

# *The President's Hebdomadal **Blue Ribbon** Newsletter*

## *October 16 – 22, 2017*

Welcome to the 11<sup>th</sup> week of the 2017-18 school year!

We start our 11<sup>th</sup> week rejoicing with the whole Lasallian world and the Catholic Church. Today, Monday, October 16, is the one-year anniversary of Pope Francis canonizing Brother Solomon Leclercq, FSC, which made him an official saint of the Church.

I hope everyone remembers the story of Saint Solomon, but just in case, here is a summary from “Seven De La Salle Brothers”: *Once the monarchy was overthrown early in the French Revolution, the next target was the Church. In 1790, the Civil Constitution of the Clergy gave the state complete control over the Church in France. In order to continue to function, priests and religious were forced to take an oath to support the constitution. Most of the Brothers refused and so were forced gradually to abandon their schools and communities. Eventually the Christian Brothers were deprived altogether of legal status in France.*

*On 15 August 1792, Brother Solomon sat alone in his Paris school. He had been asked to mind the house while other Brothers left the turbulent city for the safety of the suburb. A loud knock on the door was the first sound of warning. Soldiers demanded to search the house. It was a thorough search for incriminating documents, and, though they found nothing, Brother Solomon was ordered to collect his belongings and follow them.*

*Under escort, he walked a short distance to where a sort of tribunal had been set up, and where his arrival seemed to be expected. The interrogation was formal, ending with the question: ‘have you taken the oath?’ The answer was: ‘No’. That was all.... It was all pre-arranged. A massacre gang was assembled at the Champ de Mars ‘to give effect to the will of the people’. They had been commissioned to do the deed in return for money and the clothes of the victims.*

Brother Solomon was martyred on September 2, 1792. He was the first Brother of the Christian Schools to be martyred, and the first to earn beatification – the step before sainthood. Brother Solomon chose his religious vocation and Catholic faith over obedience to the anti-clerical French government.

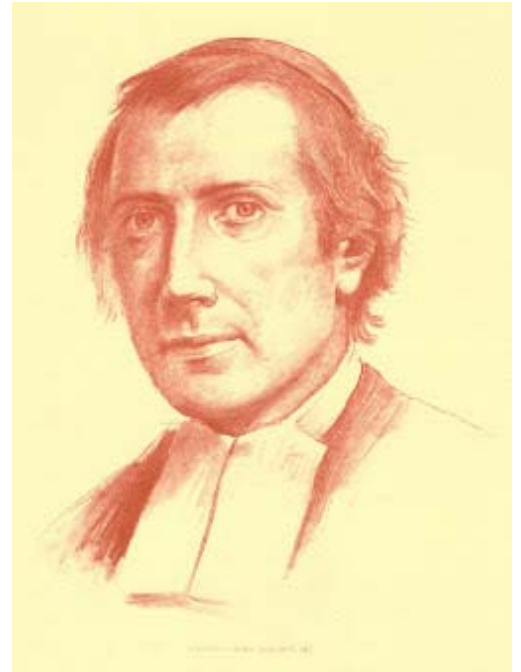
So let us pray: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we thank you for the gift of St. Brother Solomon to our Institute. We pray that his example of humble service and fidelity inspire us to live our own commitments in the same manner. Show us the ones who are in need of our talents and presence. Grant us the generosity, wisdom, and courage to respond accordingly.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Saint Brother Solomon! Help us remain faithful!**

The Christian Brothers have posted many resources on the canonization and Brother Solomon, including details on the miracles, which were needed for sainthood, on our website:

<https://www.lasallian.info/brothers-today/the-canonization-of-blessed-brother-solomon-le-clercq-fsc/>.





## Mon, Oct 16 (Regular; G A B C)

- **National Health Education Week begins today.** Sponsored by the Society for Public Health Education (SOPHE), National Health Education Week (NHEW) is celebrated during the third full week of October. This celebration brings national attention to public health issues and promotes consumers' understanding of the role of health education and health promotion in society. *According to Dr. Lloyd Kolbe, former Director of Adolescent School Health at the CDC, behaviors and attitudes developed during childhood are responsible for most causes of death, illness & disability, in the US.* **So what is a Lasallian school's response to the above?** For Saint La Salle, the school was a place of safety and salvation. He would accept nothing less. **As we work with our students, we are attuned to their safety needs.**
- **Dictionary Day:** In 1758, Noah Webster, considered the Father of the American Dictionary, was born. In his honor, read a dictionary today; learn a new word!



Seniors conduct experiment about friction.

## Tue, Oct 17 (Pack Time; Feast of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque; D E F G)

- **Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque** was a 17<sup>th</sup> Century French Roman Catholic nun and mystic, who promoted devotion to the Sacred Heart in its modern form. We wish St. Margaret Mary Parish in Slidell a happy feast day!
- **Wear Something Gaudy Day:** "gaudy" refers to something bright, cheap, showy, outlandish, or otherwise not in good taste. SPS will not celebrate this day!
- **National Pasta Day:** Enjoy one of more than 600 varieties of pasta today! Ciao!
- **Basketball:** 9<sup>th</sup> grade tryouts

## Wed, Oct 18 (7 am mass in chapel; regular schedule; Teacher Appreciation & Snack Day; A B C D)

- **This Day in History:** In 1790, John Baptist de La Salle entered the Seminary of St. Sulpice in Paris, beginning his journey toward priesthood. By answering God's call, he opened himself up to future calls, which allowed him to found the Brothers of the Christian Schools. May we, too, be open to the call of God in our lives!
- **National Evaluate Your Life Day:** We reflect today upon our life -- where it's been, and where it's going. What do I need, or want, to change? I'll be evaluating!
- **National Chocolate Cupcake Day:** Splurge! Enjoy.
- **Basketball:** 9<sup>th</sup> grade tryouts
- **Football:** 9th & JV at Slidell
- **SPS Dads' Club Meeting – 7 pm at Abita Brewing Company:** all SPS dads are welcomed and encouraged to attend. We value the work that the Dads' Club does for SPS – just like we value the work done by the Mothers' Club. Come get involved!



