



The Weekly Newsletter
Celebrating 111 years of educational excellence in Covington
342 Years of Lasallian tradition throughout the world
March 27- April 2, 2023



Welcome to the 3rd week of the 4th Quarter and the 5th week of Lent.

LENT: I invite you to access the Archdiocese of New Orleans website link to Lenten resources. <https://nolacatholic.org/lent>

Schedule of Events for Next Week:

Mon, March 27 (EFGA)

- 8th Baseball 4:30 & 6 pm at Heap Field
- JV/Varsity Baseball 4:00 – 6:30 at Slidell

Tues, March 28 (BCDE)

- President's Assembly
- Sudden Impact for Period B Falkenstein
- Golf 2:00 pm Beau Chene CC
- 8th Baseball 4:30 at Rummel

Wed, March 29 (FGAB)

- 10th Grade HR Breakfast
- JV/Varsity Baseball v. Hammond 4 & 6:30 – Heap Field

Thurs, March 30 (CDEF)

- 11th HR Breakfast in BAC
- 8th Baseball 5:00pm at Northshore
- Bowling Team Final Four Tournament at Premier Lanes, Gonzales
- V. Outdoor Track and Field at Parish Championships – Fontainebleau HS
- 9th Baseball – 5:30 pm v. Covington HS – Heap Field
- Fighting Math Wolves State Convention, Baton Rouge

Fri, March 31 (GABC)

- Lacrosse v. Caddo Magnet
- 12th HR Breakfast in BAC
- Bowling – Singles Final Tournament – Star Lanes, Baton Rouge
- JV/V Baseball 4 & 6:30 pm at Covington High
- Fighting Math Wolves at State Convention

Sat, April 1

- Jr/Sr Prom – BAC
- Lacrosse v. Loyola at Messmer Stadium
- Rugby v. Warren Easton at NO City Park
- JV/V Baseball v. Northshore HS 1:30 & 1 pm – Heap Field

Sun, April 2 – Palm Sunday



This Day in History: And just in case you were missing the important events in history that occurred this week, Brother Javier has compiled the list. I've kept them separate for those of you who already knew these facts (not me) or who just wanted the school information for this week. If so, just skip past the list. Thanks Brother Javier.

March 27th

TDIH: In 1964, the strongest earthquake ever recorded struck south central Alaska as a 9.2 magnitude quake.

TDIH: At the battle of Horseshoe Bend, Andrew Jackson and his 3,000 troops defeated the Creek Indians killing 800 warriors and capturing 500 women and children in 1814.

TDIH: Upon the death of James I, Charles I assumed the throne of Great Britain and Ireland in 1625.

March 28th

TDIH: Originally built as Byzantium in 657 BC and renamed Constantinople in the 4th Century AD, it was renamed Istanbul in 1930 AD.

TDIH: 34th President of the United States Dwight D. Eisenhower died this day in 1969 at the age of 78. He was the supreme commander of the Allied Forces on the Western Front during World War II.

TDIH: General Francisco Franco, leader of the Nationalist forces during the Spanish Civil War captures the capital city of Madrid in 1939. He was the head of state until 1975.

March 29th

TDIH: Farmers drilling a well discovered a subterranean chamber containing a terracotta army of 8,000 lifesize soldiers and horses in the tomb of Emperor Qin Shi Huang of China in 1974.

TDIH: American troops evacuated Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City) ending its involvement in the Vietnam War in 1973.

TDIH: Residents of Washington DC are now able to vote for President thanks to the passing of the 23rd Amendment in 1961.

TDIH: Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were found guilty and sentenced to death for turning over US military secrets to the Soviet Union in 1951.

TDIH: Retail magnate and one of the richest people in American History, Sam Walton was born this day in 1918. He was the founder of Walmart.

TDIH: Edward IV defeated Henry VI for the throne of England in the bloodiest battle of the York-Lancaster conflict known as the War of the Roses in 1461.

March 30th

TDIH: Nearly two months after his inauguration, Ronald Reagan is shot and seriously wounded by would-be-assassin John W. Hinckley, Jr in Washington DC in 1981.

TDIH: Mary the mother of the late Queen Elizabeth II dies at Windsor Castle. She had been Queen Consort of Great Britain from 1936 to 1952. She was 101 years old.

TDIH: French Canadian Singer Celine Dion was born in 1968.

