"When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side."

Luke 16:22-23
Worship and Prayer

Mass Schedule

Monday, September 30, 2019
No Mass

Tuesday, October 1, 2019
6:00 PM | † Denise (Dee Dee) Hoppes

Wednesday, October 2, 2019
9:30 AM | For those suffering with Cancer

Thursday, October 3, 2019
9:30 AM | † Kelly Barnes

Friday, October 4, 2019
8:00 AM | † Alfred & † Seraphine Halfmann
and deceased family members

Saturday, October 5, 2019
4:30 PM | † Tony Kolarik III

Sunday, October 6, 2019
7:30 AM | † Helen Clark
9:30 AM | For the People of St. Patrick Parish
11:30 AM | † Dennis Harr & † Michelle Cook

Scripture Readings

Sunday
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16;
Lk 16:19-31

Monday
Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday
Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus,
Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday
Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels
Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Thursday
Weekday
Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Lk 10:1-12

Friday
Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi
Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday
Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest
Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-35, 36-37; Lk 10:17-24

Sunday
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14;
Lk 17:5-10

Youth Group Is Coming!
Youth Group will start October 20, 2019. Parents are invited to Meet ‘n Greet with Andrea Gleason following each Mass on October 5 & 6th in the back of Church. Visit the parish website for more information or contact Andrea at 517-647-6505 x 414. I look forward to meeting you!

Bulletin deadlines
Bulletin deadline for Sunday bulletins are Monday’s at 10:00 AM.
Altar Appointment– Oct. 5 & 6, 2019

LECTORS
4:30 PM  Amelia Schrauben
7:30 AM  Bill Durnwald
9:30 AM  Beverly Sobolewski
11:30 AM  Carolyn Heckman

ALTAR SERVERS
4:30 PM  Brayden Hinds | Amber Leonard | Grant Pline
          Evelyn Rockey
7:30 AM  Martin White | Simon White
9:30 AM  Alivia Huhn | Samuel Maruen | Riley Mosser
          Marian Pearson
11:30 AM  Carly Scheurer | Emma Scheurer | John Schneider
          Mara Schrauben

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS
4:30 PM  Joe Timmer | Joan Vashaw
7:30 AM  Gary & Kris Bond
9:30 AM  Judy Braley & Harry Klein
11:30 AM  Elaine Guidi | Betsy Rogers

Prayers of the Faithful
That our eyes may be open to the needs around us and our hands and hearts may be open to sharing our gifts to make this world a better place for all of us.

Stewardship Reflection
In today’s gospel, the rich man died and was condemned to “a place of torment” because he ignored the poor. He asked Lazarus to go and warn his five brothers to change their ways. Evidently ignoring the poor was a family pattern. Is your family sensitive to the poor?

When God created the world He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today’s Gospel we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

In Memoriam
Eternal rest grant unto Michael Schafer, O Lord; and may perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Family Perspective
By Bud Ozar
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Eucharistic Adoration
Eucharistic Adoration is a wonderful gift we have, now with increased access in our Adoration chapel across Church St. Adoration hours are:

   Monday’s, noon to 7:00 PM.
   Wednesday’s, noon to 11:00 PM.
   First Friday’s of the Month, 10:00 AM to midnight.

When the tabernacle is open we are required to have at least two people present with Jesus. We also need a couple more parishioners willing to sub for regular adorers, when they occasionally have schedule conflicts.

If you would like more information; call or text Mike Cook at 517-242-1352. If you haven’t experienced spending some quiet time in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, stop in and be blessed.
**Children's Faith Formation**

Registration Still Open:
Forms are still available and can be turned into the parish office. Please provide the $100.00 tuition fee per family with the forms. Students can still be placed in classes as soon as the registration form and fee are turned in. Contact Lori Thelen at lorithelen@portlandstpats.org or 517-647-6405 x 419.

Save the Dates:
- September 30th — Classes
- October 7th, 14th, 21st — Classes
- Sunday, October 13th, 20th — Sessions 1 & 2 for Second Grade Sacramental Prep Classes (6:30-8:00 PM - school room 209)
- October 28th — NO Classes (Catechist In-Service)

**Mark your calendars!**

The Euchre parties will be on Wednesdays, October 2, 16, 30 | November 13, 27 | December 11, 18 all dates begin at 1:00 PM at the Knights Hall.

Bingo will be on October 6, 20 | November 3, 17 all dates begin at 2:00 PM.

The Knights will be hosting a garage sale at the Knights Hall. Set up will be on October 22nd. Sale will be Wednesday, October 23, 8:00 AM-5:30 PM and Thursday, October 24, 8:00 AM-Noon.

**Congratulations!**
Portland Council 2168 would like to Congratulate the following members who attained full Knighthood on September 19, 2019—Thomas Harraka, David Simon, Craig Schmitt, Doug Snitgen and Tyler Kramer.

If you are interested in becoming a Knights of Columbus member, contact Rex Waltersdorf at 517-420-8932, Jake Lowe at 517-648-3003 or Francis “John” Vallier.

**Bell Ringers Needed**
Bell Choir ringers are needed for the Christmas season. They practice Wednesday evenings from 7:00—8:30 PM and will begin practice on October 2nd. Anyone interested in joining the Bell Choir should call Karen Stevens at 517-627-7699. No musical ability is needed, just a desire to praise God through music.

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**Portland Community Coat Drive**

The Portland Community Fund Association will be having a coat drive from Oct. 1 through Oct. 18. Adult and children’s clean, useable coats will be collected along with hats, mittens, gloves, boots and outerwear. We especially need children’s snowpants.

A donation box will be located in the back of Church. Other donation boxes will be located at Portland City Hall, local schools, the Senior Center, Independent Bank and Edward Jones Office.

