



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

March 25 – 31, 2019



Welcome to the final (can you believe it?) week of March. My message this week is simple:

Repent and Believe the Gospels!

Mon, Mar 25 (Regular; G A B C)

- **Feast of the Annunciation:** The Solemnity of the Annunciation celebrates the Angel Gabriel announcing to the Virgin Mary her the special mission God had chosen for her in being the mother of His only son. The Annunciation began to be celebrated on this day during the fourth and fifth centuries, soon after the date for celebrating Christmas was universalized throughout the Church. This feast celebrates the Incarnation of the Second Person of the Trinity and the salvation of all. This point of our salvation was deeply discussed by many of the Church fathers, to explain it to the faithful and to show the deep love God has for us. **Rejoice!**

Christmas is exactly nine month away!

- **Manatee Appreciation Day:** Cherish the endangered manatee today! Here's a poem: *I Like Manatees swimming in the sea / Manatee, manatee/ play with me! Big and gray, In the bay, eating 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!
- **Bowling in Regional Playoff. Geaux Bowling Wolves!**
- **Tennis** v. Franklinton
- **Baseball:** 8th v. Franklinton
- **Basketball Awards Ceremony**



The Annunciation, painted in 1489 by Renaissance painter Sandro Botticelli.

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plants*

Tue, Mar 26 (Wolf Packs; D E F G)

- **This Day in History:** In 1979, In a ceremony at the White House, Egyptian President Anwar el-Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin sign a historic peace agreement, ending three decades of hostilities between Egypt and Israel and establishing diplomatic and commercial ties.
- **Baseball:** JV & Varsity at Hammond;
- **Tennis:** Wolves v. Catholic at PAC
- **Golf:** Wolves in Northshore League Play
- **Soccer Awards Ceremony**

Wed, Mar 27 (7:15 am mass; Special Schedule; A B C D)

- **TDIH:** March Madness is born when, on this day in 1939, The University of Oregon defeats The Ohio State University 46–33 to win the first-ever NCAA men’s basketball tournament.
- **Quirky Country Music Song Titles Day:** Celebrate by playing such classics as Lou Carter’s *If I Had a Nose Full of Nickels*, *I’d Sneeze Them All Atchoo* or Johnny Cash’s *Flushed from the Bathroom of Your Heart* or Kenny Chesney’s *Being Drunk’s a Lot Like Loving You* or Dan Hicks’ *How Can I Miss You When You Won’t Go Away* – and, no, I’m not making these up & there are other titles not printable by a Catholic school president who wants to keep his job!
- **During assembly this morning, 12th grade will have Honor Roll Breakfast; 11th grade will attend talk on The Holocaust; 10th grade will have a level mass; others will do SSR/CNN**
- **Bowling Playoff (if we won on Monday)**
- **Baseball:** 8th v. Brother Martin (5)
- **College Fair Night for Juniors in the BAC**

Thu, Mar 28 (Regular; E F G A)

- **TDIH:** In 1969, Dwight D. Eisenhower, the 34th president of the United States and one of the most highly regarded American generals of World War II, dies in Washington, D.C., at the age of 78.
- **TDIH:** In 1979, the worst accident in the history of the U.S. nuclear power industry begins when a pressure valve in the Unit-2 reactor at Three Mile Island near Harrisburg, PA fails to close.
- **TDIH:** In 1984, Bob Irsay (1923-1997), owner of the once-mighty Baltimore Colts, moves the team to Indianapolis. Without any sort of public announcement, Irsay hired movers to pack up the team’s offices in Owings Mills, Maryland, in the middle of the night, while the city of Baltimore slept.
- **Something on a Stick Day:** Eat a Popsicle, corn dog, or anything on a stick today.
- **9th Grade Field Trip (half the class) and Retreat (the other half)**
- **During assembly this morning, 11th grade will have Honor Roll Breakfast; 12th grade will attend talk on The Holocaust; 8th grade will have a level mass; others will do SSR/CNN**
- **Baseball:** 8th v. John Curtis (4) and Jesuit (6); JV & Varsity at Covington
- **Track: Jr Hi in Strawberry Relays in Hammond**



Super Worm Moon over campus on early Tuesday morning.

Fri, Mar 29 (Regular; B C D E)

- **TDIH:** In 1929, President Herbert Hoover has a phone installed at his desk in the White House Oval Office.
- **TDIH:** In 1973, the last U.S. combat troops leave South Vietnam as Hanoi frees the remaining American POWs held in North Vietnam. America’s direct eight-year intervention in the Vietnam War was at an end.
- **9th Grade Field Trip (half the class) and Retreat (the other half) – reverse of yesterday**

- **College Signing:** Garrett Cooper will celebrate signing a scholarship to continue his marksmanship career. He will sign with the Division I Rifle Team at the University of Akron in Ohio. He will major in mechanical engineering.
- **Baseball:** JV & Varsity v. Covington (4 & 6:30)
- **Track:** Varsity in Parish Meet at Northshore
- **Balfour Senior Supply Delivery**

