



*The President's Hebdomadal **Blue Ribbon** Newsletter*
Celebrating 111 years of educational excellence in Covington
342 years of Lasallian tradition throughout the world
October 24 - 30, 2022



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



SAINT PAUL'S SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE
OCT 29th 1:00-3:00
www.stpauls.com

I can't overstate the important of this event on Saturday, which will help determine our future. I need you to spread the good word about SPS. If a family can't make Open House, we still have a couple of Shadow Days or they may request a private tour. Thanks for ALL you do to promote SPS. And thanks to all who are working so hard to make Saturday a success!

Saint John Baptist de La Salle! Pray for us!

Live Jesus in our hearts! Forever!



CORE Pack and Mentors visited WW II Museum last week!

Mon, Oct 24 (A B C D)

- **Let Us Remember Dept:** Today marks anniversary of the death in 2004 of prodigious SPS English teacher Brother Bill Parsons. While few still at SPS remember Bill, his presence and influence continue. We remember Bill and his contribution to the Christian education and take comfort in the role he played here. Brother Bill, pray for us! In his memory, let's pay attention to our English today – and teach the entire period – about which he was passionate.
- **This Day in History:** In 1945, The United Nations is founded.
- **TDIH:** 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.
- **Bologna Day:** Eat a bologna sandwich! I'll pass!
- **National Honor Society/Mu Alpha Theta Induction Ceremony (7:30AM in the BAC)**
- **Parent-Teacher Conferences – 5-7 PM in the BAC**

Tue, Oct 25 (E F G A – Assembly; Shadow Day)

- **TDIH:** In 1854, during the Crimean War, the Charge of the Light Brigade occurred. Of the 673 British cavalymen, 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
- **TDIH:** In 2016, the Advanced Ed/Southern Association Quality Review Team arrived on campus for a three-day inspection of our school. SPS passed with flying colors – just like this year!
- **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!
- **Pasta Day:** Last week was National Pasta Day, now it’s World Pasta Day – so eat some more pasta!
- **Tennis Scrimmage v. Bro Martin**
- **Five Guys Community Night** – a portion of all sales comes to SPS! Thanks, Five Guys!



Religion classes prayed the rosary last week. Rosaries were donated by Simpson Family in memory of Robert.

Three generations of Wolves from the Dr. George Boudreaux Family at Legacy Lunch last week. L to R: son-in-law Chad Delaune '92, grandson Daren Delaune '23, George '65, grandson Talon '24, & Son Josh '99

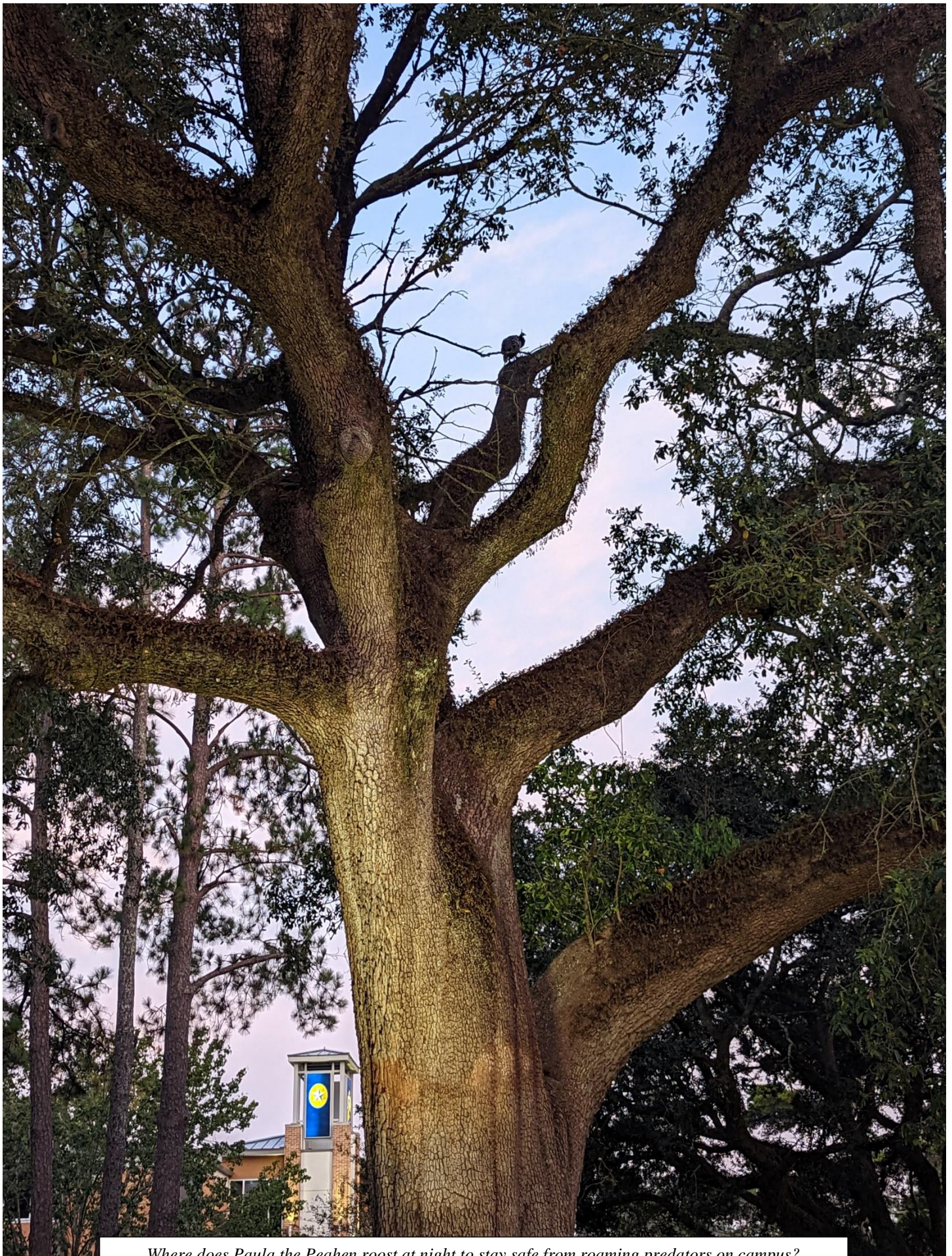


Wed, Oct 26 (B C D E)

- **TDIH:** In 1958, Pan Am Airways flies the first direct commercial jet from NY to Paris using a Boeing 707.
- **TDIH:** In 1881, the Earp brothers face off against the Clanton-McLaury gang in a shootout at the OK Corral in Tombstone, AZ. Relive some Old West history today!
- **Howl at the Moon Day:** Release your inner wolf and go wild – full moon or not!
- **Tennis Scrimmage**
- **Football:** 9th & JV at Ponchatoula
- **Soccer Meet the Team (6 in the BAC)**

