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Your weekly information link to Saint Paul Catholic School

January 15, 2015

Calendar

January

Fri, January 16

- End of 2nd Quarter/1st Semester
- SPCS School is in Session
- NO Hot Lunch
- Chick-fil-A Day
- Mid-Winter Dance 3:00-5:00PM (Middle School)

Sat, January 17

- Market Day

Mon, January 19

- SPCS school is in Session
- NO Buses
- NO Hot Lunch
- Pizza Lunch

Thurs, January 22

- Report Cards

Sun, January 25

- Catholic Schools' Week begins
- CSW Open House 11:00-1:30PM
- Scholastic Book Fair

Tues, January 27

- Andrean Mass (7/8th grs.)

Fri, January 30

- Family Friday

February

Mon, February 2

- Dress Alternative Day

Fri, February 6

- Girl Scout / Daddy-Daughter Dance

Sat, February 7

- Girl Scout Spaghetti Supper

From our school Principal

New Beginnings!—Jane Scupham

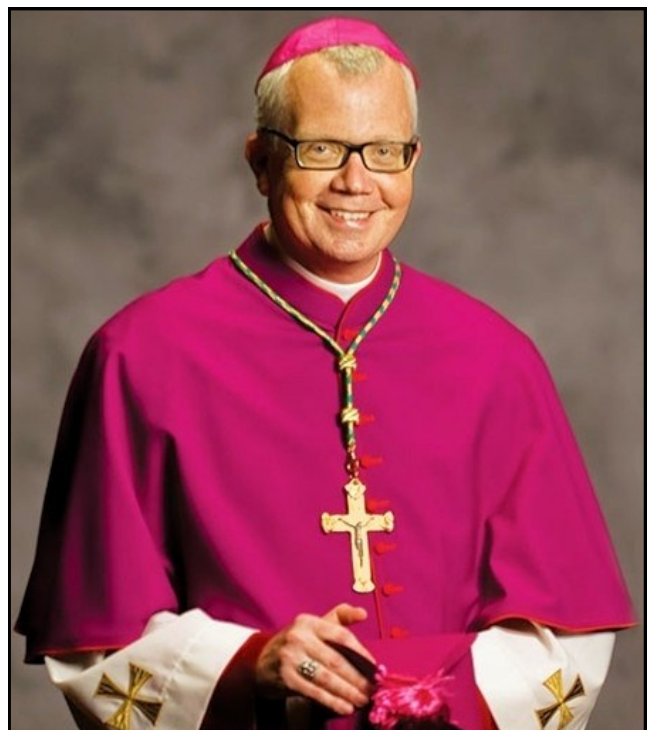
The start of a new year brings about the conversations, the television segments, and the magazine spreads about resolutions. Everywhere we see advice, touting ways to make over your house, your diet, your exercise regime, your closet space...you get the idea.

New beginnings are not always smooth and without setbacks. Look at our school journey into the new year of 2015. We came for 2 days and then were off for 2 and then on for one. Fits and starts. Our beginning to this school year, may not have been the smoothest, but we're on track for another successful semester!

Another new beginning which happened last week was the installation of the 4th Bishop of the Diocese of Gary, Bishop Donald Hying. The poor bishop had to brave subzero temperatures to begin his installation Mass at Holy Angels Cathedral—not the best start! If you had the opportunity to watch the Mass on television or on-line, you saw that the Bishop knocked on the door of the Cathedral announcing to all with the loud knocks that he had arrived and was ready to take possession of his diocese. The brutal cold weather of the outside was quickly dispersed with the warmth of the Cathedral and the Bishop's own personality which radiated warmth and happiness throughout the ceremony. A promising new beginning after a cold start.

Bishop Hying comes to our diocese from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. A native of Wisconsin, he is the youngest of six sons of the late Albert and Catherine Hying. He is a graduate of a Catholic grade school and Marquette University. We have high hopes that he will champion the cause of Catholic education and the need for financially viable Catholic schools throughout the diocese. Please join your prayers with ours as we pray for our new Bishop.

As we embark on this new year, we here at Saint Paul School invite you to our resolution this year for the continuation of educational curiosity and faithful families.



Prayers

We often have many SPCS family members and friends in need of your prayers as they battle serious illnesses. Please pray for them.

- ◇ Wendi Balda
- ◇ Laura Bernardini
- ◇ Judy Bretz
- ◇ Melissa Buynak
- ◇ Tommy Folan
- ◇ Valerie Hawes
- ◇ Lothar Klumpp
- ◇ Steve O'Shea
- ◇ John Randazzo, husband of Mrs. Judy Randazzo (MS)
- ◇ Sue Wehren, former SPCS parent

Note: If you would like to request prayers for someone, please send a note to the office marked "Link" or simply send an email to <Link@stpaulvalpo.org>. Thanks!



