

The Braves Bulletin

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St. Joseph Apparel Order

Below you will find the link to our yearly St. Joseph School apparel order which will arrive in time for Christmas. This year you will follow the link below to order your items, pay online and pick them up yourself from Fabricated Customs in Portland. As the link indicates, the order will close on November 24th; so make sure to get your items ordered ASAP.

<https://fabricatedcustoms.com/collections/st-joseph-apparel-pre-order>

Honor Roll-First Quarter

High Honors

6th Grade: Shelby Anthony, Lauren Downes, Alex Drysdale, Reagan Kowatch, Brandt Kramer, Liam Piggott,, Eli Smith, Erin Smith, Lane Smith, Adelyn Thelen, Elyse Thelen, Emeric Thelen, Sam Thelen, Sidney Thelen

7th Grade: Caleb Blyth, Madeline George, Rachel Jandernoa, Claire Thelen, Will Thelen

8th Grade: Nolan George, Maria Klein, Luke Schneider, Ella Thelen

Honors

6th Grade: Holden Smith, Lainey Thelen

7th Grade: Thomas Kramer, Kaine Simon, Brody Smith, Wyatt Werner

8th Grade: Ty Thelen

2021 Scrip Holiday Update!!!!

Our next SCRIP orders will be placed Nov 29, Dec 6 & 13! Local businesses such as Kramer's, Wood's Deli, Fabiano's & Olivera's participate with Scrip!! They are the perfect holiday gift for mail carriers, bus drivers, etc. Also, for a limited time, Shop with Scrip is offering \$5 and \$10 gift cards with many businesses. A flier was emailed to parents on 11-18-21.

The Century Club Committee is still looking for one parent volunteer to organize the donation of a classroom basket or donation item from the following classes: **Young 5's/Kindergarten, Grade 1, Grade 6, and Grade 7/8.** One hundred percent of the money raised by each basket will be used to directly support your child's class. A huge thank you to all the parents who contribute to the classroom baskets each year. Please contact Krista Cook (kristacook18@gmail.com) if you are willing to help. Thank you! Donations of auction items are also greatly appreciated.

The Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee for students in Grades 4-8 will take place the morning of December 2, 2021. Teachers have lists for those interested.

Santa Claus is Coming to Town

Sunday, December 5, 2021, from Noon to 2:30 p.m. He will be at the Pewamo Fire Station. If you are there by a few minutes before Noon, you can see Santa arrive on a Fire Truck.

Veteran Appreciation

We will be collecting items for our veterans from November 17-December 3 in individual classrooms. A Veteran's Wish List was sent with the November 17 'Announcements' email.



Braves Athletics



***Boys Basketball** - Great job by our 6th graders last night winning 43-21 vs. St. Mary's Westphalia. Our next home games are Tuesday (11/23) with the 5th graders tipping at 5:00pm, 6th graders at 6:15pm, and 7th/8th graders at 7:30 at St. Joseph School gym. For our full schedule, please see the last page of this Braves Bulletin. Please come out and cheer on your Braves!

***Basketball Workers** - If you're interested in volunteering your time to help at Braves home basketball games, we could use your talents! Please visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COF4AA72DA2F5CE9-boys> and sign up. Thank you!

***Girls Basketball Sign-up** - The girls basketball season is fast approaching (practices start the first week after New Years). If your child would like to play, and you have not yet returned the sign up form sent out in October, please do so as soon as possible; or contact Nathan Klein at athletics@stjosephewamo.org to sign up.



MOM'S HOT LUNCH

“Disciples of Christ”



NOVEMBER

Wyatt Smith	20
Stella Kowatch	21
Allison Pung	24
Grayson Winsor	25
Evan Nurenberg	30

SCRIP NEWS

Please participate in the online payment process so you can reload or print your gift cards from home any time. ****PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO USE SCRIP AND SCRIP PRESTOPAY.** For more information, contact Amy Thelen 517-930-0351. **Due to decreased Scrip orders, we will place orders on the 2nd Monday of each month at 9:00am.**

Completed Drill Schedule 2020-21

- Fire Drill #1-September 20, 2021
- Lockdown Drill #1-October 7, 2021
- Fire Drill #2-October 21, 2021
- Tornado Drill #1-November 3, 2021
- Fire Drill #3-November 16, 2021

Want to help make a difference while you shop in the [Amazon app](#) at no extra cost to you? Simply follow the instructions below to select "St Josephs Educational Trust Fund" as your charity and activate AmazonSmile in the app. They'll donate a portion of your eligible mobile app purchases to us.