Thu, Oct 27 (F G A B – Late Start for Wellness Day: 6-10 am in the BAC; please keep your appointment)

- **TDIH:** In 1858, Teddy Roosevelt is born in NY City. In his honor, speak softly, but don't 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 27th. 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.
- **Basketball:** JV & Var at Shaw
- **Swimming:** District Meet at PAC
- **Football:** 8th at Bro. Martin (5:30)



*Where does Paula the Peahen roost at night to stay safe from roaming predators on campus?
Look up high on Founders Oak!*

Fri, Oct 28 (C D E F – Pep Rally)

- **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."
- **Chocolate Day:** Indulge! (As if some needed a reason!)
- **Football:** Varsity v. Ponchatoula (7)

Sat, Oct 29

- **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 anniversary of the canonization of Saint Brother Benilde in Rome in 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!
- **Candy Corn Day:** Indulge! (Notice a theme building up to Halloween?)
- **Cat Day:** OK you cat lovers! Here's your day to celebrate with Tabby!
- **Open House for Prospective Students (1 – 3)** We pray for good weather and a large turnout!
- **Lacrosse:** JV Scrimmage (BR)

Sun, Oct 30

- **TDIH:** In 1938, Orson Welles causes a nationwide panic with his broadcast of "War of the Worlds"—a realistic radio dramatization of a Martian invasion of Earth. You can listen to this classic on You Tube.
- **TDIH:** In 1990, for the first time since the Ice Age, Great Britain becomes connected with the European continent vi a new rail tunnel (called the chunnel) under the English Channel.
- **Haunted Refrigerator Night:** Who knows what evil lurks in your refrigerator? It's time to be afraid, very afraid. Gather friends, open the refrigerator door, and venture unto the realm of the lower shelf, rear. That "thing" inside that container is much more horrifying than any trick or treater tomorrow night!
- **Caramelized Apple Day:** Just eat the apple sans the caramel.
- **Checklist Day:** During the 1930s, early aviators searched for ways for flying to be safer and avoid the all-too-common takeoff crash. One group came up with the idea to create a checklist before taxiing down the runway. The origins of Checklist Day can be traced back to this singular event. So how do you celebrate today? Make a checklist!!\

Rise Up, O Men of God

I draw the following to your attention, in alphabetical order, not necessarily in order of importance.

ACADEMIC SUCCESS: We **HAVE BEGUN** the second quarter! If your son is struggling, insist that he go seek help. See info about free tutoring below. Help your son develop attitudes and habits for success.

ADMISSIONS FOR 2023-24: Yes, it is time to think about NEXT year! We have begun our Shadow Day program for current 7th or 8th graders considering SPS for NEXT year. We count on you to spread the good news about SPS to your friends and neighbors. Here is Shadow Day Sign Up info:

- The link to create an account and sign up for a shadow day is <https://forms.rediker.com/stpauls>
 - This is also the link for Open House and submitting an application.
- Spread the word, especially to public school families who don't know we start early.



The graphic is a promotional poster for Saint Paul's School. It features a yellow background with a blue border. At the top left is the school's crest, which includes a shield with a cross and a star, topped with a crown and the words 'SAINT PAUL'S' and '1911'. To the right of the crest is the school's name 'SAINT PAUL'S SCHOOL' in large blue letters, followed by the website 'WWW.STPAULS.COM'. Below the name are two circular seals from the U.S. Department of Education, one dated 2021 and the other 2015. On the right side, there is a circular inset photo of two students in white shirts and ties, one pointing at something off-camera. The text 'A good place to grow up!' is written in a cursive font above this photo. In the center, three male students are smiling and posing together. The student on the left is wearing a blue hoodie with 'ST. PAUL'S SOCCER' and a wolf logo. The student in the middle is wearing a blue polo shirt with a small school crest. The student on the right is also wearing a blue polo shirt with a small school crest. On the left side, there is a yellow box with a blue border containing the text 'SHADOW DAYS' followed by a list of dates: Aug 23, Sept 13 and 27, Oct 11 and 25, and Nov 9 and 15. Below this is the text 'OPEN HOUSE' followed by 'Sat, Oct 29' and '1:00 - 3:00 p.m.'. At the bottom left, the phone number '(985) 892-3200 x1903' and email address 'admissions@stpauls.com' are listed.

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Spread the word about our Shadow Days and Open House on Oct 29, especially to public school families who don't know we start early.



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL LEE PIERRE SENT YOU THE FOLLOWING EMAIL. PLEASE COMPLY AND TAKE THE SURVEY. IT'S IMPORTANT TO THE FUTURE OF SPS:

Dear Parent(s),

Springtide Research Institute is conducting a survey as a third party, with the Lasallian District of San Francisco New Orleans, to understand more about your son's experiences at Saint Paul's—specifically focused on their belonging and thriving. It's very important that we hear from you and that you feel like you can share openly. We need to learn as much as we can about how you truly feel in order to help the school change things that aren't working well and keep things

that are working well. To that end, it is also important to note that we will be giving a student version of this survey as well.

As an important participant in this study, we need to hear from you! This survey should take you 15 minutes or less. All responses are confidential.

If you have any questions specific to the survey, please email research@springtideresearch.org. Click this link to take the survey: <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7027581/SFNO-Belonging-Parents-Saint-Pauls-School>

ATTENDANCE: Please comply with our attendance regulations as printed in the handbook which is posted on Edline. This is especially true when a student is absent or needs to check out during the day.

BLOOD DRIVE:



ST. PAUL'S BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, Dec. 7

8am - 2pm

New Gym

BOOK STORE: The Mothers' Club Bookstore will be open 7:30 am to 8:15 am & 11:00 am to 12:30 pm each school day. **PLEASE patronize the MC's Bookstore when possible.**



BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: Box Tops for Education continues to be an easy way to earn money for Saint Paul's. The traditional clip box tops have been replaced with an easy-to-use app. All you have to do is buy Box Tops participating products (like Cheerios!) and scan your grocery receipt. Box Tops are worth \$.10 each and twice a year, our school receives a check. Download Box Tops for Education app here:

https://btfe.smart.link/c2jjdifkw?referral_code=R26O6QQ0

Use this referral code R26O6QQ0 when you sign up and you'll get 20 Bonus Box Tops when you scan your first receipt now through

05/31/2023, while supplies last! If you have any questions email Shannon d'Hemecourt at s.dhemecourt@stpauls.com

CAR LINES: There is no absolute designated drop off spot. Safety is paramount, so if you use Founder's Circle as a departure point, **cars must drop off students in Founders Circle in the LEFT lane only** – you may not block traffic in the right lane to discharge the occupants. Dropping off at La Salle Hall or by the BAC is OK. Traffic will be heavy heading into Covington this week as schools open. Please plan accordingly.