TDIH: William Seward, Secretary of State under President Andrew Johnson, signed the Alaska Purchase in 1867. The US purchased Alaska from Russia for 7.2 million dollars, about two cents an acre.

TDIH: Dutch painter Vincent van Gogh was born in 1853. He was one of the greatest Post Impressionists artists.

March 31st

TDIH: The Eiffel Tower was inaugurated in 1889. It was built to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the French Revolution and was designed by Gustave Eiffel and stands 984 feet tall.

TDIH: Jesse Owens, winner of four gold medals at the Berlin Olympics in 1936, died at the age of 66 in 1980.

TDIH: Al Gore, former US Vice President under Bill Clinton, who lost the disputed Presidential Election of 2000 against George W. Bush was born in 1948.

TDIH: French mathematician, scientist, and philosopher, Rene Descartes was born on this day in 1596. He was famous for his phrase, "I think, therefore I am."

TDIH: The first Catholic mass was celebrated in the Philippines on the island of Limasawa in 1521.

April 1st

TDIH: Google launched Gmail in 2004. 5 years later one billion people were using the service.

TDIH: Steve Jobs, Steve Wozniak, and Ronald Wayne formed Apple Computer, Inc in 1976. It became one of the leading technology companies.

TDIH: United States Air Force Academy was created by an Act of Congress in 1954 and later built in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

April 2nd

TDIH: Head of the Roman Catholic Church from 1978 to 2005, Pope John Paul II died in 2005. He was the first non-Italian pope in 455 years and the first pope from a Slavic country (Poland). He was canonized a saint in 2014 by Pope Francis.

TDIH: US President Woodrow Wilson asked Congress for a declaration of war on Germany in 1917.

TDIH: Confederate troops evacuated Richmond in the face of advancing Union Troops in 1865.

TDIH: Juan Ponce de Leon is believed to be the first European to land on the coast of Florida in 1513.



General Information and Recognitions:

SAINT PAUL'S POWER LIFTING TEAM – STATE CHAMPIONS!

Congratulations to Coach Kellum and the Power Lifting Wolves on winning the State Championship Trophy! The Wolves scored 31 points to claim the Division I title on the final day of the LHSAA powerlifting meet. Joshua Kellum, the 148-pound champion, was the Top Lifter on the light weight platform. He had a total lift of 1,370 pounds that included a recording-setting squad of 575 pounds. Joshua Kellum also became the first four-time Division I individual champion. Zach Montz (123-pound class, total lift of 1,100) and Chandler Loesher (242, total lift of 1,740) were the Wolves' other champions. The title is Jesse Kellum's fifth as St. Paul's coach.



Luke Montz, Chandler Loesher, Coach Jesse Kellum and Joshua Keller celebrate their weight class state championships at the meet at the Cajun Dome in Lafayette yesterday.

FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH: On March 21 we celebrated the Feast of St. Joseph with a Mass in the New Gym. To mark the occasion the Mothers Club treated all students to a donut snack.



Food for the body and food for the soul.

GOLDEN TOUCH AWARDS: Awards season is fast approaching. One of many awards given is the Golden Touch Award. Students must apply for this award. Please encourage your son to check if he is eligible to receive this award. It is based on a combination of academic and extra-curricular achievement. Details can be found attached to this email or from Mrs. Clair in the school office.

HONOR ROLE BREAKFAST: Third quarter Honor Roll Breakfasts are in progress. Congratulations to our HR students for the third quarter.



Lane LaBorde and parents enjoying Chic-fil-a breakfast.

NATIONAL HISTORY DAY COMPETITION: Yesterday was the district round of the National History Day competition. This year’s theme is “Frontiers in History.”



The following Honors U.S. History students presented their research projects at the World War 2 Museum: Reece Beckendorf, Cole Catanzaro, Peyton Kilgore, Myles McCormick, Steven Meyers, Harrison Murr, Spencer Naquin, Josh Pichon, Luke Ramirez, Austin South, Jack Trahan

After presenting and defending their projects to a team of judges, these students will move on to the state competition on April 15.

