

November 1, 2020

SUNDAY EVENING NEWS

“If today we are remembering those brothers and sisters of ours who lived before us and are now in heaven, they are there because they were washed in the Blood of Christ, that is our hope and this hope does not disappoint. If we live our lives with the Lord, he will never disappoint us.”

Pope Francis



Peace & Greetings:

Well October went out with snow showers, a full moon and annual Halloween costume festivities. Then the calendar moved forward to November while our clocks turned back an hour overnight. That's about as "normal" as it gets for 2020!

In November, the Catholic Church reminds us to pray for all those who have come before us and then our attention turns to Thanksgiving later this month as we take time to give thanks to God for the many blessings bestowed upon us. The inconveniences and uncertainties of COVID-19 cannot diminish the hope we have in living our lives with the Lord!

EVENING REFLECTION & PRAYER

This weekend we celebrate All Saints. No person should think of Heaven as a lonely place populated by only a few saints. Heaven opens up to a great multitude that no one can count! God doesn't create junk – we were all made for Heaven.

All you Holy men and women of God, pray for us.

A blessed feast of All Saints to all.

Fr. Glen, Chaplain

SCHOOL CALENDAR (Week of November 2 – 6)

Monday, (Day 2); Tuesday, (Day 3); Wednesday, (Day 1); Thursday, (Day 2) and Friday, (Day 3)

Rotation

	Day 1 Drop G & H	Day 2 Drop E & F	Day 3 Drop C & D
7:45-8:26	A	A	A
8:34-9:10	B	B	B
9:28-10:22	C	G	F
10:30-11:54	D	C	H
12:02-12:56	E	D	G
1:14-2:08	F	H	E

REMEMBRANCE MASS

Monday, November 2 is All Souls Day. All Souls Day is about remembering our loved ones who are no longer with us but continue to live in our memories. Our annual Remembrance Mass for deceased faculty and alumni will be celebrated at St. Gregory the Great Church at 11:00 am. This year, due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Class of 2021 will represent our study body along with our invited guests.

Seniors will be called from C period at 10:50 am to proceed to St. Gregory the Great Church. An extra lunch wave will be added tomorrow at noon for all Mass participants.

END OF FIRST MARKING PERIOD

This Friday, November 6 marks the end of the First Marking Period. Please contact your teachers ASAP to make-up any missed assessments.

WEEKDAY MASS (Date Change)

Our weekday Mass on **Friday, November 6 at 7:15 am** will be offered for the special intentions of the Ephesians House. Students and faculty/staff are invited. Please enter St. Gregory the Great Church by the side parking lot entrance.

VOCATIONS – CATHOLIC TRANSCRIPT

Read a beautiful article in the November 2020 issue of the Catholic Transcript on Sr. Mary Mercy's journey to the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist. "*God was speaking to her, saying, 'You don't need to know the whole path. I am going to show you the next step.'*" We are so grateful Sister said "Yes" when Jesus called her to religious life and that her journey has brought her to St. Paul.

ADMISSIONS NEWS



Our first Placement Exam for the Class of 2025 is scheduled for this Saturday, November 7, 2020 at 8:00 am.

Would you be willing to have a Placement Exam lawn sign in your yard or at your place of business? If so, please email cmone@spchs.com and we will have your child come pick it up from the Admissions Office. Thank you ... we need and appreciate your partnership during these challenging times.

GUIDANCE NEWS

Seniors who have a November 15 deadline need to fill out the transcript request form by Monday, November 2 at the latest: <https://forms.gle/43H4x3FCF7JgrrMK6>

ATHLETIC NEWS



Our cheerleading team will be participating in a virtual Game Day Competition charity event this Thursday, November 5 at 6:30 pm. Good luck girls ... we're proud of you!

The fall NVL divisional seedings and schedule will be posted later this week as the regular season concludes.

Winter sports are tentatively scheduled to start on Saturday, November 21. We are awaiting final details from the CIAC and CT DPH. Announcements will be made at the end of this week regarding winter sports sign-ups and meetings. Reference is made to the school website for winter sports paperwork and requirements.

