

Saint Paul's School  
Covington, LA



August 31, 2015



Alumni and Friends of St. Paul's School,

It's hard to believe that Labor Day is nearly upon us with many more memories, milestones and legacies eternally etched into the lore of Saint Paul's School:

First Week of School Assemblies, a Pre-Freshmen

Five Core rally with the largest Class in School History, another nostalgic March Through the Arch, and the Class of 2016 Ring Ceremony just to name a few. Further, our athletic and extracurricular activities are ablaze from the efforts of our talented, hard working students and staff-- all of which occurs in the Holy Presence of God on this glorious campus.

Alumni, those of you receiving this edition of "Wolftracks" via email should have also recently received a request to Update Contact Information. Thank you to those who have already completed the update. If you have not yet done so, and even if you are fairly certain that your basic contact information is up to date, please take a moment to view and complete some of the other fields located within the update feature. Information such as the clubs or athletic programs in which you were involved, the awards that you may have won, and a correlation to any of your relatives attending Saint Paul's will serve to assist us in enriching your experience as an alumnus by virtue of a more effective means of communication. There is also an opportunity to promote your alumni business if applicable. Here is the link for your convenience. Click [HERE](#).

Homecoming is around the corner, is a little earlier than in past years, and will be on Friday, September 25, 2015. In keeping with tradition, the 25 year alumni, members of the Class of 1991, will escort the members of the Court as we host Northshore High School here in Hunter Stadium. There will be a complimentary post game reception in the cafeteria which will include beverage, plentiful food, and most importantly camaraderie with your Brethren Wolves. This event is open to all alumni as well as associated guests and friends of Saint Paul's. Please join us for a great night of football and fellowship. For More Upcoming Events on the Alumni Calendar, please click [HERE](#).

As always, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at [aln@stpauls.com](mailto:aln@stpauls.com) or by phone at 985 892-3200 ext 1271.

Live Jesus in Our Hearts....Forever!  
Al Nastasi '91



Come out and support your wolves for Varsity Football Games

Click [HERE](#) for schedule



Friday, October 23, 2015  
Tchefuncte Country Club

Schedule of Events

8:00 am – 9:00 am – Registration and Breakfast  
9:00 am – 3:00 pm Shotgun Start and Tournament  
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm – Awards Party

Hole in 1 – win a car!

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Hole in 1 – win a boat!

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HOW TO ENTER

SINGLE ENTRY:

\$175 includes green fee, cart, golf shirt, ditty bag, refreshments, breakfast, lunch, awards and prizes (\$150 prior to October, 16<sup>th</sup>)

FOURSOME:

\$700 includes four entry fees (\$600 if entry fee received by October 16<sup>th</sup>)

**YOU CAN ALSO ENTER ONLINE – click [HERE](#).**

HOLE SPONSORS

Gold (\$1,200) – Foursome, 8 Crawfish Cookoff Tickets, Premium Sign on Course and Sponsor Board, Advertisement in Wolftracks and Website

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OTHER SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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## Alumni News

**Ed Duplessis '13** - After suffering from injuries, Ed has returned to the football field at McNeese State University. Click [HERE](#) for article.

**Beau Briggs '15** - Beau shot a 207 to win the boys 15-18 year division of the Mizuno USSSA National Championship at the TPC Louisiana in Avondale. The competition took place from July 31st to August 1st. Briggs shot 66,74. and 67 to take the title from Skylar Petroski of Orange, Texas.

**Jack Cheng '15** – Jack attended The USMA Summer Leaders Experience for high school juniors at West Point. SLE is highly competitive, nation-wide program that only accepts 1000 of the 6000 applicants. The program gives high school juniors a week to experience life as a cadet to inform their college selection decision. It is a fast-paced program of academic classes, military training, physical fitness training and intramural athletics conducted during the month of June each year. Academic programs included: Science, Mathematics, Engineering, Humanities, Modern Languages, and Psychology. Military Experiences included: Physical Training, Weapons Familiarization, Obstacle Courses and Leadership Reaction Courses. The attendees also participated in intramural sports and social events with current West Point Cadets. In addition to being an honor student, Jack is a member of the Saint Paul's swim team. He is planning for a career in the medical field.