- Joshua Pichon - Ramones: Pioneers of Punk (exhibit board)
- Harrison Murr - Alaska “North to the Future” (documentary)
- Reece Beckendorf - Althea Gibson: Frontier in Tennis and Golf (documentary)
- Spencer Naquin - The Transcontinental Railroad, The Tracks Of The Frontier (exhibit board)
- Myles McCormick - America’s First Jet: The XP-59 (website)

Winners of the State competition move on Nationals, held at the University of Maryland in June.

MOTHER/SON DINNER: Many thanks and congratulations to the Mothers Club for hosting the annual Mother/Son Dinner. The capacity crowd enjoyed a decked out BAC, outstanding food, and inspiring speakers.



From left to right: Clay Sims, Elizabeth Sims, George Gomez and Maitee Gomez, Dev and Smita Patel, Claiborne and Cassie Guste, Lucas and Christina Piediscalzo

Left to right,

*front row: Myles Moran, Andrew Kraus, Jacob Rebaudo, Justin Melancon
Back row: Melissa Moran, Michelle Kraus, Tiffany Rebaudo, Brenda Melancon*



And one more Mother/Son Picture:



*Left to Right:
Jack/Linda
Collings,
Annette/Patrick
Curren, Jacob/Kim
Dupré*

SUMMER CAMPS: Summer sports camp registration is now open. Please help us get the word out regarding our quality athletic programs for boys ages 8-14:

<https://www.stpauls.com/student-life/summer-camp/>.

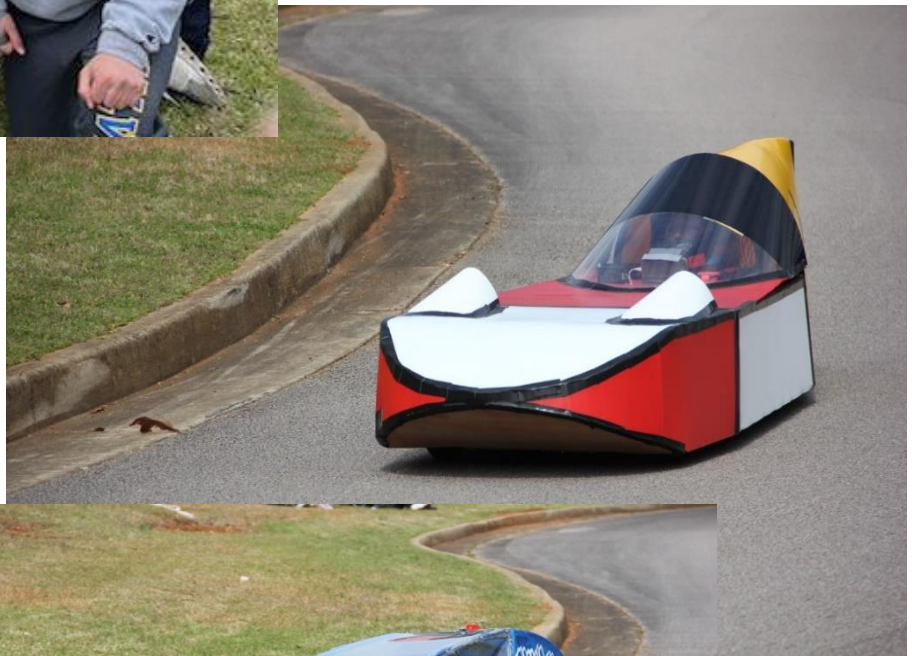


WOLVES ON WHEELS: Congratulations to the SPS car building club, WOW, who traveled to Lafayette, Alabama, last weekend to compete in the Electrathon America competition. Electrathon America is an organization that provides hands-on opportunities for participants to learn about STEM principles as they design and build an electric vehicle for competition. In the competition, when the green flag is waved, the race begins. Each car starts with a maximum of 1000 Watt-hours of electrical energy. It's a competition of how efficiently a car and driver can travel with unpredictable traffic and a variable road course. One hour after the green flag, the checkered flag is waved and the team car that traveled the farthest wins. *St. Paul's took first and second place* with two entries this year. Pictured below are the cars and the respective team members.



Left: From top left clockwise: Sean Roberts, Evan Leaber, Connor Dodson, Davis Peltier, Bennett Berreca, Jake Fontenot.

*Below: SOLV Energy/Electrathon America
1st Place (Red Car)
Cody Fonteneot
Seth Fontenot
Bennet Berreca
Alex Klemp*



*Right: 2nd Place
(Blue Car)
Evan Leaber
Davis Peltier
Sean Roberts
Connor Dodson*



TRACK AND FIELD: Congratulations to the SPS Junior High Track team who placed second overall in the recent Jr. High Classic. Below are the individual results.

