

January 24, 2021

SUNDAY EVENING NEWS



March for Life 2020
Washington, DC

Peace & Greetings,

EVENING REFLECTION & PRAYER

As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, “Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” Then they abandoned their nets and followed him (Mark 1:16-19).

Today we celebrate Word of God Sunday. A reminder that we should read and study the Bible often – never viewing the scriptures as a book of rules or distant stories from centuries past. We should read the Bible as it truly is – the living and current word of God. Words that are alive and effective in our daily lives calling us to holiness, freedom, and conversation.

We pray for the legal protection of unborn children this week as we March for Life. We march for the dignity of the human person. We march until love and life prevail.

Let us pray,

Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Have a good week.

Fr. Glen, Chaplain

SCHOOL CALENDAR

START OF THE SECOND SEMESTER

Week of January 25 – 29, 2021

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

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

RE-REGISTRATION ASSEMBLIES

Mr. Cooper will meet this week with each returning grade to discuss the 2021-2022 Curriculum Guide as students begin to plan their class schedule for next year. Students will be called down to the Auditorium after homeroom announcements:

	Class Assembly	Re-Registration Forms Due to Guidance
Class of 2022:	Tuesday, January 26	Friday, February 12
Class of 2023:	Wednesday, January 27	Friday, February 19
Class of 2024:	Thursday, January 28	Friday, February 26

WEEKDAY MASS

Our weekday Mass will be held on **Monday, January 25 at 7:15 am** as we celebrate the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle. While all are welcome, the Senior Class is especially invited as you begin your last semester at St. Paul. Also, student pilgrims marching for life on Friday are asked to represent the school body at Mass as we pray this week for respect for life at all stages. Please enter St. Gregory the Great Church by the side parking lot entrance.

2021-2022 TUITION ASSISTANCE

St. Paul Catholic High School uses an independent consultant, *FACTS Grant & Aid*, to evaluate financial need. Anyone who wishes to be considered for tuition assistance for the 2021-2022 school year will need to apply to FACTS Grant & Aid. The online application, FAQs and more detailed information about the process can be found at www.spchs.com/parents/tuition-assistance. Applications for returning students, must be submitted to FACTS Grant & Aid by **February 5, 2021**, with the required documentation and application fee of \$35.

MARCH FOR LIFE DAY – JANUARY 29

The St. Paul Respect Life Club student leaders have planned many campus activities on Friday, January 29, 2021, to coincide with the now virtual national March for Life. Forty student pilgrims from all four grades will participate in the many events that day. We are pleased that Archbishop Blair has agreed to address our pilgrims in a live virtual Q&A session that morning.

Tomorrow, Monday, January 25 March for Life pilgrims will be called to the Auditorium after homeroom announcements (remote will receive a Zoom invitation) for an organizational meeting.

Here is information about the media coverage of prayer events of the National Vigil for Life at the Basilica in DC: <https://www.nationalshrine.org/event/2021-national-prayer-vigil-for-life/> as well as a listing of virtual events (<https://marchforlife.org/2021-virtual-events/>).

The Archdiocese of Hartford's March for Life Mass with Archbishop Blair and Fr. Glen, Director of the Respect Life Office, will be at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, Hartford on Friday, January 29 at 6:00 pm. We're proud that Richard Scott '21 and Rose Wolfgang '24 will participate in the liturgy. Attendance is limited. If interested in attending in-person (first come, first serve), register at [Respect Life Mass](#)

To live stream the Mass visit hartfordcathedral.org Or <https://www.hartfordcathedral.org/>

ADMISSIONS NEWS

We have a **Virtual Informational Session scheduled for this Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 7:00 pm** for anyone interested in learning more about St. Paul – a virtual tour around the school and a Q&A session at the conclusion of the tour. Please share these dates with your family, friends, co-workers, etc. Questions? Please reach out to our Admissions Office: mcrowley@spchs.com or cmone@spchs.com.