**Carlo Graffeo '15** – Carlo pitched a 7 innings shutout for the New Orleans Boosters in the AAABA National Tournament recently. [Article](#). Carlo accepted a scholarship to play baseball for Southeastern Louisiana University.



**Matt Wallace '15** – Matt spent six days of his summer in Quantico, Virginia at the Summer Leadership and Character Development Academy sponsored by the United States Marine Corps. The nationwide program accepted 167 rising juniors and seniors on the basis of physical fitness, academic merit, letters of recommendation and their essays. During their training they learned leadership skills, ethics, character development, teamwork and camaraderie. In addition to being an honor student, Matt is a member of the Cross Country Team, Lasallian Youth Leaders, and Student Hosts. Matt is pictured with Captain Schwennesen and Gunnery Sergeant Kimball at Graduation Ceremony held on the Marine Corps Base at Quantico, VA.

## Alumni New Business

**Organ Properties** – owned by **Matthew Organ '99** – Organ Properties is a full service real estate and investment sale firm headquartered in Covington, Louisiana, serving the market since 2003. Organ Properties can help you with all your real estate needs. Broker/Owner is Matthew J. Organ, CCIM.

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# Update on addition to the Gene Bennett Sports Complex



A “Kodak” moment in the history of Saint Paul’s took place in the new portion of the Gym Bennett Sports Complex on Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup>. Brother Alfred Baltz, a long time resident and former faculty member, and Athletic Director of the Saint Paul’s, nailed several floorboards in place on the new basketball court. Brother Alfred has been instrumental in building a number of structures on campus including garden beds, the old gym, and the Horack and Booth Pavilions. He commented on the differences technology and power tools make in the ease of getting the work done. Although technically retired Brother Alfred is still active on campus.

For more information about this project, click on the [brochure](#).  
*by Karen Hebert*



## Rise Up ‘O Men of God

[Mr. Louis Connaughton ’43](#)

[Mr. Elwood Joseph Dufour](#), father of Math Department Chair Mrs. Pam Cullen and grandfather of Daniel ‘97 and Sean ‘02 Cullen

[Mrs. Martha N. Galloway](#), mother of Thomas M. Galloway ‘85

Mr. John Merry, Uncle of Principal Mr. Trevor Watkins ‘79

[Mrs. Ruth Laughlin](#), grandmother of

Taylor ‘98, David ‘00 and Barrett ‘06 Baumgartner

The grandmother of Logan ‘16 and Greyson ‘17 Buras

[Mrs. Teresa Ann Bovina Rooney](#), grandmother of Owen Rooney ‘17

The great-grandmother of Louis ‘17, Lance ‘20 and Patrick ‘20 Richardson

[Dr. George Seiden](#), grandfather of Noah ‘18 and Ben ‘19 Seiden

The cousin of Austin Harris ‘19

The grandfather of Louis Marion ‘20

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace! Amen!*





Homecoming Game – Friday, September 25, 2015 – Click [here](#) for details.



26<sup>th</sup> Annual Jazz 'N Roll – Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00pm in the Briggs Assembly Center. Visit website [HERE](#).



JAC/Gene Bennett Golf Tournament – Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, Tchefuncte Country Club Estates – click [HERE](#) to register.



Career Day 2016 – Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, Briggs Assembly Center



Celebrity Waiters' Dinner 2016 – Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00pm, Briggs Assembly Center



Crawfish Cook-off 2016 – Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, Saint Paul's Campus





# School Opens!

## *"Help us do God's Will"*

The theme of the school year is an executive decision made by Brother Ray and Trevor Watkins. It is always something based on a basic principle of Lasallian pedagogy or values.