TA-CHS JH Classic on 3/16/23

Team Finish- 2nd

1st Place

Nicholas Gristina - 400m

Ethan Ballard - Triple Jump

2nd Place

Luke DeMelo - 300m Hurdles

Julian Conzonere, Nicholas Gristina, Brady Pierson, and Ethan Ballard - 4x200m Relay

Ethan Ballard - High Jump

Brady Pierson - Triple Jump

3rd Place

Ryan Knapp - 1600m

Luke DeMelo - 100m Hurdles

Julian Conzonere, Nicholas Gristina, Brady Pierson, and Luke DeMelo - 4x100m Relay



Jr. High Track Team with trophy.

Congratulations also to our Varsity Outdoor Track and Field team for their recent performances. Below are the results from the latest meets.

Ponchatoula All Comers Meet on 3/4/23

Team Finish- 4th

First Place-

4x200 m relay- Callahan Leahy, Troy Willis, Jack Ourso, John Schembre

Second Place-

Shot Put- Andrew Viener

200 m - John Schembre

4x100 m relay- Callahan Leahy, Troy Willis, Jack Ourso, John Schembre

Third Place-

400m- Steven Myers

3200m- Dominic Muguira

4x400m relay- Owen Martin, Jack Ourso, Matthew Longo, Steven Myers

4x800m relay- Matthew Awbrey, Tyson Burns, Dominic Muguira, Henry Englehardt

Judy Baehr Relays on 3/9/23

Team Finish- 6 th

Third Place-

Shot Put- Andrew Viener

Pole Vault- Preston Olivier

4x400m relay- Matthew Longo, Steven Myers, Callahan Leahy, Eddie d' Hemecourt

Andy Thiel Invitational on 3/4/23

Team Finish- 4th

Second Place-

Long Jump- John Baricev

100m dash- John Schembre

4x200 m relay- Callahan Leahy, Jacob Khashou, Jack Ourso, John Schembre

Third Place-

Shot Put- Andrew Viener

Discus- Khalil Reeves

4x400m relay- Callahan Leahy, Jack Ourso, Matthew Longo, Steven Myers

4x800m relay- Matthew Awbrey, Tyson Burns, Dominic Muguira, Eddie d' Hemecourt



And this just in: Congratulations to Troy Willis, Jacob Khashou, Jack Ourso and Johnny Schembre on breaking the 4x200 m relay record at the PHS Invite set in 2014 by .39 seconds with a time of 1:30.37 seconds. "

HOSA – Future Health Professionals: Aryan Kumar, Johnny Palmer, Ms. Freeman, Dominic Roy, Ashton Martin and Steven Meyers attended the HOSA State competition. This is an opportunity for recognizing the competencies developed by members through Health Science and Biomedical Science class instruction, related job training, and HOSA related activities. Competitive events are designed to motivate students to improve their knowledge and skills. HOSA provides a national competitive events program as a means of recognizing those students who are willing to pursue excellence by preparing for competition and having the determination to attend a conference and participate in a competitive event. A special recognition goes out to Aryan Kumar for winning 1st place in the Clinical Laboratory Science competition. His accomplishments make Aryan eligible to compete in the International Leadership Conference this summer. Thanks to Ms. Tammy Freeman for leading these SPS future professionals.



CRAWFISH COOK-OFF: The Crawfish Cook-off is a charitable event presented by Saint Paul’s Alumni Association. The purpose of this event is to raise funds for both Hope House of Saint Tammany and Saint Paul’s Alumni Association while providing an entertaining event for all to enjoy. It allows for a good-natured competition for those in the community who wish to prove they cook the best boiled crawfish!



Our next event is scheduled for Saturday, April 22, 2023, from 1:00 to 6:00 pm on Saint Paul’s beautiful campus in conjunction with Reunion Weekend. Please contact Al Nastasi, Alumni Director, at 985-892-3200 ext 1971 for more information.

LUNCH DROP-OFF (there is no such thing): For the safety of everyone on campus we insist that you do not pull onto campus to drop off lunch for your son. This is against school policy. We do not allow ANYTHING at ANYTIME to be dropped off without checking into the office first. If your son forgets his lunch and needs to purchase a cafeteria meal, have him see me if he needs to borrow a few bucks for a meal.