Sat, Mar 30

- **TDIH:** In 1867, U.S. Secretary of State William H. Seward signs a treaty with Russia for the purchase of Alaska for \$7 million. Despite the bargain price of roughly two cents an acre, the Alaskan purchase was ridiculed in Congress and in the press as “Seward’s folly,” “Seward’s icebox,” and President Andrew Johnson’s “polar bear garden.”
- **TDIH:** In 1981, President Ronald Reagan is shot while leaving the Washington Union Hotel in Washington, D.C. by 25-year-old John Hinckley Jr.
- **TDIH: A:** This popular TV game show debuted today in 1964. Q: What is JEOPARDY? Alex: Correct!
- **National Doctors Day:** Prayers and thanks to all physicians. Thank you for your dedication! God bless!
- **Take a Walk in the Park Day:** Great idea! I may just spend the day walking around park-like SPS!
- **Lacrosse:** JV & Varsity v. Lower Alabama
- **Baseball:** 9th v. M’ville & F’bleau at Mandeville
- **Jr – Sr Prom in the BAC**
- **Rugby:** Marconi Rugby Pitch (1:30 in City Park)



Students partake of the plethora of pastries on St. Joseph Altar!

Sun, Mar 31

- **TDIH:** In 1776, future first lady Abigail Adams writes to husband John Adams urging him to “remember the ladies” when drafting a new “code of laws” for the fledgling nation.
- **TDIH:** In 1836, the first monthly installment of *The Posthumous Papers of the Pickwick Club*, by 24-year-old writer Charles Dickens, is published under the pseudonym Boz. Only 400 copies were printed of the first installment, but by the 15th episode, 40,000 copies were printed. When the stories were published in book form in 1837, Dickens quickly became the most popular author of the day.
- **World Backup Day:** Back up those computer files today that you’ve been meaning to do for months!

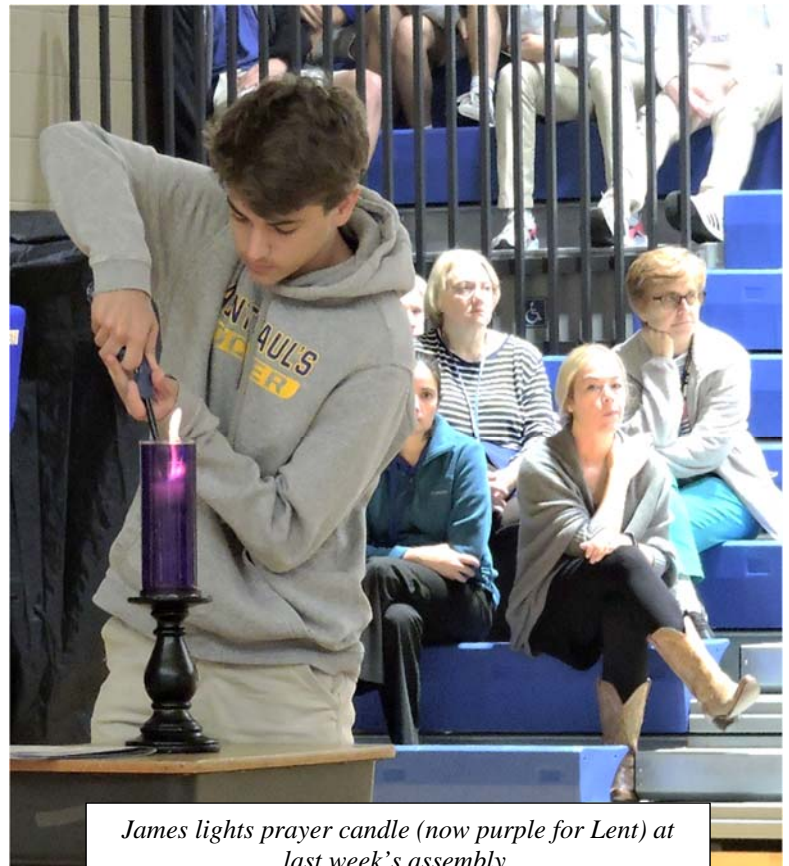
I offer the following for your consideration in alphabetical order, not necessarily order of importance:

Assembly: I hope the students enjoyed our March 19th assembly. Here’s 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 music played, **junior James Bradford** lit the prayer candle – now purple for Lent. We prayed in a special way for those who have entered into God’s Kingdom since last assembly

- **Brother Jeffrey Calligan, FSC**
- **Mrs. Esther Clesi, great grandmother of Quinn Garcia ‘21**
- **Mr. Joseph Edward Whitaker, g’father of Ben ‘19 & Adam ‘23 Seiden**
- **Mrs. Myrtle Alberts, grandmother of Joseph Alberts ‘22**
- **Mr. Shelton Mulkey, Jr., Father of Dr. Shannon D’Hemecourt**
- **Mr. Ronnie Vitellaro, grandfather of Peyton Vitellaro ‘19**
- **Mrs. Linda Aertker, grandmother of Jake Aertker ‘21**
- **Mr. Newell Ware Wright, great g’father of Owen Mendes ‘22**
- **Mr. Gift Kazingizi, father of PJ Kazingizi ‘21**



James lights prayer candle (now purple for Lent) at last week’s assembly.

