



# The Wave Watcher



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## *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.*

## Happy Thanksgiving!



As we are half way through our two week virtual learning stretch, we continue to focus on the virtue of gratitude. Some days it is an effort, as we wind down our 9<sup>th</sup> month of dealing with Covid19. We are all weary and ready to return to our normal lives. Sometimes that takes over our focus. But as I tell the children, we still have so many blessings! Our wonderful students and their families are such a gift to us all. They help us remember why we became educators in the first place, to develop relationships with our students and work in partnership with their families to help them grow and flourish in every way. We are so thankful for your efforts to help your child continue to learn and grow in these crazy times! In the current climate it is easy to feel isolated and disconnected, something we all struggle with, but we strive to focus on staying the course, getting through this together, and coming out on the other side, stronger and more committed to our Bluewave's success than ever! We will not publish a Wave watcher next week due to the short week. Upon our return November 30<sup>th</sup>, the student council will be sponsoring our annual extravaganza day. How perfectly timed! What better way to celebrate a return to face to face instruction, which we all believe is best for our students, than to have some fun and raise some funds for the parish

giving tree! We appreciate your support of this important effort, especially at this difficult time. The November "Casual for a Cause" was scheduled to be used to support this as well, but unfortunately was missed today. Please see the attached flyer for details! I sincerely wish all of you a Thanksgiving that is peaceful and joyous. While it may not be what we are used to, may it still be a time to be with loved ones, even if a smaller group, and maybe some are there virtually. May you have an opportunity to rest and reflect on all of the Glory of God and His greatness. **You and your families are in my prayers daily.**

## Calendar

### Thursday-November 26

Happy Thanksgiving!

### Sunday-November 29

Advent begins

**6:30 PM** 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents mtg. @ St. Joseph Church

### Thursday-December 3

**8:50 AM** Mass

Reconciliation will follow Mass for St. Paul School students

### Friday-December 4

Pizza Day

Adoration / **2:00 PM** Benediction

**3:45 PM** Giving Tree Shopping (Student Council)



## Student Council Giving Tree *Monday Extravaganza*

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, November 30**, choose one or more of these options:

P.J. Day = \$1

Neon Day = \$1

Crazy Hair/Hat = \$1

Mis-Match Day = \$1

Mini-Me Day = \$1

Ugly Christmas Sweater = \$1

Jeans = \$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.

## **Dear St. Paul School Families,**

What a wonderful class of little learners we have this year in kindergarten! We have eight beautiful young children who each have a great desire for learning! We were delighted to have Father Mike visit our class to discuss going to Mass. Afterwards, we walked with him to the church and he gave them a complete tour including guidance on how to genuflect in front of the tabernacle. We attended our first Mass soon

afterwards and they did so well! They have also attended Adoration and have learned so many new things about our faith.



The kindergarten students have also made great strides in all areas of curriculum. I was delighted to share their progress with all of their families at our recent parent/teacher conferences. Our days are filled with so much to learn and they are like little

sponges soaking it all up!

While we are currently facing such challenging times, the kindergarten students are embracing each day and meeting those challenges in stride. They are so happy to be at school and I am filled with happiness each day when they walk in with their sweet smiles. It is sure to be a rewarding and blessed school year with our new little Blue Waves in our brand new school!

**Blessings to you all, Ms. Jones**

# Virtue of the Week

## GRATITUDE

### **What does it mean?**

Thankful disposition of mind and heart

### **Looks Like:**

- Smiling at your mom after she cooks dinner
- The Blessed Mother singing the Magnificat
- Receiving the legos with a smile
- Appreciating friends
- Praying after I receive Jesus in Holy Communion

### **Sounds like:**

- Thank you, mom, for this delicious dinner.
- The Almighty has done great things for me!
- Thank you for letting me use your legos.
- Thank you for being my friend.
- Thank you, Jesus, for coming into my heart.

Please help your child develop their skills in practicing the virtues, as these represent a concrete example of Jesus in our daily lives.



### **Tuition Transfer Special!**

If you know someone who is searching for a special place for their child to learn and grow, let them know now might be the time to see what St. Paul has to offer. Our transfer special tuition rate is just \$1,500 per child for the remainder of the school year. Come explore the caring and nurturing environment where your

child will grow academically, spiritually and emotionally.

Call 989-725-7766 for more information.

## **Gift card fundraising is the best way to raise money.**

Buy gift cards from your favorite brands to earn on your daily purchases. It's never been easier to create opportunities for your family and offset costs for our organization. No extra money spent. No extra time wasted.



### **How it works:**

- Buy gift cards at face value
- Earn up to 20% on every gift card you buy
- Use gift cards at full value for your everyday purchases

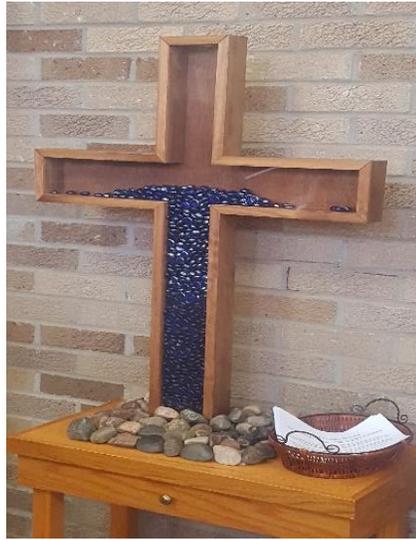
### **Get started:**

Create an account on [the RaiseRight app](#) or at [ShopWithScrip.com](https://www.shopwithscrip.com) using our organization's enrollment code: **9855DB933939**

Seamlessly check out by securely paying online with a linked bank account or credit card.

### **Have questions?**

Contact: **Colleen Tinsey** at [ctinsey@stpaulowosso.org](mailto:ctinsey@stpaulowosso.org)



## 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.**