KHAN ACADEMY: A great New Year's Resolution! Preparation for success in classes and on standardized testing is a marathon, not a sprint. DAILY practice is ideal, starting in 8th grade. MANY materials (often free!) are available. Here is a good one: the Khan Academy. Khan Academy has a wealth of free prep in various subjects from math to social studies to standardized and AP testing. It grows each year and has turned into an incredible free resource. Encourage your sons to use it regularly. Here is the link:
<https://www.khanacademy.org/>

AFTER SCHOOL: The Library remains open to students until 4 pm. If your son is looking for a comfortable place to wait for his ride and get a jump on his homework, this is a good option for him.

BOOK STORE: All school supplies will be available for purchase, as well as St. Paul's apparel.
Hours?

- M – F: 7:30 am - 8:15 am and 11:15 – 12:45
- By appointment. Email spsbookstore16@gmail.com
- All proceeds from the bookstore are used for the benefit of our students!

ATTENDANCE: Please follow all SPS attendance regulations in the Student-Parent Handbook and make Mrs. Suzy's job as easy as possible. Thank you for your cooperation. The State of Louisiana limits the number of days a student may miss and still receive credit. Saint Paul's adheres to these regulations. **Please do not allow your sons to miss school for less than very serious reasons.**

STAMMANY PARISH EXCEPTIONAL GAMES: On Thursday March 23, 8 CORE Pack students and 9 of their senior mentors attended the St. Tammany Parish Exceptional Games. The event drew from the 8 public high schools in the Parish as well as Saint Paul's.

The 9 schools were divided into 3 divisions with Saint Paul's competing against Lakeshore and Pearl River in 4 events, the frisbee and javelin tosses, corn hole and the 50 meter dash. When it was all said and done, the CORE Pack came away with the gold!