**Thu, Oct 19 (Assembly schedule; Feast of St. Luke; E F G A)**

- **Happy Feast Day to the 16 SPS Students & Teacher who have first or middle name of Luke or a variant!**
- **TDIH:** In 1781, as their band played *The World Turned Upside Down* (ya' gotta love the British!), the British Army marched out in formation and surrendered to the Americans at Yorktown. More than 7000 British & Hessian troops, led by British General Lord Cornwallis, surrendered to General George Washington, effectively ending the war between Britain and its American colonies. The final peace treaty was signed in Paris in 1783.
- **Swimming:** Northlake Regional Championships Cross Gates in Slidell. Geaux Aqua Wolves!
- **Football:** 8<sup>th</sup> v. Algiers Charter (6)

**Fri, Oct 20 (Feast of St. Paul of the Cross; regular schedule; B C D E)**

- **While not the Patron of our school, we ask this St. Paul, who founded the Passionist Religious Order, to intercede with Almighty God for our school and our students.**
- **TDIH:** In 1803, the U.S. Senate approves a treaty with France to purchase Louisiana Territory, doubling size of US.
- **TDIH:** In 1944, General Douglas MacArthur set foot on Philippine soil for the first time since his escape in 1942, thus fulfilling his promise, "I shall return!"
- **National Day of Writing:** Today celebrates writers and writing. Celebrate by writing something: email, poem, text message, short story, blog entry, grocery list, weekly newsletter to the faculty and parents, etc. Just write!
- **Wellness Screening & Flu Shots (6:30 – 10:30 am):** Let's stay healthy – and keep premiums and deductibles down.
- **Football:** Varsity v. Slidell (7); special recognition of the teams of 2007 & 12



*Jack lights prayer candle at last week's assembly.*

**Sat, Oct 21**

- **TDIH:** In 2015, we held the official blessing and dedication of the new gym. Gene Bennett smiled on us that night as it was a magical evening, with many, many supporters in attendance.
- **TDIH:** In 1879, Thomas Edison successfully tested an electric incandescent lamp with a carbonized filament at his lab in Menlo Park, NJ, keeping it lit for 13 hours. We've come a long way! We are slowly replacing lights with LEDs. They are GREAT!
- **TDIH:** In 1967, 100,000 people march on The Pentagon to protest the Vietnam War.
- **Babbling Day:** Calling all blatherskites (people who babble – yes, it's a real word!): today isn't a day to remain silent. We celebrate those with glib tongues who never stop talking. They babble on and on and turn a simple one-sentence statement into an endless dissertation. I'm not one of them!
- **National Pumpkin Cheesecake Day:** Don't want to babble today? Then enjoy this classic fall dessert!



- **National Clean Your Virtual Desktop Day:** My virtual desktop is as messy as my wooden desktop!
- **Reptile Awareness Day:** Become as aware as you want of these critters, but I'll stay clear of 'em.
- **Ultimate:** Beowulf Classic on Varsity Soccer Field
- **Jazz and Roll:** The 28<sup>th</sup> edition takes tonight. Thanks to the Development Team for organizing a memorable evening. Please cooperate with Development Team and help if you can. Note that the BAC will be off-limits.

### Sun, Oct 22 (Feast of St. John Paul II)

- **TDIH:** In 1962, President John Kennedy announces that he has ordered a blockade of Cuba in response to the discovery that Soviet missiles were being installed on the island, pushing the US to a nuclear showdown with Russia.
- **CAPS LOCK DAY: FEEL FREE TO CAPITALIZE EVERYTHING TODAY!** I will abstain.
- **International Stuttering Awareness Day:** 1% of the population stutters or has some other speech impairment. Let's be sensitive to them and learn how to assist. There are some great tips on the ISAD website.
- **Smart is Cool Day:** Flaunt your IQ today! Tout your ACT score! Quote Plato and Shakespeare! Take an on line IQ test at [www.iqtest.com](http://www.iqtest.com) and see how smart you really are!

**I call the following to your attention, not alphabetical order, not necessarily order of importance.**

**ACT Prep:** Princeton Review is offering FREE ACT prep at the Madisonville Library on Oct 21. Space is limited and registration is necessary. Here is the link:

<https://www.princetonreview.com/product/offerings/352597?exid=47709632-ea1a-4390-ae2b-668db008263c>

**Admissions for 2018 - 19:** Yes, we are looking ahead to next year. Here's how you can help: If you know any family who might be interested in SPS:

- Shadow Days – SOLD OUT! All slots are filled, even with the extra day we added! Thank you for spreading the good word about us!
- Encourage interested families to attend Open House on Sat, Oct 28 at 1 pm.
- We rely on current and former families to spread the word about SPS! I know I can count on you
- BTW, SSA's Open House is Nov 2 – encourage interested families to check out our sister school.