CELL PHONES:

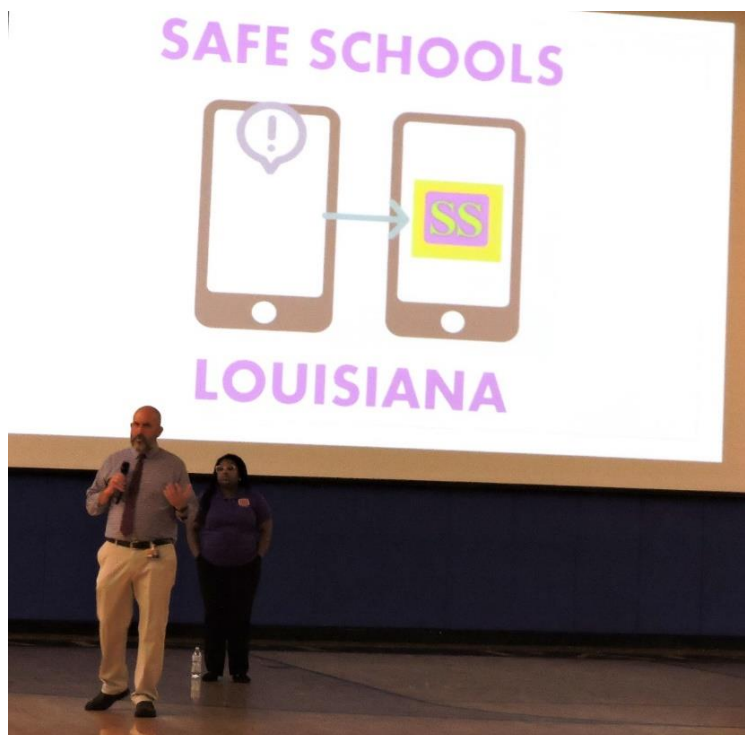
- **State Law:** Motorists are prohibited from using a hand-held wireless communications device while traveling through school zones during posted hours. The law includes use of a cellular/wireless device for engaging in a voice call, accessing, reading, or posting to a social networking site, and/or writing, sending, or reading a text-based communication. The school zone cell phone ban does not apply if the device is being used to report an emergency, is being used in a hands-free manner, or while the vehicle is lawfully parked.
- **SPS Law:** students may use their phones during lunch but only outside. If you need to call or text your son, do so during lunch. Disciplinary action and fines will continue for violation of this policy. With our campus wide wi-fi, he can use his phone to surf the internet if needed. And, yes, our security firewalls are in effect.

DRESS CODE: Students must comply with the dress code. **“Note: We have clean, pre-owned uniform shirts in good condition. If the family budget is tight, ask for some of these clothes. Nothing is done to embarrass a student; no one will know. Thanks to those who supply us with their outgrown uniforms.**

DRIVER'S LICENSE PROOF OF ATTENDANCE: Your son needs proof of attendance in order to get a learner's permit **and another one** when he gets his permanent license. The forms are in the counseling department or the administration building. I feel terrible when a parent waits two hours at the DMV only to be turned away b/c the son doesn't have his proof of attendance. This is a legislative act; don't blame me!

Safety is paramount at Saint Paul's School, and as such, Ms. Tkiani Pullins of the Louisiana Safe Schools program spoke to the student body about the importance of "breaking the silence" by using the Safe Schools Louisiana Anonymous Reporting App. The app is a free resource designed with the goal of keeping students, or someone they know, safe from threats, harmful behaviors, or dangerous situations by providing them the ability to communicate their concerns anonymously.

Joe Dickens introduces speaker from Crime Stoppers who focused on the LA Safe Schools App – which your son should have downloaded to his phone. Speak to him about the Assembly and how to use the app.



CALENDAR FOR REMAINDER OF 2022-23

Mon, Oct 24	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5-7 in the BAC
Sat, Oct 29	Prospective Student Open House (1 – 3 pm)
Mon-Fri, Nov 21 - 25	Thanksgiving Holidays
Mon, Nov 28	Classes resume from Thanksgiving Holiday
Tues - Fri, Dec 13-16	Semester Exams
Fri, Dec 16	Christmas Holidays begin at 11:45 following exams
Tues, Jan 03	Classes resume & Second Semester begins
Mon, Jan 16	Martin Luther King Holiday
Mon, Feb 06	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5-7
Fri, Feb 17	Faculty Retreat Day
Mon-Fri, Feb 20 - 24	Mardi Gras / Beginning of Lent Holidays
Mon, Feb 27	Classes resume
Fri, Mar 10	End of Third Quarter
Fri – Fri Apr 07 – 14	Easter Holidays (not spring break)
Mon, Apr 17	Classes resume from Easter Holidays
Wed-Fri, Apr 26 – 28	Senior Final Exams
Sat, May 13	Senior Graduation (4 pm)
Thurs – Tues, May 18-23	Final Exams
Wed, May 24	Conflict/Makeup Exam Day
Thurs, May 25	Conflict/Makeup Exam Day/Faculty Records Day

In case of emergency closings, make-up days will be taken from scheduled holidays. Do not schedule vacations during school. Thank you for recognizing the need to make the most use of our academic time.

DRUG TESTING: Please speak with your son. We have resumed drug testing. We had suspended testing due to COVID but are comfortable in resuming the tests. We use a Random Plus approach: some students will be chosen randomly and some for “cause” (e.g. drop in grades, behavioral problems, etc.) If a student tests positive, he is allowed 100 days before a re-test is given. A second positive results may well jeopardize his enrollment at SPS. We pray that our program serves as a deterrent and is not viewed as punitive. We remain convinced that drug usage is detrimental to adolescent development. BTW, legit medication (for ADD, etc.) is screened by the test. Your son will not be embarrassed in any way if he is selected to be testing. **Results are confidential to counselor and administrators.** And, yes, you may refer your son to us for testing. We pray....

EMERGENCY CLOSINGS: With a number of systems churning in the Atlantic, allow me to comment on emergency or weather-related closings. Ordinarily, our procedure is to follow the civil parish. Thus, Saint Paul’s School would follow the same decision of closure as the public-school system of St. Tammany Parish. The announcement concerning emergency closures would be broadcast on local television stations in the metropolitan area of NO when possible. School messaging will be activated with updated information and situations unique to SPS. For multi-day closings, Saint Paul’s reserves the right to re-open when our situation warrants. In the meantime, we pray: **Our Lady of Prompt Succor! Hasten to help us!**

EXTRACURRICULARS/GET INVOLVED DAY: Clubs and teams have begun forming. Encourage your son to get involved.