Sister Louise was convinced that God had told her to build a shrine at Parmenie in his honor. On the site of an ancient monastery, she enlarged a chapel and built a residence large enough to house a priest, several retreatants, her companion, and herself. After a serious illness at Grenoble, Father de Saleon, who first invited the Brothers to Grenoble, asked De La Salle to visit and enjoy the solitude. Father de Saleon hoping to increase the time of De La Salle's rest asked him to serve as chaplain while he attended to business in Provence. While De La Salle was at Parmenie a letter from the brothers arrived asking him to return to his work because they were in need of his leadership. Sister Louise encouraged this decision and so De La Salle returned and the Christian Brothers continued. Parmenie, and Sister Louise, have earned a special maker in the footsteps of Saint John Baptist De La Salle.



Sister Louise

*by Karen Hebert*

### First Day of School



Seniors welcome lower classmen for the first day of school on Thursday, August 6. Pictured standing left to right are: Louis Richardson, Lance Richardson, Patrick Richardson, John Cresson, Spencer Cole, Andy Grashoff, and Robert Ellis. Kneeling is Kyle Schech.

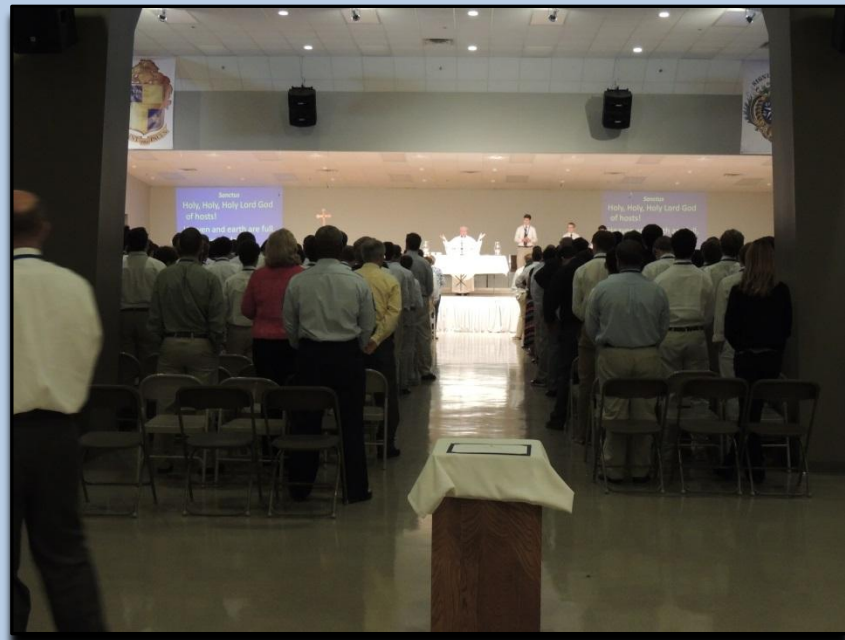


Saint Paul's School welcomed several new members to the faculty and staff for the 2015-16 school term. Linda Bosch, Math; Dr. Shannon d'Hemecourt, Math; Mimi Monteiro, Development; Irene

Pelak, Language; Winston Capps '08, Science; Jeff Drivon '01, Library and Coaching Staff; Jeff Ramon '08, Religion and Campus Minister; Suzanne Duplantier, Science; Brad Bessetti, Science and Engineering; Greg Pellegrini '86, Law Studies; Jane Russo, Math; Elizabeth Grashoff, Math and Marie Childs, Science are posed near the Mother and Pups sculpture in the center of campus. John Carambat, a member of the Science Department, created the sculpture several years ago.