- **Mr. Trevor Madlem, good friend of SPS teacher Ms. Melissa Lein**
- **Mr. Doug Donahue, SPS guidance counselor for 30 years**
- Welcomed back to campus a group of about 30 alumni who were visiting that day – and assured them they are not forgotten and that they have every reason to be proud of the present day iteration of Saint Paul's School.
- Reminded the students that we were celebrating Saint Joseph Day – and wished a Happy Feast Day to the 77 students and teachers who have Joseph as a first or middle name!
- Reminded students 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 The Marching Wolves & Golden Blues for their incredible Mardi Gras performances: seven parades, including the OLL Pep Rally and Walmart Special needs parade. Wow!
- Recognized and congratulated Director of Bands Andrew Moran on the birth of his daughter, Katherine Lubov Moran – during parade season, no less! Lubov means “love” in Russian and was Mrs. Moran’s grandmother’s name. Student Council President Josh Rovira presented Mr. Moran with a small gift for Katherine.
- Recognized and congratulated Dr. Ann Kay Logarbo for her incredible Saint Joseph Day altar, from which we all benefitted the day before the assembly. We applauded Dr. Logarbo *in absentia*



Undefeated District Champion Bowling Wolves prepare for playoffs!

- Recognized and congratulated Director Gordon Carmadelle and the cast and crew of *Newsies*.
- Recognized and congratulated the eight seniors who gave moving tributes to their mothers at the Mother-Son Dinner: **Julian Contreras, Collin Cottrell, Jackson Gold, Jacob Lauterbach, Andrew Moore, Josh Rovira, Matthew Vicknair, & Matthew Weimer**
- Recognized and congratulated the basketball team for their season, which didn't end as we had hoped, but we are proud of them!
- Briefly recognized and congratulated the Varsity Soccer Team for its state championship. A special assembly will be held in a few weeks to honor them, but I did want to add my two cents of congrats! Gave special recognition to Michael Dufour for being named outstanding player in the state championship game and to Conner Walmsley for being named St. Tammany male soccer player of the year by The Advocate.
- Recognized and congratulated the Bowling Team for its undefeated District Champ season! Special congrats to **Jacob Bounds, Kasey Gottschalk, Trystan Melerine, Peter Bertucci, Joseph Brown, Jonathan Wellmeyer and Jack Bertucci, Zachary van Zandt and Coach Peter Bertucci.**



- Recognized and congratulated the Power Lifting Team on their season: 2nd place in Southeast Regional and State Runner Up at the State Meet. The following placed at State: Jacob Frolich (6th); Jack Anzalone (4th); Logan Schilatz (6th); Connor Oviedo (6th); Joshua Kellum – State Champ; Philip Nicaud – State Champ; and Jason Touns – State Champ. The seniors, along with state champion Kellum, presented the 2nd place trophy to AD Craig Ketelsen.

- As I had run out of time, I informed everyone that the other recognitions I had would roll over to the next assembly. We ended the assembly by singing “O That Shame” – which the boys like. Junior Jesse Cheng then extinguished the prayer candle and I reminded them of their duty to leave the gym and be the love of God, grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and fellowship of the Holy Spirit to each and every person they meet. They assured me they would! We then exited to the strains of Vivaldi's “Spring” from “Four Seasons.”

- It was a great assembly – at least I thought so!

Celebrity Dinner: I offer thanks to all of you who helped. But our jobs were simple compared to the months of hard work by the Development Team who produced this incredible event. The evening was filled with positive SPS spirit by so many people – who seemed to have a very good time. **Thanks to all of you who supported this important event in the life of our school.**

Calendar for 2019 - 20: Here is our tentative calendar for next year (for those who really plan!)

- M-W, Aug 05 – 07 Faculty meetings/prep days
- Thu, Aug 08 Full day of class instruction for SPS (public schools open on Aug 09)
- Thu, Aug 22 March through the Arch; Senior Unity Day; Senior Ring Ceremony
- Fri, Aug 30 Lasallian Formation Day (no classes)
- Mon, Sep 02 Labor Day Holiday
- Fri, Oct 11 1st Q ends; Grandparent Day
- Mon, Nov 04 Archdiocesan Formation Day
- Mon-Fri, Nov 25-29 Thanksgiving Holidays
- Mon-Thurs, Dec 16-19 Semester Exams
- Mon, Jan 06: Classes resume & Second Semester begins
- Mon, Jan 20 Martin Luther King Holiday
- Fri, Feb 21 Faculty Retreat Day (no classes for students)
- Mon-Fri, Feb 24-28 Mardi Gras / Beginning of Lent Holidays
- Fri, Mar 13 End of Third Quarter
- Fri – Fri Apr 10 - Apr 17 Easter Holidays
- Wed-Fri, Apr 29 – May 1 Senior Final Exams
- Fri, May 15 Pre-freshmen Promotion Ceremony (6 pm)
- Sat, May 16 Senior Graduation (4 pm)
- Tues – Fri, May 19 - 22 Final Exams for Grades 9 - 11

