In a letter sent earlier this week, I told you there would be additional information for you in the Wavewatcher. Please see the two attachments that give some helpful information about both what it is and what can be done to minimize the spread of infection. We will continue to monitor the situation and will pass along any further information we receive.

**CALENDAR**

**Saturday-March 7**
9:00 AM 1st Holy Communion Retreat-St. Joe’s gym

**Sunday-March 8-Spring ahead 1 hour!**
12:00 PM-2:00 PM Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for Mrs. Rozboril @ St. Joseph’s gym

**Monday-March 9**
NWEA testing
Book Fair begins
3:45 PM-5:00 PM Drama Club

**Tuesday-March 10**
Book fair continues
3:45 PM-4:30 PM Healthy Kid’s Club (Gr.3 +)
3:45 PM-4:30 PM Mechanical Club (Gr. 1-2)

**Wednesday-March 11**
Book fair continues
3:40 PM Youth Choir @ St. Paul Church
**6:30 PM St. Paul School Talent Show**

**Thursday-March 12**
Book fair ends 8:50 AM Mass (Grades 3rd, 4th)
8:55 AM 6th Grade field trip to LCHS (“Hello Dolly” play)
Student Council mtg. @ lunch
3:45 PM-5:00 PM Drama Club
**6:30 PM Kindergarten “Surf’s Up” Round-Up**

**Friday-March 13**
Pizza Day 2:30 PM Stations (Grade 5)

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**SPAGHETTI DINNER**

We will be hosting a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, March 8 from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM. The menu will be spaghetti, salad, rolls and dessert. The cost of the dinner is a freewill donation, the proceeds of which will be donated toward offsetting the cost of cancer treatment for our own Mrs. Rozboril. We appreciate your support and prayers for this important cause. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

**ST. PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL TALENT SHOW**

Wednesday, March 11 @ 6:30 pm in the school gym!

**MANS ACCREDITATION**

Each year I submit a report which outlines areas we have worked to improve in our school. These reports, combined with a full, self-study report completed every 5 years, which is accompanied by a two day on-site visit, determine our ability to be an accredited school. I am very proud and happy to report that the site team visit, which took place Wednesday and Thursday of this week, completed the process and we were recommended for full accreditation! Thank you all for your support and prayers for our beautiful school! I look forward to sharing details of the report once I receive the full account in the coming weeks!
St. Paul Catholic School is now accepting open enrollments for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year. We are currently running an Early Registration Special, there will be no increase in tuition rates for next year, however, the fees will be $165/student. **If you register early you can save money off your fees,** by March 27 save $50/child, by April 24 save $25/child.

We have multiple specials going on, including any new non-kindergarten families that enroll can save $500.00 on tuition. Any current St. Paul School families that refer new students can receive $250.00 off their school tuition! Registration forms are available in the school office or can be found on the school website.

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**SURF’S UP!**

St. Paul Catholic School Kindergarten Round-Up—“Surf’s Up” for the upcoming 2020-2021 will be held on March 12, 2020 from 6:30 PM-7:30 PM. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet Ms. Jones our Kindergarten teacher and see the opportunities your child will experience at St. Paul Catholic School!

**Please see the attached flyer in this week’s Wave Watcher!**
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!
MARCH IS READING MONTH!!

March is the month set aside nationally to focus on reading. The staff at St. Paul have been working on plans to help celebrate this important subject and provide our students with some fun activities to build a love of reading. Look for some specifics in newsletters from your child’s teacher as well as on the March calendar. Each child will have a reading goal to work toward. As I have done in the past, I will offer an additional incentive to students who reach their goal, if 80% of the students are successful in reaching the goal set by their teachers. Each child who is successful with this will have the opportunity to dunk me in a dunk tank later this year, when the weather permits! Most teachers also are happy to schedule guest readers in their classroom, so if you can spare some time, please consider joining us for this. You will not be disappointed! Finally, as is tradition, we will be hosting a book fair beginning Monday, March 9 through March 12. **We are excited to have a great line up of talent anxious to perform at our TALENT SHOW, scheduled for Wednesday, March 11 @ 6:30 PM.** Please plan to join us to be entertained by our young talented Bluewaves! The book fair will be open that evening for an opportunity to shop.

