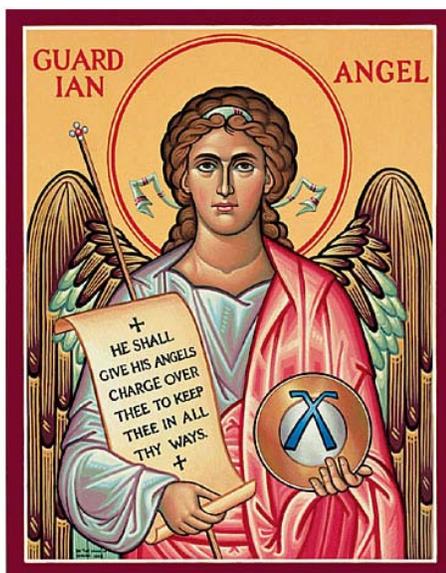




The President's Newsletter for Sep 29 – Oct 5, 2014



On Thursday, the universal Church celebrates the Feast of the Guardian Angels. This feast was a favorite of St. John Baptist de La Salle. The school year in France began on October 2 during that time, and the function of guardian angels became a metaphor that La Salle used often in exhorting the brothers to take seriously their work of Christian education of youth. In honor of this feast, I again offer the following words from Saint La Salle. We certainly need our angels today!



- *Children need good teachers, like **angels**, to help them learn Christian truth.*
- *Like **angels**, teachers help students understand the truths in the gospel and guide them in such a manner that they will be led to put these truths into practice.*
- *It is your duty to act towards the students in the manner in which your guardian **angel** acts toward you. Your angel inspires you and helps you keep clear of whatever obstacle you might encounter.*
- *It is your duty, like the **angels**, to go up to God every day in prayer so that you can learn all you can about how and what to teach the students; and then come back down to their level to teach them what God taught you..*
- *You share in the ministry of guardian **angels**, helping students know the truth, and practice it. To do this, though, you must have great zeal for your work.*
- *As **angels**, you must cheer the faint-hearted, support the weak and be patient toward all. Is this what you have been doing? Has your zeal been ardent enough?*
- *Ask God for grace to watch so well over students confided to you that you take every possible care to shield them from fault. This must be your main concern.*

I'm asking the teachers, this week and every week, to view themselves as guardian angels to the students entrusted to their care!

Parents, this week and every week, view yourselves as guardian angels to the children that God has blessed you with!

Students, this week and every week, view yourselves as guardian angels to your friends and families!

Mon, Sep 29 (Feast of Ss. Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael, Archangels; 8:30 start; E F G A)

8:30 AM START TODAY. Library and cafeteria will be open for early arrivals.

- **Today's feast** honors Michael, Gabriel and Raphael -- the only named archangels in the Bible.
 - **Michael** (meaning "Who is like God?") is mentioned in the Book of Daniel as Israel's protector, acting as captain with other angels to thrust earth's evil rulers into the flames. His status as conqueror

of God's enemy is further stressed in the Apocalypse (12:7-9) where he and his angels cast down Satan and his rebellious followers. Michael is also portrayed as an intercessor with God for mankind.

- **Gabriel** (meaning "God is my strength") appears in four biblical episodes: twice to the Daniel to explain Messianic visions; once to Zachary to announce the birth of John the Baptist; & once to Mary: "Hail thou who art full of grace, the Lord is with thee! Blessed art thou among women!"
- **Raphael** (meaning "God has healed") plays an important part in the Book of Tobias, where he was sent by God to assist Tobias by curing his blindness.
- May these three great angels protect us at Saint Paul's, where we have almost 100 students and faculty who have "Michael" as a first or middle name & 4 who have Gabriel! Happy Feast Day to them all!

- **TDIH:** In 1954, Willie Mays, centerfielder for the New York Giants, makes an amazing over-the-shoulder catch of a fly ball hit by Cleveland Indians first baseman Vic Wertz to rob Wertz of extra bases in Game 1 of the 1954 World Series. The catch has gone down as one of the greatest in the history of baseball. You can watch the catch on You Tube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gUK9IG-7HTc>
- **TDIH:** Today marks the 115th birthday of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW). On this date in 1899, a small group of Spanish-America war veterans joined together to form what would become the nation's largest and most dedicated group of combat veterans. Thank you, Veterans!
- **National Women's Health & Fitness Day:** Take care of yourselves, ladies! We need you!
- **Coffee Day:** Whether you favor espresso, americanos, lattes or cappuccinos; iced, decaf, instant or filter – **Coffee Day** is the day to savor and appreciate your beverage. Have some coffee while reading the newsletter today!

