



*March 20 - 26, 2017*

**"God is a spring of living water which flows unceasingly into the hearts of those who pray."**

— St. Louis De Montfort

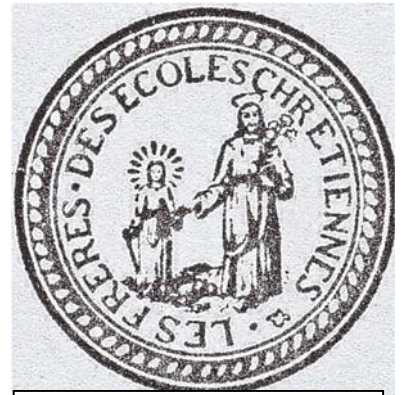
**Mon, Mar 20 (Regular; C D E F) – Feast of St. Joseph observed today since March 19 was a Sunday**



- **Today's feast** was special to Saint John Baptist de La Salle. The morning and night prayers of the first Brothers included a special prayer to Joseph and in the Brothers' Rule of 1705, the Brothers were instructed to gather at 1 pm (before afternoon classes) to recite the litany of Saint Joseph, the "patron and protector of the Institute." And a holiday was given in those early days on the feast of Saint Joseph! (Oh, for the good old days!) In his meditation for the feast of Saint Joseph, Saint La Salle says: *You have been charged, like Saint Joseph, with a holy work very similar to his and requiring that your*

*piety and your virtue be more than ordinary. You have been made responsible for your students just as Saint Joseph was made responsible for the Savior of the world. Take Saint Joseph as your model to make yourself worthy of your ministry.*

- The **Vernal Equinox** (the arrival of spring), arrives this morning at 05:28 am (CDT) when the Sun crosses directly over the Earth's equator. Easter is fixed as the first Sunday after the first full moon after the vernal equinox. Day and night grow equal; more wonderfully, day grows longer than night. Winter is over. Ancient Jewish & Christian poets saw the equinox as the anniversary of creation, with spring equinox as lovelier and richer of the two because light winning over dark follows it, an image of paschal mystery. Our redemption is nigh!
- **Bowling:** Wolves in Regional Meet
- **Sudden Impact for Parents:** All of our sophomores experience Sudden Impact – a powerful program by the LA State Police and local hospitals on the implications of unsafe driving decisions. Now, University Medical Center, in conjunction with St. Tammany Parish Hospital and the Louisiana State Police, will have one hour program for parents covering LA laws specific to teen driving, how to be your teen's driving coach, how to log your teen's driving experiences and more. The event will be tonight, March 20, from 5:30 – 6:30 at St. Tammany Parish Hospital's Covington Conference Room. Admission is free but register at [tracy.lemaire@lcmchealth.org](mailto:tracy.lemaire@lcmchealth.org)



*The original seal of the Institute created by St. La Salle shows St. Joseph and the boy Jesus: Joseph, the teacher caring for and raising the boy Jesus; the Lasallian teacher caring for and raising students entrusted to him/her.*

**Tue, Mar 21 (Special Assembly Schedule; G A B C)**

- **TDIH:** In 1980, President Jimmy Carter announces that the U.S. will boycott the Olympic Games scheduled to take place in Moscow that summer to protest Russia's invasion of Afghanistan.
- **Baseball:** 8<sup>th</sup> at Rummel (4:30) & JV & Varsity v. Hammond (4 & 6:30)
- **Basketball Awards Banquet (7 pm at Benedict's)**
- **Track:** JV at Slidell
- **Drama:** Preview Night for *Fiddler on the Roof*

### Wed, Mar 22 (Special Assembly Schedule; D E F G)

- **TDIH: In 1765**, the British government passes the Stamp Act, which levied a direct tax on all materials printed for commercial and legal use in the colonies, from newspapers and pamphlets to playing cards and dice which stirred a storm of protest in the colonies leading to the slogan “No taxation without representation.”
- **National Goof Off Day:** SPS will not be celebrating this day!
- **Drama:** *Fiddler on the Roof* opens tonight at 7. We wish the Marian Players an outstanding run of this show.
- **Lacrosse:** JV & Varsity v. Brother Martin
- **Tennis:** SPS v Pope John Paul II

### Thu, Mar 23 (Regular; A B C D)

- **Near Miss Day** commemorates March 23, 1989, when a huge asteroid came within 500,000 miles of hitting Earth. In interstellar terms, it was a near miss. Had it collided with Earth, its effect would have been catastrophic.
- **Celebrity Waiters Dinner:** Thanks to the Development Team for their hard work in making this special event so successful. Proceeds from CWD fund The Renaissance Program, which does so much for our school.
- **Baseball:** JV & Varsity at Covington
- **Track:** Jr Hi in SSA Invitational
- **Junior Retreat/Unity Day:** Half the class will travel to Angola as part of their social justice unit; the other half will participate in retreat/unity activities.