FESTIVAL OF THE LAKE: From Our Lady of the Lake: *Well, it’s that time of year again! We need volunteers and enjoy seeing St Paul’s young men around:*

We encourage our OLL alumni Wolves to help their elementary school that prepared them well for SPS!

Our Lady of the Lake Festival needs volunteers

November 11th, 12th and 13th

For assistance call Volunteer Coordinator Shawn Klein (504)235-9008 or use QR code:



FOOTBALL GAME CONDUCT FOR STUDENTS:

- SPS students are admitted free but **MUST** enter through the South Gate (by Brothers' Residence). Only **CURRENT** SPS students are allowed in free by showing **THIS YEAR's** ID card. Do **NOT** try to come in with a friend who may have gone to Saint Paul's in the past and expect that person to get in free.
- SSA students do not get in free.
- We expect students (and adults) to remain fully clothed during the game. Fans with no shirts, even with body paint will not be allowed into the stadium. Students must not wear any offensive clothing, including clothes which advertise alcohol or have obscene words written on them.
- **Once students enter the game, they must stay through halftime. They may not leave and reenter for any reason -- to go back to their car, etc. We expect all students to remain until the 3rd quarter – and then, if they leave, they must leave campus.**
- During the national anthem and the prayer, **ALL** are to be **ABSOLUTELY QUIET**. Students should stand respectfully and remove hats.
- When a student does leave, he **MAY NOT REMAIN AND LOITER ON CAMPUS** (e.g. under the Wolf Dome, around the pond.) He must leave campus if he leaves the game.
- Students should only cheer in positive ways. They are there to support the Wolves, not tear down the opponents. Obscene language is **NEVER** permitted.
- We cannot be responsible if your son tells you he is going to the game and ends up going somewhere else or leaves after the third quarter without telling you.
 - Ultimately, football is a game meant to teach positive values. I pray that we can unite around our successful program by showing class, respect, support, courtesy, and good sportsmanship.
 - The LHSAA has threatened fines and suspensions for schools that do not promote good sportsmanship.

FOOTBALL GAME CONDUCT FOR ADULTS (who we expect to set good example for the students):

- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the stadium or on campus. Tobacco usage is not permitted in the stadium or on campus.
- During national anthem and prayer, **ALL** are to be quiet. Feel free to politely ask students to be quiet. If they don't comply, please get their names and send them to me.
- **Adults should never openly criticize coaches and especially players.**
- Use appropriate language and never shout obscenities at anyone, including referees.

- Ultimately, football is a game meant to teach positive values. I pray that we unite around our successful program in the state by showing class, respect, support, courtesy, and good sportsmanship.
- Those who do not follow these rules may be subject to removal from the premise
- LHSAA has threatened fines and suspensions for schools that do not promote good sportsmanship.



Student Council and HOSA decorate Chick-fil-A on Hwy 190 for competition with Mandeville High last week!

HELPING SPS: Don't forget – If you shop at Office Depot, please give the SPS school code (70041640) and SPS receives 5% of your purchase! We also collect Box Tops for Education (have your son bring them to his math teacher) and we receive a portion of sales from Amazon Prime. These are painless ways to help SPS.

ID CARDS: Students must wear their ID cards on a lanyard every day.



LAST WEEK:

- **ACT:** Flawless administration by Amanda and staff on Sat and Renee and staff to our seniors on Tue!
- **Chick-fil-A Competition v. Mandeville:** Mandeville won, but it sounds like we only lost by about \$200. The good news is that Chick-Fil-A will be bringing us a check this week for a little over \$1500 -- 10% of the sales from this week. Thanks to HOSA and Student Council share in this fundraiser.
- **Cross Country:** DISTRICT CHAMPS! Well done! Congrats! I hear Rossini playing!
- **Football:** While M'ville won the Chick-fil-A competition, 9th, JV & Varsity had GREAT football wins over Mandeville! Geaux Wolves!
- **Lasallian Days of Peace:** Thanks to campus ministry for uniting us with global Lasallians as we brought our month of prayers for peace to an official close on Friday. Naturally, we continue praying for peace and hope that our month of prayer has made the world a more peaceful place.
- **Legacy Lunch:** A large crowd of current Wolves and legacy fathers/grandfathers celebrated their relationships with each other and with SPS – and enjoyed a nice LOLA lunch, provided by alum Keith Frentz! Thanks, Alumni Director Al Nastasi, the Development and counselors.
- **Winter Sports:** And wrestling, basketball and soccer seasons are starting with tryouts, practices and scrimmages.
- **Wrestling** families gathered for their annual Clean the Gym Family Social on Sat. Many thanks to all the wrestling families who provided this much needed help

Moms for Mums

Over the next few weeks, please honor your son by donating a potted mum which will be used to beautify the campus. Please send the mum with your son or drop off at one of the planters in Founders Circle.



The Mothers' Club annual appeal for mums is scheduled for **October 17-28** just in time for our Open House for prospective students. Help make the campus ablaze with mums to celebrate the fall and to welcome visitors on Open House.



OKTOBERFEST was a great success. Thanks to all who supported and attended, especially our sponsors:

Super Kraut -\$10k
Banner Ford & Chevrolet
Dog Academy
Fine Stein -\$2.5k
Baldone Reina Dermatology
Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Buckel
Champagne Beverage Company
Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Ramon
SG Northshore
The Truitt Law Firm
Salty Schnitzel - \$1k

Ballard Brands
Biggs Construction
Brown Family Orthodontics
Campo Better Living
Center for Restorative Breast Surgery, LLC
Chick-fil-A Covington
Coquille Cottage B&B
CORE Pack Parents - 1
CORE Pack Parents - 2
The Cureington, Lenahan, & Michel families
Mr. and Mrs. David Derbes
Mr. and Mrs. Rick Fowler
Gomez Pine Straw/Royal Events Candles and Décor
Jimmy Club Day Camp
The Khoury Family
Mannino's Family Practice Pharmacy
Manti Resouces
Newfield Realty Group/Schroeder Family Chiropractic & Rehab
Michael and Aimee Plauché
SG Northshore
The Streckfus Family
Tritonstone
Dr. and Mrs. Ryan Wall
Zephyr Anesthesia
Brew Crew - \$500
1-World Language
All Not Single Ladies
The Ankersen's
Todd S. Brasuell, DDS Pediatric Dentist
Citizens Bank & Trust Co
CJ Ladner State Farm Insurance
Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dorsey
Mr. and Mrs. Chris du Passage
Mike and Kim Dupre'
Mrs. Beth Gavel
Drs. Michael and Meredith Hall
Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar Healy

Kennedy, Lewis, Renton & Associates, Inc.
LA Custom Flooring, LLC
Darrell and Julie Longo
Todd and Claire McCormick
Northshore Anesthesia Services, LLC
Olivier Orthodontics
Parish Concrete
Jeff and Rochelle Redmond/Daniel and Courtney Dodson
Resource Bank
Mr. and Mrs. Todd Richard
Jason and Rita Rush
Sawyer Orthodontics

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES are this Monday, Oct 24 from 5-7 pm in the BAC. Teachers will be in alphabetical order by Department. We ask that you limit your interaction to about five minutes. If more time is needed, ask for an appointment.