**Thank you to our St. Paul teachers for working to plan a fun month for our students!**

Ms. Schueller’s Happenings

It’s March and that means “March is Reading Month” has started. In my classroom the 5th and 6th graders have each set personal reading goals based on their reading abilities. Their goals need to be challenging, yet reasonable. Each student has set an amount of minutes he or she would read throughout the month of March. As they reach their goals, they get to move their butterflies or dragonflies through the “virtue gardens” in the library. Their ultimate goal is to reach “God’s Garden of Readers.” (Our school theme for March is Reading: “Blue Wave Minds Bloom With Reading.”) In addition to setting and reaching reading goals, we also have guest readers coming in to read to the students. So far Fr. D. has been a guest reader of ours. Future guest readers include Mrs. Heatwole and parents of 5th and 6th graders.
Virtue of the Week
COURTESY

What does it mean?
Treating other people with respect, recognizing that all are made in God’s image and likeness.

What does it look like?
• Letting others go first
• Letting others speak first
• Making eye contact
• Holding the door for another
• Picking up a dropped item for someone

What does it sound like?
• You can go ahead of me
• You can ask your question first
• Silence
• Let me hold the door for you
• Let me get this for you

Please help your child practice these virtues, tools which bring us closer to Jesus. Thank you!
What is coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)?
Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. The virus that causes COVID-19 is a novel coronavirus that was first identified during an investigation into an outbreak in Wuhan, China.

Can people in the U.S. get COVID-19?
Yes. COVID-19 is spreading from person to person in parts of the United States. Risk of infection with COVID-19 is higher for people who are close contacts of someone known to have COVID-19, for example, healthcare workers, or household members. Other people at higher risk for infection are those who live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19. Learn more about places with ongoing spread at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/transmission.html#geographic.

Have there been cases of COVID-19 in the U.S.?

How does COVID-19 spread?
The virus that causes COVID-19 probably emerged from an animal source, but is now spreading from person to person. The virus is thought to spread mainly between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet) through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It also may be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose, or possibly their eyes, but this is not thought to be the main way the virus spreads. Learn what is known about the spread of newly emerged coronaviruses at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/transmission.html.

What are the symptoms of COVID-19?
Patients with COVID-19 have had mild to severe respiratory illness with symptoms of
- fever
- cough
- shortness of breath

What are severe complications from this virus?
Some patients have pneumonia in both lungs, multi-organ failure and in some cases death.

How can I help protect myself?
People can help protect themselves from respiratory illness with everyday preventive actions.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.

If you are sick, to keep from spreading respiratory illness to others, you should
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

What should I do if I recently traveled from an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19?
If you have traveled from an affected area, there may be restrictions on your movements for up to 2 weeks. If you develop symptoms during that period (fever, cough, trouble breathing), seek medical advice. Call the office of your health care provider before you go, and tell them about your travel and your symptoms. They will give you instructions on how to get care without exposing other people to your illness. While sick, avoid contact with people, don’t go out and delay any travel to reduce the possibility of spreading illness to others.

Is there a vaccine?
There is currently no vaccine to protect against COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to take everyday preventive actions, like avoiding close contact with people who are sick and washing your hands often.

Is there a treatment?
There is no specific antiviral treatment for COVID-19. People with COVID-19 can seek medical care to help relieve symptoms.

For more information: www.cdc.gov/COVID19
Share Facts About COVID-19

Know the facts about coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) and help stop the spread of rumors.

**FACT 1**
Diseases can make anyone sick regardless of their race or ethnicity.

People of Asian descent, including Chinese Americans, are not more likely to get COVID-19 than any other American. Help stop fear by letting people know that being of Asian descent does not increase the chance of getting or spreading COVID-19.