Camp Abbey Summer Camp

- Camp Abbey Summer Camp is a one-week sleep-over camp run by the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Campers at Camp Abbey make lifelong friends, great memories and grow in their relationship with Jesus! Activities include Arts & Crafts, Archery, Swimming, Hiking, Boating, Sports, Camping, Prayer, Mass, Reconciliation and Adoration. Campers must be completing 2nd-8th grades. Boys Camp weeks are June 2-8, June 9-15, June 16-22 and June 23-29. Girls Camp weeks are June 30-July 6, July 7-13, July 14-20 and July 21-27. Registration opens February 25. \$409 per week – all-inclusive.
- Applications are now being accepted for Summer Camp staff. Students completing 9th—11th grades may apply to be **JUNIOR COUNSELORS** (two-week positions). Graduating HS Seniors, College Students, and older may apply to be **SENIOR COUNSELORS, EXTENDED STAFF, or ADMINISTRATORS** (one-month positions). Nurse positions are also available (one-week positions). All positions are paid, unless service hours are desired. Room/board and off periods are included. Training, orientation and formation precede the camp sessions. Please log on to our website, www.campabbey.org, to register or apply. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Emmons at (985)327-7240 ext. 100, Kristen Bourgeois ext. 102 or email campabbey@arch-no.org.

Cash Back Programs: Please keep the following in mind when you shop:

- Amazon Smile: This website, operated by Amazon, lets customers enjoy the same benefits of shopping on Amazon.com. The difference is that when using AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organization of your choice – which we hope will be Saint Paul's School! Click here to shop on AmazonSmile: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/58-1638895>.
- Office Depot: We receive store credit from customers who give SPS ID at the checkout. Our number is officially 70041640 but saying Saint Paul's will do. This will help a lot.
- Box Tops for Education: Each top is worth 10 cents – which adds up quickly. Thanks to the Math Department for promoting this painless way to help SPS financially..



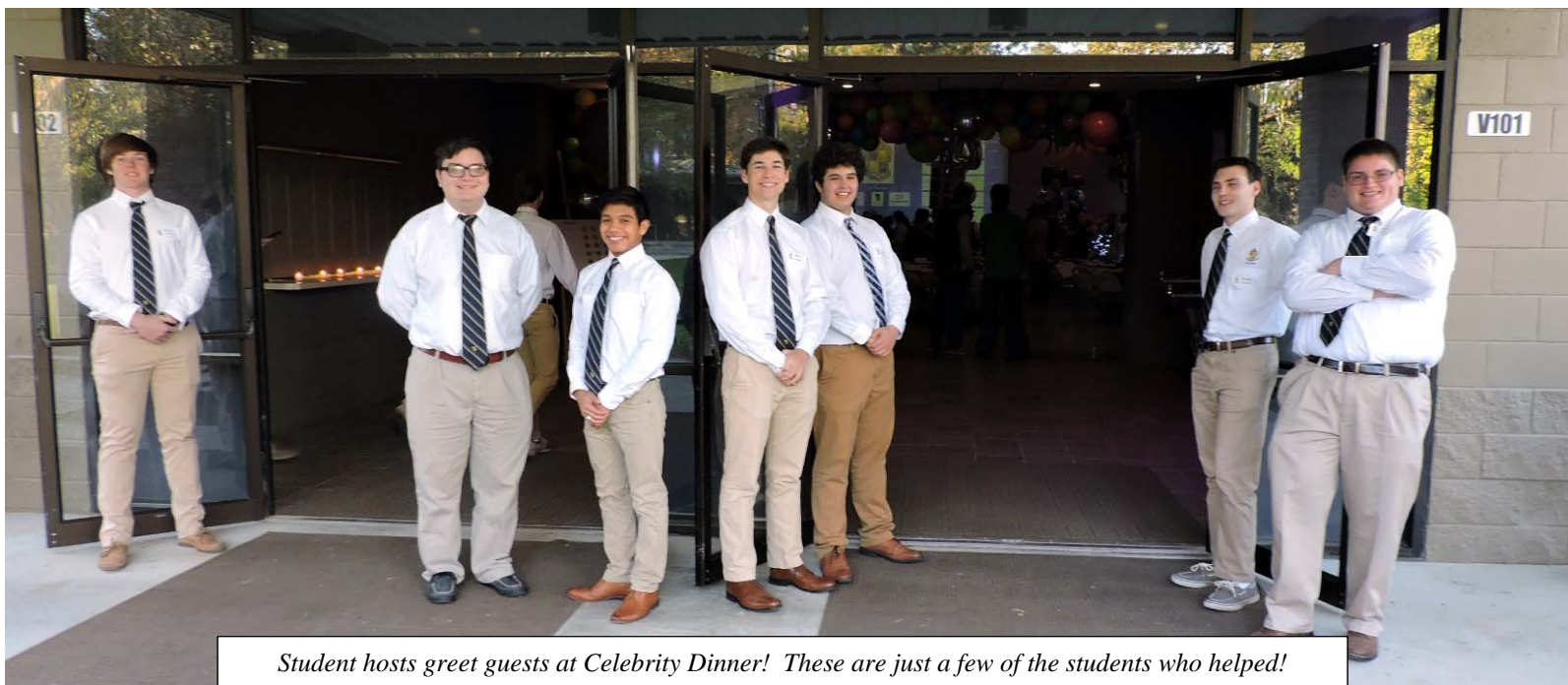
Fortnite Addiction: Several reputable journals ran stories last week on a growing phenomenon: addiction to Fortnite. Here's an article from The Denver Post: <https://www.denverpost.com/2018/12/02/fortnite-addiction-video-game-rehab/> Some parents have even sent their kids to Fortnite rehab! I definitely am concerned for some of our students!

