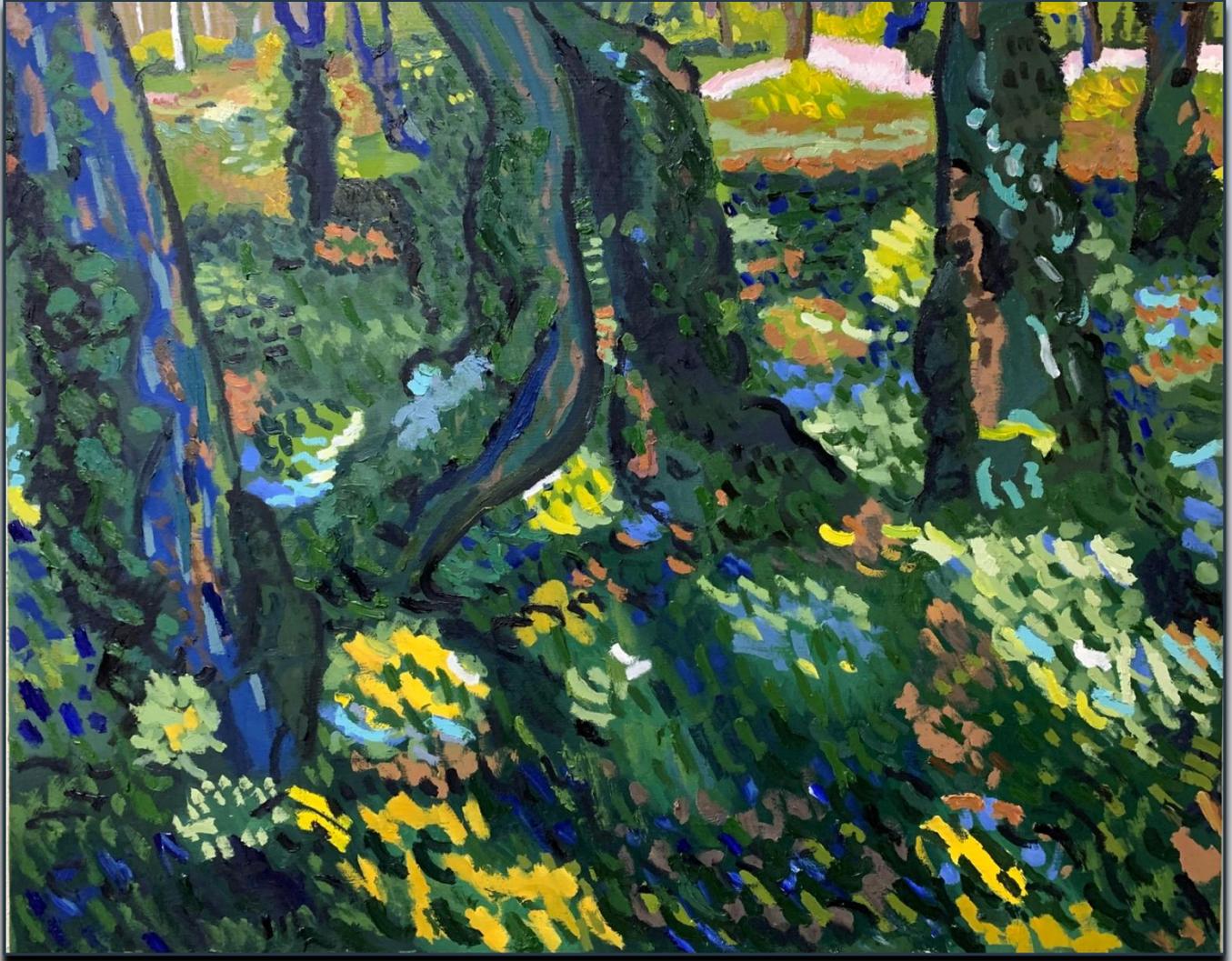




# Wolftracks Magazine



Van Gogh Undergrowth  
*By Nicholas Gauger*



Our cover artist this month is senior Nicholas Gauger. Nicholas is active in Saint Paul's Key Club and Spanish Club and recently participated in the Dia de los Muertos celebration. After graduation, Nicholas hopes to attend the Colorado School of Mines and major in Electrical Engineering.