*Newly inducted honor society members celebrate – with food, of course.*



**Assembly on Oct 10:** I hope the students enjoyed our assembly last week. Here's some of what we did:

- Students entered the new gym to the strains of “Hail Holy Queen Enthroned Above”, from a CD made several years ago by the Mary Queen of Peace Music Ministry. I explained that the Catholic Church dedicates October to Mary and that this song is one of the oldest and most beloved of Marian hymns. I further explained that October is the month of the Rosary and that once again, a dedicated SPS mom who had five sons graduate from SPS donated hundreds of rosaries for the students – as she does each year. I encouraged the students to get one of these rosaries from their religion teachers, keep it in their pockets, and the rosary whenever they have the time. They don't need to say the whole thing if they don't have time, but just a decade or even one Hail Mary as they wait at a traffic signal or walk from building to building.
- Prayed in a special way, as the prayer candle was lit by junior **Jack Pellegrini**, for those who have entered God's Kingdom since our last assembly: **Mr. Cleaver Frederick, grandfather of Christopher Comboy '20 those affected by natural disasters.**
- Welcomed everyone to Founder's Week and congratulated them on a wonderful opening mass on Monday
- Welcomed a group of 30+ 7<sup>th</sup> grade students who were visiting SPS on a Shadow Day
- Reminded all that our **Mission Statement calls us to offer strong academic, athletic, and extracurricular programs in a safe and disciplined environment and to live the Gospel values of Jesus**
- Recognized and congratulated winners of State Literary Rally by presenting them with medals and certificates: **Matthew Algero (3<sup>rd</sup> in World History), Patrick Baldone (1<sup>st</sup> in Advanced Math), Evan Cook (3<sup>rd</sup> in Accounting I), Brenden Dauterieve (3<sup>rd</sup> in English I), Josh Devier (1<sup>st</sup> in Biology), Jack Nunez (3<sup>rd</sup> in Biology II) & Max Tepper (1<sup>st</sup> in Physics.)**
- Recognized and congratulated faculty who participated in the Buttimer Institute of Lasallian Studies: **Mr. Joe Dickens, Mr. Sam Francis, Mr. Matt Pinero, Mr. Jeff Ramon, Mr. Paul Scoriels, Mr. Ken Sears, & Mr. Ryan Spencer.** I also recognized **Brother Jeff Calligan and Mrs. Gina Hall** who help staff the program.
- Recognized and congratulated **Mr. Andrew Dart and Mr. Ken Sears** for earning their Master of Arts Degree in Education from St. Mary's University in Minnesota this past summer.
- Recognized and congratulated **senior Carson Caulfield** who was chosen to represent the entire State of Louisiana at the 2017 Al Neuharth Free Spirit and Journalism Conference in Washington, DC – all expenses paid. This is the second consecutive year that an SPS student was chosen to represent Louisiana (only one student per state is chosen.) Last year it was Nick Ashton, '17. We are very proud of Carson – and Nick, too.
- Recognized and congratulated senior **Paul Gremillion** who was named NOLA.com's Northshore Play of Week Five. In a 26-7 win over Hammond, Paul played the largest role. The senior linebacker came up with 10 tackles, including two for loss, and he had a fumble recovery for a touchdown.
- Recognized and congratulated the Robo-Wolves for conducting an outstanding tournament that brought many students from many schools to our campus. When the robots had “done their thing”, the team of **Aidan Plauche', Cullen Duval, Eric Gray, Santiago Villegas and Magnus Laue** finished in second place, losing by only one point. Special





recognition was given by moderators Julie Beck and Marie Childs to **Ryan Schaefer, Devin Powers and Nicholas Prokop** who did extraordinary work that Saturday.

- Then, as if by magic, George Frederic Handel's "Water Music" started playing – which means that the **Aqua Wolves** are off and swimming. The individual results are too numerous to list, but the AWs finished **FIRST** in the Fontainebleau High School Invitational and **FIRST** in the SSA Invitational.
- Recognized and congratulated senior **Cameron Vidal** who gave an outstanding testimonial of his faith life at the recent 6<sup>th</sup> grade retreat at St. Peter School. I projected the congratulations email that St. Peter sent me about Cameron's talk.
- Recognized and congratulated the following for volunteering to repair houses in Texas on a recent weekend: **Jonathan Sheffield, Thomas Harris '17, Ben Davidson, Sam Davidson, Jack Ballard, Hal Fox, Landon Rees, Scott Manifold, Sam Avenel & Mason Byrne.**
- Recognized and congratulated senior **Robby Nolan** for earning the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout – quite the accomplishment! I had all of our Eagle Scouts stand and be recognized.
- As I was running out of time, we robustly sang the Fight Song, led by the seniors.
- I then reminded the students of some very worthwhile service opportunities: OLL's Fall Festival, MQP's Fleur de Fall, and The Parenting Center's Monster Mash, the Teresian Sisters Family Day, the Madisonville Beach Sweep and Legacy National Hospice. More info on these are below.
- We closed with the boys singing Mercy (which we had not sung in a while) and Hail Holy Queen Enthroned Above – it was wonderful.