Business— Jane Scupham

NO Hot Lunch Friday/Monday & NO Buses Monday

January 16th & 19th we will be in session, but there will NOT be hot lunch service those days. Chick-fil-A Day is Friday, and pizza lunch will be Monday, provided to those who pre-ordered. All others should plan to bring a cold lunch AND a drink.

Report Cards

Reports will be available on FastDirect January 22nd. Please be sure that your tuition account is up to date to ensure viewing of your child's report card.

New Tuition Contracts

2015-2016 Tuition Contracts are in today's white envelope. Fees and form should be returned to the school office as soon as possible to guarantee your child's spot. Enrollment will open to Tiny Tim's families January 25th and to the public starting February 2nd.

High School Entrance Exams

Andrean will host an Exam this Saturday, January 17th at 8:00AM. No fees, no registration required. Marquette's Exam will February 7th at 8:00AM. Register online at www.marquette-hs.org.

A Letter of Gratitude

Dear Members of St. Paul Catholic School,

We are so very humbled by your Christmas contribution to our Home. Your thoughtful and generous donation of toiletries and the easel for all of the children here at St. Joseph Carmelite Home/ Tauscher Center is so deeply appreciated by all of us—you know how much!

We now place you into the maternal hands of our Immaculate Mother Mary, to bless and protect you all during the days ahead. We shall gratefully remember you in our Carmelite Masses and prayers. I am completely at a loss to express our true gratitude for this generous gift that have presented to us. May God reward you all a thousandfold!

May I ask you also to say a little prayer for us during this time so that we may continue to care for our children and that our Carmelite Home may remain open in order to serve them as best we can?

Be assured that this generous donation will be appreciated by all! We wish, with our whole hearts, for you and all of your school employees and their family members, a most holy and happy celebration of the New Year.

*United in Jesus, Mary, Joseph, and With Much Gratitude,
Sister Maria Giuseppe, and Carmelite Sisters in East Chicago*

Label! Label! Label!

Please be sure to LABEL all your children's outerwear. We have an abundance of items in our Lost and Found. Help keep your child's items out of there.



Last Chance to Order your Yearbook! — Natalia Cox

The deadline to order the yearbook is January 31st. If you still want to order a book, return your order form and payment immediately. Use the order form included in the white envelope in November or order online at <http://www.jostensyearbooks.com/> (St. Paul Valparaiso). If you need a new form, please fastdirect me and I will send you one.

Don't be caught without a book at the end of the school year. This is the last chance so order now! There will be very few extra copies. Call Natalia Cox (707-7253) for any questions!

Choirs— *Stephen Schnurr*

Does your child have some extra time this winter that he/she didn't have this past autumn? Perhaps participation in the parish Children's Choir or Junior Choir is in order! Our Children's Choir for grades 1-4 rehearses Monday evenings 5:15-6:00; our Junior Choir for grades 5-8 rehearses Wednesday evenings, 5:15-6:15. Both groups sing at 10:00 a.m. Mass once or twice a month, ending in April. For further information, contact the Music Office at 531-0922, or check out the Music page of the parish website!

B/W Edge Party— *Emmanuelle Fortney*

See the flyer in the white envelope for the Edge Black & White New Year Party. This is for all middle school aged students and will be at our old school building at 352 W. Chicago Street, this Saturday. You MUST RSVP in order to attend. For more information contact stpaulvalpoedge@gmail.com, 219-508-5606, or FastDirect Cathie Dull.



Panthers Remain Undefeated — *Robert Pruzin*

The Saint Paul Panther's 6th grade boys' basketball team defeated Discovery Charter School on December 18, 2014 by a score of 33-6. Jason Isley led the way with 14 points and Will Ruiz chipped in with 11 points to lead the Panthers in scoring. Other Panthers to score were Mike Zajac with 4 points, Robert Pruzin and Patrick Sayers with 2 points apiece. Evan Hartman and Amol Verma led the Panther defense which did not allow a point to be scored in the first and third quarters of the win.

A big THANK you to Mr. Ruiz, Mr. Ruiz and Mr. Zajac for great coaching.

Round 1 Tourney Results — *Grayson Collins*

On Sunday, the fifth grade boys' basketball team beat St Mary's in Griffith 17-7. The top scorers were Brady Byvoets, Michael Seymour and Patrick Brogan. The rest of the team played strong and will challenge St Mary's Crown Point next weekend.