# Alumni News



Alumni and Friends of Saint Paul's School,

I sincerely hope this finds you having had a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday. As we prepare to enter the final stretch of 2022, I would like to thank each and every one of you for your continued support of Saint Paul's School and call to mind some upcoming Saint Paul's Alumni events and initiatives which may be of interest to you.

## Upcoming Events:

- **Thursday, December 1, 2022 – Christmas Luminaries** – Drive through campus on the evening of Thursday, December 1 to see the Advent word of the year. Stop by for caroling, beginning at 6:00pm around Founders Oak. There will be a prayer service in the Chapel, and refreshments following in the Briggs Assembly Center.
- **Friday, December 23, 2022 - Trivia Night Christmas Edition at 7:00 pm in Benilde Hall** - Start planning your team now, and accept the challenge from your peers. Teams of up to 4 contestants comprised of at least 2 alumni will be allowed to enter. Free Drinks-- Pizza \$2 slice—Young alums from 2017 to 2022 will receive two free slices-- Prizes to the top 3 teams.
- **Monday, December 26, 2022 - Christmas On Columbia** - from 6 to 9 pm at the Columbia Street Tap Room, Seiler Bar and Patio. Complimentary food will be provided. The first 100 alumni present will receive 2 drink tickets, and there will be drink specials.
- **Saturday, April 22, 2023** - Save the Date for our Annual Crawfish Cook-Off and Reunion Weekend



**Alumni Gear Store** : click [HERE](#) Please visit our new online store which has a large inventory to fit your needs. Take advantage of holiday savings, and possibly receive your order in time for Christmas.

**Alumni Survey:** Many thanks to those of you who participated in this initiative both in completing and sharing it with your peers. We truly hope this will serve as a catalyst for more efficient communication, outreach and engagement. If you have not yet done so, please take a moment to complete the [SURVEY](#) and view Brother Ray's video message.

**Annual Fund** - Our Annual Fund is an integral part of making the Saint Paul's experience so impactful for generations of young men. Your perpetual partnership and investment in Saint Paul's School have contributed to numerous enhancements which benefit our faculty, staff, students, parents and alumni. If you are inclined to support at this time, please click [HERE](#).

**Campus Tours – Welcome Home!** - If you have not been back to campus in a while and would like a closer look at the Saint Paul's of today, please contact Al Nastasi to schedule a tour.

If I may ever be of any assistance to you here in the Alumni Office, please do not hesitate to contact me at 985-892-3200 ext 1971 or [aln@stpauls.com](mailto:aln@stpauls.com).

Maranatha,  
Al Nastasi '91



# Alumni Profile

Ryan Murphy '88



**Do you have any other family members currently attending or who have attended Saint Paul's?** My older brother, Brennan, was a member of the Class of 1986, and I currently have two sons attending: Liam Class of 2025, and Luke Class of 2026.

**What advice would you give to current students or young alumni?** For the current students, enjoy these years as they very well could be some of the most memorable you will have. Try and recognize Saint Paul's can be a special place for you. Grow your friendships during these years because if you are lucky like I was, they may very well stay with you for the rest of your life. And get involved! For the young alums, do your best to stay connected to Saint Paul's especially if you find yourself back in Covington or the local area. If not, let your brothers know where you are and what you're doing through the Alumni Association.

**Why do you continue to support the Saint Paul's mission?** Simply put, because I believe in it. That is why my two sons are here. When I walk the campus, I feel a sense of awe about how well the school is run and the tangible quality of young men that are there. The mission does not seem to have changed since my days here. I look forward to being a part of it and giving back to help ensure future generations have the same experience.

**In what ways do you continue to be involved with Saint Paul's at this phase of your life?** I have and continue to participate in promotional efforts for the President's Annual Fund as well as with planning class reunions. We really had a great turnout for our 30<sup>th</sup> during the annual Crawfish Cook-Off (which is a great event!) Now that I have two sons attending, I help volunteer concessions during football and soccer games. I also look forward to getting more involved with the Dad's Club.