How it works:

1. Open the Amazon app on your phone
2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features
3. Select "St Josephs Parish & School-Pewamo MI" as your charity. (You must sign in to AmazonSmile each time)
4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app

November Calendar

- *11/17-12/3-Collecting items for the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans
- *11/24-26-No School-Thanksgiving

December Calendar

- *12/2-Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee; 4th, 5th, 6th at 8:00 a.m., 7th and 8th at 9:00 a.m.
- *12/6-10-Food Drive for local community
- *12/8-1st Reconciliation-2nd gr 6:30
- *12/13-Lifetouch Picture Retakes
- *12/15 & 16-Half Day; P-W Only, no p.m. bus
- *12/16-School Board Meeting 6:30p
- *12/17-Half Day; St. Joseph & P-W
- *12/20-1/2/22-No School; Christmas Break; Class Resumes 1/3

Friday Afternoon Volunteers needed

This school year features a special Friday Afternoon Encounter, which allows our students to embrace our faith and their academics together. Each Friday afternoon students participate in Mass and either a special event/activity or go through our traditional rotation. The rotation includes three stations; Adoration, Free Time, and Sacred Art. Your help is needed as a support assistant for the rotation period. Volunteers can sign up to help with Free Time or Adoration. Adoration volunteers pray in Adoration along with the students, spending personal time with Jesus. Free Time volunteers either help monitor the study room (where students get caught up on homework or do indoor activities like games and reading) or monitor the playground/gym depending on weather. [Please click this link to sign up today.](#)

*11/24-NO LUNCH; NO SCHOOL

- *12/1-Pizza
- *12/8-Chef Salad
- *12/15-Advent Dinner

St. Joseph Mission Statement

St. Joseph School, staff, parents, and parish family are committed to teaching quality, Christ-centered, Catholic beliefs and values. Our uniqueness is displayed in our staff dedication, parental involvement, and community pride, which make St. Joseph a leader in academic excellence, social integration, and appreciation of each individual as a child of God.

PLAYGROUND SUPERVISORS

M-Th-arrive 11:25 (11:30-12:05)

Fri-arrive 11:10 (11:15-11:50)

- *Ryan Cook, Paul Downes- Nov 22, 23, 29
- *Ted Droste, Joe Drysdale- Nov 30, Dec 1, 2
- *Christopher Feldpausch, Doug George-Dec 3, 6, 7
- *Jessie Harrington, Todd Henning-Dec 8, 9, 10
- *Josh Huhn, Bruce Jandernoa -Dec 13, 14, 15
- *Jim Klein, Nathan Klein-Dec 16, Jan 3, 4
- *Andrew George, Andrew Kowatch-Jan 5, 6, 7
- *Ben Kramer, Mike Kramer- Jan 10, 11, 12
- *Nick Kramer, Bill Martin-Jan 13, 14, 18
- *Ben McCrumb, Scott Miller- Jan 19, 20, 21
- *Jay Mowatt, Bill Nurenberg- Jan 24, 25, 26
- *Chad Piggott, Jeremy Piggott- Jan 27, 31, Feb 1

[Welcome Scholarships for new pre-school and kindergarten students](#) are available to every new preschool and kindergarten student who **is registered in a Parish in the Grand Rapids diocese, has not received a Welcome Scholarship before, and does not have any siblings currently enrolled in any Catholic school in the diocese.**

New kindergarten students are eligible for \$750 toward tuition in the 2021-22 school year. New students entering preschool in Fall 2021 (including young 5's and developmental kindergarten) are eligible for \$250 toward tuition in each year of preschool, and the balance of the \$750 when entering kindergarten. **[Read more about the Welcome Scholarship at this link.](#)** Apply for the Welcome Scholarship using this link. **[2021-22 Welcome Scholarship application](#)**

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[Daily Prayer](#)

We are resuming our daily prayer, followed by the Our Father.

Dear Lord, This day is a gift from you. Let me make good use of it. Help me to do what I have to do so that I may grow in body, mind and soul.

Every day let me know you more, love you deeper, and serve you better so that I may be happy with You in Heaven. Amen

[When contacting the school](#), please include the office in Informational emails sent to teachers. If you do not get a response, especially end-of-the-day emails regarding pick-ups or changes to a student's regular schedule, please call the office.

