



## *The President's Hebdomadal Blue Ribbon Newsletter* *Oct 23 - 29, 2017*



Welcome to the final full week of October and the third week of the second quarter!  
Time marches on; all we can do is make the most of it.

Six years ago this Friday, Oct 28, 2011, Brother Alvaro Rodriguez Echeverria, then-Superior General of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, visited SPS. In his honor, we celebrated a memorable all-school liturgy and formed a Lasallian star. It was a magical moment in our school's history and the picture remains an iconic one. In his address to the students during Mass that day, **Brother Alvaro made the following points that are worthy of review:**



- Lasallians must be concerned with rights of the child
- Lasallians must serve others, especially the poor
- Lasallians must engage in interreligious dialogue
- Lasallians must form quality relationships
- Lasallians must be people of faith
- Lasallians must have hearts without borders,  
allowing us to be concerned with all, both here and throughout the global community



And even though Brother Alvaro is no longer Superior General, let's renew our commitment today to his vision of what a Lasallian school should be. Let's re-kindle the excitement of our centennial six years ago so (and we will be doing that in a special way starting in January!) that when SPS celebrates its bi-centennial in 2111, they will look back at our time and say "this was our finest hour" (apologies to Winston Churchill!) – even though I want SPS to be greater in 2111 than today!

### **Mon, Oct 23 (9am class start for faculty meeting at 7:45; F G A B)**

- Today, the Lasallian world celebrates the memorial feast of Blessed Brother Arnold, a Christian Brother (1838-1890) who was beatified by Pope John Paul II. From the Brothers' web site: *Arnold was born into a poor family and left school early to work as a stable boy, coachman, and for local construction. He met the Brothers while attending evening classes at their school and joined. He taught for 14 years at a boarding school in Reims. Despite a full teaching schedule, he privately studied math, theology, science & agriculture. During Franco-Prussian War of 1870, he cared for medical & spiritual needs of the wounded on both sides; he was awarded the Bronze Cross. His work won the hearts of his students by his care for their spiritual and professional development. He died at 52 with a reputation for sanctity. Work and pray so that people will say the same about our reputations! Blessed Brother Arnold— watch over us and inspire us!*
- **Mole Day:** Celebrated annually on Oct 23 from 6:02 a.m. to 6:02 p.m., Mole Day commemorates Avogadro's Number ( $6.02 \times 10^{23}$ ), a basic chemistry measuring unit. Will Lee's classes make moles again this year? Stay tuned!
- **The Swallows Depart San Juan, Capistrano** today as they head for their winter home in Argentina.
- **Parent-Teacher Conferences 5 – 7 pm in the BAC (see below for more info)**

**Tue, Oct 24 (Assembly; Shadow Day (a full house!); C D E F)**

- **Let Us Remember Dept:** Today marks the twelve year anniversary of the death of Brother Bill Parsons. While fewer at SPS remember Bill, his presence and influence continue. We remember Bill and his contribution to the Christian education of youth and take comfort in the role he played in our lives. Brother Bill, pray for us! In his memory, let's pay attention to our English today – and teach the entire period – which was something on which he insisted.
- **This Day in History:** In 1861, Western Union sends the first transcontinental telegram from San Francisco to Washington, DC, addressed to President Abraham Lincoln from the Chief Justice of California.
- **TDIH:** In 1945, The United Nations is founded.
- **National Bologna Day:** Eat a bologna sandwich! I'll pass!
- **Manresa Retreat:** A group of juniors travels to Manresa for 24 hour silent retreat through Wed
- **Alumni Trivia Night:** 7 pm in cafeteria
- **Wrestling:** Picture Day (after school); Meet the Team (6 in old gym)



*Fisher & Evan display their edible cells in biology while David admires their works of art.*

