

December 14, 2018
Celebrating 88 Years

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Mission Statement

Inspired by the charism of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany, the mission of St. Paul Catholic School is to provide students with a foundation for life through faith, academics, and service and to assist students in developing their gifts and talents, so that they may fulfill the plan God has for their lives.

St. Paul Catholic School
Eagle Update

Deeply Rooted in Knowledge, Faith, and Family
Since 1930



“Do Not Be Afraid, I Am With You.”
Isaiah 43:5



On this Third Sunday of Advent in the Entrance Antiphon we hear the words - **Rejoice, again I say, Rejoice!** (Phil4:4-5) Then in the First Reading from (Zephaniah 3:14) we hear - **Shout for Joy, be glad and exult with all your heart.** Then the second reading repeats the Entrance Antiphon - **Rejoice in the Lord always.** We are happy and excited – Christmas is near! To show our exuberance the pink candle is lit and the priest wears pink or rose vestments.

The Good News of Christmas is that Jesus, our Emmanuel – God with us – is the one and only real gift of Christmas. Jesus is the one who brings peace to our hearts, consoles us and is our true friend. So keep this in mind amid all the fury of – shopping, parties, on line gifts, etc. Keep Jesus your focus and you will be in a good space on Christmas Day and of course, throughout the New Year.

FLORIDA CORE STANDARDS

Parents, if you are interested in accessing the Florida Core Standards you are able to do so from the Academic tab on the school website. These Standards are used by the St. Paul Catholic School teachers when planning their lessons. If you have any questions regarding the Standards and how they are being presented please feel free to e-mail your child’s teacher.



K of C BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual Pancake Breakfast with Santa in the cafeteria on Sunday, December 16th after the 7:30 and 9:30 Masses. Everyone is invited. Santa looks forward to having his picture taken with the children. The drawing for the winner of the Knights of Columbus Vacation Raffle voucher will take place at the breakfast.

UNIFORM CLOTHING

PLEASE, take a few minutes to put your child’s name on his/her sweatshirt, PE clothes, lunch boxes, water bottles, etc. We have numerous sweatshirts, all without names, in the lost and found. As a reminder, students are not permitted to wear sweatshirts or jackets other than the St. Paul Catholic School uniform. Please feel free to take a sweatshirt or sweater from the lost and found. Also, girls fad or decorated headbands and scarfs are not in compliance with the school uniform.



LORD, MAKE US INSTRUMENTS OF YOUR PEACE!

Sunday, Dec. 16
K of C Pancake
Breakfast with Santa
after the 7:30 and
9:30 Masses

Monday, Dec. 17
Grades 1 & 2
Bon Secours Nursing
Home to sing
Christmas Carols

Wednesday, Dec. 19
School Mass 8:15

Thursday, Dec. 20
PDQ Spirit Night

Friday, Dec. 21
Class T- Shirt
Early Dismissal
11:50

Classes Resume
January 7, 2019

Pilgrimage next October, in the Footsteps of St. Paul the Apostle. Msgr. Gibbons will lead a land-sea pilgrimage to Greece next year following the missionary journeys of St. Paul. Dates are October 9 to 19, 2019. Among the places visited in mainland Greece are Athens, Thessalonika, Philippi, and Corinth. This also includes a 3-night cruise, with stops on the islands of Mykonos, Patmos, Crete, & Santorini (plus Ephesus on the coast of Turkey.) Brochures and pricing will be available soon. There will be a Special Travel Presentation about the pilgrimage in the Franciscan Room of the Parish Center—**Tuesday, January 8, 2019, at 6 p.m.** A representative of Collette, the travel agency will be present. Please e-mail Msgr. Gibbons if you would like to receive a brochure. <FrGibbons@stpaulstpete.com>



We remember in prayer all our sick relatives, benefactors and friends especially Mark Borden, uncle of Sarah and Ben Hoffman; Silverio Salamanca, grandfather of Isaiah VanWanzele; John Anson, father of Ms. Alonzo, 8th grade teacher; Bill Cullen, grandfather of Ansley and Kaitlin Kerrigan and Maddie Coriarity; Joe Baxter, brother-in-law of Sister Joan; Henry Danecki, grandfather of Ava, Gavin and Ethan Danecki; Andrew Burke, father of Mrs. Laurie Spoor, Title 1 teacher; Tiffani Moore, aunt of Gavin Sparks; and babies Tiana & Charlotte Huepenbecker, cousins of Brennan Huepenbecker. We also remember in prayer all of our deceased relatives, friends and benefactors especially Robert Quigley, uncle of Kathy Newton, office secretary. May his soul and all the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

REVERSED ADVENT CALENDAR

If your family is preparing a Reversed Advent Calendar basket, please notify the school office on or before Wednesday, December 19th, so that arrangements may be made for the baskets to be delivered to St. Vincent De Paul on Friday morning, Dec. 21st. Thank you for your generosity to our less fortunate brothers and sisters.