Founders Oak: You may have noticed the dedication of the iconic oak near the chapel as Founders Oak. We did this in honor of the 100 anniversary of Lasallian education coming to campus (the tree was here to greet those first Brothers!) and we also dedicated it to our major donors. The plaques represent those benefactors who have contributed \$100,000 or more to SPS over their lifetimes. We hope to see that number grow in the years ahead, as people invest in keeping the Lasallian dream alive on the campus of Saint Paul's School. I am grateful to Development Team for spearheading this project and to Mark Daigle's signage company for executing the work.

Good News Dept: The College Board named all eight of our National Merit Semi-Finalists as National Merit FINALISTS. We are EXTREMELY proud of **Jackson Gold, Hyde Healy, Ross Hightower, Cullen Irwin, Stephen Millet, David Needles, Andrew Norlin & Christopher Wilson.** Sincere congratulation!

Last Week:

- **Alumni on Campus:** 27 alums spent Tue morning on campus. They were impressed!
- **Baseball:** Tough loss to N'shore followed by wins against N'shore & Hammond! Geaux Wolves!
- **Brother Jeffrey Funeral:** A big thanks from the Brothers to all who helped. Special thanks to Gina Hall and Merle Dooley for organizing and to Shellie Campo and moms for a reception. Brother Ken's music was flawless as usual. And Don Pressley's physical plant guys deserve halos. Wow. **But the guests ALL raved over the student body's behavior and participation. Thanks to all!**
- **CPR Training:** Thank you, Lakeshore Regional Medical Center, Ponchartrain Cancer Center, and St. Tammany para-medics for teaching our students and teachers this life saving skill
- **Father – Son BBQ** was very successful and a good time was passed by all. Thanks, Dads Club!
- **FIRST Robotics:** Our team of Jacob Lauterbach, Zac Uson, Grant Addison, Adam Smith, Darrin Lea, Blake Inzinna, Louis Marion and Andrew Addison, moderated by David Arbo, represented SPS!
- **Golf:** Wolves "played well" according to Coach Barwick!
- **HOSA:** Our future health care personnel acquitted themselves in an exemplary manner at state convention!
- **Lacrosse:** Wolves traveled to Memphis. JV lost at buzzer but varsity got 2 big wins and play again today.
- **Newsies** sold out last week! They were incredible! I saw five performances and was "blown away" each time. Congratulations to Gordon, cast and crew for upholding the excellence of The Marian Players!
- **Saint Joseph Altar:** Wow. What an event. Once again, Dr. Ann Kay Logarbo honored her commitment to Saint Joseph in an exemplary manner! Ann Kay and her legion of volunteers were incredible.
- **Tennis:** Tough loss to Bro. Martin. They will bounce back this week!
- **Track:** Jr Hi was 2nd in Covington-Trafton meet & Varsity was 1st (out of 14 teams) in Ponchatoula Invitational Meet! Congratulations, Track Wolves!



Student hosts greet guests at Celebrity Dinner! These are just a few of the students who helped!

Lenten Prayer: *Behold, Lord, an empty vessel that needs filling. Fill it, Lord. I am weak in faith; strengthen me. I am cold in love; warm me and make me fervent, **that** my love may go out to my neighbor. I do not have a strong and firm faith; at times, I doubt and am unable to trust you altogether. O Lord, help me. Strengthen my faith and trust in you. In you, I have sealed the treasure of all I have. I am poor; you are rich and came to be merciful to the poor. I am a sinner; you are upright. With me, there is an abundance of sin; in you is the fullness of righteousness. Therefore, I will remain with you, of whom I can receive, but to whom I may not give. Amen.*

Louisiana Youth Seminar: Just a reminder that Louisiana Youth Seminar Registration is currently open and accepting students! We have welcomed students from your school over the past years and look forward to them attending LYS 2019 - July 14-19. If 2019 is like the last 5 years, we expect LYS to “sell out” in the next 3-4 weeks, and we want our loyal schools to be aware of this. We look hope you can assist your students in registering early. [Registration details can be found here](#)

Pornography/Safe Haven Sunday: No, this is not a pleasant topic or an easy one to discuss – but it’s a problem that needs addressing. March 10 was Safe Haven Sunday in the Archdiocese of New Orleans, which is designed to continue the vital effort to address the harmfulness of pornography in marriages, families, and our culture – including students in our school. This year, the archdiocese has once again partnered with Covenant Eyes to bring a resource to the homes of all Catholics. For more info, click here: <https://nolacatholic.org/safe-haven-sunday>. Also, a new website with resources has been established: cleanheart.online/nola

An excellent resource is a talk by internationally known pornography speaker Matt Fradd. He will speak at Our Lady of the Lake in Mandeville on Thursday, March 26 from 6:30 – 8:00 in the Chotin Center.



Josh and Kyle help retired Brother Duane weed the gardens in the Brothers' patio.