Tue, Sep 30 (Wolf Packs; B C D E)

- **TDIH:** In 1938, British and French prime ministers sign the Munich Pact with Nazi leader Adolf Hitler. The pact averted war but gave Czechoslovakia to Germany. The Munich Pact has become a metaphor for capitulation. Trivia Question of the Week I (TQofW): who was the British Prime Minister who suffered ignominy because he negotiated this pact?
- **National Mud Pack Day** (who knew?): Ladies, this is your day! Mud packs were once the rage. They are still popular, but the "mud" has been replaced with a variety of other ingredients to keep the skin young, soft and supple. A real mud pack, though, is a quick treatment for bee stings. Guys -- make this a special day & buy a facial gift certificate for your special lady. Tell her it's not that she needs it, but because it is a comforting, feel-good thing.
- **Swimming:** Aqua Wolves in a meet in Slidell

Wed, Oct 1 (Feast of St. Therese of the Child Jesus; regular; F G A B)

- **Welcome to October! 75% of 2014 is over!** Make the most of the remaining three months of 2014!
- **Happy Feast Day to the Carmelite & Teresian Sisters** – those incredible religious women here in Covington and elsewhere throughout the world. May God bless them abundantly for their prayerful ministries!
- **This Day in History:** In 1890, Congress creates Yosemite Park

- **TDIH II:** In 1908, the first production Model T Ford is completed at the company's Piquette Avenue plant in Detroit. Between 1908 and 1927, Ford would build some 15 million Model T cars. It was the longest production run of any automobile model in history until the Volkswagen Beetle surpassed it in 1972.
- **CD Player Day:** Digital downloads, MP3s, smart phones and integrated media have made the humble CD player a thing of the past. Get lo-tech and celebrate today by enjoying music from a CD player. I still use mine at assemblies.
- **SSA Homecoming Activities**
- **Football:** 9th & JV v. Hammond (5:30)



Sophomores with their always popular edible cell projects

Thu, Oct 2 (Feast of Guardian Angels; reg; C D E F)

- **TDIH:** In 1919, at the White House in President Woodrow Wilson suffers a massive stroke that leaves him partially paralyzed on his left side and effectively ends his presidential career. Miraculously, the government continues to run.
- **Phileas Fogg's Wager Day:** from Jules Verne's *Around the World in Eighty Days*, of the famous wager upon which the book is based: *I will bet twenty thousand pounds... that I will make the tour of the world in eighty days or less.* Then, consulting an almanac, Phileas Fogg said: *As today is Wednesday, the second of October, I shall be due in London, in this very room of the Reform Club, on Saturday, the twenty-first of December, at a quarter before nine PM; or else the twenty thousand pounds . . . will belong to you.*
- **First Friday** devotions begin at D and through C on Fri.
- **SSA Homecoming Activities**

Fri, Oct 3 (Regular; yes, we have school on the Parish Fair Public School Holiday! G A B C)

- **World Smile Day (First Fri in Oct):** The original 'smiley face' (☺) was created by commercial artist Harvey Ball in 1963. Concerned about the commercialization of the quickly iconic graphic, Harvey established **Smile Day**, which encourages us to participate in acts of kindness and friendliness, and to smile and make others smile. I'll do my part! I promise get Coach Sears to do to so, too – which is always hard on a game day!
- **Yom Kippur begins at sundown** today and lasts through sundown tomorrow. This most important holiday of the Jewish year means "Day of Atonement." It is a day to atone for the sins of the past year. This day is a last appeal, a last chance to change the judgment, to expiate for sin. Yom Kippur atones for sins between man and God, not for sins against another person. For the latter, one must first reconcile with that person, righting the wrongs if possible. Yom Kippur is a complete Sabbath; no work can be performed, and you are supposed to refrain from eating and drinking (even water) on Yom Kippur. **We pray for our Jewish brothers and sisters!**
- **Football:** Varsity at Hammond

Sat, Oct 4 (St. Francis of Assisi Feast)

- **This Day in History:** In 1957, the Soviet Union launches *Sputnik*, the first artificial satellite. The US is shocked. T Q of W II: what name was given to this first artificial satellite? Answer at end.

