularly use the student branch and for those of you that haven't opened an account, spring is the perfect time to JOIN!

Thank you,

Maddy Shellberg
Community Outreach and Education Specialist

Please join us for a

Benefit

supporting



Brittni Vallier Fedewa

Sunday, March 11 ♦ Noon – 4:00 PM

Knights Hall ♦ 690 Maynard Road, Portland MI

Silent Auction ♦ 50/50 ♦ Pulled Pork Luncheon ♦ Free Will Offering

Recently, Brittni suffered from heart failure, likely as a result of a virus. She is learning to live with the LVAD pump which is aiding her heart until it is her turn as a heart transplant recipient.

There are many costs not covered by insurance. With your help, we can help ease the stress of lost work time, co-pays, premiums, and an uncertain but HOPEFUL recovery.

*We have come so far in
the last few weeks and are very hopeful
for continued blessings as
we travel this long road ahead of us.
Thank you so much for your
prayers, love, and support!*



*Brittni & Chad
Glenn, Tammy, Nolan, & Haylee Vallier
Chris, Lisa, & Cole Fedewa*

**To donate to the auction
or for information,
contact:**

Laura Flynn.....517-980-5996
Richelle Vallier 517-526-5183

**If you cannot attend and would like to donate, deposits
can be made at any Portland Federal Credit Union under
the *Brittni Vallier Fedewa Benefit* account**

or

**mail checks payable to *Brittni Fedewa* to:
Lisa Fedewa, 9910 Looking Glass Road, Portland, MI 48875**