

The Braves Bulletin

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School Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 7:30a-3:30p Phone: 989-593-3400
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Empowering God's Children Safe Environment Program

All efforts are made to protect our children from abuse. To assist, St. Joseph's is offering this program. Any needed paperwork is due by February 16, 2022.

The Pizza Lunch from February 2 (Snow Day) will be served on Monday, February 14.

St. Paul The Apostle School of Grand Rapids is holding their 22nd annual **3 on 3 Basketball Tourney** for 4th-8th Grade Girls and Boys on Sunday, March 13, 2022. For online registration, go to: SPAGR.ORG/3ON3 Contact Derrick Wisinski at 616-813-3177 or DERRICK.WISINSKI@OUTLOOK.COM with questions.

Yearbook Online ordering is active.

Orders are due 3-11-22. Go to ybpay.com and use ID Code #9136622. The cost is \$13 each. A paper order form went home earlier.



Congratulations to January Student of the Month, Sixth Grader, Eli Smith. He is the son of Wayne and Lisa. Eli received \$10 and a certificate.

GOT FISH???

The P-W Junior Pirate Football Program annual fish sale is back. All proceeds go towards safety equipment for the players. Receive before Lent. Go to: <https://pwjuniorfootball.com>

Congratulations to Honor Roll Students!

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, Lainey Thelen, Sam Thelen, Sidney Thelen

7th Grade-Caleb Blyth, Madeline George, Rachel Jandernoa, Kaine Simon Claire Thelen, Will Thelen, Wyatt Werner

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

HONORS

6th Grade-Holden Smith

7th Grade-Brody Smith

Kindergarten and Young Fives Round-Up will take place February 23 at 3:30-5:30 p.m. Hearing and vision screening will be available. Please call the office (989)593-3400 or email Kerri Hafner at k.hafner@stjosephewamo.org to have your child added to the list. You will be contacted with further information.

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.



Braves Athletics

5/6 Grade Girls Basketball -

Great week by our Lady Braves going 2-0 against Williamston and St. Thomas!

Boys Basketball - Wednesday, Feb 16, will be youth night for PW boys basketball teams. All youth participants and coaches enter the game free of charge and are encouraged to make a tunnel for the varsity team when they run out immediately after the JV game. Players wear their team jerseys.

Girls Basketball - Tuesday, Feb 22, is youth night for PW girls basketball teams. All youth participants and coaches enter the game free of charge and are encouraged to make a tunnel for the varsity team when they run out immediately after the JV game. Players wear their team jerseys.

Free Throw Contest - Congrats to those who competed in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest on February 6th. Winners will compete on February 12, 2022, at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Belmont.

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2022 Top 5 Digital Trends Impacting Kids

Protecting Young Eyes

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“Disciples of Christ”



FEBRUARY

Rachel Jandernoa	6
Emeric Thelen	9
Nolan George	11
Maria Klein	12
Jacob Blyth	18
Leah McCrumb	22
Rowan Piggott	24

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](tel: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
- Lockdown Drill #2-January 11, 2022

OK2SAY encourages confidential tips on criminal activities or potential harm directed at students, school employees, or schools. Submit tips 24/7

How To Submit A Tip To OK2SAY

Call-855-565-2729(8-555OK2SAY)
 Email: ok2say@mi.gov
 Website: ok2say.com
 Text: 652729 (OK2SAY)
 Available in the app stores for iPhone and Android. Search for OK2SAY

February Calendar

- *2/9-15-Public School Count Days
- *2/14-Pizza Lunch (from 2/2 Snow Day) will be served; Catholic Jeopardy for Grades 5/6 & 7/8-Begins at 9:00 a.m.
- *2/16-School Board Mtg 6:30pm
- *2/18-All-School Confessions
- *2/21-NO SCHOOL-Mid-Winter Break/Flex Day
- *2/23-Young Fives and Kindergarten Round-up 3:30-5:30 p.m. Hearing & Vision Screening Available
- *2/27-Eighth Grade Confirmation-3:00 at St. Andrew's Cathedral

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.](#)

Common Sense Education offers family friendly resources. Please click the blue link below to access them.

Topic: **MLK Jr. and Civic Education**

Family Activities

MOM'S HOT LUNCH

- *2/14-Pizza Lunch from 2/2 (Snow Day)
- *2/16-Baked Potato Bar
- *2/23-Sloppy Joes
- *3/2-Pizza (Ash Wednesday)
- *3/9-Pulled Pork
- *3/16-Subs
- *3/23-Tacos
- *3/30-SPRING BREAK
- *4/6-Pizza
- *4/13-Chef Salad
- *4/20-Chicken Alfredo
- *4/27-Sloppy Joes
- *5/4-Pizza
- *5/11-Pulled Pork
- *5/18-Baked Potato Bar
- *5/25-Tacos (Last Lunch)

PLAYGROUND SUPERVISORS

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

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

- *Aaron Schneider, Casey Schneider -Feb 10, 11, 14
- *Glenn Schneider, Brent Simon-Feb 15, 16, 17
- *Corey Smith, Joel Smith-Feb 18, 22, 23
- *Matt Smith, Patrick Smith-Feb 24, 25, 28
- *Todd Smith (Brandy), Todd Smith (Christine)-Mar 1, 2, 3
- *Wayne Smith, Andrew Spitzley-Mar 7, 8, 9
- *John Spitzley, Parker Surbrook-Mar 10, 11, 14, 15
- *Anthony Thelen, Daniel Thelen-Mar 16, 17, 18
- *Fran Thelen, Jeff Thelen-Mar 21, 22, 23
- *Mike Thelen, Tom Thelen, Mar 24, Apr 4, 5
- *Todd Thelen, Derrick Weber-Apr 6, 7, 8
- *Preston Weber, Ryan Weber-Apr 11, 12, 13
- *Jason Werner, Dale Winsor-Apr 14, 19, 20

[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](#)**

School Office Hours: Monday thru Friday from 7:30a-3:30p.

For more information, visit our web-site at:

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k.pline@stjosephpewamo.org**

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

[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.

Office: 989-593-3400

Young Fives-Mrs. Beth Thelen
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Kindergarten-Mrs. Kerri Hafner
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1st Grade-Mr. Caleb Heckman & Mrs. Alison Klein

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2nd/3rd Grade-Diane Spence
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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-
principal@stjosephpewamo.org

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.

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[Why Protect Young Eyes?](#)

[Protecting Young Eyes](#)

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2022 St. Joseph Braves

Girls Basketball Schedule

5th/6th Grade

<u>Date</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thursday, January 27, 2022	St. Gerard	7:15pm	St. Gerard
Monday, January 31, 2022	St. Mary (Westphalia)	6:00pm	HOME - St. Joseph Gym
Thursday, February 3, 2022	Fowler	6:00pm	HOME - St. Joseph Gym
Monday, February 7, 2022	St. Mary (Williamston)	6:00pm	Williamston
Wednesday, February 9, 2022	St. Thomas	6:00pm	HOME - St. Joseph Gym
Saturday, February 12, 2022	St. Mary (Westphalia)	12:00pm	Westphalia
Wednesday, February 16, 2022	St. Patrick's	6:00pm	HOME - St. Joseph Gym
Wednesday, February 23, 2022	St. Thomas	6:00pm	St. Thomas
Saturday, February 26, 2022	Resurrection	9:30am	Resurrection
Saturday, March 5, 2022	END OF SEASON TOURNAMENT	TBD	TBD

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