- **Ten-Four Day:** The fourth day of the tenth month is a day of recognition for radio operators, whose code words, “Ten-Four,” signal an affirmative reply.
- **Cinnamon Roll Day:** Indulge and enjoy – if your health permits!

- **National Taco Day:** Enjoy! From the NTD web site: *The history of the taco is unknown. According to some taco experts [a job I wouldn't mind having!], the word originates from the 18th C. silver mines in Mexico, when taco referred to little explosives workers used to extract ore. These were pieces of paper wrapped around gunpowder and placed in holes carved in rock. “A chicken taquito with a good hot sauce is really a lot like a stick of dynamite,” says taco expert Jeffrey Pilcher [and I thought I had the best job!] “The first references [to the taco] come from the end of the 19th C. One of the first tacos described is called tacos de minero—miner’s tacos. Others claim tacos predate the arrival of the Spanish in Mexico in the 16th century. Anthropologists say there is*



Juniors enjoying lunch time. Maybe they are eating tacos, as we have Taco Tuesday at SPS every week.

evidence suggesting inhabitants of the lake region of the Valley of Mexico ate tacos filled with small fish. The fish were replaced by small live insects and ants in the states of Morelos and Guerrero, while locusts and snails were favorite fillings in Puebla and Oaxaca. Taco Bell is believed to have pushed widespread popularity of Mexican food in the U.S.... The hard-shell taco was invented long before Taco Bell. The U-shaped version is first noted in 1949 in a cookbook. And now you know....

- **Cross Country:** SPS in Choctaw Trails Meet in Clinton, MS
- **Football:** 8th v. John Curtis (11)
- **Swimming:** Wolves in Cluster Meet at UNO
- **Benefit Car Wash:** A group of students will wash cars today from 1-3 in the new parking lot on campus as a benefit for Elise Angelette, daughter of SPS drama teacher Denny Charbonnet, who is battling breast cancer. I'm impressed with how our students are trying to help. \$5 per car.
- **Jazz 'n Roll:** The new, better than ever, J n R takes place tonight. Many, many thanks to the Development Team (Shelly, Danielle, Al, and the J n R Committee) for ALL of their hard work. It should be an outstanding evening.

Sun, Oct 5 -- We encourage our Catholic families to attend mass today and support their parishes. We encourage our non-Catholic families to attend church of choice.

- **TDIH:** In 2008, Governor Bobby Jindal declared today **Father Seelos Day** in LA, honoring this priest who was beatified (the step before sainthood) by Pope John Paul II in 2000. The Governor proclaimed that 'Father Seelos worked tirelessly to comfort those afflicted by the NO yellow fever epidemic of 1867, until he died of the disease on Oct 4, 1867.' Father Seelos is buried in the national shrine of St. Mary's Assumption Church. Educate our students about Father Seelos. Suggestions include a history lesson about the yellow fever epidemic and what people did to help the sick and dying. Religion teachers might want their students to review Father Seelos' 10 practical steps to holiness which can be found at <http://www.seelos.org/lifeSayings.html>

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Students hard at work using technology and sharing music!

October: Welcome to the month of October – the tenth month of the year, even though “octo” means eight. I hope you know why this discrepancy exists! In any event, I draw the following to your attention as we begin October:

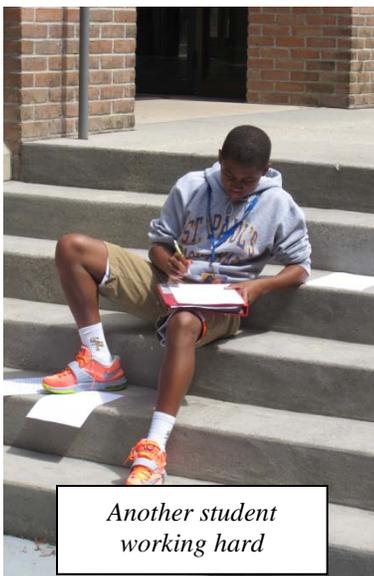
- **The Rosary:** The Catholic Church dedicates Oct in a special way to Mary, our Blessed Mother. The rosary is a great devotion to Mary, and I encourage you to recite it regularly. **A group of moms and the retired brothers recite the rosary each Mon morn at 8 in the Brothers Residence chapel for the intentions of the school.** They would be thrilled if you were to join them.