- As junior **Michael Philippi (pictured at left)** extinguished the prayer candle, 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 "Hail Holy Queen" by Mary Queen of Peace Music Ministry.
- It was a great assembly – at least I thought so!

**Attendance:** We take attendance seriously. Please follow procedures for checking out a student (which I hope you do for only very serious reasons.) Send a note with your son **BEFORE SCHOOL** or email Suzy ([attendance@stpauls.com](mailto:attendance@stpauls.com)) to let her know. We can't always answer your calls as there is only one of her and over 1500 of you! Thank you for your cooperation.

**Helping Saint Paul's:** Don't forget – here are painless ways to help:

- If you shop at Office Depot, please give the SPS school code (70041640) and SPS receives 5% of your purchase!
- SPS participates in the Community Coffee program.
- Box Tops for Education – these are redeemable for cash. Have your son bring them to his math teacher.
- Coke Gives: we have enrolled in this program and are preparing information. In the meantime, save those Coke bottle tops! Thanks.



**Honor Roll Breakfast Dates:** We have set the first quarter HR breakfast dates – which will be in November. See below for the exact schedule in “A Look Ahead.”

**ID Cards:** As part of our safety plan, students are required to wear their ID cards on their lanyard on a DAILY basis. **Please check your son before he leaves the house to make sure he is wearing the ID.** If he forgets, he must purchase a temporary ID from Sgt. Pressley. If he loses his ID, he must purchase a replacement for \$10.

**Jazz n Roll:** Join us for the 28th anniversary of Jazz ‘N Roll on Saturday, October 21! 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 catered gourmet food from Gary Bonano Catering and enjoy the Bucktown Allstars Band. Bid on wonderful, unique silent auction items donated by the community. This event will also include a fabulous restaurant raffle, and a 50/50. I’m humbled by the many sponsorships we are receiving, but we need you to purchase tickets. Click here to do so or for more info: <https://www.stpauls.com/support/events/jazz-n-roll/> Contact the Development Office (892-3200, ext 1270, for more info.

**Lasallian World:** Justin-Sienna High School, the Lasallian Catholic school in Napa, CA, closed last week due to the wildfires. While they hope to re-open this week, several of their families have lost everything and the president and principal have had to evacuate their homes. A [Justin-Siena Fire Relief Fund](#) has been established for school community members who are need of assistance. This and other information can be found at [www.facebook.com/JustinSiena/](http://www.facebook.com/JustinSiena/). We pray for our Lasallian brothers and sisters. Similarly, the Brothers Communities and San Francisco New Orleans District Offices located at Mont La Salle in Napa have all had to evacuate, and Mont La Salle is effectively shut down until the emergency is over. With permission of local officials (and several fire fighters who are Lasallian graduates), our Assistant Provincial and some staff members were allowed to visit the facility on Friday, where they hosed everything down and help humidify the air. The Brothers who were evacuated to other Bay Area Brothers' communities continue to do well. We pray for them, too!



#### **Last Week:**

- **Cross Country:** Wolves ran in Mississippi – and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> against some heavy competition!
- **Football:** Pre-freshmen fought hard against John Curtis but came up short on the scoreboard; 9<sup>th</sup>, JV, & Varsity won big against Ponchatoula.
- **Founder’s Week:** Thanks to student council and LYLs for:
  - A spiritually enriching mass on Monday
  - College shirts encouraging quality education on Tuesday along with an engaging Kahoot activity
  - “Choose Your Prayer” format again was well received by the students



- Thursday's assembly about adoption was informative and moving. David's story is compelling. Hope your son told you about it.
- Friday's Field Day was fun & well-organized and the boys seemed to enjoy it. Thanks, SC!

- **Honor Societies Induction Ceremony:** The combined MAT and NHS ceremony went well! Thanks, NHS and MAT for organizing a pleasant ceremony!
- **Marching Wolves, Golden Blues, & Cheerleaders:** As always, the MWs, GBs & CLs performed great on Fri! And the Marching Pups and Mini-Blues from last week's elementary school band camp were great.
- **PSAT:** A tough test! Let's hope for the best.
- **Trevor's Absence:** The school ran well without him on Wed! Didn't know he was gone? Well, he spent Wed at the annual Archdiocesan Administrators Conference in Biloxi where he made a presentation on our CORE Pack program.



*Pre-freshmen prepare to test their robots.*

**Mary, Queen of Peace Youth Group:** The Mary, Queen of Peace FourTwelve Youth Group is hosting a retreat at Camp Living Waters in Loranger, La., November 10-12. Registration deadline is October 11. You can register by visiting their website: <http://www.maryqueenofpeace.org/fourtwelve/retreat> For more info, contact MQP's Youth Director, Elise Bennett, at [ebennett@maryqueenofpeace.org](mailto:ebennett@maryqueenofpeace.org) or call at 985-202-0264 with any questions or concerns. I hope we have some SPS representatives.



*Hoping to duplicate this scene!*

**Moms for Mums:** The Mothers' Club will again sponsor this wonderful event. The event honors the moms' sons while simultaneously beautifying the campus in anticipation of our many guests who will tour the campus during Open House. It's time to save the date. October 28th is the date for Open House so we will collect them starting on the October 19 - 27. This is always a special sight to see the campus festooned (love that word!) with mums. Thanks, Moms!