### Fri, Mar 24 (Regular, E F G A)

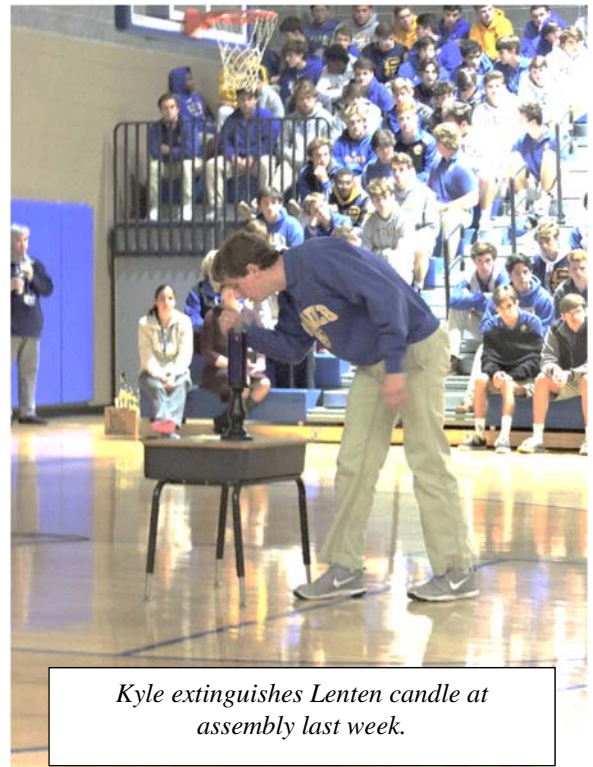
- **Junior Retreat/Unity Day:** Yesterday’s groups will swap activities today.
- **Track:** Wolves in Ponchatoula Relays
- **Drama:** *Fiddler on the Roof* (7)

### Sat, Mar 25

- **Feast of the Annunciation**
- **TDIH:** In 1954, RCA manufactured its first color TV set and began mass production. We’ve come a long way! Today’s students probably can’t imagine a black and white TV set!
- **Pecan Day:** Name the only nut tree native to North America. ... You guessed it..... Pecan trees. Celebrate Pecan Day by cracking open and eating a few pecan nuts. Or have some pecan pie.
- **Vaffeldagen (Waffle Day):** While primarily a Swedish celebration, it’s a good excuse to eat a waffle today! And you can add pecans to the batter for a double celebration!
- **Abbey Youth Fest** on the grounds of St. Joseph Abbey and Seminary College. This annual gathering of literally thousands of young people from around the state is quite an event, as the students gather to proclaim their Faith.
- **Baseball:** 9<sup>th</sup> v. Northshore & Covington at Covington; JV & Varsity v. Ponchatoula
- **Wrestling:** End of season party (1 pm – Wolf Dome)
- **Lacrosse:** TBA
- **Drama:** *Fiddler on the Roof* (7)

### Sun, Mar 26

- **Manatee Appreciation Day:** Cherish the endangered manatee today! Here’s a poem: *I Like Manatees swimming in the sea / Manatee, manatee/ Come play with me! Big and gray, In the bay, eating plants all day. /I like manatees swimming in the sea. Manatee, Manatee, come play with me.*
- **National Spinach Day:** Enjoy this wonderful veggie today! I love spinach!
- **Marian Players:** *Fiddler on the Roof*, matinee at 3 pm



*Kyle extinguishes Lenten candle at assembly last week.*

**Report Cards:** We emailed report cards last week. Contact teachers via email if you have questions. Let me know if you did not receive your son's report card after first checking your spam folder.