**FACT 2**
The risk of getting COVID-19 in the U.S. is currently low.

Some people who live in or have recently traveled to places where many people have gotten sick with COVID-19 may be monitored by health officials to protect their health and the health of other people in the community.

**FACT 3**
Someone who has completed quarantine or has been released from isolation does not pose a risk of infection to other people.

For up-to-date information, visit CDC’s coronavirus disease 2019 web page.

**FACT 4**
You can help stop COVID-19 by knowing the signs and symptoms:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath

Seek medical advice if you
- Develop symptoms

AND
- Have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or if you live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19.

**FACT 5**
There are simple things you can do to help keep yourself and others healthy.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing; going to the bathroom; and before eating or preparing food.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.

For more information: [www.cdc.gov/COVID19](http://www.cdc.gov/COVID19)
Still Seeking Transition Committee Volunteers
Thank you to those who have offered to help with this planning committee. I will be organizing a time to meet and develop a plan in the next couple of weeks. Look for an email with dates so that you can check your calendar for availability. I could still use a couple of more people to help with these plans. If you have some time to offer and have some great ideas on how to transition to our new building smoothly, please let me know and I will be happy to include you on this team. Thank you for prayerfully considering helping with this important effort.

GET YOUR TICKETS!!
Tickets are now available for this fun event in the school office and in both parish offices. (Each family may purchase two tickets at the reduced price anytime.) Remember to sell your raffle tickets! These were very popular last year and we have increased the prize money. Help us sell out!! We also offer several sponsorship 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!
SILENT AUCTION DONATION SUGGESTIONS

Do you want to send in your donation for our silent auction portion of our Dinner Auction but unsure what would be a good addition? Here are some suggestions from our master basket facilitator Kristy Crane.

- Fishing supplies
- Bird feeders
- Kids games and books
- Candles or Diffusers
- Crosses
- Garden items
- Movie basket
- Sport equipment

- Fuzzy Blankets
- St. Paul spirit wear
- Owosso spirit wear
- Wooden signs
- Camping supplies
- Beach supplies
- Gift cards
- Grilling supplies

We appreciate your help in collecting items to have a successful auction for our school!
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.
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.
Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

What: St. Paul School is sponsoring a spaghetti dinner fundraiser to help offset the costs of Mrs. Nicole Rozboril's cancer treatments. Mrs. Rozboril is St. Paul's 1st grade teacher, and she was recently diagnosed with breast cancer.

When: March 8th (Sunday) 12:00 pm-2:00 pm

Where: St. Joseph's Gym

Cost: Free Will Donation

Menu: Spaghetti, Salad, Rolls, and Dessert

Please join us on Sunday, March 8th. We appreciate your support and prayers for Mrs. Rozboril.
SURF'S UP!
at St. Paul!!

COME AND CATCH THE WAVE AT St. Paul Catholic School
KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP!
THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2020
6:30 PM

"Kids Connection" Before and After School Program
S.T.E.A.M. enhanced curriculum K-8
Social Emotional Learning supported through Faith and Virtues
(All Faiths Welcome!)
Project-based experiences
Music, technology, physical education and art
After School Clubs
One to one program for Ipad and Chromebooks
Individualized Instruction
Affordable rates for all budgets

Ride the Wave of the future as we open fall 2020
at our new location!
MARCH is Reading Month

MARCH 17
GREAT START SHIAWASSEE PARENT COALITION PRESENTS:

Lucky Literacy Fun Night
Book Walk – like a cake walk but with books!
Book Bingo -win a free book
Book Swap- bring one of your old books and exchange it for another!
Guest Hero Readers from the Police and Fire Departments
Dr Seuss Craft
Make a leprechaun hat
Owosso Reads book bags to make and take
Light Snacks and Refreshments
Wear your favorite hat related to your favorite book or wear green!

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