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-January 18
9:00 AM- 11:30 AM
First Reconciliation Retreat (Parents & child)
@ St. Paul Parish Center

Monday-January 20
6:00 PM PTC/Marketing Auction mtg.

Tuesday-January 21
3:45 PM – 4:30 PM Healthy Kid’s Club
(Grades K-2)
3:45 PM – 4:45 PM Mechanical Club
(Grades 3-5)

Wednesday-January 22
9:15 AM Guy Lewis Assembly
3:40 PM Youth Choir @ St. Paul Church

Thursday-January 23
8:50 AM Mass (6th Grade)
Pizza Day
Student Council mtg. @ lunch

Friday-January 24
12:10 PM School dismissal
No band, No afternoon bus,
No afternoon childcare
Staff PD day

Sunday-January 26
Catholic Schools Week begins
11:00 AM Youth Choir Mass @ St. Paul Church
Parent/Volunteer Luncheon

2020-2021 TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

The FACTS application is now available online for the 2020-2021 School year. The deadline to apply for financial aid is March 1, 2020. If you will be seeking any financial assistance for the next school year, you must fill out the FACTS application to qualify for parish assistance. Go to www.spsowosso.org/tuition-assistance for more information and the link to the application.

In this week’s Wave Watcher, please note a flier from the Shiawassee RESD Early Childhood Administrative office detailing a 5-week parenting education opportunity beginning February 5, 2020. “Parenting Made Fun! This program is geared towards families with children 0-6 years of age, is FREE and includes light dinner and childcare. Registration is required.
Virtue of the Week
Responsibility

What does it mean?
Fulfilling one’s just duties; accepting the consequences of one’s words and actions, intentional and unintentional.

What does it look like?
- Keeping your room clean
- Feeding your pet
- Taking out the garbage
- Bringing your folder to school each day
- Taking your homework home

What does it sound like?
- I cleaned my room.
- I fed the dog.
- I took out the garbage.
- I remembered to bring my folder to school.
- I brought my homework home.

Please help your child practice these virtues, tools which bring us closer to Jesus. Thank you!
**Popcorn and Nut Fundraiser**
The PTC is excited to sponsor the Wooden Crate Popcorn Company popcorn and nut fundraiser. This is a delicious fundraiser will allows the PTC to continue helping with field trips and all the other fun activities, like our upcoming family movie night to cap off Catholic School Week. Important information, the sale starts now and runs through January 30th. Money is due at the time of ordering. Checks are to be made payable to the St. Paul PTC. Pick up date is February 7th. Order forms went home with students today and more are available in the school office.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**
Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 26. Please plan to join us for our kick off as we begin a week celebrating all of the beautiful blessings of our St. Paul Catholic School. The school will be open for an open house from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM. Our students will be facilitating the Mass at 11:00 PM. We invite you to join us in the Fr. K Hall after the 11:00 Mass for a soup and salad luncheon to celebrate you!! There will be lots of fun activities during the week, which are detailed in the attachment. Finally, on Friday, January 31 the PTC would like to invite everyone to the gym for a family movie night, complete with popcorn and drinks! That will begin at 6:30 PM. **We are excited to celebrate this fun week with our Bluewaves!**
Catholic Schools Week Kickoff

Sunday, January 26th

9:00 AM-10:30 AM Open House
Mass at 11:00 AM and the Parent Appreciation Luncheon to follow with soup & sandwiches
Language Arts Theme: children’s work displayed

Monday, January 27

Get your faith & fun on

Morning Prayer - whole school Divine Mercy Chaplet / National School of Choice photo taken for Read in for students in the gym 11:20 AM-11:50 AM (reading religious books)
**Dress:** St. Paul spirit wear with uniform bottoms

Tuesday, January 28

Get your flowers on with Luau Day

**Dress:** Hawaiian/Floral clothing (no shorts or swimwear)
Hot Dog lunch is provided by PTC
2:45 PM-3:15PM Bingo in Father K Hall

Wednesday, January 29

Get your Comfy on

10:15 AM-11:45 AM Animal assembly
**Dress:** Comfy Cozy Clothing

Thursday, January 30

Get your faith & fancy on

8:50 AM Mass (Grade 5)
**Dress:** Dress up OR dress code
Write a thank you card or letter to a homebound parishioner for everything they do for our school