**Honor Roll Breakfasts:** Here is the schedule:

- Monday, March 27 – Seniors in the cafeteria from 7:40 – 8:20
- Wednesday, March 29 – Pre-freshmen and Freshmen in the BAC from 7:40 – 8:20
- Thursday, March 30 – Sophomores and Juniors in the BAC from 7:40 – 8:20

**Musings on Last Week:**

- **Saint Joseph Altar:** Special thanks to **Dr. Ann Kay Logarbo** and her volunteers for an incredible St. Joseph Altar.
- **Bowling:** Wolves defeated St. Thomas and move into Regional play on Monday
- **Golf:** A first place win with a 308 score (which I'm told is very good!) in the Northshore league.
- **Tennis:** A 6-0 win over Northshore and a 3-2 win over Fontainebleau. Go tennis wolves!
- **Sudden Impact:** Another powerful program for our last group of sophomores.
- **Powerlifting:** I don't have results but I'm sure we did great at state meet in Monroe.
- **Drama:** Rehearsals were in full swing in preparation for opening this week. Tradition!
- **Battle of the Bands:** Marching Wolves were one of only 8 bands chosen to participate at UNO on Saturday. As usual, they performed in an exemplary manner.
- **Drama Field Trip:** The Archdiocese sponsored a Catholic musical called "Garden" at Notre Dame Seminary. A group of Wolves from drama classes represented us.
- **LA College/TOPS Night:** Congrats to the Counseling Department for this informative evening for our students and parents. A large group attended this presentation and visited with Louisiana colleges from throughout the state.
- **Lacrosse:** I did not get results, but I think we did very well. There were many games!
- **Baseball:** Teams were in action but I didn't get any results except for a 3-2 varsity loss to Northshore.
- **Track:** A successful SPS/Trafton Academy Jr Hi Track where Wolves finished fourth. Varsity finished in FIRST PLACE at the Andy Thiel Invitational at FHS.
- **Athletic Training Day at SLU:** I received the following from Trainer Chris Stipe: *I am just returning to school after attending the student athletic training day at SLU. I brought Kenneth Avanzino, Bam Barriero, Stephen Beach, Thomas Celestine and Alex Paille with me. All are seniors planning on pursuing a career in sports medicine next year in college. I just wanted you to know that 3 different people (a professor, a Graduate Assistant and a SLU senior student) at 3 different times pulled me aside to tell me "your kids are killing it!" Needless to say, I couldn't help but feel very proud of them. I told them that I was so proud of them that I would brag about them to you. Therefore, I'm bragging. Thank you for your time. Thank you, Chris, for your work with these future athletic trainers!*
- **Cross Country State Champion Ring Ceremony** went well, with the team members now proudly wearing their state championship rings.



*Fighting Math Wolves pose with some of their many trophies*

**March Is National Athletic Training Month:** The mission and drive of an AT is best summed up by this year's National Athletic Training Month (NATM) slogan, "Your Protection is Our Priority." The National Athletic Trainer's Association (NATA), and Louisiana Athletic Trainer's Association (LATA) sponsor NATM, both not-for-profit organizations, are focused on improving the healthcare of athletes through injury

prevention, athletes through

rehabilitation of injuries, and protection of awareness. LATA's overall goal is to

have athletic trainers (AT) at every High School in the State. Here at SPS, we are blessed to have nationally certified Chris Stipe as our Athletic Trainer. He is assisted by trainers from local medical facilities when needed. Thanks, Chris!

**New Oak Trees:** Three new live oaks were purchased last week and will soon be planted along 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue by the front of the cafeteria to replace the large water oak that fell down last year. Thanks to Campus Beautification Chair Linda Trahan for spearheading this project and to the Mothers Club for donating the cost of one of the trees.

**ACT Test Center Data:** Being a testing center is a pain. Don Pressley does a great job in handling the logistics of the test and deserves our thanks. Last week, we received some interesting data from ACT concerning SPS as a testing Center:

- We have been an ACT test center since 1991-1992.
- Over this time, approximately 18,796 students have tested here.
- For the December 10, 2016 test date, about 251 students registered, with currently at least 241 students with reportable scores. Of those who tested, 10% of students come from the underserved learners' population. Test results have already been sent to 104 colleges and universities across 28 different states from the Dec test.