**Wed, Oct 25 (7 am mass; regular D E F G)**

- **TDIH:** In 1854, during the Crimean War, the Charge of the Light Brigade occurred. Of the 673 British cavalrymen, 272 were killed. The Charge was later immortalized in the poem by Alfred, Lord Tennyson. (*Theirs not to make reply, Theirs not to reason why, Theirs but to do and die. Into the valley of Death Rode the six hundred*) Re-read this famous poem today!
- **TDIH:** In 1983, over 2000 US Marines and Army Rangers invade the tiny Caribbean island of Grenada “to restore order and democracy.”
- **TDIH.** In 1881, Pablo Picasso, co-founder of the Cubist movement and one of the greatest, most influential artists of 20th century, is born in Malaga, Spain. Spend time today viewing some Picasso. Here's a link: [http://www.google.com/images?q=picasso&oe=utf-8&rls=org.mozilla:en-US:official&client=firefox-a&um=1&ie=UTF-8&source=univ&ei=D3XBTL\\_6AoT7lwff25nLCg&sa=X&oi=image\\_result\\_group&ct=title&resnum=4&ved=0CEoQsAQwAw&biw=1024&bih=578](http://www.google.com/images?q=picasso&oe=utf-8&rls=org.mozilla:en-US:official&client=firefox-a&um=1&ie=UTF-8&source=univ&ei=D3XBTL_6AoT7lwff25nLCg&sa=X&oi=image_result_group&ct=title&resnum=4&ved=0CEoQsAQwAw&biw=1024&bih=578)
- **TDIH:** The Advanced Ed/Southern Association Quality Review Team arrived on campus for a 3-day inspection. SPS passed with flying colors!
- **Sour Day:** Life given you lemons? Today's the day to shout about it. Reserve the right to be grumpy, irritable and sour about the world and everything in it. But tomorrow you've got to be sweet to everyone!
- **World Pasta Day:** National Pasta Day was a few weeks ago and, now it's World Pasta Day – so eat some more pasta!
- **Football:** 9<sup>th</sup> & JV at F'Bleau (5:30)
- **Mellow Mushroom Community Night:** SPS gets a portion of sales this evening when you mention our name. Thank you, Mellow Mushroom.



### Thu, Oct 26 (Regular; A B C D)

- **TDIH:** In 1881, the Earp brothers face off against the Clanton-McLaury gang in a shootout at the OK Corral in Tombstone, AZ. Relive Old West history today!
- **TDIH:** In 1958, Pan American Airways flies the first direct commercial jet flight from New York to Paris using a Boeing 707.
- **Howl at the Moon Day:** Release your inner wolf and go wild – full moon or not!
- **Football:** 8<sup>th</sup> v. Brother Martin (5:30)
- **Swimming:** Metro Meet Prelims (at UNO)

### Fri, Oct 27: (9 am start for wellness screening; regular; E F G A)

- **Wellness Screening and Flu Shots for faculty and staff** begin at 6:30 in the BAC. To lesson class interruptions, we will begin classes at 9:00. Students do not need to report until 9, but cafeteria and library will be open for regular arrivals. Thanks for helping our faculty to stay healthy.
- **TDIH:** In 1858, Theodore Roosevelt is born in NY City. In his honor today, speak softly, but carry a big stick!
- **Cranky Co-Workers Day:** Let cranky co-workers enjoy their miseries. Fortunately, we have no cranky SPS ones – just a cranky President, Principal, AP, and Dean.
- **Navy Day:** In the US, Navy Day is commonly celebrated on Oct 27<sup>th</sup>. This date was selected as it was the birth date of President Theodore Roosevelt, an avid supporter of the US Navy. In the 1970's, research determined that the birthdate of the US Continental Navy was Oct 13, 1775. At the time, efforts were made to move Navy Day to this date. However, Navy Day in the US is still largely recognized as Oct 27. We salute all members of the US Navy, both past and present, and thank them for their service to our country.
- **Football:** Varsity at Mandeville (7)



*Seniors enjoy snack day last week.*

### Sat, Oct 28

- **TDIH:** In 1922, hundreds gather around radios to hear the first-ever cross-country broadcast of a college football game. The Princeton Tigers beat Coach Amos Alonso Stagg's formidable Chicago Maroons.
- **TDIH:** In 1886, the Statue of Liberty was dedicated by President Grover Cleveland on Bedloe's Island in New

York harbor. The statue was a gift from the people of France commemorating the French-American alliance during the

American Revolution. Designed by Frederic Auguste Bartholdi, the entire structure stands 300 feet tall.