**Why would you encourage young men to consider attending Saint Paul's?** It very well could be some of the most memorable years of your life. Take advantage of all this great school has to offer. It can challenge and shape you in ways that give you opportunities that many young men may not have and take you through future phases of your life.

**Is there anything you would do differently with your Saint Paul's experience if given the opportunity to go back in time?** Two things: First, when I was a freshman, I would have taken the advice of a senior when he told me to make studying and grades a top priority. Second, I would have recognized how special Saint Paul's was while I was a student to enjoy every moment.

**Family:** Married to Raquel with two sons, Liam and Luke.

**Education:** B.S. in Political Science and B.A. in Economics from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, MBA from Loyola University New Orleans.

**Occupation:** Stirling Properties, Senior Advisor, CCIM

## Alumni News

**Nicolas Lavie '05** – Nick and his wife, Elise, welcomed their first child, Leah MacKenzie, on Tuesday, October 25. Leah weighed 7 lbs 1 oz and both mom and baby are doing fine. Leah is the first granddaughter of Saint Paul's Development Director, Mrs. Danielle Lavie.

**Jason Schroeder '06** - Jason and his wife, Kelly, welcomed Clark Jacob Schroeder into the world on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Keaton Moore '11** - Wyatt Avery Moore, was born on November 4<sup>th</sup> to Keaton and his wife Amy.

**Colin Francis '16** – Colin married Annie Doyle on October 22, 2022 at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church.



# Annual Fund Drive



Hopefully, you've received the [2021-22 Saint Paul's Annual Advancement Review](#) in the mail. If not, please contact the Development Office at [development@stpauls.com](mailto:development@stpauls.com) or Alumni Office [alumni@stpauls.com](mailto:alumni@stpauls.com) to give us your updated contact information.

The Annual Fund Drive runs from August 1, 2022 through July 31, 2023. A gift to the Saint Paul's Annual Fund, regardless of the amount, shows a commitment to the school and is sincerely appreciated. Your support represents your satisfaction with Saint

Paul's and its mission. Saint Paul's School needs financial assistance beyond tuition to continue the school's proven tradition of educational excellence and to sustain the Lasallian mission.

The proceeds go into the operating budget and are immediately used in the areas of greatest need (i.e., technology, pre-engineering program, bio-medical sciences program, classroom improvements, building renovations and maintenance, financial assistance, and restricted gifts). [Consider a gift today!](#)



## *Rise Up O Men of God*

[Mrs. Linda Taylor](#), wife of Teddy '66, sister-in-law of Billy Taylor '72, and daughter-in-law of the late Timmy Taylor, and grandmother of Taytum Taylor

[Mrs. Joan Rathe](#), mother of Richard '72, David '73, Stuart '78, Brian '83, mother-in-law of Scott Illing '79 and grandmother of Ryan '94, Jonathan '02 and Joshua '05 Rathe, Adam '09 and Paul '14 Tilly, Garrett '08 and Max '15 Illing, and great-grandmother of Wyatt Rathe '24

[Mrs. France Lemmons Clairain](#), mother-in-law of Carey Cutrer '81

[Mr. Karl "Bear" Boyer](#), father-in-law of Maury Duplantis '73

[Mrs. Hella Franklin](#), grandmother of Todd Franklin '97

[Mrs. Jeanne van Deventer](#), grandmother of Leland '16 and Ashton '18 van Deventer

[Mrs. Geraldine Baricev](#), grandmother of Peter '13, Robert '17, and John '24 Baricev

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace! Amen!*





# School News

## Saint Scholastica and Saint Paul's Celebrate All Saints Day

The Saint Paul's School and Saint Scholastica Academy communities gathered together to celebrate an outdoor liturgy for the Solemnity of All Saints. The Mass took place in Hunter Stadium and was celebrated by the Rev. Clayton "Beau" Charbonnet, Saint Paul's alum and pastor of Saint Angela Merici parish, and the Rev. Jeremy Lambert, L.C., who assists with pastoral needs at Saint Scholastica Academy.