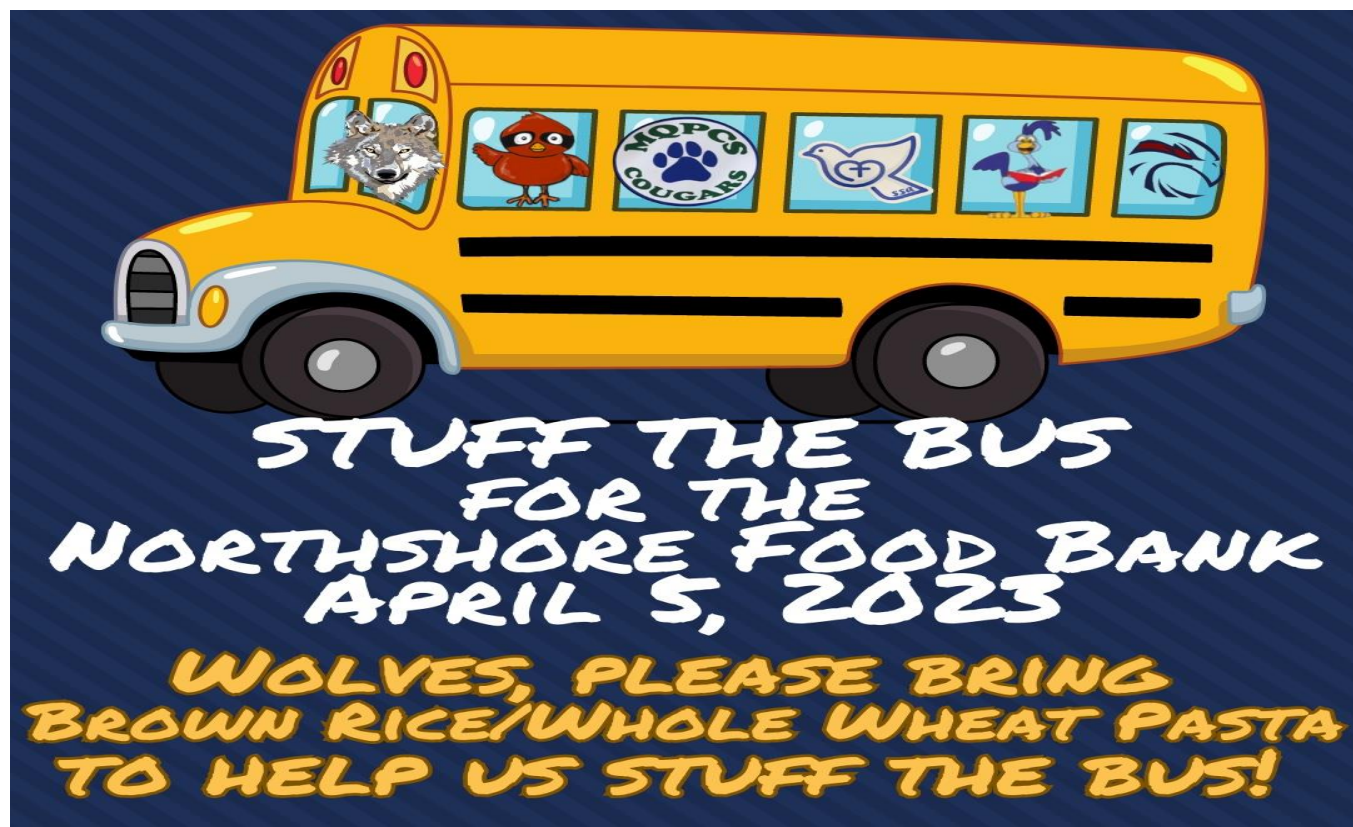


Front row, left to right: Matthew Seal, Christopher Bonanno, Jack Salvaggio, Cameron Bayley, John Escher Middle row, left to right: John Christopher, Alex Gwartney, John Marciante, Connor Braswell, Max Pellegrini, Gary Miller, Jack Vicent, Rooster Cather, John Martinez Last row, left to right: Jake Doyle, Kyle Sevin, Lance Lawson, Jacob Johnson

JUNIOR/SENIOR PROM: The Junior/Senior Prom will be held Saturday, April 1, from 7:30 until 10:30 PM in the Briggs Assembly Center. Students will receive a link to order tickets and to complete behavior agreements by March 1. Only one female guest is allowed per male student, and they must enter the dance together. The dance is open to Saint Paul's Juniors and Seniors and their dates only. An order form for Prom photos has been emailed to anyone who has purchased Prom tickets. Please consult the dress code when making preparations:

PROM ATTIRE/DRESS: Attire should be suitable for a Catholic high school function: For males, tuxedo is the norm (see the attached flyer if you are interested in a great deal for a tuxedo), but not necessary. Suits are acceptable. Jackets may be removed, but students are to remain fully dressed throughout the dance. For females, **dresses must be full-length**. Slits in dresses may be no more than 4 inches above the knee. Dresses may not have a low, open back. There should be no cutouts, openings, or low cut, revealing necklines. No pierced body parts are to be visible except the ear lobes. **Shoes are to be worn at all times.**

STUFF THE BUS: Every year the eastern St. Tammany Catholic schools collaborate to “Stuff the Bus” with food items for the Northshore Food Bank. These items go a long way to helping the Food Bank get through the summer months when food-insecure children typically do not have access to school lunches. St. Paul’s sends a bus(es) to the other campuses to pick up their donations. Over the past couple of years, we have actually stuffed TWO busloads of food which our boys help unload at the Food Bank. The items requested this year from St. Paul’s are brown rice and whole wheat pasta. If you are able, please send these items with your sons over the next few days. We would love to send THREE busloads this year!



ANNUAL APPEAL: Many thanks to those who have responded. For clarity, I offer the following: · Almost all private schools conduct annual funds; many are high-pressure; ours is not – but I need your support to keep it from being high-pressure. · The Annual Fund funds tactical, short-term projects, e.g., technology, special programs, etc. The Capital Campaign funds large infrastructure projects (the \$4 million La Salle Hall renovation, the \$4.5 million new gym, the \$4 million Benilde Hall renovation and now the \$2.5 million band building.)

- You may “pledge” your gift and pay later or in installments (monthly, etc.). More and more families are using automatic credit card monthly payments of \$10 or \$20 dollars. WONDERFUL!
- Gifts of stock are welcome.
- No gift is too small. I repeat: no gift is too small! What’s important is that everyone participates. Of course, no gift is too large!

- If you are contributing to the Capital Campaign or supporting SPS in some other way, I understand! Thank you for your generosity. Can you send \$10 to the Annual Fund to increase participation?
- Please consider helping if you have not already done so and are in a position to do so.
Many thanks!