The pedestal contains the words: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe

free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me; I lift my lamp beside the golden door.”

- **National Chocolate Day:** Indulge! (As if some of you needed a reason!)
- **ACT on campus this morning**
- **Open House for Prospective Students** (1 pm). If you know of anyone interested in SPS for next year, encourage the family to attend. Administration & Dept chairs will be present, with student hosts & several students who will speak about our school. Thanks to all who are helping! Let's hope for a good turnout! I hope you have noticed the large amount of advertising that schools have been doing to recruit students. We must NOT take our enrollment for granted. Comply with Trevor's directive to “spruce up” (can you “spruce down?”) and “de-clutter” your space. We pray for the best.
- **Math Tournament:** Fighting Math Wolves enter competition in the Ben Franklin Tournament. Good luck, FMWs!
- **Swimming:** Metro Meet Finals (UNO)
- **Basketball:** JV & Varsity v. Sophie Wright (1 pm)

**Sun, Oct 29 – we encourage all of our families to attend church today, especially our Catholic families**

- **TDIH:** In 1969, the first electronic message was sent via the Internet. Let's not draw attention to the fact that the system crashed half way through sending it, though. And speaking of crashes, in 1929, the New York Stock Exchange “crashes” beginning the Great Depression.
- **TDIH:** Today marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the canonization of Saint Brother Benilde in Rome: Oct 29, 1967! Let us remember this remarkable saint who was noted for doing the ordinary things in an extraordinary way. May we strive to imitate him!
- **Hermit Day:** a day to spend quietly in seclusion. Hmmm.... Sounds good to me!
- **National Candy Corn Day:** Indulge! (Notice a theme building up to Halloween?)
- **National Cat Day:** OK you cat lovers! Here's your day to celebrate with Tabby!



*Matthew enjoys snack day last week*

**I offer the following in alphabetical order, not order of importance.**

**Admissions for 2018 - 19:** Yes, we are looking ahead to next year. 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.

**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.



**Child Mind Institute**, an independent, national nonprofit dedicated to transforming the lives of children and families struggling with mental health and learning disorders, released it's 2017 Children's Mental Health Report recently. A section focused on the role of smartphones and social media. Here is a summary of results:

- The good:
  - 12th-graders in 2015 were going out less often than 8th-graders did in 2009.
  - Drinking, illicit drug use, and car accidents are down.
  - Ninth-graders now are 40% less sexually active and the teen birth rate is down 67 percent since 1991.
  - Less than an hour of gaming a day may have positive mental health effects.
- The bad:
  - Eighth-graders who spend 10 or more hours a week on social media are 56% more likely to report being unhappy than those who spend less time.
  - Heavy social media use increases reports of unhappiness by 56%
  - Heavy users of social media increase their risk of depression by 27 percent.
  - YouTube is widely viewed by teens as a positive force, but teens report Snapchat, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram increase feelings of anxiety
  - Girls are disproportionately affected by the negative aspects of social media.
  - More than twice as many girls as boys said they had been cyberbullied in the last year (22% vs. 10%).
  - Boys' depression increased by 21% between 2012 and 2015, and girls' increased by 50%.
  - Teens who spent three or more hours a day on electronic devices were 28% more likely to get less than seven hours of sleep, and teens who visited social media sites every day were 19% more likely not to get adequate sleep. Lack of sleep can negatively affect teens' mood, ability to think, to react, to regulate their emotions, to learn and to get along with adults. It's a vicious cycle—lack of sleep affects mood, and depression can lead to lack of sleep. And multiple studies have found that severe sleep debt is linked to suicidal ideation.
  - Teens who don't sleep enough are more than twice as likely to report higher levels of depressive symptoms (31% vs 12%).
  - Teens who sleep less than seven hours a night are also 68% more likely to have at least one risk factor for suicide.