### First School Mass



On Thursday, August 13, the school participated in an all school mass celebrating the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary. Father Matthew Clark, O.S.B. the Saint Paul's Chaplain, said the mass. After the homily, Father Clark recognized and blessed the senior Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who took over this role at the beginning of summer by doing the readings and serving communion at Sunday mass in the Our Lady of Peace Chapel. These eager young men who wanted to serve God have been trained by the Archdiocese of New Orleans. In addition, the liturgical band made their debut under the direction of Jeff Ramon '08 and Brother Ken Boesch, FSC.



# First School Mass (continued)

Pictured at right are the newly commissioned Ministers of Holy Communion. Alphabetically they are: Luke Avenel, Christopher Barnett, Jacob Broussard, John Cresson, Christopher Damare, Colin Francis, Austin Grashoff, Nick Isolani, Matthew Melancon, Addison Nick, Chalie Quinlan, Nicholas Rowbatham, Adam Schmitt, Briggs Simpson, Patrick Stewart, and Matthew Wallace.



Members of their families and the student body are administered Holy Communion by the newly commissioned Ministers of Holy Communion.



Members of the Liturgical Band standing left to right are: Thomas Williamson, Nicholas Oubre, Garrett Boyce, Andrew Aceves, and Mr. Jeff Ramon. Sitting left to right are: Logan Haydel, Brooks McMahan, Nick Ashton, Bradley del Rio, and Brandon Gallego .



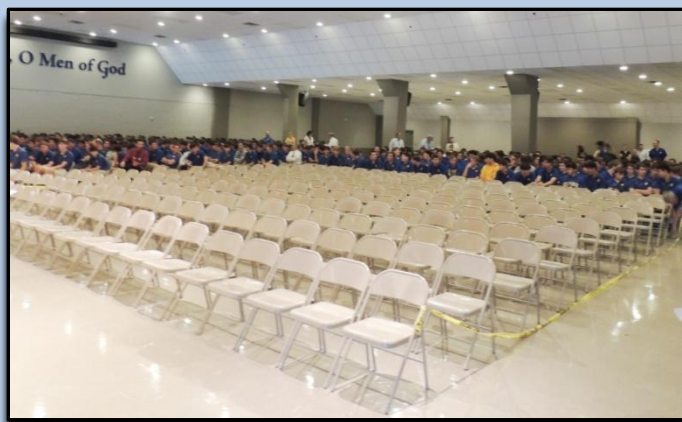


# First Assembly



Inclusive  
Community

Every other Tuesday, Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC conducts his assembly in the gymnasium for the student body. This year, with the ongoing renovations to the Gene Bennett Sports Complex, this assembly was held in the Briggs Assembly Center. These assemblies recognize students for their accomplishments, but more importantly, always carry a spiritual message for all in attendance. The first assembly of the year is particularly special as the entire school welcomes the new pre-freshmen students with a standing ovation. In addition, the Student Council president and vice president bless all those in attendance. Click [HERE](#) to listen to an interview with Brother Ray given by Andy Smith where he speaks about these assemblies.



The student body awaits the pre-freshmen.



Pre-freshmen process into the Briggs Assembly Center while the rest of the student body applauds.

## Jazz 'N Roll

Please JOIN US on  
Saturday, October 3, 2015 and  
enjoy Jazz 'N Roll !!!

HELD IN THE BRIGGS ASSEMBLY CENTER

Silent Auction

Live Auction

Exclusive Restaurants

Open Bar

Music by the Mike Epstein Band

ONLINE - Ticket and Sponsorship ordering  
available NOW- [HERE](#)



Painted by Dominick Alongi '14





## Senior Week

This year's Senior Week activities were kicked off by the Senior Barbecue on Tuesday 18. Hosted by a group of senior parents, the evening under the Wolf Dome consisted of food, fun, and friendship for all the seniors. On Thursday, August 20, the Class of 2016 took part in the traditional March Through the Arch ceremony. This symbolic event recreates the day in September 1911 when forty-eight students and three Benedictine priests walked up the same driveway and opened Saint Paul's School. Each senior was recognized and walked up LaSalle Drive to the clapping and cheering of parents, faculty, and fellow students. When all the seniors had gathered at the foot of the statue of Saint La Salle, they sang a loud, proud, and rousing rendition of the traditional Saint Paul's hymn, "Rise Up O Men of God" and the fight song for everyone to hear.