**Open House for Prospective Students** will take place on Saturday, Oct 28, at 1 pm starting in the Briggs Assembly Center. Spread the word! Parents and students are our best publicity! People would much rather listen to you than to me!



**Opioid Epidemic:** The Substance Addiction Ministry Mary Queen of Peace Church Presents **George J. Cazenavette, IV Special DEA Agent.** The event will be at MQP's Parish Center (1501 W. Causeway Approach) on Tuesday, October 17 from 7 – 8:30 P.M. Special Agent (and SPS dad) Cazenavette will give an overview of the current opioid epidemic in our communities and nation. For information call: 985-626-7905

**The Paper Wolf:** Congrats to TPW for the flurry of articles being written and published. The quality of writing is excellent. I do hope you subscribe.

If not, support our guys and do so. It's free. Here's the link: <http://thepaperwolf.com>

**Report Cards:** We emailed report cards last week. Check your spam folder if you didn't receive it. If it's not there, let me know and I'll send you another copy.



**St. Peter Parish** in Covington invites you to their Parish Mission, Mon thru Wed, Oct 16-18, 2017. Fr. Joe Palermo will present *"Living as a Beloved Child of God."* Presentations begin at 7 p.m. Mon and Tue, with a concluding Mass and presentation to begin at 7:00 p.m. Wed. More details may be found at [stpeterparish.com](http://stpeterparish.com) or call the rectory, 985.892.2422.



**Senior Parents:** The official March through the Arch pictures are in! I don't want to just hand them to the seniors as many pictures will end up at the bottom of a book bag or the back seat of a car. If you are on campus, stop by the admin building for the picture. Or give your son a note authorizing him to get the picture for you – after you talk to him about treating the pictures with respect! These pictures are FREE, courtesy of Expressions Photography. Thanks, Expressions!

**Service Opportunities:** Please encourage your son where possible to support:

• **Legacy National Hospice:** From Volunteer Coordinator Kathy Romano: *Legacy Hospice is always in need of volunteers. Students need not have direct contact with the patients or their Families. I am looking for students to do office work, or if they have any special talents they would like to share. Our only requirements are that they have two letters of recommendation. I will personally supervise their work. I do try to make it fun for them. We are getting*

*ready for a food drive and need some boxes labeled and decorated. That is just one idea we have going right now. St. Pauls has a superior reputation for the education of young men. I hope you will consider*



giving me an opportunity to share the reward of what we do for our patients and the community. For more info, contact: [Kathy.romano@legacyhospice.net](mailto:Kathy.romano@legacyhospice.net) Cell# 985-607-4246

- Lyon Elementary ([1615 N. Florida Street, Covington LA 70433](#)) is having a spruce up day on Saturday, November 4th at 8am till noon. From Lyon: *If you could make this known to St. Paul's students looking for service hours, it would be much appreciated. If students could bring their service hour sheets, we would happily sign for their service. Please contact me with any questions.*
- Madisonville Beach Sweep: Sat, Oct 21 from 10 – noon. Call 778-7790 to register or for more info.
- OLL *Festival of the Lake* will be October 20, 21, & 22. **Please visit the Festival website at [www.festivalofthelake.com](http://www.festivalofthelake.com) -advanced ticket purchasing, volunteering ( sign up genius tab) and entertainment schedule.** Any questions on volunteering, please contact Shawn Klein (504)-235-9008 or [sklein1534@gmail.com](mailto:sklein1534@gmail.com)
- St. Tammany Parish Hospital's Monster Mash on Oct 21 at Bogue Falaya Park in Covington. Monster Mash is the only fundraiser for the STPH Parenting Center and all of its program for families, which are offered to the community at little or no cost. Almost 450 volunteers are needed to make Monster Mash a success. If interested in volunteering, contact Marlise Eschete at 898-4670 or click <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f044aa8ac2aa4fa7-monster2>. Tickets go on sale Sep 25. Go to <http://www.stph.org/MonsterMash> for more information.

**Social Media:** Connect with the Wolves on Social Media to see the latest pictures and posts of all the wonderful events at St. Paul's School. The Facebook and Twitter feeds are on our newly re-vamped website, or you can follow us at