The planning of the liturgy was a collaborative effort spearheaded by the campus ministers of each school, Jeff Ramon '08 of Saint Paul's and Colin MacIver of Saint Scholastica. The brother-sister relationship between the two schools is typically highlighted through pep rallies, homecoming events, and friendly competitions. Joining the two schools for a celebration of the Eucharist is a new endeavor. Ramon noted, "The shared liturgy affords each school community the opportunity to learn about the liturgical life of one another." Student representatives from each school served as lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and members of the choir during the liturgy dedicated to the saints of the Church. Fr. Beau inspired the students during his homily to call upon the heavenly saints for aid and encouraged them to be saints in this earthly life.

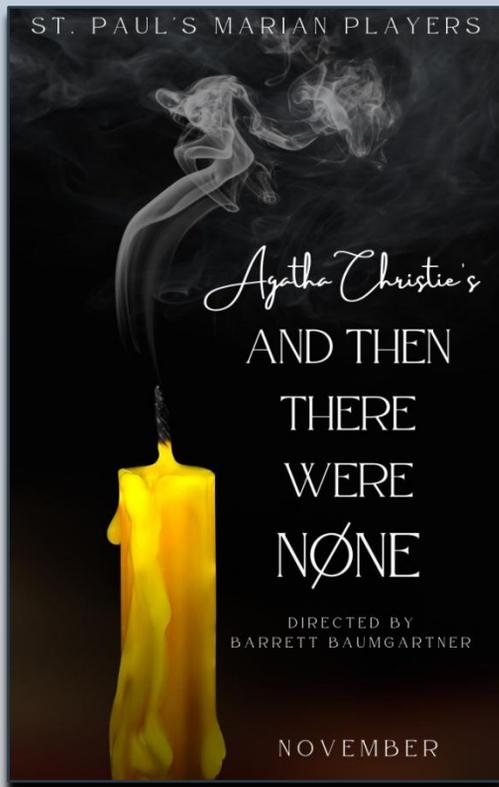
*by Jeaneen Schmitt*



Students from Saint Scholastica and Saint Paul's attend Mass together in Hunter Stadium to celebrate All Saints Day. Below, Ministers of Holy Communion from both schools were called upon to distribute communion.



## Marian Players – Tickets on Sale Now!



From November 29 through December 10, the Marian Players of Saint Paul's Theater present Agatha Christie's *And Then There Were None*. Tickets are still available for the December shows.

Ten unsuspecting strangers are lured by a mysterious host to an isolated island. In the midst of their merriment, they are each publicly accused of having committed unspeakable crimes for which they were never punished. When a party member dies, and tensions rise, they realize there might be a murderer among them. Come and see our students perform this fun, lighthearted play!

[PURCHASE TICKETS HERE](#)

## Habitat for Humanity

The Habitat for Humanity Club was once again busy on the second Saturday in November. This group were hard at work at a home on F Street in Covington. Their activities included scraping the interior floors of sheet rock debris and sweeping the floors clean. On the exterior, they began building a platform that will hold the air conditioned units which consisted of digging post holes and assembling the structure. The Club was treated to a surprise by Mothers' Club volunteer Mrs. Emily Achee with hot red beans and rice for all the workers.

Pictured at right L-R standing are: Ben Salvant, Sam Gold, Vice President Nicholas Achee, President Kieffer Schwartz, Gray Cartier, Christian Lueg, Jacob Trosclair, Steven Meyers, Myles McCormick, Trey Higgins, and Brandt Putfark. Moderator Mr. Richard Pichon is kneeling in the front.



# ACT Perfect Scores

Quality  
Education

The ACT is a standardized test for high school achievement and college admissions in the United States and has four sections: English, Reading, Math, and Science, as well as an optional 40-minute writing test. The ACT test is scored from 1 to 36, with 36 being perfect, on each test and a composite ACT score, which is an average of these four tests. A superscore of 36 is a perfect score of the combination of best scores of all the ACT tests taken.