- **Respect Life Month:** October is designated by the Catholic Church as Respect Life Month. In addition to the unborn, the Church also reminds us of our obligations toward other life issues: Marriage/Family Life, Children, Women, The Aging, and Death/Dying. We offer prayers this week that life

will be respected, from conception to natural death. We pray that our students learn by our word as well as example.

- **October** is also *Country Music Month, Family History Month, Computer Learning Month, Hispanic Heritage Month, National Book Fair Month, National Car Care Month, Gourmet Adventures Month, National Cosmetology Month, Polish American Heritage Month, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, National Stamp Collecting Month, National AIDS Awareness Month, National Cyber Security Awareness Month, National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Month and National Depression Education and Awareness Month* – something for everyone!

Secondary Schools Administrators Association: Our meetings last week went very well. The consensus, though, was that the highlight of the three days was the time spent on SPS’s campus. They could not believe that our students sing so powerfully at worship services! They were impressed with John Cresson, Trey Couvillion, & Jean-Paul Juge’s elocution with the readings. And Max Gold’s reflection on the word *shalom*, complete with eye contact with both audience and guests, was powerful. Our guests were most impressed.



Another student working hard

Banned Books Week: Oops! This was actually last week but I missed it! It’s important enough, though, so let’s celebrate it this week! The week was designated by the American Library Association to call attention to the attempt by some to censure a right to read. While I’m not a proponent of inappropriate writing or students reading inappropriate literature, I do think that some entities have “gone overboard” in banning books, e.g. Huckleberry Finn, Of Mice and Men, To Kill A Mockingbird, Romeo and Juliet – all of these classics and more have been banned in some schools. If the occasion arises, discuss with students the appropriate v. inappropriate use of reading. Here’s the ALA’s website

discussing BBW if you want more info:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/issuesadvocacy/banned/bannedbooksweek/index.cfm>.

Drug Testing: We received results from our first batch of drug tests – and, yes, we had some positive results from students whose usage dates not just from the summer but even since school started. I'm discouraged. We are working with these students and will re-test them in 100 days. I again offer the following latest research from the **Journal of Modern Medicine** (via Dr. Ann Kay Logarbo): *Adolescents who smoke marijuana on a regular basis face a decline in intelligence and brain function, even if they quit using the drug as adults. The findings are the first to associate a drop in neuropsychological functioning with cannabis use....The findings suggest that cannabis has a neurotoxic effect on the adolescent brain, causing declines in intellectual functioning, especially in executive function and processing speed. Participants who began smoking marijuana as adults saw a small or no drop in intelligence or functioning.* Read article at:

<http://www.modernmedicine.com/modernmedicine/article/articleDetail.jsp?id=790404&cid=PEDS>

Teen Life Counts: Our annual Teen Life Counts, a school-based suicide awareness and intervention program established by Jewish Family Service of Greater New Orleans in 1984, begins on Oct 1 and runs through Oct 8. All sophomores will participate in this important program which teaches that that **youth suicide can be prevented** through educational programs aimed at developing awareness of risk factors and resources for help. As the suicide rate in St. Tammany continues to rise, especially since the suicide of Robin Williams, this program is needed. I am grateful to Christine Woodard, the sophomore religion teachers, and Jewish Family Service for bringing this program to our students.

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Musings on Last Week:

- **Pep Rally:** It worked! Yea! I actually received the following email from a neighbor two blocks away: *It was a thrill to hear our men cheer and sing at the pep rally this afternoon.*
- **Marching Wolves, GBs, Cheerleaders, et al:** Congrats for a great performance Friday night.
- **Cross Country:** A great showing in Newman Invitational: 1st for Varsity and 2nd for Jr Hi! Geaux Wolves!
- **Aqua Wolves** had a great showing last Tues. The AWs beat Christ Episcopal 131-9, Lakeshore High 121-33 and District rival Fontainebleau High 100-67. Wow! I hear Water Music playing!
- **Football:** 8th grade lost to a strong Franklinton team, 9th and JV won against Slidell, Touchdown Club provided a nice pre-district meal for Varsity, and Varsity won v. Slidell!
- **Botanical Wolves:** Our campus is ablaze with gold mums due to Botanical Wolves. Thanks, BWs!
- **Lacrosse:** A PARENT ONLY lacrosse meeting is set for Thursday October 16th in the SPS gym. NEW lacrosse parents should meet for 6:30 then returning parents for 7:00p m



Jr Hi Cross Country Wolves with trophy

please. Players are not to attend this meeting- coaches will meet with players at a later date.