PICNIC TABLES -- NEW: As part of its pandemic response, the federal government passed the Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (EANS) Act, allowing us to procure items to mitigate COVID. An allowable request was for picnic tables to facilitate outdoor, socially distanced dining. Last Thursday, the tables arrived – one and a half years later! Despite the delay, we are grateful. Trevor is arranging for the Dads' Club to schedule a day to assemble the 50 new tables! **We are giving away the old wooden ones in case you want one! Just come haul it away!**

REPORT CARDS, SEMESTER GRADES, & HONOR ROLL BREAKFASTS: We emailed a report card on Thu, Oct 14. Let me know if you don't receive it, but check your spam folder first. **Remember that the first quarter accounts for 40% of the semester grade, with the second quarter accounting for 40% and the semester exam accounting for 20%. Remember that the only grade that really counts is the SEMESTER grade – that's the one that goes on transcripts and is used to calculate grade point average.**

And HONOR ROLL BREAKFAST invitations for parents and students were emailed last week. To earn honor roll, students must have no grade lower than a B. A C grade is allowed if it's an honors course. **Dates for the level breakfasts are printed below in the Look Ahead calendar but here are the dates:**

- Nov 2 – 8th Grade HR Breakfast
- Nov 33 – 9th Grade HR Breakfast
- Nov 4 – 10th HR Breakfast
- Nov 10 – 11th HR Breakfast
- Nov 11 – 12th HR Breakfast
- Breakfasts last from 7:45 until 8:20. The student and his parents are invited.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT: all individuals planning to volunteer with St. Paul's must complete safe environment training as mandated by Archdiocese.

SCHOOL SAFETY: School safety remains paramount for all of us. Promote safety with your son. The media has reported as least four arrests of students in St. Tammany b/c of inappropriate threats. Sheriff Randy Smith: *"We will continue to take threats like this very seriously. Parents, please talk to your children and explain the seriousness of making comments like this, even in a joking manner."* Take every appropriate opportunity to do the same with your sons. Safety is our priority – and it is EVERYONE'S JOB. Report ANY rumor or threat to safety about which you hear. Encourage your sons to report, too. **All visitors to campus must sign in and receive a Visitor's Pass. You may not just wander the campus. Thanks for understanding this procedure.** Our prayers rise to heaven for a safe school year and the elimination of violence of all kinds in our schools – and in all of society.

SENIOR PARENTS: March through the Arch pictures are in! These are provided you at no charge, courtesy of Expressions Photography. I avoid giving them directly to the seniors as in the past, many never made it home and were discovered at bottom of book bags or back of cars. You may pick up the pic yourself in the Admin Building during business hours or give your son a note authorizing him to obtain the pic. BTW, they are GREAT and are a perfect memento of that memorable morning.

SILENT SUSTAINED READING: Daily, we do SSR (Silent Sustained Reading) during the first 15 minutes of Block 2. During this time, everyone reads silently for 15 minutes. This is not a time for homework, tutoring, studying or doing assigned reading, but is designed to make reading a school-wide priority by reading for pleasure. We hope to develop a population of self-motivated readers. The program was created over 30 years ago at the University of Vermont and has resulted in increased vocabulary development, reading fluency and comprehension, writing quality, improved test scores, increased knowledge on many topics, and increased reading out of school. Students must bring their own reading material but we will have classrooms stocked with magazines, novels, short stories, etc. **Help your son prepare for this initiative and have him come prepared every day thereafter.** He should bring a PRINTED READING MATERIAL – not electronic material **Consider initiating a family SSR time, too!** I'll keep you posted as to how things go.

SLOW YOUR ROLL. This week is the three-year anniversary of Mayor Mark Johnson's initiative to improve driving habits within Covington – one of his main campaign pledges. He sent out a reminder email this week, urging compliance. Did you know:

- Two of the most often repeated complaints to the candidates in last year's election were speeding and the running of stop signs? And SPS students/parents came in for their fair share of blame!
- On any given weekday, over 15,000 people drive into and out of Covington?
- Many of our streets were laid out PRIOR to the invention of the automobile, thus not designed for cars?

Mayor Mark's goal is "to change driving habits in our city...to have each of us understand that speeds over 25 MPH are not safe on most of our streets." The Mayor is asking everyone to "relax, take a deep breath and slow down. I applaud the Mayor's initiative and pledged to him our support. Please reinforce this with your sons. And please set a good example yourself, as in the words of Saint La Salle: **"Preach by example, and practice before the eyes of the young what you wish them to accept."**

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

SOCIAL MEDIA II: Speak with your sons about responsible social media use. Inappropriate postings can have legal ramifications. SPS reserves the right to impose consequences for social media misuse.

SPORTSMANSHIP: Recently, we received a strongly worded letter from LHSAA Executive Director Eddie Bonine concerning poor sportsmanship incidents in pre-football season events. Saint Paul's will be adamant in insisting on proper behavior from players, coaches, students, & fans. We will not be penalized by the LHSAA.

STUDENT COUNCIL/HOSA ANNOUNCEMENT: The Student Council is selling large pizzas on Monday and Tuesday, October 24-25 for \$10. The pizzas will be delivered during lunch on Thursday, Oct 27. The money raised will be donated to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

STUDENT EMAIL: Students MUST use their SPS-issued email when communicating with teachers.

SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE: 988: On July 16, 2022, Louisiana joined the rest of the nation in launching 988, the new three-digit dialing code for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline to make it easier for people to receive assistance during a mental health crisis. When you call (multiple languages), text (English only) or chat 988, you will be connected to trained, compassionate crisis counselors who will listen to your concerns, provide support, and connect you with local resources. The chat feature is available through the Lifeline's [website \(www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org/chat/\)](https://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org/chat/). People can use 988 if they are having thoughts of suicide, mental health or substance use crises, or any other kind of emotional distress. People can also dial 988 if they are worried about a loved one who may need crisis support.