Saint Paul's School is very proud that several of our students have received perfect 36 scores on one or more of their subject tests for the 2022-2023 school year. The tests were administered on September 10, October 18, and October 22.



Junior William Coles  
36 in English, Math  
& Reading



Junior Shawn Cooney  
36 in English



Junior Jack Freret  
36 in Reading



Junior Joseph Mire  
36 in English



Senior Justin Mott  
36 in English



Senior Davis Peltier  
36 in Reading





During the first week of November, Saint Paul's School celebrated Día de los Muertos with the annual prayer service for all Spanish classes in the chapel. This custom began in Mexico thousands of years ago. It is a beautiful way to celebrate the lives of all our departed loved ones. There are four elements used during this celebration and it is important that all of these elements are represented on the altar.

Fire is present through the candles on the altar which are to light the way for the souls coming home. Water is present on the altar to quench the thirst of the souls and to reinvigorate their energies for their journey into the beyond. Earth is represented through the food on the altar that feeds them as the souls celebrate with their loved ones. We remember that we all come from the earth, we live as a part of the earth and as we die, we will return to the earth. Lastly, wind is represented by the "papel picado" which reminds us of the fragility and ever changing nature of our life on earth.

*by Mrs. Liz Brett  
Spanish Department Chair*



The altar contains brightly colored flowers, candles, and decorations.

The altar was prepared with the help of members of Mrs. Brett's Spanish class. Picture L-R are: Aiden McGhee, Liz Brett, Colin Oman and Austin Billiot.



# Honor Roll Breakfasts

Quality  
Education



Junior Dominic Muguira shares breakfast with his dad, Nicholas.

Saint Paul's School student body recently finished up their first full quarter of the school year. After every quarter Saint Paul's Development Office and administration host a breakfast to recognize the great achievement of the honor roll students. Every student who earns B's and A's on their report card is bestowed the Blue Honor Roll, while every student who earns straight A's on their report card is bestowed the Gold Honor Roll. With such a great gathering of top students, Brother Ray Bulliard makes it his objective for the Honor Roll Breakfast to be a learning experience, nourishment for both the body and brain!

To celebrate the honor roll students, Brother Ray chooses four vocabulary words to teach at the breakfast. The words chosen are always a positive noun, a positive adjective, a negative noun, and a negative adjective. The vocabulary words always give the honor roll breakfasts an element of uniqueness from one another. The negative adjective of this honor roll breakfast is *perfidious*. To be perfidious is to be faithless or treacherous and to be untrustworthy. The positive adjective of this honor roll breakfast is *beatinest*. To be beatinest is to be remarkable, the best, and surpassing all others. Every Saint Paul's student should strive to be beatinest through their daily life! The negative noun of this honor roll breakfast is *puzzlewit*. To be a puzzlewit is to be persistently dull and a boring pest. The positive noun of the honor roll breakfast is *paladin*. Saint Paul's students should refrain from being a puzzlewit and instead live life as a paladin. After the description and teaching of these words, Brother Ray exclaimed to his students his signature honor roll breakfast catchphrase "If you want to offend me call me a perfidious puzzlewit, instead of using one of those four-letter words you throw around!"



At left, pre-freshman honor roll students are excited about their first honor roll breakfast.

Pre-freshman student Kristian Walker celebrates his honor roll status with parents Tyson, alumnus of 1994, and Kristina Walker.





Saint Paul's engineering department chair, Mrs. Rachel Peak, celebrates with her son, sophomore Jackson.



Br. Ray Bulliard, FSC educates students and parents on this year's vocabulary words.



At left, Eddie d'Hemecourt celebrates honor roll with his parents Dr. Shannon d'Hemecourt, Math department chair, and Ed d'Hemecourt.

# Thanksgiving Food Drive



Over many past Thanksgivings, Saint Paul's has been collecting thousands of pounds worth of food for the hungry of Covington, St. Tammany and Washington Parishes. Concern for the poor and social justice is one of the Five Core Principles that Saint Paul's School follows, and every year prior to Thanksgiving, the Wolves do everything in their power to ensure as many people as possible are able enjoy the holiday season.