Last Tuesday's Assembly: I hope the students enjoyed our Sep 23 assembly. Here's what we did:

- Entered the gym to the strains of the first movement from "Autumn", one of four violin concertos by Baroque composer Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741) collectively known as The Four Seasons. I played this selection with the night before at 9:29, while I was retiring for the night and many students were just starting their homework, Autumn arrived, as the autumnal equinox caused the sun to be directly over the equator. I told the students that the sun, moon, stars and planets, indeed all of God's creations, have no choice but to cooperate with God's plans. Only humans have the ability to cooperate with God – or not. God loves us so much, that he gives us free will – unlike all of His other creations. I encouraged them to make a resolution as we enter Autumn to cooperate with God's plan for their lives, by growing closer to Him and following His way.
- Prayed in a special way, as the prayer candle was lit by junior **Sam Dufour**, for the following who have entered eternal rest since our last assembly: the aunt of sophomore **Tanner Landry**, **Mr. Frank Allen Birdsong Sr.**, grandfather of sophomore **John Birdsong**, and **Mr. Tom Davies**, uncle of sophomore **Shane Davies**.
- Introduced and welcomed 31 7th grade students from local elementary schools who were spending a "shadow morning" with SPS.
- Recognized and congratulated senior **Burke Irwin** who spent two weeks last summer Notre Dame to study Life Sciences. Burke was admitted to this highly selective program based upon his academic and person record.
- Recognized and congratulated **Burke Irwin and Faiz Salam** who attended the two week, highly selective Tulane University Summer Scholars Neuroscience Program.
- Recognized and congratulated senior **Matthew Dysart** who tended the highly selective Introduction to Engineering Program at Notre Dame. At the end of the program, Matthew was one of seven out of the whole group of sixty five to win the scholar award.



The retired Brothers treated students to popsicles last week.

- Recognized and congratulated sophomores **Shane Strander and Will Murphy** for winning the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission Essay Contest. Shane won 1st place (and a \$100 prize) in the senior division and Will won 2nd place (and a \$75 prize) in the senior division. I had the honor of watching the boys receive their awards at a reception at the Governor's Mansion in Baton Rouge (very nice!)
- Recognized and congratulated the SPS students who attended the Louisiana Youth Seminar this past summer. LYS is one of the

premier leadership programs in the nation. We currently have four SPS alums who are on the staff: Zach Barnett, Will Syll, Will Neal, and Will Barnett. And another SPS alum, John Gernon Glorioso, just stepped down as State Program Director after three years as. LYS had a great group of men from St. Paul's attend as delegates. At LYS, the students have an opportunity to run for a LYS mock election. The following were the results:

- **Whig party chair: Sam Giberga**
- **Whig party secretary: Oliver Sibley**
- **Whig party President- Jack Dubreuil**
- **Tory party chair: David Cressy**
- **Overall LYS election results:**
 - **LYS Party Chairs - Sam Giberga and David Cressy (Co-Winners)**
 - **LYS Vice President - Oliver Sibley**

I am told we had the best showing of any school. In addition to the above, the following students attended and make an impact: **Harrison Gitz, Christopher Barnett, Austin Ho, David Cressy, Stephen Hammond, Camden St. Romain, Turner St. Romain, Michael Seenappa, Christopher Rogers, and Garrett Hicks**

- We then stopped and practiced the songs we would sing at the special prayer service that afternoon. The sound of 850+ students singing robustly was something worth hearing!
- Ran out of time before I could do any more recognitions – which will “roll over” to the next assembly! We then robustly sang the Fight Song in support of all of the activities going on around school.
- Before the prayer candle was extinguished, I told the students there was one final recognition that was worth saving until the end: the day before, we learned that senior **Ryan Keller** had made a PERFECT 36 on the most recent ACT. Ryan thus joins his classmate, **George Cazenavette**, in that elite group of students who earn a perfect score on the ACT. We gave them a standing ovation.
- As the prayer candle was extinguished by junior **Bryce Jenkins**, I reminded the students that they must leave the gym and be the Light of God to all whom they meet. The students exited to the strains of Vivaldi's “Autumn.” It was a great assembly – at least I thought so!