Following the March, the seniors and their parents gathered in the cafeteria and shared breakfast. After the breakfast, the seniors left for their Senior Unity Day. Following a very moving morning, the seniors received their rings that evening at the annual Senior Ring Ceremony in the Briggs Assembly Center. The seniors were asked to make five pledges: each pledge asked if the seniors were willing to uphold the mission of Saint Paul's and to make it a place that follows the principles of Saint John Baptist de La Salle. After responding "Yes, Brother, I will," to each pledge, the seniors sang the traditional school hymn, "O God, Beyond All Praising." Before crossing the stage to receive their rings, the seniors once again affirmed their commitment to the Lasallian mission by singing "Let There Be Peace on Earth." After each senior had received his ring, the ceremony ended with a resounding version of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." After these exciting few days, the seniors welcomed their Senior Ring Holiday on Friday, August 21.

Senior Barbeque



# Senior Week (Continued)



At left Dominic Adams waits his turn to March through the Arch. Below, the student body along with members of the seniors' family, witness the march.



Below, seniors surround Saint La Salle singing "Rise Up O Men of God" and the fight song.



Pictured at right after receiving their rings are: Nick Rowbatham, Matthew Gallagher, Chris Barnett, Thomas Williamson, Justin Guillory, Sam Crowton, Evan Hood.





On Tuesday, August 18, Saint Paul's held the traditional "Get Involved Day" during lunch time. All of the various clubs and organizations, from robotics to band, ROTC to fly fishing, and everything in-between, came out at lunch to encourage their fellow students to get involved on campus.



## Brother Ralph's 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Brother Ralph, who turned ninety-five on August 27<sup>th</sup>, was an honored guest at the President's Assembly. He joined the Christian Brothers at the early age of thirteen, and proudly announced that he has "Not regretted a day that I spent in service to others through my work as a brother." Ralph has been graciously and generously serving others for eighty-two years. He has taught in a number of schools including Lafayette, Denver, Santa Fe, Pittsburg, and Ontario. He also served in an administrative capacity in several schools, and even taught religion at Saint Paul's for a short time before "retiring" here. Like Alfred, Brother Ralph is still active on campus. His advice to the young men gathered in the Gene Bennett Sports Complex was simple, "To find true happiness find time to do service and to help others. There is nothing better." He referred the audience to the last verses of Matthew, "Teach them to carry out everything that I have commanded you. And know that I am with you always until the end of the world."

*by Karen Hebert*

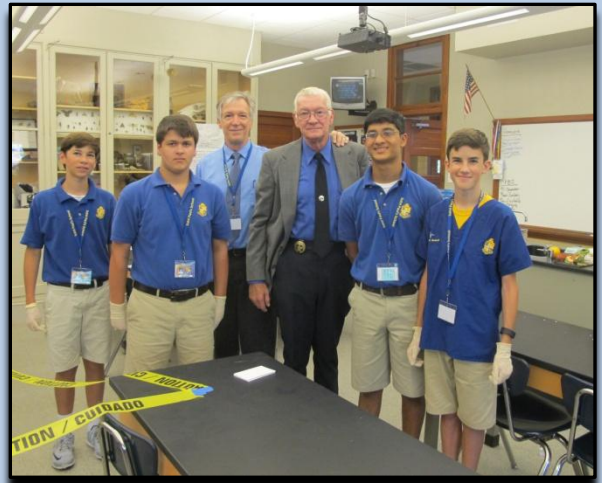


# Project Lead the Way

Quality  
Education



Saint Paul's Principles of Biomedical Sciences began their investigative research into the death of their "patient" with some assistance from a skilled guest. Mike Carambat, a retired New Orleans Homicide Detective, help the student investigators gather the evidence that will be helpful in determining the cause of death. Pictured during the activity are: Ross Hightower, Coleman Guidry, John Carambat, Principles of Biomedical Science Teacher, Mike Carambat, Retired New Orleans Police Homicide Detective, Waleed Sultan, and Andrew Norlin. The Biomedical Science class is the first in the group of Project Lead The Way Biomedical Program.