Matt spoke to the students of SPS last year and was well received. He will give excellent advice as to how to speak with your sons – which needs to be done.

Product of the Week: Thanks, again, to the dad who sent me interesting tidbits on everyday products via *Reader's Digest*. Last week was Chapstick. This week? Clorox Disinfecting Wipes – which we use a lot of around here: Three years before the iconic Hollywood sign made its debut, the big name in California was Clorox. In 1920, the American cleaning giant (then known as the Electro-Alkaline Company) erected a massive billboard over San Francisco to tout its signature liquid bleach to the daily ferry commuters. Residents on the other side of the bay received a different kind of welcome. Annie Murray, the

wife of the company's first general manager, insisted on handing out free samples of the newfangled cleaner to housewives visiting her family's grocery store in Oakland. You might say that Clorox still focuses on the personal touch, albeit in a somewhat different form. The Guardian estimates that the world uses about 14,000 disinfecting wet wipes every second, and according to Amazon, Clorox is the bestseller.

Prom: Student Council is pleased to announce that the Junior/Senior Prom 2019 will be held on Saturday, March 30 in the Briggs Assembly Center. Registration forms and guidelines including dress code and lock in times may be found on Plus Portals or in room 107. Students must pay and be registered no later than Wednesday, March 27 in order to attend Prom.

Renaissance Board: Our Renaissance Board does so much for the school and gets little recognition, so I want to start reporting on their meetings as they had their major event last week – Celebrity Dinner. Recently,

- The PLTW Team of Quinn Cooney, Jacob Lauterbach, & Zachary Usin are designing a solution for pain/anxiety management using virtual reality. The software, labeled Semi-Solace, allows you to experience two environments: a beach solace to help relieve anxiety, and a snow solace for burn victims pain relief. The design will be reliable, cost effective, easy, interactive and safe. The students requested \$1,284.82 to cover the cost of a laptop to run the software. The other materials have already been acquired, (2 free software, a VR headset (\$350), and a music software (\$130). *The Renaissance Board approved the request.*
- PLTW Student Thomas Miller is working on a "Gaming Throne" - a comfortable, inexpensive, compact, and customizable gamer chair. His chair will use wheelchair motors, controllers, and a joystick. He needs materials to support the base of the chair, totaling \$558.75. *The Board approved the request.*
- PLTW student Andrew Norlin is requesting \$45 from the Board. Andrew's project is to use light therapy to reduce the damage to the skin from skin cancer. Andrew is printing 3' x 4' science fair type boards for his project and is requesting the \$45 for the 2 large poster printouts.



Signs of spring sprout all over campus!

Report Cards were emailed last week. Let me know if you did not receive it.

Re-Registration of Current Students for 2019 - 20: All registration for next year is now OVERDUE. If your son is returning next year, please register him. If your son is not returning, please give me the courtesy of notification of that fact.

Rosary: a group of students recite one decade of the rosary each morning in the chapel, beginning at 7:50 on M - F. They would love to have your son join them. This is a great Lenten devotion!

SAFE DRIVING: Please obey the traffic laws: speed limit, no tailgating, no texting while driving, NO CELL PHONE USE DURING SCHOOL ZONE TIMES, buckle up, etc. Thank you!

School Zone Cell Phone Ban: It is illegal to use a cell phone in a school zone while driving. I see some students and parents driving in the morning and using a cell phone. This sets a bad example – and is illegal. Please do not drive on campus during school zone hours while using a cell phone.

Social Hosting: The temptations for alcohol use by students remains. One issue facing parents is hosting parties which expose or even give teens alcohol. This is known as “social hosting.” Here is a brochure on this activity, which may have legal consequences. Mr. Hal Fox, owner of Fox Litho of Mandeville and father of Hal, provided the brochure. Here’s the link: <http://fb.mediarelay.com/pbda246>

Social Media: Want up-to-date news on all of the good things happening at Saint Paul's School? Get event and classroom pictures, latest scores, calendar reminders, and spiritual uplifting by liking our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/St.Pauls.School.Covington.Louisiana/> or following us on Twitter @SPSWolfpack. The strength of the Wolf is in the pack! Many thanks to Mimi Montiero for maintaining our social media information.

Show you Care – I have printed this the last two years, but it’s worth repeating. It’s a quote from motivational speaker Jon Gordon on what makes an effective teacher. And it’s very Lasallian so I sent it to our faculty. It’s good for you to read, too: *It’s a simple fact. The best educators stand out by showing their students and colleagues that they care about them. Standardized test scores rise when teachers make time to really know their students. Teacher performance improves when principals create engaged relationships with their teachers. Teamwork is enhanced when educators know and care about one another. Parents are more supportive when educators communicate with their student’s parents. The most powerful form of positive energy is love and this love transforms students, people and schools when it is put into action. Create your own unique way to show your students and colleagues you care about them and you will not only feel more positive yourself but you will develop positive kids who create a more positive world.*

Senior Spotlights: Mimi Montiero is posting a weekly feature of a senior on our Facebook page. They will reflect on their SPS time. Check it out. Thanks, Mimi!