At 8:00 AM on Thursday, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, over twenty juniors and seniors loaded up their trucks with over 10,000 pounds of food to haul to the Northshore Food Bank in Covington.

Students load pickup trucks with food items for the Northshore Food Bank.



Students bring full bags of food to awaiting pickup trucks.

Thousands of pounds of food items were collected for the food drive.



# Mu Alpha Theta & National Honor Society

Congratulations to the newest members of Mu Alpha Theta and the National Honor Society who were inducted in a joint ceremony held on October 24 in the Briggs Assembly Center.

Mu Alpha Theta is an international honors math club. Admission into the Saint Paul's chapter of Mu Alpha Theta requires that students taking regular math may not earn a grade lower than an A, and all students need at least a 3.5 overall grade point average. Members are required to participate in one math tournament each year.

Admission into the National Honor Society requires a cumulative grade point average of 3.8 or higher, as well as the following: leadership, service, and good character as demonstrated by activities and positive disciplinary standing. Each member is required to complete one individual service project per semester.

As a service requirement for both Mu Alpha Theta and the National Honor Society, members offer tutoring in math, science, and English for Saint Paul's students Monday through Thursday in the library.

The newly inducted Society members include: Ashton Adamcewicz, Ian Anderson, Austin Asher, Matthew Awbrey, Reed Bachemin, John Baricev, Miller Bourgeois, Paul Brown, Matthias Burns, Tyson Burns, Cameron Caime, Matthew Calamari, Shaun Carpenter, Gray Cartier, James Cather, Emerson Cochran, John Collings, Alex Constantine, Jacob Cresson, Edward Cureington, Liam Dannels-Smith, Patrick Darrah, Joshua Deas, Edmond d'Hemecourt, Andrew Dodd, Grant Dodson, Landyn Dufrene, Perrin Duhe, Jacob Dupre', Parker Emery, Antonio Eversgerd, Adam Fields, John Finnan, Maddox Fugarino, Joseph Gagliano, Lucas Gremillion, Reid Guillbault, Bennett Hanchey, Lathan Harrell, Jacob Hebert, William Herndon, Declan Johnson-Booth, Andrew Kraus, Landon Krebs, William Landers, Sean Lenahan, Christian Lueg, Justin Melancon, Devan Menon, Kirk Michel, Cole Mire, Myles Moran, Liam Murphy, Brady Myers, Rhett Nastasi, Colin Ocman, Preston Olivier, Connor O'Quinn, Owen Paddock, Jacob Padilla, Jackson Peak, Nicolas Perdigao, Jackson Picone, Carter Plaisance, Harrison Powell, James Rather, Chase Ravain, Fischer Redmond, Jacob Revere, David Roberts, Jackson Robinson, Claude Scarpelli, Connor Schwartz, Evan Showalter, Culver Stone, Andrew Talamo, Sean Talbert, Drew Talley, Caleb Tardo, Jack Trahan, Jacob Trosclair, Hunter Ulmer, Grant Voyles, Jacob Walker, Jonah Weigel, and Blake Williams. Pictured below are members of the Societies. *by Jeaneen Schmitt*



# Sophomore Service Day

Concern for the  
Poor & Social  
Justice



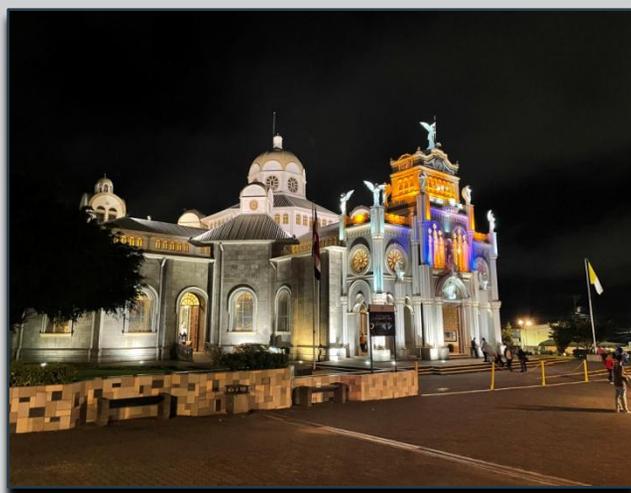
On Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, the sophomore class participated in their annual Sophomore Service Day. On this day, the 10<sup>th</sup> grade level of students embarked on a day of service throughout St. Tammany Parish and New Orleans. Partner service sites included City Park, [Food for Seniors \(Catholic Charities\)](#), City Park, [Keep Covington Beautiful](#), [Keep Mandeville Beautiful](#), [Habitat Restore](#), [Second Harvest Food Bank](#), and [Arc of Greater New Orleans](#). Sophomore Alex Mott spent his day at Second Harvest Food Bank. He said this of his service day, "Doing good for the community is enlightening and you benefit from serving others. It's a reminder to be grateful for the many blessings I have." We are grateful for those who allow this day to happen!