STARTING TODAY: It now only takes three digits to reach the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. People who need to talk to trained professionals can dial or text 988.

bit.ly/3odaQUI



988

The mental health
version of 911 is set to
launch nationwide July 16.

TUTORING: The National Honor Society provides free tutoring at lunch. Signage is all over campus as to location. Encourage your son to take advantage of this service as soon as he needs it. First Quarter report cards are only a few weeks away! Get help now if needed!



National Honor Society tutoring begins on Tuesday, Aug 16

Algebra I and II - Geometry
Science - Math XL - Test Prep
Homework Help



TUTORING

Mon - Tue - Wed - Thurs

Lunch Period

LaSalle Hall L202



WEEKLY HUMOR: More newspaper headlines that should have been proofread:

1. *Farmer Bill Dies in House*
2. *Teacher Strikes Idle Kids*
3. *Miners Refuse to Work after Death*
4. *Juvenile Court to Try Shooting Defendant*
5. *War Dims Hope for Peace*
6. *If Strike Isn't Settled Quickly, It May Last Awhile*
7. *Cold Wave Linked to Temperatures*
8. *Enfield (London) Couple Slain; Police Suspect Homicide*
9. *Red Tape Holds Up New Bridges*
10. *Man Struck by Lightning Faces Battery Charge*
11. *New Study of Obesity Looks for Larger Test Group*
12. *Astronaut Takes Blame for Gas in Spacecraft*
13. *Kids Make Nutritious Snacks*
14. *Chef Throws His Heart into Helping Feed Needy*
15. *Local High School Dropouts Cut in Half*
16. *Hospitals are Sued by 7 Foot Doctors*
17. *Typhoon Rips Through Cemetery; Hundreds Dead*

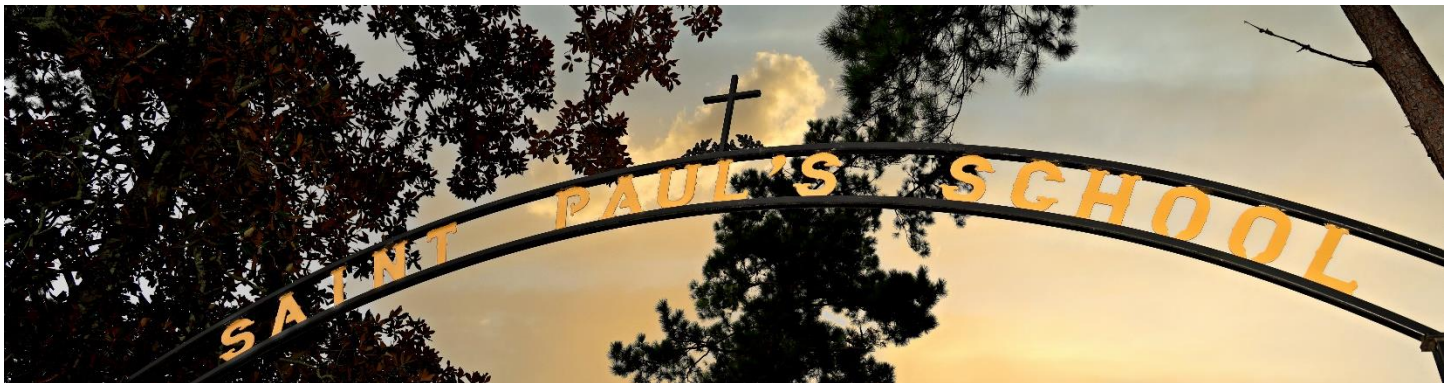


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[Prayer for Life](#)

Let us pray, Father and maker of all, you adorn all creation with splendor and beauty and fashion human lives in your image and likeness. Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of life. Grant this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES ON OCT 24, 5 – 7 PM in the BAC.



Jack Hadskey, Evan Leaber, & Matthew Roberts represented SPS last week at the LAGCOE Future Energy Professionals at the Cajundome in Lafayette!

Holy Guardian Angels



Holy Guardian Angels,
guide and guard us.

MARCH THROUGH THE ARCH PICTURES FOR SENIORS ARE IN:

Expressions Photography did an outstanding job in producing this year's March through the Arch pictures for seniors. The pictures are in the Administration Building and may be picked up during business hours. If you want your son to pick up the pic, please send a note authorizing him to do so. Unfortunately, we must do this as in the past, some seniors got the pics and left them in their book bags or back car seats and the pics never made it home.

Thanks to Expressions for making this year's pics so memorable.



God Bless the Saint Paul's Class of 2023 – our 112th senior class!

October

- 24 – ABCD – Sudden Impact/Ramon A Block; – Parent/Teacher Conferences 5-7 in BAC
- 25 – EFGA – President's Assembly/Shadow Day
- 26 – BCDE
- 27 - FGAB
- 28 – CDEF – Pep Rally
- 29 – Open House for Prospective Students
- 31 – GABC

November

- 1 – DEFG – Mass w/ SSA (outdoor/dress uniform day)
- 2 – ABCD – Pack Time/ 8th Grade HR Breakfast
- 3 – EFGA – 9th Grade HR Breakfast

- 4 – BCDE – 10th HR Breakfast
- 7 – Archdiocesan Formation Day for Faculty (no classes)
- 8 – FGAB - Arch Day(no classes for seniors)*
- 9 – CDEF - President's Assembly/Shadow Day (Wed.)
- 10 – GABC -11th HR Breakfast
- 11 – DEFG - 12th HR Breakfast
- 14 - ABCD
- 15 – EFGA – Pack time or Assembly; possible Shadow Day
- 16 – BCDE– Sudden Impact/Ramon B Block
- 17 – FGAB -- late start cancelled
- 18 – CDEF
- 21-25 – Thanksgiving Holidays
- 28 - GABC
- 29 – DEFG - Pack Time – Luminarias_
- 30 – ABCD – Sudden Impact/ Ramon C block

December

- 1 – EFGA – Luminaries Tonight*/Snack day
- 2 – BCDE
- 5 – FGAB
- 6 – CDEF – President's Assembly
- 7 – GABC
- 8 – DEF – * late start for remediation & make-up work/mass (dress uniform day)
- 9 – GABC
- 12 – DEFG
- 13-16 – First Semester Exams
- 16 Faculty Luncheon

January

- 3 – ABCD – Classes Resume
- 4 – EFGA – President's Assembly (Wed.)
- 5 – BCDE
- 6 – FGAB
- 9 – CDEF
- 10 – GABC – Pack Time – Sudden Impact/Falk. G Block
- 11 – DEFG
- 12 – ABCD – late start*
- 13 – EFGA
- 16 – MLK Holiday
- 17 – BCDE – President's Assembly
- 18 – FGAB – 8th HR Breakfast
- 19 – CDEF – 9th HR Breakfast
- 20 – GABC – 10th HR Breakfast
- 23 – DEFG