*Members of Retired Brothers Community attend Father Jacob's blessing of Saint Joseph Altar. L to R: Brothers Alfred, Ralph, Jerry, Duane, and Father Jacob*

**From Archbishop Gregory Aymond:** *I pray that your Lenten journey has been a time of drawing closer to Christ and responding to his invitation to conversion. As we identify an area of our life that needs change, we can be assured of God's help for us to face our weakness and experience a change of heart. Lent should include standing before our merciful God and asking for his forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, better known as Confession. **Be reminded that a priest will be available in every church in the Archdiocese of New Orleans for the next 3 Wednesdays from 5:00pm – 6:30pm.** The heart of Jesus is open and he invites you to know and accept his mercy. Whether we have been to Confession recently, or perhaps it has been many years, now is the time to know that his heart is open and eager to forgive. Let us remember one another in prayer as we continue this journey through Lent to the new life of Easter.*

**2017- 18 Registration:** We will soon begin course selection for next year. **Unregistered students will not be allowed to select classes. If your son will not be returning, please give me the courtesy of an email so I can plan accordingly.**

**Mar 14 Assembly:** I hope the students enjoyed our March 14 assembly. Here is some of what we did:

- Students entered the gym to the strains of Antonio Vivaldi's "Spring" from his famous "Four Seasons Suite." I explained that Vivaldi is a famous Baroque era Italian composer who lived from 1678 – 1741. I reminded them that Baroque music is dramatic and powerful and that Vivaldi musically interpreted the difference seasons with amazing precision. And why was I emphasizing the season of spring? In addition to signs of spring springing up all over, we are in the season of Lent – and the word "lent" comes from an Old English word meaning "spring." It's a time for our relationship with God to "bloom" just like the spring flowers. It's a time for us to bask in the warmth of God's love, just like we bask in the warmth of spring following the cold of winter. And as the days lengthen, it's a time for us to lengthen our commitment to "put off the things of night" and walk in the daylight.

While the music played, **junior Matthew Borgatti** lit the prayer candle – now purple for Lent. We prayed in a special way for those who have entered into God's Kingdom since our last assembly: **Mrs. Clare Louise Cooper Drinkard, Grandmother of John Buckley '20; Mr. Vic Baricev, grandfather of Robert Baricev '17; Mrs. Margaret Imm, sister-in-law of Mrs. Mary Pierson; Mr. Paul Kent, great grandfather of Jared Saltaformaggio '17; and, of course, we prayed for Michael – who was attending his first President's Assembly since his return.**

- Recognized and congratulated Director of Bands **Andrew Moran** on the birth of his first child, **Theodore Jackson Moran.**
- Recognized and congratulated **Dr. Ann Kay Logarbo and her legions of volunteers** for an incredible St. Joseph Altar. We vigorously applauded Dr. Logarbo *in absentia.*
- Recognized and congratulated senior **Reagan Hill** who has been selected one of nine Louisiana Young Heroes by Louisiana Public Broadcasting. Videographers from LPB were present at the assembly to film a special on Reagan.

Now in its 22nd year, the awards honor students in grades 7-12 who have excelled in the classroom, served their community, and/or shown great courage in overcoming adversity in their own lives. From the LPB website: *18-year-old Reagan Hill survived a horrible diving accident when he was 14. Because of his amazing attitude, strength, and perseverance, he was able to walk out of the hospital just six weeks later. Reagan's accident led him to found "Reagan's Peanut Butter Project" that has raised over \$12,000 and has assisted more than 900 individuals who have suffered injuries or are dealing with cancer in a three-state region. Reagan's Peanut Butter Project Facebook page posts encouraging messages and words of hope. Reagan has been involved in volunteer work for a number of years, helping the Covington Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, Children's Advocacy Center, and other organizations. Reagan is also an honor student with a 4.02 grade point average.*