Facebook @St.Pauls.School.Covington.Louisiana

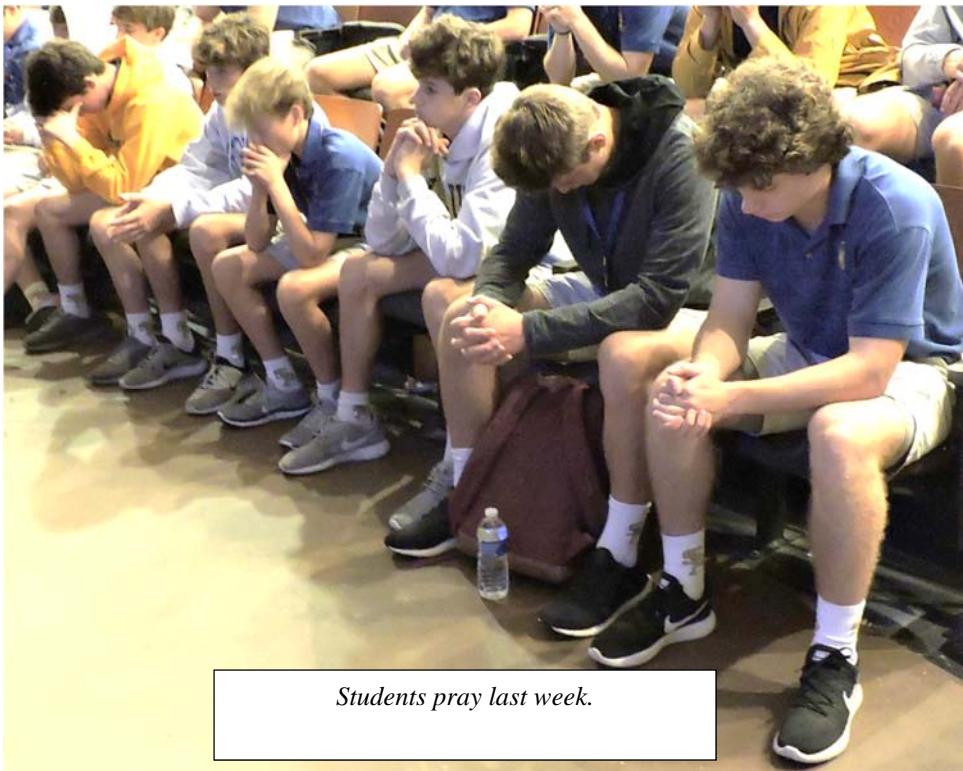
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### **SSA Auditions for Spring Musical "Grease":**

- **Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup> – Vocal Auditions 3:30-5pm**
- **Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> – Dance Auditions 3:30-4:30**
- **Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> – Callbacks 3:30-5pm**
- If you are only interested in dancing, you do not need to attend the vocal audition.
- ALL people who are interested in a LEAD or SUPPORTING role MUST attend BOTH VOCAL and DANCE auditions.
- **Vocal:** Prepare no more than one minute. Can be acapella, with a track or with sheet music. Song should be up-tempo and in the style of Grease (up-tempo, rock n roll, 1950's, etc. )
- **Dance:** Come prepared to dance!
- **Auditions are held in Room 64 at SSA**
- Any questions please see Mrs. Carmadelle or Mr. Goodrich

**Sunday Activities:** I remind all of the policy of Archbishop Gregory Aymond that Catholic schools are not to schedule any activity on a Sunday without permission.





*Students pray last week.*

**Trevor's Absence:** Trevor Watkins leaves Tuesday for a two-week recruiting trip to China. Not that we need students, but the international diversity would be nice. We wish Trevor safe and enjoyable international component travels. Call on Joe Dickens or me if you need something during Trevor's absence.

**Tutoring:** National Honor Society tutoring begins Tue, Sep 5, according to the following schedule:

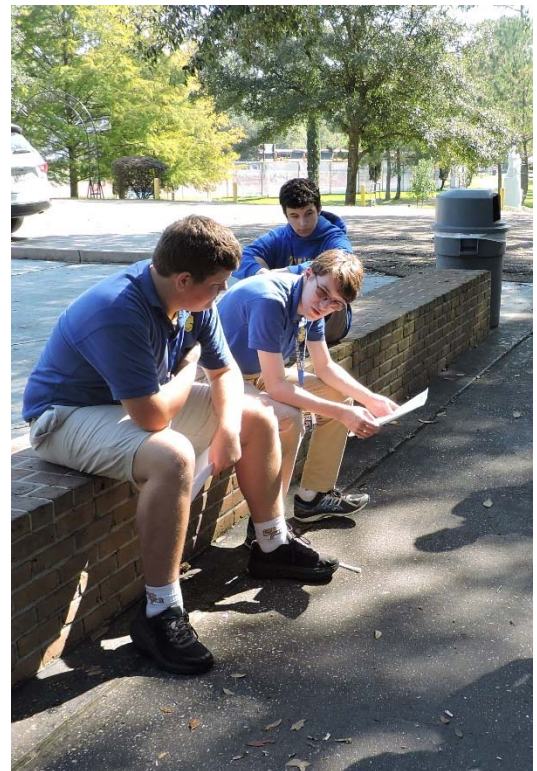
- Tuesday and Thursday mornings beginning at 7:15 in La Salle 207
- Monday and Thursday at

lunch in LaSalle 207.

- Essay proofreading services also provided.
- Please encourage your son to take advantage of this awesome opportunity to get help from their most capable peers. **It is not embarrassing to do so!**

**Weekly Humor:** Some test questions and answers:

- *Name the four seasons. Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar*
- *Explain one process that makes water safe to drink. Flirtation makes water safe to drink because it removes large pollutants like grit, sand, dead sheep and canoeists*
- *How does dew form? The sun shines on leaves and makes them sweat.*
- *What causes tides? Tides are a fight between the earth and the moon. All water flows towards the moon, because there is no water on the moon, and nature abhors a vacuum. I forget why the sun joins the fight.*
- *What are steroids? Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs.*
- *What happens as you age? You become intercontinental.*
- *Name a major disease associated with smoking. Premature death.*
- *How can you delay milk turning sour? Keep it in the cow.*
- *How are the main parts of the body categorized? The body consists of 3 parts - the brainium, borax and abominable cavity. The brainium contains the brain, the borax contains the heart and lungs and the abominable cavity contains the bowels: A, E, I, O, and U.*
- *What is the fibula? A small lie.*



*Students chill at lunch.*



- What does 'varicose' mean? Nearby.
- What is a seizure? A Roman Emperor.
- What is a terminal illness? You are sick at the airport.
- What does the word 'benign' mean? Benign is what you will be after you be eight.