National Honor Society Tutoring Has Begun! When? Tuesday and Thursday during lunch in LaSalle 205 AND after school in LaSalle 210. Monday, Wed. and Friday morning at 7:10AM in LaSalle 210. The tutors are very friendly, eager to help, and quite knowledgeable. Encourage your son to take advantage of this FREE service if he needs help. There is NO stigma attached to going to tutoring!

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Jazz n Roll: Join us for the **25th anniversary of Jazz ‘N Roll on Saturday, October 4th, 2014!** Come together with parents, alumni, sponsors and supporters in the community for Saint Paul’s major fundraiser. This event generates resources critical to preserve, promote and enhance education and extracurricular programs and

facilities. Spend **SATURDAY evening from 7:00pm – 11:00pm** in the Briggs Assembly Center and enjoy gourmet food and libations from exclusive local establishments. Bid on wonderful, unique silent auction items donated by the community. This event will also include a fabulous live auction, raffles and the Wolf Wheel of Prizes. I'm humbled by the many sponsorships we are receiving, but we need you to purchase tickets. Click here to do so: <http://www.stpauls.com/support/events/jazz-n-roll/jnr-order/> Contact the Advancement Office (892-3200, ext 1270, for more info. And NOLA.com published a nice article. Here's the link:

http://www.nola.com/community/sttammany/index.ssf/2014/09/saint_pauls_school_plans_lots.html

Homecoming Dances: The Student Council announces the dates of the 2014 Homecoming Dances:

- The Junior High dance for 8th and 9th grades will be held Saturday, Oct 11 from 7:00 until 9:30PM. Lock-in will be at 8:00PM.
- The High School dance for 10th, 11th, and 12th grades will be held Saturday, October 18 from 7:00 until 10:00PM. Lock-in will be at 8:30PM.
- Both dances will be held in the Briggs Assembly Center.
- Young men are required to wear a tie with dress shirt and long pants. Coat is **OPTIONAL**. Young ladies may wear formal or semi formal dresses. Further dress code details may be found on the dance registration forms.
- Homecoming Dance registration forms will be available starting this week in the Library, room 107 in the Main Building, room 202 in LaSalle Hall, OR on EDLINE home page.

Meet the Schools of the Lasallian District of San Francisco New Orleans: So far I've highlighted La Salle High School in Yakima, WA, La Salle Catholic College Prep in Milwaukie, OR, De La Salle North Catholic in Portland, OR, Justin-Sienna High School in Napa, CA, Christian Brothers High School in Sacramento and St. Mary's College HS in Berkeley. This week, **it's DeMarillac Academy** in San Francisco – a very special school. From the school's website:

Established in 2001, De Marillac Academy provides a tuition-free education that focuses on academic excellence in a values-based environment. Co-sponsored by the Daughters of Charity and De La Salle Christian Brothers, De Marillac offers a Catholic, private school education to 121 low-income students from all faith and cultural backgrounds in the Tenderloin and other similar neighborhoods. [Note: the Tenderloin is an area in San Francisco known for squalid conditions, homelessness, drugs, prostitution, & crime.] De Marillac's educational model is rooted in the Nativity Miguel school movement, which began in New York City over 40 years ago in response to the poor state of urban public schools, the high cost of private education, and the lack of local schools in many inner-city neighborhoods. In 2001, De Marillac opened with a class of nineteen 6th graders. Today De Marillac Academy serves 120 fourth through eighth grade students, 183 alumni, and 200 families in our school and our unique wrap around clinical and family support program.

De Marillac is one of the Lasallian schools that provides direct service to the poor. The cost per student is \$15,000 – which is raised totally through philanthropic endeavors. They have a year round program (five school weeks and one "camp" week required during summer) and a NINE (9) hour school day (7:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) There's a Graduate Support Program for high school and college age youth and their success rate is phenomenal. For example, 89% of the Class of 2008 is enrolled in higher education institutions. The following 13 minute video is worth viewing: <https://www.demarillac.org/about/a-dream-come-true/> You'll be inspired!