- Recognized and thanks the six students who spent two weeks at a Lasallian school in Mexico City as part of an initial exchange program with that school. In return, we look forward to welcoming six students from Colegio Cristobal Colon in April. Thanks to Jordan Edney, Christopher Gement, Cole Lopiccolo, Adam Moennich, Miguel Seruntine, David Werner and chaperones Trevor Watkins and Liz Brett.
- Recognized and congratulated **The Marching Wolves and ROTC Color Guard** for their Mardi Gras season of seven parades, one performance for special needs children and one pep rally appearance at OLL. They have been busy. I showed a number of slides of the band marching in the Zulu Parade.
- Recognized and congratulated members of our Young Lawyers club for their participation in the regional Mock Trial Competition. In particular, recognized and congratulated **Senior Bradley del Rio** who was named best witness in the competition. We are very grateful to local attorneys **Greg Pellegrini and Charles Hughes** who worked with our guys, preparing them for trial.
- Recognized and congratulated members of the AFJROTC Quiz Bowl Team for again placing in the top 8 (out of 250 participating units across the country) in recent competition. The team wins an all-expense paid trip to Washington DC this summer to compete with the other seven schools in the championship competition. Congrats to team members **Landon Chambliss, Robby Ferrante, Stephen Millet & Anthony Pennison** for representing us so well.
- Recognized and congratulated the 39 Fighting Math Wolves for placing **FIRST** out of 26 schools in the recent Catholic High School Math Tournament by virtue of the following:
  - **INDIVIDUAL results**
  - **Algebra 1**            **5<sup>th</sup> place**            **Davis Lagarde**
  - **Geometry**            **4<sup>th</sup> place**            **Adam Smith**
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  - **Algebra 2**            **2<sup>nd</sup> place**            **Cullen Irwin**
  - **3<sup>rd</sup> place**            **Blake Ramsey**
  - **HM**                    **Josh Rovira**
  - **PreCalculus**        **HM**                    **Andrew Norlin and Matthew Borgatti**
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  - **Calculus AB**        **3<sup>rd</sup> place**            **Yehia Elkersh**
  - **HM**                    **Lloyd Guillot and Alex Nguyen**
  - **TEAM results:**
  - **Middle –Alg 1**        **2<sup>nd</sup> place**            **Evan Greene, Preston Calvert, Davis Lagarde**
  - **Alg 1/geom.**            **2<sup>nd</sup> place**            **Marshall Unkauf, Caleb Frost, Harrison Elliott, Miles Gensler**
  - **Geom/alg 2**            **1<sup>st</sup> place**            **Adam Smith, Darrin Lea, John-Paul Bourgeois, Blake Bollinger**

- **2<sup>nd</sup> place William Duncan, Reece Grimley, Lenny Carollo**
- **Algebra 2 4<sup>th</sup> place Cullen Irwin, Ross Hightower, Blake Ramsey, Cole Chitwood**
- **Upper Interschool: 2<sup>nd</sup> place Hanzala Hussain, Josh Devier, Henry Elliott, Daniel Wieseneck, Matthew Borgatti, Andrew Norlin, Chris Weintritt, Alex Seese, Lloyd Guillot, Cameron Byrne, Alex Nguyen, Yehia Elkersh, Max Tepper**
- Reminded the students that the day was Pi Day -- Pi is the symbol for the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter. Pi Day is celebrated by math enthusiasts around the world on March 14<sup>th</sup> (3/14) since  $\pi = 3.1415926535\dots$  Get it?
- Recognized and congratulated the Soccer Wolves for an incredible four-peat State Championship victory. We will honor the soccer wolves at a special assembly on March 21.
- Recognized and congratulated the Basketball Wolves for winning the District Championship and advancing to the Quarterfinal round of the state playoffs.
- Recognized and congratulated the Jr Varsity and Jr High Wrestling Wolves State Tournament results:
  - **Junior Varsity**
  - **2<sup>nd</sup> -- Michael Crockett and Mason Byrne**
  - **3<sup>rd</sup> -- Michael Rader**
  - **4<sup>th</sup> --Hal Fox, Micah Crockett, & Ben Davidson**
  - **Jr High**
  - **1<sup>st</sup> -- Peyton Ward and Rhett Barker**
  - **2<sup>nd</sup> -- Sean Cripple, Kyle Ogea and Gavin Clayton**
  - **3<sup>rd</sup> -- Carter Duet**
  - **4<sup>th</sup> -- Sam Davidson**
- Recognized and congratulated the **Powerlifting Wolves** for their recent meets:
  - **Pope John Paul Invitational Power Lifting Meet**
  - **132 lbs. Philip Nicaud 2nd Place**
  - **165 lbs. Thomas Dugan 3rd Place**
  - **181 lbs. Trey Juneau 1st Place**
  - **181 lbs. Cameron Gary 4th Place**
  - **198 lbs. Jack Caminita 2nd Place**
  - **220 lbs. Jason Toups 1st Place**
  - **275 lbs. Nick Picone 1st Place**
  - **275 lbs. Jeb Juge 2nd Place**
  - **In the Regional Meet, the team finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place:**
  - **114- Connor Oviedo- 3rd**
  - **132- Phil Nicaud- 3rd**
  - **132- Mason Impastato- 5th**
  - **148- David Ricalde- 1st**
  - **165- Jack Anzalone- 4th**
  - **181- Trey Juneau- 1st**
  - **181- Thomas Dugan- 3rd**
  - **198- Jack Caminita- 4th**