Friday, January 31st

Get your Spirit on

2:00PM-3:25PM Blue Wave Games
**Dress:** Spirit wear & jeans
6:30PM PTC Movie Night in the gym w/free popcorn
Seeking Transition Committee Volunteers
As we begin to plan for the transition of our school to the St. Joseph building, we are looking for people interested in helping to make some plans for the transition. There are many decisions to be made regarding events that need to be planned to celebrate this building, how to honor both the history of this building while still respecting the history of St. Joseph, etc. Please contact the office if you are interested in working on this important project. Thank you for prayerfully considering helping with this!
Dear Parents,
It comes with great sadness I have to give back your children. The same children you entrusted with me the last year and a half, some for a shorter time, but either way I pray I’m giving your children back a little bit taller, a little bit older, and a lot more tech savvy. It has been my pleasure and privilege to watch their character, personality, and intellect develop week by week as we learned new things together in technology. Teaching last school year and part of this school year, especially only seeing the students twice a week I feel we developed a close-knit classroom and also we became a family. I loved your children like my own and I will always be grateful for having had this opportunity. I sold my house within a week. Unfortunately, I had very little time to look for another place. Due to the time crunch I had to rent a place that's too far of a distance to commute back and forth to St. Paul. The timing didn’t align well for me to say goodbye to the students. I’m dealing with a hand injury that will need immediate surgery, so I wasn’t able to give my two weeks’ notice. It breaks my heart, I didn’t get a chance to let the students know from myself and say goodbye. Please parents if you could please tell your children how much I enjoyed being their teacher and getting to know each and everyone of them!!! Please give them a huge hug for me.

Ms. Rapson
Mrs. Wilson 3rd/4th Grades

As our second quarter comes to a close, we are looking back at the quarter and setting goals for the quarters to come.

In reading, students are reading the story of Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland. In writing, we have finished our unit on Realistic Fiction and we are working a piece together going step-by-step through the writing process as a class. In handwriting, we are learning and perfecting our cursive handwriting. In math, 3rd grade is learning about multiplication and are required to memorize their multiplication facts and 4th grade is working on multiplying multi-digit numbers. In science, students are wrapping up the unit on engineering and will be beginning a unit on energy. In social studies, we are continuing to talk about the landscapes of the United States including each region. Finally, students have learned three letters on the recorder and have begun to play simple songs.
TIME TO GEAR UP FOR THE AUCTION!

While April may seem to be a ways off, it will be here before we know it, and there is still a lot of work to be done to ensure our 2020 Dinner Auction is a huge success! This is our main fundraiser for our school, so we need all families to help. Have you been working to sell the raffle tickets? We discovered last year, as the first year for these tickets, that these are highly popular. They shouldn’t be hard to sell! Thank you to those who have already turned in sold tickets. We have more tickets available so if you would like more, just let us know! We appreciate your help with this! We also are asking for any donations that can be auctioned during the silent auction. The auction committee will be publishing a list of suggested items soon, but if you see any good sales or clearance items that would go well by itself or in a basket, we appreciate the donation. These items can be dropped off in the office at any time. We also offer several sponsor opportunities, at multiple levels. If you own a business or know someone who does and would like to support the auction through sponsorship, please contact Samantha Santrucek at sssantruce@gmail.com or Jamie Zmitko-Somers at msujaz@hotmail.com. Finally, if you would like to help sell tickets or collect donations from businesses, please reach out to one of the ladies and they will be able to help you with that as well. This is always such a fun and successful event, but would not be possible without everyone helping out! We deeply appreciate your support!
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

Commitment to pray for St. Paul School

I have prayed this prayer __________ times for St. Paul Catholic School.
SCRIP Contest!!
Congratulations to the Somers Family for being the winner for the month of December!
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! Below please find additional information about the SCRIP Program.

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Nicole, Byesville, OH

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Have a question? Contact your coordinator at: ctinsey@stpaulwosso.org
Friends of the Shiawassee River

Please join us from 6:00-7:00pm for a social hour prior to the event.
The program will begin at 7:00pm.