A “Stuff the Bus” will be provided by the Portland Public Schools, Scott Teachout and Joel VanSlambrouck of G & B Pool Supplies, Ted Goodman of Goodman Dairy Farm, and the Lear’s of Bills Party Store to collect coats, not regular clothing or garage sale items. The bus will be located at Bills Party Store. 1153 E. Grand River, Portland, MI.

On Saturday, October 19th from 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM coats and outerwear will be available to anyone needing them at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 8867 Kent St, Portland, MI.

Applications for the Portland Community Fund Associations Christmas Giving Program will be available at the beginning of October. Applications will be available at the schools, Portland City Hall, local churches, Portland Library and Tom’s Pharmacy. Any family residing in the Portland School District that may need assistance or anyone who knows of someone who could use extra assistance should fill out an application.

For more information, please contact Lisa Balderson at 517-930-1651 or Sandy Klein at 517-526-0529.

**Lifesaver Candy Drive**

Portland Right to Life members will be collecting donations at the annual Lifesaver candy drive before Masses on Respect Life weekend, Oct. 5 and 6. Please be generous to a very worthwhile organization.
St. Patrick School to Celebrate Homecoming

Each fall, school spirit comes alive at St. Patrick School as students prepare to celebrate our annual spirit week and homecoming. This year will again prove to be a great event as we celebrate our 68th annual homecoming.

Spirit week officially kicks off the Friday before homecoming with many activities centered on the chosen theme. This year’s theme is Childhood Cartoons. The first activity will be the annual hall decorating contest. Each high school class selected a childhood cartoon and will decorate their section of the hall accordingly. The freshmen class selected Phineas and Ferb, the sophomores chose Scooby Doo, the juniors selected Dora the Explorer and the seniors chose Sponge Bob.

Like most schools in the area, each day of spirit week will have a theme and the students will dress accordingly. This year, Monday is “Comfy Day,” Tuesday is “Jersey Day,” Wednesday is “Sunday best,” Thursday is “Cartoon Day” and Friday is always “Spirit Day.”

The Friday of homecoming week is the big day with many activities and much celebration. The day begins with juice and donuts for the middle and high school students. We host a volleyball tournament for the guys. The senior team is looking to make it a four-year sweep of the volleyball tournament. The girls participate in the annual Powder Puff football game which features the freshman and junior girls against the sophomore and senior girls. We also host our annual homecoming pep assembly.

This year, our homecoming game will take place on Saturday, October 5, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Before the game, we will have our annual PTO tailgate which includes hot dogs and a hog roast. During halftime of the big game, student representatives from each class will compete in a competition.

Following this contest, it will be time to introduce our homecoming court and introduce our king and queen. The court consists of seniors Jeff Davlin, Riley Kissane, Bret Weller, Ally Florian, Leah Kissane and Samantha Teachworth. Junior representatives are Tristin Huhn and Avery Zimmerman, sophomores Derec Fedewa and Carly Scheurer and freshmen Payton Russman and Samantha Smith. Our prince and princess from our kindergarten class will assist in the crowning of our king and queen. They are Parker Osborne and Sadie Easlick.

Following the game, it will be time for our final homecoming tradition. One that dates to the 1960’s—our homecoming bonfire. The bonfire is always prepared by the junior class who spend a great deal of time collecting pallets from area businesses. The pallets and other wood are piled high in the middle of Father Flohe Field, and when the game is over, our students and school families gather there to watch the Portland Fire Department ignite the bonfire which burns very fast and extremely hot.

We are very excited and look forward to another fun and successful spirit week and homecoming celebration. We encourage our alumni to return home and cheer our football team on to victory. Our homecoming tradition is a great opportunity for our alumni to connect with old friends and share great memories from the homecomings of yesterday. We look forward to seeing you at the many activities scheduled for Spirit Week!
**Fall Festival 2019**

**October 13, 2019!**

Please come and join us for the 2019 Fall Festival on Sunday, October 13 at the school. Buffet style dinner includes roast beef and ham, mashed potatoes, dressing, salad, homemade breads and desserts…. And much more!

- Dinner will be served from 11:00 AM until 2:00 PM and take out meals will be in the Parish Hall during those same hours.
- Raffle tickets can be turned in at the Raffle Booth in the lobby outside the school office on Sunday from 1:00 AM until 2:45 PM. The raffle will be held in the Parish Hall at 3:00 PM. Reminder to not put your tickets in the collection basket the weekend of October 13th & 14th, they will not be entered into the drawing.
- The Arts & Crafts Show will run from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the first floor halls and classrooms as well as the gym.
- There’s a Euchre Tournament in the Parish Hall at 12:30 PM.
- Kidsfest activities will take place in the second floor hallways from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.
- 5K/Half Marathon on the River Trail.
- For complete information visit the website: www.portlandstpats.com—click on Fall Festival. See you there!

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**Ministries**

Eucharistic Adoration
Monday: Noon - 7:00 PM | Wednesday: Noon - 11:00 PM | First Friday's: 10:00 AM-Midnight

Ministry to Sick/Homebound ....................................................... Parish Office
(517) 647-6505

(Please notify the parish office of parishioners who are hospitalized, homebound or in need of pastoral care.)

Parish Prayer List ................................................................. Sue Fox
(517) 420-2155
Online Giving

St. Patrick Church is trying to keep up as technology continues to change. We offer an online giving process that we hope will streamline the contribution process and develop a habit of giving regularly as outlined in the Faithful Giving Program. One way of giving is through your traditional envelope giving, another is through scheduling a donation through Connect Now Giving. The link can be found on the St. Patrick Church website. Another way is through text messaging: From a cell phone, text a donation to 1-517-641-2226. You will answer a few questions and then your donation will be processed. If you have questions, please feel free to contact the parish office.
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