- **220- Jason Touns- 4th**
- **242- Jon Rushing- 1st (Broke south regional overall weight lifted record squat+bench+dead lift @ 1805 pounds)**
- **275- Nick Picone- 2nd (Broke south regional back squat record @ 685 pounds)**
- Recognized and congratulated four seniors who organized a fundraiser for the Children's Cancer Center at Children's Hospital. I am very proud of **Austin LeBlanc, Miles Roppolo, Brycen Brown & Kevin Katich** who conducted Paws for a Cause during the football season.
- Reminded the students that tickets to *Fiddler on the Roof* were on sale and wishes The Marian Players all the best as they prepared to open this week.
- The students then sang the Lenten favorite *O That Shame*. Have your son sing it for you!
- I closed the assembly by recognizing three students: **Davis Heebe, Colin Moser & Matthew Stalter** who were late to school recently because they stopped to help a nurse from St. Tammany Parish Hospital change a flat tire – in the rain. When the nurse tried to treat them to lunch, the boys refused payment. I am VERY proud of these three young men for exhibiting Lasallian values in action!
- **Encouraged the students to attend the Wednesday morning 7 am mass as a great Lenten practice.**
- Again, I ran out of time before I ran out of recognitions – which will carry over to the next assembly. We ended with the whole student body standing and singing the fight song and a very moving rendition of that Lenten favorite, “O That Shame.” It was powerful. **Junior Kyle Schmitt** extinguished the prayer candle while Vivaldi's “Spring” from “The Four Seasons” played in the background. I again begged the student body to concentrate only on “the good” during this Lenten season and to make safe choices. I closed by reminding the students what the candle represents – the love of God, the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. I exhorted them to spread God's love to all whom they meet.
- It was a great assembly – at least I thought so!

***Fiddler on the Roof:*** Tickets have gone on sale for our spring musical and are selling quickly. Encourage your sons to attend. This show will sell out, especially in the second weekend, so have them purchase tickets now. The show will be well worth their time. Tickets are available in the administration building.

**Annual Fund:** Please consider helping if you have not already done so and are in a position to do so. No gift is too small. I need to show a better level of participation that we currently have. Many thanks!

**2017 - 18 (NEXT YEAR) CALENDAR:** St. Tammany Parish Public School System has set its calendar for next year; we have modeled ours closely on theirs. Here are some important dates:

- **Mon, Aug 07: Full day of class instruction**
- Fri, Oct 06: 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter ends for SPS (11 am dismissal)
- Fri, Oct 06: Grandparent Day (11:30)
- Mon, Oct 16: Fall break. No classes.
- **Tue, Dec 19: Christmas (not winter) holidays begin for SPS at 11:45**
- **Wed, Jan 03: Class resume; SPS begins second semester**
- Fri, Feb 09: Faculty Retreat (no classes) followed by week off for Mardi Gras/Beginning of Lent Holidays
- Fri, Mar 30: Good Friday holiday followed by week off for Easter Holidays (not spring break)
- Sat, May 12: Graduation for the Class of 2018



- Mon, May 21 – Thu, May 24: Final exams for grades 8 - 11
- **Why the slight discrepancy in dates with the public schools? St. Tammany only has to schedule 175 instructional days while Catholic schools schedule 177. So in second semester, we will have two extra days.**

**H of the W:** Quotes from Steven Wright, “American stand-up comedian, actor, writer, and an Oscar-winning film producer. He is known for his distinctly lethargic voice and slow, deadpan delivery of ironic, philosophical, and sometimes nonsense jokes, paraproverbs, non-sequiturs, anti-humor, and one-liners with contrived situations. Wright was ranked as the twenty-third greatest comedian by Comedy Central in a list of the 100 greatest stand-up comics.”