Tarnow Report— *Coach Tarnow*

The Saint Paul Panther Tarnow team is in the semi-finals. Saint Paul defeated St. Stan's on Saturday 61-19. Brandon Mack scored 20, Jake Tarnow 17, and Garrett Mroz had 12.

Sunday, the Panthers defeated St. Mike's in a very physical game. Battling a lot of foul trouble the Panthers won 48-21. Brandon Mack scored 20, Jake Tarnow had 16, and Garrett Mroz had 12. The Panthers are now 21-0 on the season.

Lady Panthers Season Opens— *Coach Lindsey*

The 6th grade girls basketball team opened their season with two wins. On Saturday, January 10th the girls took on OLG and defeated them 32 to 4. All seven of the girls on the team scored at least one basket. Grace Mroz lead all scorers with 8 points.

On Sunday, January 11th the girls traveled to St. John Evangelist. In their second game of the season they beat the Eagles 19 to 13. The girls played with a selfless attitude and worked hard together as a team. Jessica Fazekas and Hailey Cook both contributed 6 points each to the victory.

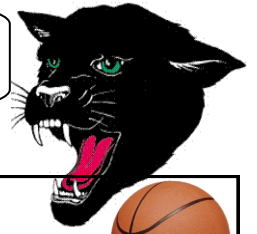
Going Strong — *Coach Lindsey*

On Tuesday, January 13th, the 6th grade girls defeated Immanuel Lutheran 23 to 8. The girls were short a player due to injury, and 5th grader, Maggie Nicksic, stepped up to help the team out. All 7 of the girls contributed at least one basket in the victory. Lauren Seymour lead all scorers with 5 points, while Ally Morey, Jessica Fazekas, and Hailey Cook contributed 4 points each. The 6th grade girls will travel to Crown Point on Saturday to take on St. Mary's.



Weekend Schedule

It's always a great day to be a Panther!



Boys' Basketball Tournament



January 17th

5th (K) - 12:00PM @ St. Thomas More
 5th (M) - 3:00PM @ St. Mary CP vs. St. Mary CP
 6th - 2:00PM @ SPCS
 7th (C) - 1:00PM @ SPCS vs. Saint Paul (Tarnow)
 7th (T) - 1:00PM @ SPCS vs. Saint Paul (Cavanaugh)

If our teams win Saturday, they will advance to the Semi-Finals

January 18th

5th (K) - 4:00PM @ St. Mary's CP
 5th (M) - 4:00PM @ St. Mary's CP
 6th - Bye
 7th (C) - Bye
 7th (T) - Bye

Girls' Basketball



January 17th

5th (C) - schedule not available at time of publication
 5th (I) - schedule not available at time of publication
 6th - 12:00PM @ St. Mary CP vs. St. Mary CP
 7th - 11:00AM @ SPCS vs. St. John Baptist #1
 8th - schedule not available at time of publication

January 18th

5th (C) - schedule not available at time of publication
 5th (I) - schedule not available at time of publication
 6th - 1:00PM @ SPCS vs. St. Thomas More #1
 7th - 1:00PM @ St. Mary CP vs. St. Mary CP
 8th - schedule not available at time of publication

Great Opportunities for Athletes— *Coach Tarnow*

There are a few great opportunities coming up for our Saint Paul Athletes. Look in today's white envelope for fliers on the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest and training sessions at Integrated Movement. Please see the contact information on the fliers or contact Ray Tarnow via FastDirect.



BoxTops Update! — *Betty Franz*

A BIG "thank you" to all who faithfully collect and send in BoxTops...I am pleased to inform you that over Christmas break our school received a \$1,363.80 check from the BoxTops program. That is wonderful and I applaud everyone's efforts in "turning trash into cash" through this program. May we all be encouraged to continue our efforts and increase the amount of the next check! You may send your unexpired boxtops to me any day and in any amount. Thank you again!



Also worth noting, Town and Country occasionally prints BoxTops on their receipts based on purchased products. Please watch for those.



A fundraiser like no other! **Market Day**— *Chris Mileusnich*

Market Day pickup is this Saturday the 17th between 9-10am in the school cafeteria. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Mileusnich at 464-2829 or via Fast Direct. Thank you for supporting our school!

Mission Statement

At Saint Paul Catholic School, teachers, parents, and students work together to create a safe, caring environment, based on Christian values and service to others, that enables students to learn and develop spiritually, academically, emotionally, and physically.

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