The next **Placement Exam is Saturday, February 6, 2021** at 8:00 am. For in-person or virtual appointments visit <https://spchs.com/openhouse/> or <https://spchs.com/placement-exam-registration/>.

GUIDANCE NEWS

A reminder to the Class of 2022 to complete the Junior personal reflection survey in Naviance! This must be completed before your counselor can schedule your junior college planning meeting!

Virtual college fair! **BigFuture Days** brought to you by the College Board. Register for these exciting events to learn about a variety of different college experiences and options. <https://pages.collegeboard.org/big-future-days>

CONGRATULATIONS to the following Seniors on their recent college acceptances:

Krista Christmas	Bay Path University, Dean College, Howard University, Quinnipiac University, St. Joseph University (PA), Stonehill College, University of Hartford & University of St. Joseph
Danika Karelus	Roger Williams University & University of Rhode Island
Jonathan Passander	United States Military Academy - West Point

Seniors are reminded to notify their school counselor if they want their college acceptances to be acknowledged.

ATHLETICS

START OF WINTER SPORTS SEASON

The CIAC 2021 Winter Sports Plan was approved and released on Thursday, January 14, 2021. It can be viewed at the following link - https://www.casciac.org/pdfs/CIAC_Approved_Winter_Sports_Plan_v1-14-2020.pdf

Basketball Schedule

Monday (1/25):	(V/JV continued cohorts) Girls 2:30 – 3:45 pm & 4:00 – 5:15 pm; Boys 5:30 – 6:45 pm & 7:00 – 8:15 pm
Tuesday (1/26):	Boys & Girls Freshmen Conditioning 2:30 – 3:15 pm; (V/JV continued cohorts) Girls 3:30 – 4:30 pm & 4:45 – 5:45 pm; Boys 6:00 – 7:00 pm & 7:15 – 8:15 pm
Wednesday (1/27)	(V/JV continued cohorts) Girls 2:30 – 3:45 pm & 4:00 – 5:15 pm; Boys 5:30 – 6:45 pm & 7:00 – 8:15 pm
Thursday (1/28)	Girls Freshmen Conditioning 2:30 – 3:30 pm; Girls V/JV come together as full teams 3:45 – 5:15 pm; Boys Freshmen Conditioning 5:30 – 6:30 pm; V/JV come together as full teams 6:45 – 8:15 pm
Friday (1/29)	Girls Freshmen 2:30 – 3:30 pm; Girls V/JV 3:45 – 5:15 pm; Boys Freshmen tryouts 5:30 – 6:30 pm; Boys V/JV 6:45 – 8:15 pm
Saturday (1/30)	Boys Freshmen tryouts 8:00 – 9:30 am; Girls Freshmen 9:45 – 11:15 am
Sunday (1/31)	Boys & Girls V/JV – TBA two-hour practice

Information for team workouts & practices for **Cheerleading, Indoor Track & Wrestling** starting the week of February 1 will be announced this week. A reminder for anyone planning on participating in any type of winter sports activity to make sure all of their paper work has been submitted and that their physical is up to date.

Please contact Mr. Dennehy with any questions regarding Winter Sports.

SP BOOK CLUB

SP Book Club invites you to join our **Winter Reading Challenge**. Receive points for numerous book challenges. Students who attend each meeting and complete challenges can earn points. In April, points will be tallied and the highest score will earn a \$25 Barnes & Noble gift card. See Mrs. Zillich for more information.

MEALS FOR NEIGHBORS **LAST COLLECTION DAY TOMORROW**

The Galatians House and the Sophomore Class are sponsoring the Mission Club's initiative to collect personal care toiletries and kid-friendly snacks for Zion Lutheran's Meals for Neighbors program. For years, the Mission Club has assisted in preparing/serving a monthly dinner for those less fortunate. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this year St. Paul is helping in different ways. Students will collect final donations at the front and back entrances tomorrow, **Monday, January 25**.