Table decoration from Mother-Son Dinner

ANNUAL APPEAL AND GRANDPARENTS: We are blessed with many supportive grandparents. Many schools solicit donations from grandparents directly. Again, I do it differently than other schools that directly solicit grandparents. I ask that you inform your son's grandparents or, if you want, I'll be happy to send them the information directly if you wish. Just provide me with the information. I do not want to ask grandparents without your consent but we need their support. I have already received a number of grandparent gifts. Again, no gift is too small – and, of course, no gift is too large.

CALENDAR FOR SPRING SEMESTER:

Fri – Fri Apr 07 – 14 Easter Holidays
 Mon, Apr 17 Classes resume from Easter Holidays
 Wed-Fri, Apr 26 – 28 Senior Final Exams
 Thurs, May 11 Pre-Freshmen Promotion Ceremony (6:30)
 Sat, May 13 Senior Graduation (4 pm) in the BAC
 Thurs – Tues, May 18-23 Final Exams for Grades 9 - 11
 Wed, May 24 Conflict/Makeup Exam Day
 Thurs, May 25 Conflict/Makeup Exam Day/Faculty Records Day

HONORS CHEMISTRY LAB: These guys are studying the concept of freezing point depression, how adding a solute to a solvent will lower the freezing point of the solvent. (left picture)



Last one was the fun part when the main lab was over. Using the same concept to make ice cream in a bag. (picture on right)

COLD WEATHER CLOTHING: Only Saint Paul's outwear is permissible in cool/cold weather. **If your son needs an SPS sweatshirt and money is tight right now, just have him come see me. This will be handled confidentially and appropriately.** ONLY SPS cool weather clothing is allowed.

DRIVING: I call the following to your attention:

- **Driver's License Requirement:** You need TWO of these: one when your son applies for his learner's permit and ANOTHER when he goes for his permanent license. Several parents have been turned away, not knowing they needed another form. Don't blame me! This is a legislative action.
- **Safe Driving:** Parents –let's set an example for the students! Students – the neighbors are watching (and filming!) and we will take action! This applies at all times: after school, after practice, on weekends, at games, etc. Please obey the traffic laws: speed limit, no tailgating, no texting while driving, no cell phone use during school zone hours, 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.

HELPING SAINT PAUL'S: Don't forget – here are painless ways to help:

- Office Depot, please give the SPS school code (70041640) and SPS receives 5% of your purchase!
- Box Tops for Education – these are redeemable for cash. Have your son bring them to his math teacher.

LOST & FOUND: Lunch boxes, uniform shirts, books, shoes – all sorts of things are being left behind on campus – almost all with no names on them. Stress with your sons to keep track of his belongings. Putting his name on items helps, too. Lost & Found cabinet is located outside the Attendance Office.

FREE BAND/ATHLETIC PHYSICALS: Free Athletic/Band physicals are scheduled for 7:30 am on May 6th at **AVALA Ortho, 1200 Pinnacle Parkway, Covington, LA**. A current physical is required for all athletes and band members. Contact Ms. Claire for more information clairec@stpauls.com

TUTORING: Tutoring offered by National Honor Society members is underway and occurs every day at lunch in Mrs. Pool's room in La Salle Hall for the remainder of the school year. All students are welcome to utilize this free tutoring service. Essay proofreading services are also provided. It is not embarrassing to go for tutoring! NHS members have been working with peers since August!

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 khaki pants available – all for the taking.

SLOW YOUR ROLL: Please follow the posted school zone speed signs and do not use cellphones in school zones.



VAPING: Unfortunately, vaping is on the rise, even among our students. The health message is clear: there are too many unknowns in vaping for it to be considered safe – especially for the young (who, unfortunately, all too often ignore the warnings of science.) **Please stress this with your sons.** We have made our position very clear – it is prohibited and strong consequences are imposed if it is discovered. But we can't police outside of school – parents, **PLEASE insist with your sons that the dangers of this trend are not worth the risk. Have these important conversations.** Do not allow him to become addicted. We have made too much progress in this area to go backwards.

PROFILE OF A SAINT PAUL'S ALUMNUS: A few years ago, then Assistant Principal Mr. Dickens lead the effort to compose the following Profile of a Saint Paul's Alumnus. It's worth a look. We hope you agree that this is what we hope for your sons upon graduation.