**Ducks in Campus Pond:** We lost another American Pekin duck in our pond one night last week when a critter (probably a coyote) attacked it. And now there are only two left of the original four.

**Jazz n Roll** was a smashing success. Many, many SPS supporters gathered in the BAC for a memorable evening of food and fun – which involved a LOT of work on the part of our Development Team! Thanks, DT – and all those who helped make it such a success! And, as always, special thanks to the Student Hosts – without whom we could not have done the job!



*Alex, Jacob, and Clayton on ROTC uniform day.*

## Lasallian World:

- **Justin-Sienna High School in Napa:** After more than a week of closure that saw many of their families and faculty evacuating due to the wildfires, JSHS re-opened this week. We will send a donation to them to help the families who lost their homes – just as the Lasallian world came to our aid after Katrina.
- **Mont La Salle in Napa:** As of this writing, Mont La Salle was still evacuated and all operations there were closed. The facility was being used as a base camp for firefighters.

## Last Week:

- **Alumni:** 2007 & 2012 District Football Champion teams seemed to enjoy their time on campus last Fri night. Thanks to alumni and development teams for hosting them.
- **Beowulf Classic:** Frisbees were flying Sat as the Dire Wolves hosted a great tournament.
- **Cross Country:** Varsity & JV District Champs – again! Geaux Cross Country Wolves!
- **CG, CLs, MWs & GBs** acquitted themselves exemplarily Friday. And the Marching Pups and Mini-Blues added quite a nice touch. Thanks!
- **Fall Break Non-Holiday:** Sorry for the confusion. Over the summer, after a first draft of the calendar was posted which showed a fall break holiday on Oct 16, the Archdiocese scheduled the professional development day on Nov 6 and told schools to cancel classes that day. We thus had to cancel Oct 16 (to ensure the number of days), so students will get Nov 6 off – and we will do professional development.



*Congrats to Northlake Regional Champion Aqua Wolves!*

- **Football:** 8<sup>th</sup> beat Algiers Charter and Varsity beat Slidell.
- **HOSA Field Trip:** Members of our active club (for future medical personnel) traveled to UL in Lafayette last Thursday for a forum on health care professions. The boys indicated that the experience was quite worthwhile.
- **Living Rosary at OLL:** I again had the privilege on Friday of being “The Apostle’s Creed” – my 30<sup>th</sup> appearance at this spiritually uplifting event! Thanks, OLL, for continuing this wonderful rosary and inviting me to participate.
- **Rosary at SPS:** Religion classes recited the rosary last week for world peace. Mary – hear their prayer!
- **Snack Day / Teacher Appreciation:** Once again, the Mothers’ Club provided a tasty treat for all. Thanks, MC – for ALL that you do!
- **Sudden Impact:** Our first group experienced this powerful program. Thanks to LA State Police and St. Tammany Parish Hospital.
- **Swimming:** Aqua Wolves brought home a Regional Championship! I hear Handel playing!

**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 Breakfasts:** Invitations were emailed last week. If you didn't receive one and you think you son made the honor roll, let me know. Students and parents are invited. We begin at 7:40 sharp and it's over by 8:20. Here's the format: a nice Chick-fil-A breakfast is served, students are recognized individually, and yours truly makes some congratulatory remarks. Here's the schedule:

- Monday, October 30 for grades 8 & 9 in the BAC
- Tuesday, October 31 for grades 10 & 11 in the BAC
- Friday, November 3 for grade 12 in the cafeteria.