Personal Care

Toothpaste
Toothbrush
Floss
Shampoo/conditioner
Body soap
Medical face masks

Top 5 Kid's Snacks

Cookies
Chips
Crackers
Pop tarts/cereal bars
Fruit snacks (individually packaged)

COMING ATTRACTIONS

CELEBRATE Catholic Schools Week January 31 - February 6. Teacher Appreciation Day is scheduled for Monday, February 1 and student Appreciation Day on Friday, February 5. Complete details for the week will follow.

Student Government **WinterFest** coming February 4 & 5. Details of student activities to follow.

ADVANCEMENT OFFICE

The Advancement office is gearing up for two big events this spring! Our annual **Forever Falcons Gala**, postponed from November 2020, will be held virtually this year on May 7, 2021 and our 2021 Alumni Golf Tournament will be held in June.

We need your help! We are looking for parent committee volunteers for both events. Expectations include attending occasional Zoom committee meetings, help secure sponsorships and auction items, participation at the event, etc. Contact Shelley Mendoza at smendoza@spchs.com for more information or to volunteer.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY (January 25 – 31)

Happy Birthday to Brooklyn Chance, Sean Gallagher, Kevin Grodecki, Avery Latham, Thomas Lorenzetti, Caleigh McDougall, Grace Perugini, Sam Peruta, John Carlo Rodriquez, Tanina Sentementes, Sr. Marie Benedict, and Mrs. Mendoza.

FINAL WORD

As we celebrate the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle tomorrow, let us take a moment this evening to pray:

Prayer to the Apostle Paul

*Glorious St. Paul
Most zealous Apostle,
Martyr for the love of Christ,
Give us a deep faith, A steadfast hope,
A burning love for our Lord;
So that we can proclaim with you,
"It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me."*

Do we see Christ in each other?



**Keep it up ... stay vigilant.
You're doing great ... it takes all of us, all of the time!**

Stay well ... **BE KIND**, take care of yourself and take care of each other this week.

St. Paul, pray for us!

Cary M. Dupont '72
President/Chief Administrator

COVID-19 REMINDERS

MANDATORY PRACTICES FOR IN-PERSON LEARNING

- Every student, faculty and staff member **MUST** submit the mandatory online BBHD Daily Morning Health Self-Assessment before arriving at school. Students who do not complete the daily health survey will lose in-school privileges. Remote learners do not need to complete the daily survey.
- **PLEASE REMAIN HOME IF YOU ARE NOT FEELING WELL.** Stay home if you have symptoms associated with COVID-19 including a fever, shortness of breath, muscle aches, sore throat, unexplained loss of taste and smell or a headache. **Do not assume you have a cold, allergies, etc.** You should not return to school until your symptoms have improved or you submit a doctor's note indicating that your symptoms are not COVID-19 related.
- If you, a family member or a "close contact" test positive for COVID-19 (**or even is experiencing symptoms and is waiting for test results**) you **MUST** stay home from school and notify the St. Paul health room immediately.
- Practice mitigation health strategies (i.e. wear a mask, frequently wash hands, practice physical distancing, etc.) beyond the normal school day (i.e. evenings and weekends) to leave the virus outside our borders.

RETURNING FROM OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL QUARANTINE PROTOCOL

Given the current high rates of COVID-19 throughout the United States and internationally, Connecticut continues to strongly discourage all nonessential, interstate travel at this time as the risks are too severe. Effective December 19, 2020, pursuant to Governor Lamont's [Executive Order No. 9S](#), anyone traveling into Connecticut from a state or territory, other than New York, New Jersey, or Rhode Island, or from a country other than the United States, is directed to self-quarantine for a 10-day period from the time of last contact within the identified state or country.

If travelers get a negative test (PCR or Antigen) within 72 hours after returning, they may submit a copy of those results to our health office: Elizabeth McGuire, elizabethmcguire@bristolct.gov or Ann Marie Pahl, apahl@spchs.com for consideration of an early end to their travel quarantine. However, even if you receive a negative COVID-19 test result, you will be required to remain home and reduce non-essential activities for a full seven days after travel before returning to school.