- 24 – ABCD – Pack Time
- 25 – EFGA – Mass – Feast of St. Paul (dress uniform day)/Snack Day
- 26 – BCDE – 11th HR Breakfast – Sudden Impact/Falk. B Block
- 27 – FGAB - 12th HR Breakfast
- 30 – CDEF
- 31 – GABC – President’s Assembly

February

- 1 – DEFG
- 2 – ABCD
- 3 – EFGA
- 6 – BCDE – Parent/Teacher Conferences 5-7 in BAC
- 7 – FGAB – Pack Time
- 8 – CDEF – Pre-ACT 10
- 9 – GABC – Pre-ACT 9
- 10 – DEFG – Pre-ACT 8
- 13 – ABCD
- 14 – EFGA – President’s Assembly (dress uniform day)/Snack day
- 15 – BCDE – Junior Retreat
- 16 – FGAB – Junior Retreat
- 17 – Faculty retreat (no classes)
- 27 – CDEF
- 28 – GABC – Pack Time

March

- 1 – DEFG
- 2 – ABCD
- 3 – EFGA
- 6 – BCDE
- 7 – FGAB – Junior in-school ACT
- 8 – CDEF – President’s Assembly
- 9 – GABC – Core Pack Breakfast/Late start
- 10 – DEFG – End of 3rd Quarter
- 13 – ABCD
- 14 – EFG – SSA Challenge/1 PM Activities in Stadium*
- 15 – ABCD
- 16 – EFGA – late start*/5 Core Meal
- 17 – BCDE – Mass (dress uniform day)/Snack day
- 20-24 – Senior Retreats*
- 20 – FGAB
- 21 – CDEF
- 22 – GABC
- 23 – DEFG – 8th HR Breakfast



*Our Lady of Prompt Succor!
Hasten to help us!*

- 24 – ABCD – 9th HR Breakfast
- 27 – EFGA
- 28 – BCDE – President's Assembly
- 29 – FGAB – 10th HR Breakfast
- 30 – CDEF – 11th HR Breakfast
- 31- GABC – 12th HR Breakfast

April

- 1 – Junior-Senior Prom
- 3 – DEFG
- 4 – ABCD – Pack Time*
- 5 – EFGA – Passion Play for Juniors
- 6 – BCDE – Mandatum (dress uniform day)
- 7 - 14 – Easter Holidays
- 17-21 – Leadership Week
- 17 – FGAB
- 18 – CDEF – Leadership Breakfast/Teacher Appreciation Lunch/Snack Day
- 19 – GABC – Leadership Guest Speaker
- 20 – DEFG
- 21 – ABCD – Year in Review Assembly
- 24 – EFGA – Last Pack Time for Seniors; Class Level Elections
- 25 – BCDE – President's Assembly (last for seniors)
- 26 – FGAB – Senior Exams
- 27 – CDEF – Senior Exams
- 28 – GABC – Senior Exams

May

- 1 – DEFG – Mass (dress uniform day)
- 2 – ABCD – Pack Time (last one)
- 3 – EFGA
- 4 – BCDE – late start*
- 5 – FGAB
- 8 – CDEF – 8th Grade Exams
- 9 – GABC – Last President's Assembly / 8th Grade Exams
- 10 – DEFG – 8th Grade Exams/Senior Grad Night
- 11 – ABCD – Athletic Awards/8th Grade Promotion
- 12 – EFGA – Academic Awards – dress uniform day
- 13 – 12th Grade Graduation
- 15 – BCDE
- 16 – FGAB
- 17 – CDEFG*
- 18-23 – Final Exams
- 23 – Last Day of School – 11:30 Dismissal/ Faculty Luncheon

First Semester Exam Schedule 2022

Monday, December 12 – DEFG

Regular Schedule w/ SSR (84 min.)

CHIMES	8:00
BLOCK 1	8:05- 9:34
BLOCK 2/SSR	9:41-11:20
LUNCH	11:20-12:00
BLOCK 3	12:05-1:29
BLOCK 4	1:36- 3:00

Tuesday, December 13 – A Review/A Exam (BC)

CHIMES	8:00
PERIOD A REVIEW	8:10 -8:55
Break	8:55-9:05
PERIOD A EXAM	9:10 -10:40
PERIOD B REVIEW	10:50 – 11:30
LUNCH	11:30 – 12:10
PERIOD C REVIEW	12:15 – 1:00
DISMISSAL	1:00

Wednesday, December 14 – BC (DE)

CHIMES	8:00
PERIOD B EXAM	8:10 – 9:40
PERIOD C EXAM	9:50 – 11:20
LUNCH	11:20 – 11:50
PERIOD D REVIEW	11:50 – 12:20
PERIOD E REVIEW	12:30 – 1:00
DISMISSAL	1:00

Thursday, December 15 – DE (FG)

CHIMES	8:00
PERIOD D EXAM	8:10 – 9:40
PERIOD E EXAM	9:50 – 11:20
LUNCH	11:20 – 11:50
PERIOD F REVIEW	11:50 – 12:20
PERIOD G REVIEW	12:30 – 1:00
DISMISSAL	1:00

Friday, December 16 - FG

CHIMES	8:00
PERIOD F EXAM	8:10 – 9:40
PERIOD G EXAM	9:50 – 11:20
DISMISSAL	11:20

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Let's end with Prayer for Hurricane Protection, especially as disturbances develop in the Atlantic:

*Our Father in Heaven, through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor,
spare us during this hurricane season from all harm. Protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature.
Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Whew! That's enough for now! I'm sure I've forgotten something so email me if you still have a question.

As usual, I'll close with a paraphrase of one of my favorite NPR radio shows (which I miss listening to while writing the newsletter since it no longer broadcasts but I still LOL thinking about it!): well, it's happened again – you've squandered perfectly good time reading my ramblings!

Thanks for being part of Saint Paul's! May our year be one of grace and blessing! Know of my prayer for you and call on me if I can help!

Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC

Made It to the Last Week of October as the 17th Christian Brother President /CEO of Saint Paul's

“Preach by example, and practice before the eyes of the young what you wish them to accept.”

~ St. John Baptist de La Salle (Meditation 99.2)



...by doing ordinary things extraordinarily well, doing God's will, remaining faithful, being guided to God, continuing the Mission, and living courageously, respecting all persons and living the Gospel, and praying to our guardian angels to protect us!

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And here is Student Council President Ben Barousse's summary of Council activity in the first quarter. It is well worth the read. I'm printing it again in case you didn't have time last week. Thanks, Ben, and Student Council!