**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.

**Legal Trivia:** Does a public school student have a free speech right to make highly offensive and threatening posts on social media in an off-campus setting, not using school equipment? No, ruled both a lower court and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in *Wyner v. Douglas County School District*, which upheld the school district's expulsion of the student, who claimed he was "only joking" and had free speech rights. According to an article in *High School Today*, "in recent years, courts have consistently ruled that even if a student claims he was only joking, threats to commit a school shooting are tantamount to the "substantial disruption" standard that courts want schools to use in such matters." Of course, private schools are not governed under constitutional law but by contract law – and our handbook is the contract with you. But we would have taken the same action against a student who did this. I again caution our students to be VERY careful about what they post on social media.



**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 from Oct 23 - 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! And SSA's Open House is Thu, November 2 from 4 – 7 pm.

**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>

**Parent – Teacher Conferences** occur Monday, Oct 23, between 5 – 7 in the BAC. No “appointments” are necessary, as the teachers will be in the BAC and you can visit with the ones you want.

**Report Cards:** We emailed report cards. 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.

**Presidents' Meeting:** The presidents of the four Lasallian schools in the Archdiocese of New Orleans (can you name them?) met last week to discuss collaborative ways of promoting Lasallian education in our area and to offer support to each other. I enjoyed my time with Marc Milano from Archbishop Rummel, Joey Scaffidi from Christian Brothers School, and Mike Giambelluca from De La Salle. I was intrigued to see De La Salle's former library completely empty of books! They are following the trend to transform traditional libraries into more usable and creative space. In DLS's case, the 6000 sq ft former library is now officially called The CAVS Center, with CAVS standing for Collaborative Arts & Visual Scholarship Center. Tables, chairs, and technology fill the space and teachers are being challenged to find creative ways to implement the space into their curriculum. Very interesting and innovative!

**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.*

**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

Twitter @SPSWolfpack

**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.



*Wolves play jenga on Field Day.*

**Trevor's Travels:** Our principal is safely in China and reports that the country has changed much since his last visit. He's meeting many families with an interest in sending their students to America.

**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!**

**Wolf Packs:** Last week's Wolf Pack was powerful. The opioid epidemic is frightening – and occurring right here in St.

Tammany Parish. I hope your son brought the message home.

**Weekly Humor:** Points worth pondering:

- *I had amnesia once --- maybe twice.*
- *I went to San Francisco. I found someone's heart. Now what?*
- *Protons have mass? I didn't even know they were Catholic.*
- *All I ask is a chance to prove that money can't make me happy.*
- *What is a "free" gift? Aren't all gifts free?*
- *They told me I was gullible and I believed them.*
- *Experience is the thing you have left when everything else is gone.*

- *One nice thing about egotists: they don't talk about other people.*
- *My weight is perfect for my height-- which varies.*
- *I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not sure.*
- *How can there be self-help "groups"?*
- *If swimming is so good for your figure, how do you explain whales?*
- *Show me a man with both feet firmly on the ground, and I'll show you a man who can't get his pants off.*
- *Is it me -- or do buffalo wings taste like chicken?*
- *On the other hand, you have different fingers.*
- *Someone sent me a postcard picture of the earth. On the back it said, "Wish you were here."*
- *Cross country skiing is great if you live in a small country.*
- *I spilled spot remover on my dog. Now he's gone.*
- *If you're not part of the solution, you're part of the precipitate. (a chemistry joke!)*
- *I used to work in a fire hydrant factory. You couldn't park anywhere near the place.*
- *What's another word for Thesaurus?*
- *You can't have everything. Where would you put it?*
- *OK, I'll stop!*

**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.

## **A Look Ahead:**

### **October**

- 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; no classes for students
- 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*



*Wolves enjoy games on Field Day*

### 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

## **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



*Moms get in Halloween Spirit while serving snacks!*

## 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

## 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 twelfth 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!

May our year continue to 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.

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