Study Hall after School: the library is open every afternoon (Monday-Thursday) until 4:30. Students are free to come and go by signing in and out. You are encouraged to mention this service to your sons who are on campus after school with nothing to do or who may be waiting for a late ride or a practice to begin. All we ask is that they treat the facility with respect and that they are quiet. The space will be supervised by faculty. We will offer this **service as long as there is a demand for it.**

Tutoring: National Honor Society tutoring takes place in the library at lunch. 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. Math XL help and essay proofreading services are available.**

Uniform Shirts: We have a large number of pre-owned uniform shirts in good condition if your son has outgrown his and purchasing new ones is difficult for you. Just come to the Admin Bldg. Nothing will be done to embarrass your son. We also have a number of khaki pants available – all for the taking.

Vaping: I’m sorry I have to mention this, but please speak to your son about the dangers involved in this latest fad. We are hearing anecdotal reports of vaping by our students and have even taken disciplinary action against several of them who vaped at school events. We will continue to be vigilant and take strong measures against violators. The Covington Police Department informs us that it is AGAINST THE LAW for minors to purchase vaping equipment. Please make sure your son knows this – and complies with your wishes, the rules of the school – and the law. And the latest danger? Click here to learn: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-47136678>

Vocation Project: I was humbled last week to learn that Avery Estrade, a student at Mary Queen of Peace and brother of sophomore Cooper Estrade, chose The Christian Brothers as the topic of a project for his school. Here's a pic of Avery's project – along with the proud producer. Thank you, Avery! I hope you received an A+ on your project!

Weekly Humor: In honor o Doctor Day on Fri. I'll probably never get medical treatment again!



Avery and his project!

- *Q: When does a doctor get mad? A: When he runs out of patients!*
- *Q: Why did the pillow go to the doctor? A: He was feeling all stuffed up!*
- *Q: Why did the doctor lose his temper? A: Because he didn't have any patients!*
- *Q: Where does a boat go when it's sick? A: To the dock!*
- *Q: What did on tonsil say to the other tonsil? A: Get dressed up, the doctor is taking us out!*
- *Q: Patient: Doctor, sometimes I feel like I'm invisible. A: Doctor: Who said that?*
- *Q: Doctor, Doctor I think I'm a moth. A: Get out of my light!*
- *Q: Doctor, I keep hearing a ringing sound. A: Then answer the phone!*
- *Q: Did you hear the one about the germ? A: Never mind, I don't want to spread it around*
- *Q: Why did the cookie go to the hospital? A: He was feeling really crumbie!*
- *Doctor can I play the violin after the operation?" "Yes, of course..." "Great! I never could before!"*
- *I swallowed some food coloring the other Day. Doc says I'm OK, but I feel like I've dyed inside.*
- *Why did the doctor accept the new patient? He figured he might as well give him a shot.*
- *They tried to save him with an IV but it was all in vein.*
- *In medical school, he worried about being a surgeon but he made the cut.*
- *The newspaper owner complained to the doctor that he had problems with his circulation*
- *Two surgeons were joking about sutures and had each other in stitches.*
- *The rise of the orthopedic doctor depends on the fall of the patients.*
- *OK, I'll stop before no doctor is willing to give me medical care!*

A Look Ahead (note changes in italics)

- March 27 – 12th HR Breakfast/11th Holocaust Talk/ 10th at Mass
- March 28 – 9th Grade Retreat/Trip – 11th HR Breakfast/12th Holocaust Talk/ 8th at Mass
- March 29 – 9th Grade Retreat/Trip
- April 1 – 10th Grade HR Breakfast/ 9th Grade Holocaust Talk/ 12th at Mass
- April 2 – President's Assembly
- April 3 – 9th Grade HR Breakfast/ 8th Holocaust Talk/11th at Mass
- April 4 – 8th Grade HR Breakfast/ 10th Holocaust Talk/ 9th at Mass
- April 8 – Late Start
- April 9 – Pack Time – Teacher Appreciation/Snack Day

- April 10 – Leadership Breakfast
- April 11 – Guest Speaker
- April 12 – Year in Review/Alumni Assemblies
- April 15 – ~~Mass Schedule~~ – Regular Schedule
- April 16 – President’s Assembly
- April 17 – Passion Play Schedule
- April 18 – Mandatum Assembly
- April 19 – Good Friday Holiday
- April 29 - Mass
- April 30 – President’s Assembly
- May 1-3 – Senior Exams
- May 7 – Pack Time
- May 9 – Athletic Awards
- May 10 – Academic Awards
- May 14-16 – Pre-Freshmen Exams
- May 21-24 – Final Exams 9th-11th



Father Matthew blesses the Saint Joseph Altar! Thank you, Dr. Ann Kay Logarbo!

Second Semester Period Rotation: For those who really plan, here is the period rotation for the second semester. Please use this when making unavoidable doctor appointments, etc. so your son will know what classes he is missing. Naturally, there is subject to change if unavoidable conflicts (weather, etc.) occur.