Members are able to attend for free, there is a $5 minimum donation for nonmembers. All the more reason to become a member today!
Please email us at info@shiawasseeriver.org or call us (989)723-9062, there will be limited seating!

SAVE THE DATE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21ST

ANNUAL MEETING
6:00 PM
AT THE
LEBOWSKY CENTER
featuring:
DAVID GALLO, PHD

The Friends of the Shiawassee River is proud to announce its 2020 Annual Meeting will be held at the Lebowsky Center on Tuesday, January 21st at 6pm - and will feature Dr. David Gallo, a preeminent American oceanographer and explorer.

For nearly 30 years, Gallo was Director of Special Projects at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution - a globally recognized scientific laboratory. He has participated in expeditions to all of the world’s oceans and was one of the first scientists to use a combination of robots and submarines to explore the deep seafloor - and, recently, co-led an expedition to create the first comprehensive map of the RMS Titanic.

Gallo has lectured internationally with the goal of awakening the little bit of Jacques Cousteau and Jules Vernes that resides in each of us. He has appeared in numerous documentaries (Discovery Channel, History Channel, National Geographic) and has also been featured on several televised news programs (Larry King Live, Weather Channel, PBS Need to Know, MSNBC, NBC Today show, and Face the Nation and is currently a CNN Ocean Analyst).
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JANUARY 25TH

7:00-11:30 PM

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THIS YEAR'S EVENT PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY

TRANSFORM OUR LIBRARY

INNOVATIVE SPACE
INNOVATIVE LEARNING

It's important for the Lansing Catholic High Library to be an integral and valued part of every student's experience.

We want to create a vibrant academic hub and modern learning environment on our campus for 21st century students.

The library transformation features diverse study space options, including an array of tables, chairs, study carrels, bench nooks, and flex seating, as well as collaborative group study rooms.

FOR MORE DETAILS ON THE EVENT AND OUR TRANSFORMATION PLANS PLEASE VISIT LANSINGCATHOLIC.ORG

LANSING CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

BE A LEADER IN THIS EXCITING INITIATIVE BY BECOMING AN EVENT SPONSOR THIS YEAR

For more information regarding customized sponsorship packages, please contact our Event Coordinator, Paul O'Brien at paula.evans@lansingcatholic.org or 517-287-2424.
Presents Parenting Made Fun!

Curriculum

A parenting program designed by Love and Logic®

Answers to:
- “How to handle disruptions during meal times?”
- “Developmental stages”
- “How to end temper tantrums?”
- “Is there a way to discipline my toddler in public without creating a scene?”
- “How to get children up and about in the mornings?”
- “How to stop whining and bickering?”
- And many other day-to-day parenting challenges....

This 5-week parenting program is designed to give you practical skills that can be used immediately.

Dates: Wednesday February 5, 12, 19, 26 and March 4, 2020
(March 11 will be makeup day if weather related closure affects schedule)
Time: 5:30p-7:30p (light dinner provided)
Location: Shiawassee RESD – 114 W. North Street, Owosso
Cost: FREE

Facilitators of the Parenting Made Fun!® curriculum are independent and are not employees of the Love and Logic Institute.

Please register me for Parenting Made Fun! 5-week program begins February 5, 2020.

Parent Name(s): ____________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________
              Cty: ___________ Zip: ___________

Phone: ____________________________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________________

Children(s) Names: _________________________________________

                        Age: _____________

                             Age: _____________

                             Age: _____________

Will your child(ren) need child care services while you are in class?  __Yes  __No

RSVP to: Lisa Fox at 989-725-2581, ext. 2110 or email fox@sresd.org
Michigan State University’s
5th Annual
Introduce a Girl to Engineering

Date: Saturday, February 22, 2020
Who: 4th - 8th graders
What: Hands-on Engineering activities
Where: MSU Engineering Building and Anthony Hall
Time: 1:00-4:00pm (Check-In 12:00-12:30pm)
Cost: FREE

Sponsored by:

Registration is required and participants must be chaperoned.
Registration deadline is Feb. 5 or until maximum capacity is reached.

REGISTER at http://www.egr.msu.edu/wie/k-12/programs-outreach

Questions? Contact MSU Women in Engineering Recruitment and K-12 Outreach Office at wie-outreach@egr.msu.edu or 517-432-1273

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