Profile of a Saint Paul's Alumnus

The Saint Paul's alumnus lives the Five Core Principles which are the cornerstone of Lasallian Education:

- Quality Education
- Concern for the Poor and Social Justice
- Inclusive Community
- Respect for All Persons
- Faith in the Presence of God

The Saint Paul's alumnus has garnered educational experiences that will help him move more seamlessly into adulthood. Because he understands that learning never ceases, he will continue to grow intellectually throughout his life.

The Saint Paul's alumnus understands service to his community and beyond. He willingly gives his time for the betterment of others, namely the marginalized. Furthermore, he champions social justice because he believes in the dignity of all persons.

The Saint Paul's alumnus advocates for equity and equality to encourage building a community that is unapologetically inclusive.

The Saint Paul's alumnus looks at the world and its citizens through an unbiased lens. He is respectful of all persons and sees the unity that must exist in diversity.

The Saint Paul's alumnus has grown in his faith and models not only being a disciple of Christ but also a Lasallian who understands the neverending spiritual journey that he has just begun. He will always acknowledge and celebrate the Holy Presence of God.

All in all, the Saint Paul's alumnus is a Lasallian man of faith who embodies the Five Core Principles and continues to mature intellectually, spiritually, and morally beyond commencement and habitually exhibits integrity and dependability as he does the ordinary extraordinarily well.

THE LAST WORD: (repeat from last week) For those of you looking for a Lasallian perspective on Lent, I offer a reflection from Brother George Van Grieken, FSC, entitled *From Here to Eternity*, which I found to be instructive and encouraging. It can be found at the following link: <https://lasallianresources.org/news/lasallian-reflection-march-2019-from-here-to-eternity/>

Brother George is often my go-to source for resources on all things Lasallian. I encourage you to browse the site associated with this reflection.

If I may be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Live Jesus in our Hearts.....Forever!

Trevor Watkins, AFSC



Next Year's Calendar:

Saint Paul's School 2023 - 2024 Calendar

Fri - Mon, Aug 4 & 7	Teacher Meetings
Tues, Aug 8	Teacher Prep Day
Wed, Aug 9	School Opens with full day of instruction
Mon, Aug 21	New Parent Reception and Information Meeting (6:30)
Thu, Aug 24	Senior March through the Arch, Breakfast, Unity Day, Ring Day
Fri, Aug 25	Senior Ring Holiday
Mon, Aug 28	Parent – Teacher Mini Schedule Night (6:30)
Mon, Sep 04	Labor Day Holiday
Fri, Oct 06	Fall Break Holiday
Fri, Oct 13	End of First Quarter; 11:00 am dismissal
Fri., Oct 13	Grandparent Day (11:30 – 1:00)
Mon, Oct 23	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5-7
Sat, Oct 28	Prospective Student Open House (1 – 3 pm)
Mon, Nov 06	Archdiocesan Formation Day (no classes for students) (tentative)
Mon-Fri, Nov 20 - 24	Thanksgiving Holidays
Mon, Nov 27	Classes resume from Thanksgiving Holiday
Fri - Wed, Dec 15-20	Semester Exams
Wed, Dec 20	Christmas Holidays begin at 11:45 following exams
Wed, Jan 03	Classes resume & Second Semester begins
Mon, Jan 15	Martin Luther King Holiday
Mon, Feb 05	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5-7 pm
Fri, Feb 09	Faculty Retreat Day (no classes for students)
Mon-Fri, Feb 12 -16	Mardi Gras / Beginning of Lent Holidays
Mon, Feb 19	Classes resume
Fri, Mar 8	End of Third Quarter
Fri – Fri, Mar 29 – Apr 05	Easter Holidays
Mon, Apr 08	Classes resume from Easter Holidays
Mon-Thu, Apr 29 – May 02	Senior Final Exams
Thu, May 16	Pre-freshmen Promotion Ceremony (6:30 pm)
Sat, May 18	Senior Graduation (4 pm)
Fri – Wed, May 17 - 22	Final Exams for Grades 9 - 11
Thu, May 23	Conflict/Makeup Exam Day
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In case of emergency closings, student make-up days will be taken from scheduled holidays. Please do not schedule vacations during school time.