March

- 25 – GABC
- 26 – DEFG – Pack Time
- 27 – ABCD

- 28 – EFGA – 9th Retreat/Trip
- 29 – BCDE – 9th Retreat/Trip

April

- 1 – FGAB
- 2 – CDEF – President's Assembly
- 3 – GABC
- 4 – DEFG
- 5 – ABCD
- 8 – EFGA – Late Start
- 9 – BCDE – Pack Time
- 10 – FGAB – Leadership Breakfast
- 11 – CDEF – Special Schedule for Speaker
- 12 – GABC – Special Schedule of Year in Review
- 15 – DEFG – Mass
- 16 – ABCD – President's Assembly
- 17 – EFGA – Passion Play Schedule
- 18 – BCDE – Mandatum Schedule
- 29 – FGAB
- 30 – CDEF – President's Assembly

May

- 1 – GABC - Senior Exams
- 2 – DEFG - Senior Exams
- 3 – ABCD – Senior Exams
- 6 – EFGA
- 7 – BCDE – Pack Time
- 8 – FGAB – Level Awards
- 9 – CDEF – Athletic Awards
- 10 – GABC – Academic Awards
- 13 – DEFG
- 14 – ABCD – President's Assembly – 8th Exams
- 15 – EFGA – 8th Exams
- 16 – BCDE – 8th Exams
- 17 – FGABC (8th Promotion 6:00 PM)
- 18 – Senior Graduation (4 pm–ticket only)
- 20 – DEFG (Review for Period A Exam)
- 21 – Exam Schedule
- 22 – Exam Schedule
- 23 – Exam Schedule
- 24 – Exam Schedule

Whew! Enough for now.

Even though it's the end of March of 2019, I will still close with a paraphrase of one of my favorite NPR radio shows (which is no longer on the air but I still LOL thinking about it): well, it's happened again – you've squandered perfectly good time reading my ramblings!

Know of my prayer for you and your family, especially as we move into the fourth quarter! Again, thanks for being part of the 2018 - 19 edition of Saint Paul's!

Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC

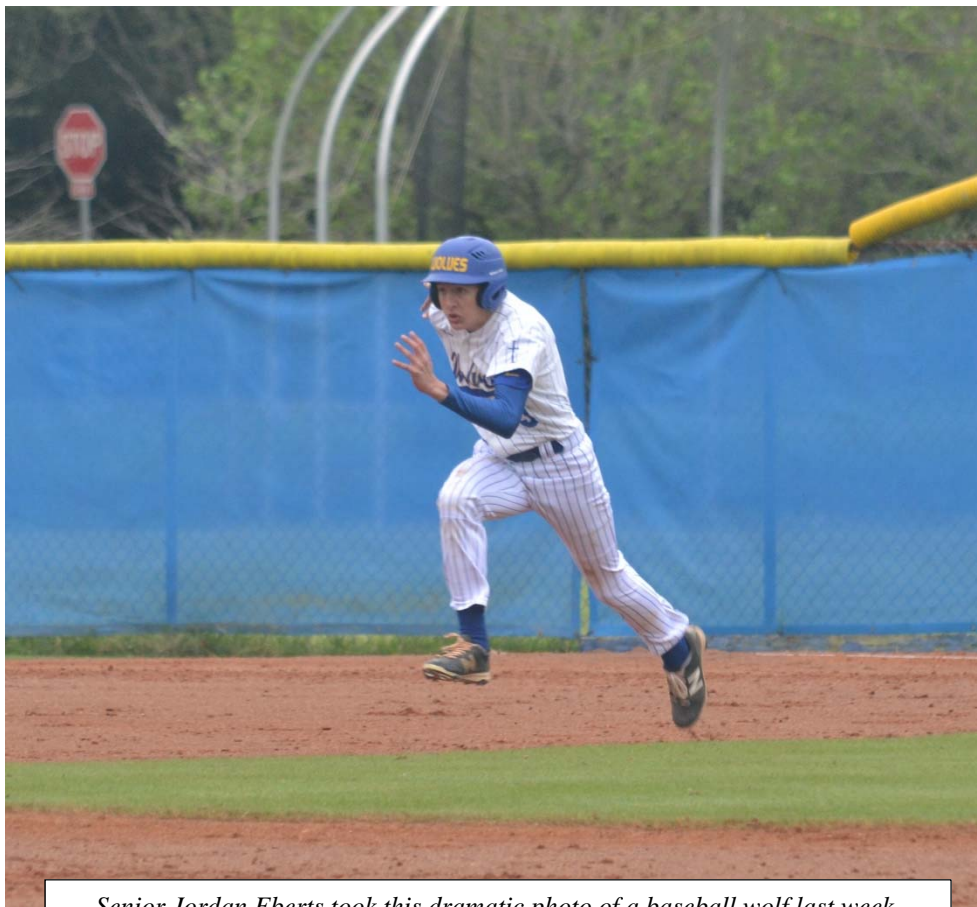
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...by doing ordinary things extraordinarily well, making courageous choices, doing God's will, remaining faithful, letting Our Lady of the Star guide us to God and asking our holy founding Brothers to help us continue our Lasallian Mission!

And have your son start singing our Lenten favorite:

***Oh that shame! Now ended in his glory! O that pain, now lost in joy unknown! Tell it out with praise,
the whole glad story, human nature at the Father's throne!***



*Senior Jordan Eberts took this dramatic photo of a baseball wolf last week.
Jordan is becoming quite a photographer!*