Saint Paul's Alumnus, Ian Conroy '14, visited school to talk to Mrs. Ann Pfalzgraf's Human Body Systems class to discuss the college applications of the techniques and concepts taught in the class. Ian, currently a biology major at Louisiana State University, visited Saint Paul's before returning to school for the fall semester. He stressed to the students how participating in the Project Lead The Way Biomedical Program helped to prepare him for success in college. Members of the class pictured with Ian in the first row include: Gavin Grefer, Ashton Durham, Robbie Ferrante, Andrew Curry, Ian Conroy, Alex Duet, Stephen Cangleosi, Jared Eckel. In the second row are: Carson Caulfield, Matt DaBella, Grant Fink, Brandon Nicotri, Blake Huff and Max Egan. For a complete list of all of our Project Lead the Way courses, look under the Academics tab on [www.stpauls.com](http://www.stpauls.com). For an overview, click [here](#).



# National Merit Scholarship



Quality  
Education

Saint Paul's School is pleased to announce that Maxwell Gold, son of David and Tracy Gold of Covington, has received a National Merit Scholarship sponsored by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.



Max, a valedictorian for the class of 2015, will attend Washington and Lee University and major in mathematics. In addition to being an honor graduate, Max was active in Mu Alpha Theta, the national math honor society and National Honor Society. He also played varsity lacrosse for four years being selected as a member of the U. S. Lacrosse Academic All American Team for 2015.

*by Karen Hebert*

## Fall Sports have Begun



Cross Country is in full stride with the season opener scheduled for Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at Tad Gormley Stadium in City Park, New Orleans. Click [HERE](#) for the complete schedule. For an opportunity to run with the Wolves, join us for the Cross Country Christmas Run. [Click Entry Form.](#)



After 5 successful years coaching the Aquawolves, Head Coach Bill Babcock is turning the fins over to alumnus Kris Babylon '95. Kris was an NCAA Champion, an Olympic Trials participant, and still holds the LHSAA record in the 200 IM. Welcome to Coach Babylon as he leads the Aquawolves through the lanes as we now face Division 1 competition. We are grateful for Coach Babcock's years of service and wish him the very best. Come support the Aquawolves on September 5 at 11:00 am on UNO campus for the first meet of the season. GEAUX Aquawolves!



The regular season starts on Friday, September 4, at 7:00pm in Hunter Stadium as the SPS Wolves take on Karr. See Claire Coutrado in the Main School Building to buy your Season Pass (\$140), good for all of the Varsity, JV, and 9th, and 8th grade games. Check out the [Varsity Schedule](#) and the [JV-Freshman Schedule](#). Interested in supporting the football Wolves ? Click [HERE](#) for the Football Point-After-Club Information.



# LSU vs Mississippi State

The Touchdown Club is sponsoring an adult social evening on Saturday, September 12th in the Briggs Assembly Center. For \$25.00 per person, there will be good food, music, adult beverages and the LSU v Mississippi State Football game shown on the big screen. Other college football games will be played on multiple TVs set up in the Briggs Center. Dress for the evening is casual. Tailgating for the games start at 7:00pm with the LSU kickoff is at 8:15pm. A group table may be sponsored for \$500. If interested in call Debbie Bodenheimer 985-502-1315 or [debbie@carcsllc.com](mailto:debbie@carcsllc.com), should you have any questions.



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Wolf is the Pack*

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