Mission Statement:
At St. Paul Catholic School we strive for excellence in faith and academics. Our mission is to be a loving and forgiving community that receives our Lord Jesus Christ and reflects his teachings. God is our focus and heaven our goal.

CALENDAR
Saturday-November 23
9:00am Drama Club Full Dress Rehearsal

Sunday-November 24
2:00pm “The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe” play in St. Paul School gym

Tuesday-November 26
No Mechanical Club mtg.
No Healthy Kid’s Club mtg.

Wednesday-November 27
No School

Thursday-November 28
Happy Thanksgiving
No School

Friday-November 29
No School
6:00pm Glow Parade-Downtown Owosso

Saturday-November 30
9:30am Movie “Frozen” @ Owosso Cinemas

Blessings for Thanksgiving!

We have been working on the virtue of gratitude for the past two weeks, and for our short week next week we will focus on humility. With those virtues in mind, I must take the time to thank each of you for all that you do for our students and our school. You are truly blessings to all of us and I am especially thankful for your efforts! May you enjoy a holiday filled with family and fun, along with some quiet time to reflect on your own blessings! Safe travels for those of you who will be on the road!

Due to the short week of school next week, there will be no Wave Watcher published. Thank you!
The St. Paul Catholic School Drama club has been hard at work as they prepare for the upcoming performance of this classic tale! Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the production on **Sunday, November 24 at 2:00 PM** in the school gym. Spread the news and bring your friends! You won’t be disappointed! Thank you to all who have volunteered time, helped secure props, and many other tasks that need to be done in order to have a successful production! Most importantly, **thank you to Kelli Porter, our Drama teacher**, for all of your hard work and effort! **We are blessed to have this opportunity for our students!**
Virtue of the Week
Humility

What does it mean?
Awareness that all our gifts come from God and appreciation for the gifts of others.

What does it look like?
• Smiling when someone else gets a good grade.
• Shaking someone’s hand who did a good job.
• Thinking of others before yourself.
• Allowing others to go ahead of you in line; taking the last place.
• Taking time for prayer; particularly a prayer of gratitude.

What does it sound like?
• You are really good at that! Great job!
• You did a really good job.
• Would you like this seat?
• You can go ahead of me.
• Jesus, thank you for all the blessings you have given me.

Please help your child practice these virtues, tools which bring us closer to Jesus. Thank you!
**VIP Recognition**

**Congratulations** to these students who were recognized after Mass on Thursday for modeling virtues in a way that is above and beyond what is typical. Each student was nominated by a staff member for this award. Thank you to Culver’s for sponsoring this program!
Thank you Fr. Mike!
The second grade students recently enjoyed a tour of the church from Father Mike. Students are learning about all of the special parts of the church as they prepare to receive the sacraments of reconciliation and Holy Eucharist this year. Thank you Fr. Mike for sharing your knowledge with the second grade! Please keep these students in your prayers and they work to prepare for these special graces from God!
PAJAMA DRIVE SUCCESS!
Thank you to all those who donated pajamas to our pajama drive! Scholastic will be pairing each set of pajamas with a book, which will be such a lovely gift for a child in need. We are so blessed to have such generous families who help model Christ’s commandment to love others!
Mrs. Kelly Knieper’s middle school social studies classes.

In World History, we have been learning about the first civilizations and how they came to be what we know them to be today. If you know a 5th or 6th grade student ask them about what the greatest discovery of the EARLY man was. Hopefully, they will smile and say “That plant comes from seeds.” We have used this to connect so many things. For example, I used that to share how society advances with just a single thought or discovery just like change occurs in the lives of others with just a simple act of kindness or a simple decision to demonstrate love or grace. Next, we will be studying the geography, culture, and history of China, Japan, and India. I am excited to include lessons on Saint Teresa of Calcutta (aka Mother Teresa) and many other Catholic missionaries that have served or are serving in this region. Praying I can connect with my Dad’s cousin Vic Kuchar and connect somehow for him to share his missionary work in India.

In US History, we have been heavily focused on the time period before the Civil War and are now entering the actual war itself. We have begun our unit with a lesson on Catholics in the Civil War. It was exciting for me, because one of my German ancestors (a Schlactor) that first settled in Ohio fought in the war before coming to the Chesaning area. We had just talked about how the huge about of Catholic Germans came into our country to escape religious persecution. Yet, they moved west to be farmers rather than remain in the cities. It was fun to share my family history with them. If you have connections to the war AND know an 8th grader, please share your stories. We also had Mrs. Savage come share her Underground Railroad quilt with our class and we went to see the new Harriet movie. Both experiences had the kids talking and sharing thoughts.

I am loving sharing history as God intended ... HIS-story. God Bless!
EXTRAVAGANZA DAY!!!
The student council is once again organizing “EXTRAVAGANZA DAY!” This is a day when students can choose to participate in one, two or as many different fun dress options, UP TO FIVE, as a means to raise funds to support the parish giving tree. Please see the flyer attached which identifies the many different options available. **Thank you for your support and generosity, as this is an important work of charity and love at this special time of the year!**

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**Student Council Giving Tree**

**Monday Extravaganza**

**December 2, 2019**

Help your student council raise money for items off the Giving Tree

“...whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.”

Matthew 25:40

On Monday, December 2, choose one or more of these options:

- P.J. Day = $1
- Neon Day = $1
- Crazy Hair = $1
- Fuzzy Socks = $1
- Mis-Match Day = $1
- Mini-Me Day = $1
- Ugly Christmas Sweater = $1
- Jeans = $1
- Crazy Hat/Headband = $1
- Dress like a Decade = $1

The combinations are endless, but UP TO 5 options.

- $1 per choice
- $2 for 2 choices
- $3 for 3 choices
- $4 for 4 choices
- $5 for 5 choices

**NOTE:** Also, any cash donations to help with the project are greatly appreciated! You can donate even if you do not want to participate in the crazy, fun extravaganza day.
Prayer Cross

We are truly Blessed! Thank you for your continued prayers!

Oh good and gracious God,
We praise you and thank you for the gift of St. Paul Catholic School, where the message of Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection is proclaimed. It is a sacred privilege to prepare each child to have a personal relationship with Jesus.

Listen to our prayers as we ask you, Lord, to increase our enrollment of students so they can benefit from a Catholic education, where Christ’s love abounds; and that our school grows in nurturing the souls and forms the minds of its students for generations to come.

We ask these blessings in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

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Commitment to pray for St. Paul School

I have prayed this prayer _________ times for St. Paul Catholic School.
**SCRIP Contest!!**
The PTC is holding a monthly contest for scrip orders. Each month all families that place an order through **SCRIP** will have their name entered in the drawing to win a **free gift card**. The contest will start over each month. Good luck and happy shopping! Don’t forget to use your gift cards on the new School Store website to help us earn even more! Thank you for your support!

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Easily pay online and earn a rebate between 2% and 16% that immediately goes toward funding for our organization. (65% of earnings go toward your Tuition Credit and 35% cover Admin Fee and benefit St. Paul Home School Council.) Use your gift cards for your everyday shopping.

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