**Yearbook:** Yearbook sales are now OPEN! Purchase The Conifer 2017-2018 online at <https://yearbookforever.com/> for the discounted price of \$60 (price increases to \$65 after Jan 1.) You can only purchase yearbooks on line. Make sure you choose Saint Paul's School in Covington, LA. You must spell out the word "Saint" and not abbreviate it. Please contact Yearbook Moderator Mimi Monteiro at [m.monteiro@stpauls.com](mailto:m.monteiro@stpauls.com) if you have any questions.

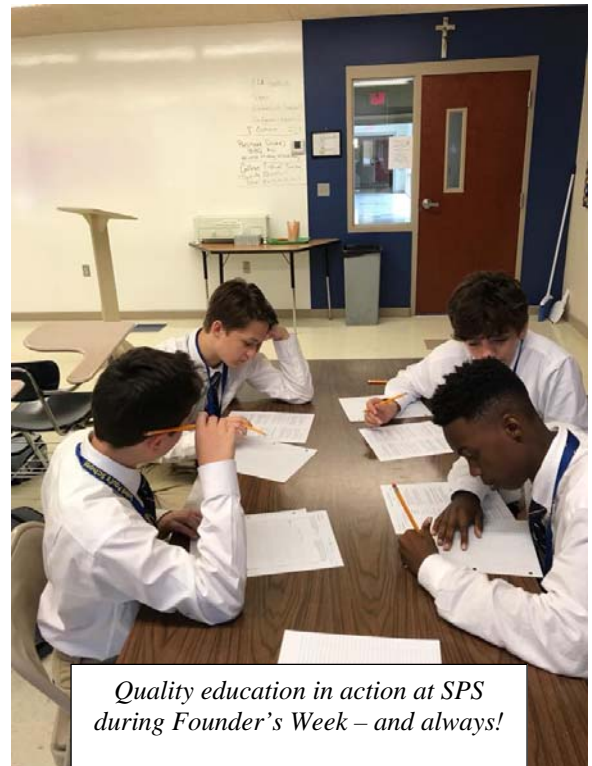
## Period Rotation 2017-2018

### October

- 16 – GABC
- 17 – DEFG – Pack Time
- 18 – ABCD – *Teacher Appreciation/ Snack Day*
- 19 – EFGA
- 20 – BCDE – *Pep Rally schedule*
- 23 – FGAB - 9:00 Late Start for Faculty In-Service – *Parent/Teacher Meetings 5-7 in BAC*
- 24 – CDEF – President's Assembly
- 25 – GABC
- 26 – DEFG
- 27 – ABCD – 9:00 Late Start for Faculty Health Screenings
- 30 – EFGA – *8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Honor Roll Breakfast in BAC*
- 31 – BCDE – Pack Time *10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Honor Roll Breakfast in BAC*

### November

- 1 – FGAB – Mass
- 2 – CDEF – Day of the Dead Assembly
- 3 – GABC – *Senior HR Breakfast - Cafeteria*
- 6 – Archdiocese Day for Faculty
- 7 – DEFG – President's Assembly
- 8 – ABCD – Sophomore Service Day
- 9 – EFGA – Pre Freshmen on Retreat
- 10 – BCDE – Pre Freshmen on Retreat
- 13 – FGAB - 9:00 Late Start for Faculty In-Service
- 14 – CDEF – Pack Time
- 15 – GABC
- 16 – DEFG
- 17 – ABCD
- 27 – EFGA
- 28 – BCDE – President's Assembly
- 29 – FGAB
- 30 – CDEF