- *I'd kill for a Nobel Peace Prize.*
- *Borrow money from pessimists -- they don't expect it back.*
- *82.7% of all statistics are made up on the spot.*
- *A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.*
- *All those who believe in psycho kinesis, raise my hand.*
- *The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.*
- *I almost had a psychic girlfriend... But she left me before we met.*
- *OK, so what's the speed of dark?*
- *How do you tell when you're out of invisible ink?*
- *If everything seems to be going well, you have obviously overlooked something.*
- *When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.*
- *Hard work pays off in the future; laziness pays off now.*
- *I intend to live forever... So far, so good.*
- *If Barbie is so popular, why do you have to buy her friends?*
- *Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.*
- *What happens if you get scared half to death twice?*
- *My mechanic told me, "I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder."*
- *Why do psychics have to ask you for your name?*



*Mrs. Case, Oliver, Alex, and Liam enjoy feasting from the Saint Joseph Altar.*

## **A Look Ahead**

### **March**

- 20 – CDEF
- 21 – GABC
- 22 - DEFG
- 23 – ABCD – Juniors on Retreat/Angola
- 24 – EFGA – Juniors on Retreat/Angola
- 27 – BCDE – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade HR Breakfast in cafeteria
- 28 – FGAB – Pack Time
- 29 –CDEF- 8/9<sup>th</sup> HR Breakfast in BAC
- 30 –GABC -10/11<sup>th</sup> HR Breakfast in BAC
- 31 – DEFG – Mu Alpha Theta Convention

### **April**

- 3 – ABCD – Leadership Week
- 4 – EFGA – President's Assembly

- 5 – BCDE – Leadership Breakfast
- 6 – FGAB- Guest Speaker
- 7 – CDEF – Feast of St. La Salle
- 10 – GABC
- 11 – DEFG – Pack Time – Teacher Appreciation
- 12 – ABCD – Passion Play in BAC
- 13 – EFGA – Mandatum Assembly in Gym
- 24 – BCDE
- 25 – FGAB – President’s Assembly
- 26 – CDEF
- 27 – GABC
- 28-- DEFG

## May

- 1 – ABCD
- 2 – EFGA – Pack Time (last)
- 3 – BCDE – Senior Exams
- 4 – FGAB – Senior Exams
- 5 – CDEF - Senior Exams
- 8 – GABC
- 9 – DEFG – Pres Assembly – Band Awards
- 10 – ABCD
- 11 – EFGA – Athletic Awards in AM
- 12 – BCDE – Academic Awards in AM
- 13 – Senior Graduation in BAC 4:00 PM
- 15 – FGAB – Pre-Freshmen Exams
- 16 – CDEF – Pre-Freshmen Exams
- 17 – GABC – Pre-Freshmen Exams
- 18 – 9-11<sup>th</sup> Final Exams begin
- 19 – 9-11<sup>th</sup> Final Exams – Pre Freshmen Promotion in BAC at 6:30PM (yes, this is the correct date)
- 22 – Final Exams
- 23 – Final Exams
- 24 – Records Day



Michael has returned to SPS. We are making accommodations for his needs and welcome him back enthusiastically. May all our Christian Brother saints intercede with Almighty God on Michael’s behalf!

And even though it's mid-March of 2017, I will still close with a paraphrase from one of my favorite NPR radio shows (which I'm listening to now as I write and LOLing): well, it's happened again – you've squandered perfectly good time reading my ramblings!

Thanks for being part of Saint Paul's School! I wish you a blessed week and a blessed Lent!

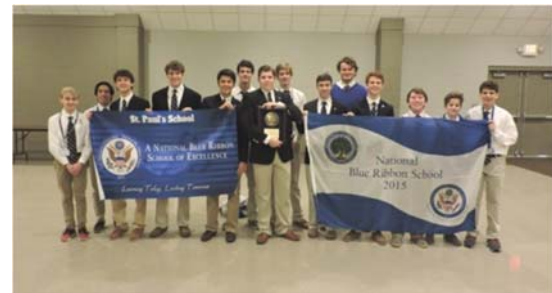
Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC

Can't Believe It's the Fourth Quarter and I'm Still the 17<sup>th</sup> Christian Brother President/CEO of Saint Paul's School

**Quality education, inclusive community, respect for all, concern for poor & social justice, faith in God's presence – our mantras this week, throughout 2017, and always!**



**...by doing ordinary things  
extraordinarily well, making  
courageous choices, doing  
God's will, and remaining  
faithful!**



#### Prayer for Lent

Eternal Father, we are sinners, yet you love us deeply. You see into the secret places inside us and you know us in our weakness and in our goodness. Give us the courage to look at our faults. Give us humility to ask for your help to repent and to make better choices. Guide us into new pathways that will draw our hearts home to you. In this time of Lent, may we turn away from our sinfulness and return ourselves to you, always aware of your presence and always obedient to your will. We ask this of you who lives and reigns with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