ST. PAUL SWORD

You can read an article by Sammi Bray, "Senior Class Meeting and Upcoming Event" in this week's update of the student newspaper at: <https://stpaulsword.weebly.com/>

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

HALLOWEEN 2020



Cutest: Sami Millerick as Wendy; Most Creative: Adam Zwolinski as Tony Stark; Funniest: Tess Strasser and Gabe Duffany as Snoop Dogg and Martha Stewart; Best Impersonation: Michael Barzee as Coach Joe; Scariest: Matt Sefcik as the Grim Reaper; Best Trio: Maddy Kurnik, Olivia Belfonti and Keira Dubitsky as Donna's Dynamos from Mamma Mia; Best Group: Greta Panke, Patrick Russo and Connor Matthews as Ferris Bueller's Day Off; Best Duo: Ben Shea and Tricia Richardson as Jake from State Farm and Flo from Progressive; and Teacher: Mr. Dennehy as a cowboy

The Halloween “*Hocus Pocus*” Movie Night was full of fun. Costume winners were: Joe DiBiaso, Madison Thornberg and Danny Wilson.

The next upcoming Student Government event is Thanksgiving Bingo on Friday, November 13 from 7:00 – 8:30 pm in the Dining Hall. For every three cans or non-perishable food items you bring in, you get one bingo card. Prizes will be awarded!

SPCHS MATH TEAM

The SPCHS Math Team kicked off their season on October 27 with an impressive number of mathletes competing. A total of 23 students ranging from freshman to seniors competed in The Math League, New England Division October contest. Mathletes had 30 minutes to complete a set of 6 complex questions covering topics from logic, algebra, geometry, trig, statistics, and precalculus. The lead scorers were:

Place for SP	Student Name
1 st	Zixuan Sun '21
2 nd	Alecia Barbieri '21 Andrew Pauloz '21
3 rd	Junyoung Hong '22 Colin Ivers '21 Adriana Raymond '21 Richard Scott '21 Brianna Woods '24

Congratulations to all 23 students that competed and especially to the group of seniors and junior Mathletes that made such a strong showing scoring in the top places. Notice, however, that tied for third was a freshman, Brianna Woods! Any student interested in joining the Math Team and competing in these virtual monthly contests should contact Mrs. Clarke, mclarke@spchs.com for additional information.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY (November 2 – 8)

Happy Birthday wishes go to: Kyle Bacho, Marley Burgess, Mack Butkus, Kailey Fontaine, Margaret Garofalo, Madelyn Hooks, Daniel Kelly, Nicholas Middlebrook and Mr. Perrier.

FINAL WORD



COVID-19 MANDATORY PRACTICE REMINDERS

- Every student, faculty and staff member must complete the Bristol-Burlington Health District (BBHD) Daily Health Check before arriving at St. Paul each morning. Failure to complete this form consistently may result in loss of in-person learning privileges. The link is on the website homepage and attached here: <https://forms.gle/v9mNDN8abHEYBk8G6>.
- It is critically important for all members of our school community to **REMAIN HOME IF YOU ARE NOT FEELING WELL**. Students can take advantage of live stream remote learning for most of their classes while out of school.
- Wear a mask, covering both your nose and mouth at all times. This is one of the most effective ways of not spreading the virus. Consistently wearing a mask properly reflects your concern for the health and safety of others.
- Wash your hands or sanitize frequently throughout the day beginning when you enter the building, enter a classroom, before eating lunch, etc.
- Watch your distance keeping at least two arm lengths whenever possible. This is one of the best protections not to be identified as a COVID-19 contact.
- Only two (2) people in a restroom at a time. Please adhere to this policy ... no more excuses.
- Practice these mitigation health strategies beyond the normal school day (i.e. evenings and weekends) to leave the virus outside our borders.

Stay well ... take care of yourself and take care of each other.

St. Paul, pray for us!

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President/Chief Administrator