Students do some heavy lifting to help beautify City Park in New Orleans.

## Saint Paul's Exchange Program

This is the second year Saint Paul's School is partnering with fellow Lasallian school, Colegio Lasalle, in San Jose, Costa Rica. During the month of January, Saint Paul's will host several students from the Costa Rican school and will allow them to immerse themselves in the culture of our school. In July, Saint Paul's students have the opportunity to visit Colegio Lasalle and the beautiful country of Costa Rica for two weeks. For more information in participating in this program, contact Dr. Shawn Mullet '92 at [s.mullet@stpauls.com](mailto:s.mullet@stpauls.com).



Basílica De Los Angeles, the most important pilgrimage site in Costa Rica.



# Stella Yelling Contest



Saint Paul's School English teacher, Victor Morlas, annually hosts the "Stella Yelling Contest" for his AP Literature students upon completion of the Tennessee Williams play, *A Streetcar Named Desire*. The fan favorite contest is held during lunch and always offers exciting performances, and this year was no exception. Pictured at left is this year's winner, Reed Bachemin.

*by Jeaneen Schmitt*

## Mothers' Club Bookstore Christmas Sale

**SAINT PAUL'S  
MOTHERS' CLUB  
BOOKSTORE**

**SPECIAL HOLIDAY HOURS  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2022  
10:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.**

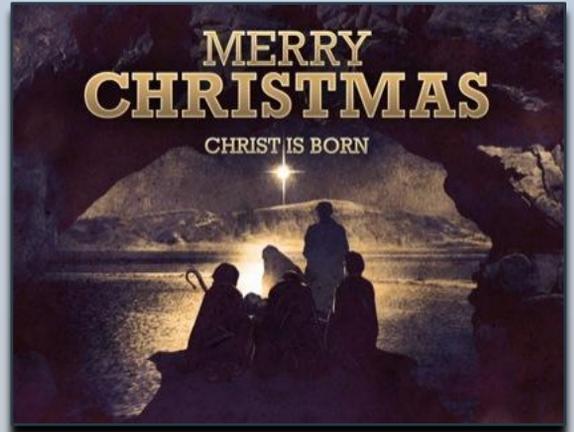


# Merry Christmas

*Because we know that Jesus Christ is going to come into us today, and we recognize him for what he is, let us prepare for him a dwelling place worthy of him. Let us dispose our hearts to receive him in such a way that he may be pleased to make his home there!*

Saint John Baptist de La Salle (Med., 85.3)

From Saint Paul's School, Merry Christmas!



## Online Shopping for Christmas?



AmazonSmile allows you to purchase items from Amazon.com and a portion of your purchase will be donated to the non profit of your choice. Please use this [LINK](#) and Saint Paul's School will receive these donations.

*The Strength of the  
Wolf is the Pack*



Wolf Tracks is a publication of The Saint Paul's School in Covington, Louisiana, a Lasallian Catholic school for boys, grades 8-12.

Publisher: Danielle Pilié Lavie  
[development@stpauls.com](mailto:development@stpauls.com)  
985-892-3200 ext 1270

Contributing Editor: Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC

Contributors: Liz Brett, Al Nastasi '91, and Jeaneen Schmitt



Live Jesus in Our Hearts...Forever.