My name is Ben Barousse, and I am the Student Body President here at Saint Paul's. Over the years, the question has loomed, "What does the student council even do?" My goal is to hopefully clear up some of the Student Council's responsibilities while also giving credit to the many students, faculty, and staff that have helped us achieve what we have in this first quarter of school. The first quarter has been a huge success, and I look forward in hope and joy to the following three quarters, along with the challenges and growth it brings all students here at Saint Paul's.

August -- The school year started on August 4th for students, but teachers were on campus throughout the summer getting ready to provide quality education for their students. The teachers' preparations included their retreat on Monday, August 1st. Student Body Vice-President, Ethan Wilson, spoke to the teachers, faculty, and staff and gave them praise and gratitude for all they have done in the past and for all they will do in the future. Next up were "Back-to-school" banners. On the morning of August 3rd, the Student Council gathered under the Wolf Dome to paint and hang the banners throughout the school as a welcome back to students. The Student Council also met

throughout the summer, with some meetings lasting as long as three hours to discuss and plan events for the first few months of the school year. I want to thank all elected and non-elected student council members for putting in this time to plan out an easy and fun start to the school year. The next event was the Back-to-School dance on Friday, August 12th. Saint Scholastica had 8th and 9th-grade classes, while Saint Paul's had the 10th, 11th, and 12th-grade classes. Thanks to the combined efforts of both SSA and SPS student councils, we got the themes for each dance out to the students way ahead of time. As most students were getting dressed, a massive group of student council members met at SSA to hold the 8th-grade social, which takes place every year. Student Body President of SSA, Julia Case, along with the rest of the executive board, planned out games and activities for the 8th graders to enjoy. Thank you to all of the SSA student council for their efforts with this. Both events were very successful! Next up, we had the August Food Sale. The council advertised pizza sales all week and collected money. Each officer was required to sell ten pizzas minimum. I want to give a big thank you to everyone who bought a pizza and to the council and our advisors, who did a great job keeping everything organized and functioning. The following week we had the Jamboree game for football. This is always a big game for Saint Paul's and gives us an insight into how the season will look. To generate school spirit and participation, the Student Council planned a pep rally for Friday, August 26th, and offered a neon dress-down day in correspondence to the theme for the game that night. The Executive Board consisting of President Ben Barousse, Vice-President Ethan Wilson, Secretary Sam Gold, and Treasurer Grant Voyles, along with our advisors Ms. Case and Dr. D'hemecourt, put in a ton of time and effort to making this pep rally fun and engaging for the Student Body. I would also like to thank Seniors Jack Salvaggio and Jacob Johnson for being the MCs for this pep rally. They did a great job and have continued throughout the quarter. Mr. Moran and Mr. Pereria also deserve a huge shoutout. Mr. Moran is in charge of the band here at Saint Paul's, and the band's involvement plays a huge role in our pep rallies. Mr. Pereria was a massive help in getting the hype video created. Ethan Wilson, Eddie D'hemecourt, and Christian Cowley worked with Mr. Pereira to get clips from practices, workouts, and games. Mr. Periera did a fantastic job putting all of it together. You can check out the "Wolfnation" Instagram page to see the videos we have produced. These pep rallies require many days to plan, and most of the time, there are small things that need to be worked around for everything to go as planned. The following week we had yet another pep rally to plan. This was different because there was no school on Friday,

but we still had a home game. The council decided that we would have a pop-up pep rally to give the student body something fun before their day off. The Student Council got out of the second period a few minutes before everyone else. They spent that extra time setting up games like basketball, spike ball, and cornhole, as well as getting speakers set up underneath the Wolf Dome. Thanks to Coach Dale and the basketball department for allowing us to have the basketball goals they used for camp over the summer. This event was super fun, and all the students had a great time! Another small thing is deciding on football themes. We did our best to make the themes “student decided” and put polls on Instagram to let the students decide what they wanted. During the whole month of August, the Executive Board met every Monday during lunch, and the whole council met every Tuesday.

September -- The first event held in September was the 8th and 9th-grade homecoming dance. This is the underclassmen’s first homecoming inside and we are happy we were able to give them a great first experience! September’s main event is Homecoming week. This is one of the Student Council’s most significant events throughout the year. Leading up to homecoming week, the Student Council met to discuss what themes would go to each day and how to ensure participation. Thanks to Sam Gold, we could put up custom flyers for the themes, dance, and spikeball tournament. The themes for homecoming week were: Music Monday, Tie-dye Tuesday, Twinsday Wednesday, Jersey Thursday, and Blue and Gold Friday. This week we also held a spikeball tournament. We had twenty teams competing at lunch to win the title of champion. The students involved loved the tournament and have asked for more! Friday was the big day. The day started at lunch when we had a field day! Student Council left class 30 minutes early to set up cornhole, spikeball, basketball, frisbee, football, tug of war, canjam, and music outside, along with setting up the volleyball net for the game. We even got a Kona Ice truck to come and sell snowballs to the students! Due to some hiccups on the road, we had to host the Homecoming pep rally with SSA outside, so it required the planning of two separate pep rallies. Before going outside, we were able to have the Saint Paul’s student body in the gym for the Senior vs. faculty volleyball game, grade vs. grade basketball tournament, hype video, and pushup competition. Thank you to Mr. Moran, Mr. Pereira, Mr. Guarisco, Mr. Morlas, John Borgatti, Zach Montz, Chandler Loesch, Jacob Johnson, Jack Salvaggio, Sam Gold, Rooster Cather, and Coach Stant for your involvement in making this pep rally a success. After the inside section of the day, we moved everyone outside to the visitor stands of Hunter Stadium. There, SSA’s student body met us as we all loaded into the stands. Although the pep rally outside was not what we had hoped for, the executive board made the most of it and met most days two weeks in advance to get everything together. That night, the homecoming court was given a tailgate before the game to take pictures and enjoy some food. Junior class officers Jacob Strecker, Peyton Kilgore, and Kaiden Klebba assisted with the setup and clean-up of this tailgate. During the halftime presentation of the court, Senior officers Peter Verges and Christian Cowley presented flowers to each of the maids and the queen. To end the week, the Student Council put on the upperclassmen dance on Saturday, October 1st. The dance was so much fun, and everyone seemed to have a great time!

This concludes our first quarter. We thank everyone who helped us out this quarter and participated in making a healthy, prosperous, and uplifting working environment. A special thank you to Principal Joe Dickens for allowing us to have these events and to Ms. Case and Dr. D’Hemecourt for assisting us in planning and carrying out these events. I look forward to the next three quarters and all they will bring.

*Best,
Ben Barousse*

SPS's 15 National Merit Scholars