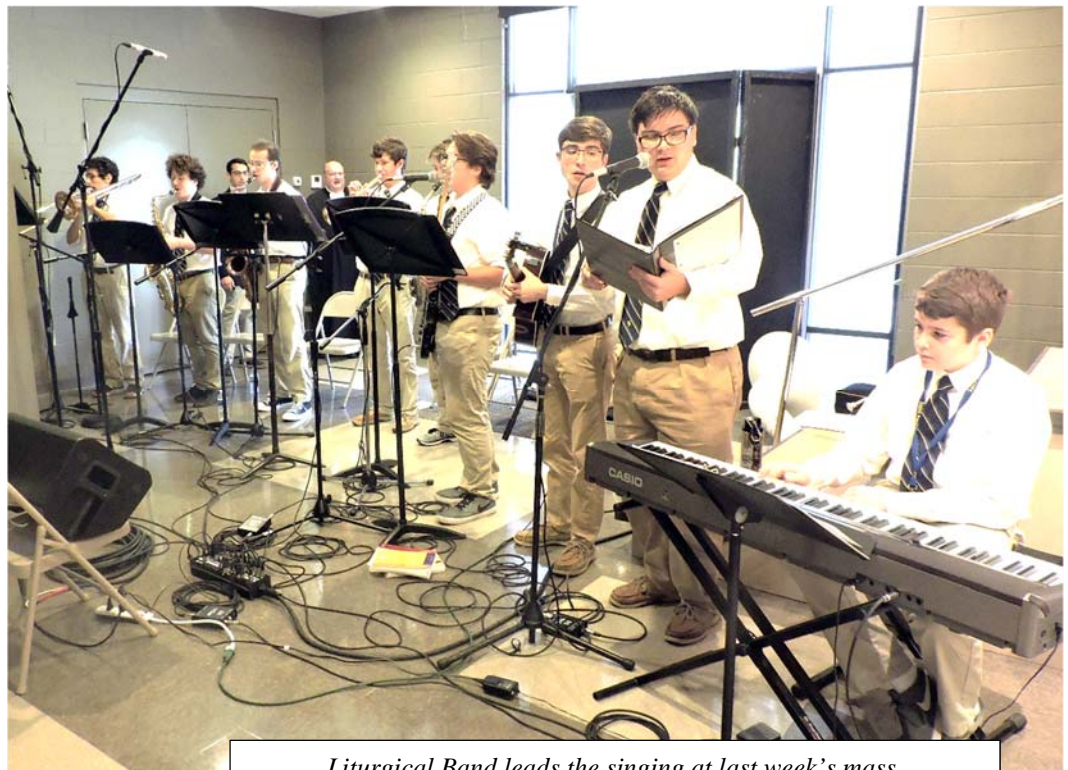


## December

- 1 – GABC – *Blood Drive in New Gym Lobby*
- 4 – DEFG
- 5 – ABCD – Pack Time
- 6 – EFGA
- 7 – BCDE – *Snack Day*
- 8 – FGAB – Mass I. Conception
- 11 – CDEF
- 12 – GABC – President's Assembly
- 13 – DEFG(A)
- 14 – Exams
- 15 – Exams
- 18 – Exams
- 19 – Exams – *Teacher Christmas Party in Cafeteria 11:30*

## January

- 3 – ABCD – Seniors on Retreat
- 4 – EFGA – Seniors on Retreat
- 5 – BCDE – Seniors on Retreat
- 8 – FGAB
- 9 – CDEF – Pack Time – *Snack Day*
- 10 – GABC
- 11 – DEFG
- 12 – ABCD
- 16 – EFGA – President's Assembly
- 17 – BCDE
- 18 – FGAB
- 19 – CDEF
- 22 – GABC – 8/9 HR  
*Breakfast in BAC*
- 23 – DEFG – Pack Time 10/11  
*HR Breakfast in BAC*
- 24 – ABCD – 12<sup>th</sup> HR  
*Breakfast in Cafeteria / Junior Career Day*
- 25 – EFGA – Mass  
Conversion of St. Paul
- 26 – BCDE – Possible LPO  
Concert
- 29 – FGAB
- 30 – CDEF – President's  
Assembly
- 31 – GABC



*Liturgical Band leads the singing at last week's mass.*



# First Semester Exam Schedule

## Wednesday, December 13 – DEFG(A)

- Regular classes in periods DEFG
- Review for Period A Exam
- **Special Exam Review Schedule (76 min. classes With SSR)**
- 7:45 – 9:16            Period D/CNN
- 9:23 – 10:54        Period E
- 10:54– 11:39        Lunch
- 11:35 – 1:00        Period F
- 1:05 – 2:11        Period G (Last class period of semester)
- 2:16 - 3:00        Period A Exam Review

## Thursday, December 14

- **Special Exam/Prayer Service/Principal's Assembly/Snack Schedule**
- 8:15 -8:30            Prayer, Roll and Announcements
- 8:30 – 10:00        Period A Exam
- 10:05-10:45        Advent Prayer Service (Gym)
- 10:55- 11:40        Period B Review
- 11:40-12:25        Lunch
- 12:30-1:00        President's Assembly (Gym)
- 1:00-1:15            Break
- 1:15 – 2:00        Period C Review
- 2:10                  Dismissal

## Friday, December 15

- 8:15-8:30            Prayer, Roll and Announcements
- 8:30 -10:00        Period B Exam
- 10:00-10:10        Break
- 10:10-11:40        Period C Exam
- 11:40-12:25        Lunch
- 12:30-1:15        Period D Review
- 1:20-2:05        Period E Review
- 2:10                  Dismissal

## Monday, December 18

- 8:15 – 8:30        Prayer, Roll, Announcements
- 8:30 – 10:00        Period D Exam
- 10:00 – 10:10        Break
- 10:10 – 11:40        Period E Exam
- 11:40 – 12:25        Lunch
- 12:30 – 1:15        Period F Review
- 1:20 – 2:05        Period G Review
- 2:10                  Dismissal



*Caleb, Frank, & Sam – our faithful altar servers at last week's mass.*



## Tuesday, December 19

- 8:15-8:30 Prayer, Roll and Announcements
- 8:30 -10:00 Period F Exam
- 10:00-10:10 Break
- 10:10-11:40 Period G Exam
- 11:45 Dismissal

Whew! Enough for now! I can't believe we are starting the eleventh week of the school year – the second week of the second quarter!

As usual, I'll close with a paraphrase of one of my favorite NPR radio shows (which I can't listen to any more since WWNO stopped broadcasting the show but I'm still LOLing over past shows on its website!): well, it's happened again – you've squandered perfectly good time reading my ramblings!

Pray that we continue our good beginning! May our year be one of grace and blessing! Know of my prayer for you and your family and call on me if I can help! Again, thanks for being part of the 2017 - 18 edition of Saint Paul's School.

Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC

The 17<sup>th</sup> Christian Brother President of Saint Paul's School



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