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Kindergarten-Mrs. Kerri Hafner
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4th/5th Grade-Mrs. Casey Zimmer
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6th Grade-Mr. Ryan Weber
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7th/8th Grade-Mrs. Deb Thelen
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8th Grade Algebra-Mrs. Kim Pung
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Mrs. O'Mara-
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Mrs. Karen Pline

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[Completed Drill Schedule 2019-20](#)

Fire Drill #1-September 12, 2019
Lockdown #1-September 26, 2019
Tornado Drill #1-October 1, 2019
Fire Drill #2-October 16, 2019
Fire Drill #3-November 12, 2019
Lockdown Drill #2-January 21, 2020
Fire Drill #4-February 5, 2020

[Completed Drill Schedule 2020-21](#)

Fire Drill #1-September 18, 2020
Lockdown Drill #1-October 6, 2020
Fire Drill #2-October 20, 2020
Tornado Drill #1-November 3, 2020
Fire Drill #3-November 10, 2020
Lockdown Drill #2-January 19, 2021
Fire Drill #4-February 23, 2021
Tornado Drill #2-March 9, 2021
Lockdown Drill #3-April 16, 2021
Fire Drill #5-May 7, 2021

Sports Players- VERY IMPORTANT

Students participating in any athletic event need a physical form on file in the school office, as well as an Athletic Policy, Participation Agreement and Payment. Please go to stjosephpewamo.org and click on 'School' and then the Athletic Policy icon for forms. Policy prohibits students from practicing or playing until all four are on file.

[Safe Kids](#)

Please click on the blue link below for important information about keeping kids safe online.

[Why Protect Young Eyes?](#)

[Protecting Young Eyes](#)

Click here: **[The Protect App](#)** is now live in both App Stores!

2021 St. Joseph Braves Boys Basketball Schedule

5th Grade

Date	Team	Time	Location
Thursday, November 11, 2021	St. Joseph - St. Johns	7:15pm	St. Joseph - St. Johns Gym
Saturday, November 13, 2021	St. Joseph - St. Johns	12:00pm	HOME - PW Elementary
Thursday, November 18, 2021	St. Mary's - Westphalia	6:00pm	St. Mary's Gym
Tuesday, November 23, 2021	Fowler	5:00pm	HOME - St. Joseph Gym
Thursday, December 2, 2021	Resurrection	6:00pm	Resurrection
Saturday, December 4, 2021	St. Gerard	9:30am	HOME - PW Elementary
Wednesday, December 8, 2021	St. Patrick's - Portland	5:00pm	TBD
Saturday, December 11, 2021	St. Paul	9:30am	St. Paul
Monday, December 13, 2021	St. Thomas	5:00pm	St. Thomas
Wednesday, December 15, 2021	St. Patrick's - Parnell	TBD	TBD

6th Grade

Date	Team	Time	Location
Wednesday, November 10, 2021	Our Savior Lutheran - Lansing	6:00pm	OSL Gym
Saturday, November 13, 2021	IHM	10:45am	HOME - PW Elementary
Thursday, November 18, 2021	St. Mary's - Westphalia	7:15pm	St. Mary's Gym
Tuesday, November 23, 2021	Fowler	6:15pm	HOME - St. Joseph Gym
Tuesday, November 30, 2021	Our Savior Lutheran - Lansing	6:00pm	OSL Gym
Wednesday, December 1, 2021	St. Mary's - Westphalia	7:30pm	St. Mary's Gym
Saturday, December 4, 2021	St. Gerard	10:45am	HOME - PW Elementary
Wednesday, December 8, 2021	St. Patrick's - Portland	6:15pm	TBD
Saturday, December 11, 2021	St. Mary's - Williamston	9:30am	St. Mary's - Williamston
Monday, December 13, 2021	St. Thomas	6:15pm	St. Thomas
Wednesday, December 15, 2021	St. Patrick's - Parnell	TBD	TBD

7th/8th Grade

Date	Team	Time	Location
Wednesday, November 10, 2021	Our Savior Lutheran - Lansing	7:15pm	OSL Gym
Saturday, November 13, 2021	IHM	9:30am	HOME - PW Elementary
Saturday, November 20, 2021	St. Gerard	9:00am	St. Gerard Gym
Tuesday, November 23, 2021	CHAPS	7:30pm	HOME - St. Joseph Gym
Tuesday, November 30, 2021	Our Savior Lutheran - Lansing	7:15pm	OSL Gym
Thursday, December 2, 2021	Resurrection	7:15pm	Resurrection
Saturday, December 4, 2021	St. Gerard	12:00pm	HOME - PW Elementary
Wednesday, December 8, 2021	St. Thomas	7:30pm	TBD
Saturday, December 11, 2021	St. Mary's - Williamston	10:45am	St. Mary's - Williamston
Monday, December 13, 2021	St. Thomas	7:30pm	St. Thomas
Wednesday, December 15, 2021	St. Patrick's - Parnell	TBD	TBD

All games subject to change. We will update as soon as we are made aware of any change