Open House for Prospective Students: Our annual Open House is a month away: Saturday, November 1 at 1 pm. Since we can no longer have events on Sundays, we moved it to Saturday but are a little concerned as we know Saturdays are busy days for people. PLEASE HELP US by promoting the Open House to families who have eligible sons. Spread the good word about SPS! Send us names and addresses, and we'll send families a postcard inviting them to attend. Help us insure the future of Saint Paul's!

H of the W:

- *Why do birds fly South? Because it's too far to walk!*
- *Why did the turtle cross the road? To get to the Shell station!*
- *Why do hummingbirds hum? Because they don't know the words!*
- *Where does a blackbird go for a drink? To a crow bar!*
- *Why was the crow perched on the telephone wire? He was going to make a long-distance caw!*
- *What did the chick say when it saw an orange in the nest? Look at the orange mama laid!*
- *Is it good manners to eat fried chicken with your fingers? No, you should eat your fingers separately!*
- *Why do hens lay eggs? If they dropped them, they'd break!*
- *Why do seagulls live near the sea? If they lived near the bay, they would be called bagels!*
- *OK, I'll stop!*

A Look Ahead

October 4 – Jazz and Roll

October 7 – President's Assembly – Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

October 9 – 8:00 AM Mass

October 10 – End of 1st Quarter 11:00 Dismissal – Grandparent Day

October 13 – Late start for Teacher In-Service

October 14 – Pack Time

October 15 – PSAT for all 10th graders and selected other students (Periods BC)

October 16 – Redi-Step Test for 8th Graders (Periods FG)

October 17 – Homecoming Day – Pep Rally Schedule

October 20 – Parent/Teacher Conferences at 5-7 PM

October 24 – Pep Rally Schedule

October 27-28 – Freshmen retreat/service days (Camp Abbey) - Assembly for guest speaker

October 27 – Assembly for Guest Speaker, Bro. Ghebreyesus

October 28 – President's Assembly – Snack Day

October 29 – 8th Grade HR Breakfast

October 30 – 9th Grade HR Breakfast

October 31 – Day of the Dead ceremony – Assembly Schedule

November 3-18 – Food Drive begins

November 3 – Late start of teacher In-service

November 4 – Teacher appreciation day-Assembly Schedule – Shadow Day

November 5 – Sophomore HR Breakfast – ACT Aspire for 9th Graders

November 6 – Junior HR Breakfast /ACT Aspire for Sophomores Periods CDE

November 7 – Senior HR Breakfast



Ryan runs for 111 yards against the Slidell Tigers!

November 13-14 – Pre freshmen retreat/service days (on campus)
November 18 – Food Drive ends
November 21 – Thanksgiving Holidays begin at 3:00PM
December 1 – Parent/Teacher meetings in BAC 5-7 PM
December 11 – Luminarios – Snack Day
December 16-19 – Semester Exams
December 19 – 11:00 AM dismissal for Christmas Holidays
January 5 – Classes resume
January 6 – President’s Assembly – Snack Day
January 7-9 Seniors on Retreat
January 29 – Career Day

Dates in italics indicate changes or additions since the last posting

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Whew! That’s enough for this week! As usual, I’ll close with my usual paraphrase of one of my favorite NPR radio shows (which I’m listening to as I write the newsletter and LOLing): well, it’s happened again – you’ve squandered perfectly good time reading my ramblings! Let me know if there’s an issue you would like me to address in my newsletters or a question you think applies to others.

Pray that things continue to go well! Believe it or not, only two weeks remain in the first quarter!

May our year be one of grace and blessing! Know of my prayer for you and your family. Again, thanks for being part of the 2014-15 edition of Saint Paul’s – our 102nd year of existence!

Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC

Looking Forward to October as the 17th Christian Brother President of Saint Paul’s School

Trivia Question Answers:

Sep 30: The British Prime Minister was Neville Chamberlain.

Oct 04: The Russian satellite was called *Sputnik*.



...and doing ordinary things extraordinarily well by making courageous choices each and every day.

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