



# St. Paul Catholic School

## Newsletter

### 11.2.23

**FALL RAFFLE:** ONE WEEK TO GO until the Fall Raffle & Steak Dinner. We repeat - ONE WEEK TO GO!! As of this posting, there are **109 tickets remaining**. Please get any sold tickets into the office to be counted and help make a final push to sell out!

**WORKERS:** Here's who we have listed to help the night of the dinner on November 11 - Kendale Cassady, Holly Weikum, Missy & Jon DeLong, Amanda & Joe Cleary, Carolyn Austin, Andrea & Eric Scheuer, Hannah Abry, Kathy & Doug Patten, Courtney Tjelle, Kirstin Kumagai, Devin & Grace Sturms, Jessica & Tyler Mills, and Scott Lovell. If anyone else can help, please let us know. We'll send out a report time next week. Thank you to Carrie & Mike Lovell for all they've done so far as event chairs!

**CHEESE:** The results are in! St. Paul School families sold **OVER 2,000** tubs of cheese!!! That's 400 more than the last time Chuck's Cheese was sold! Amazing job! Our top sellers were the DeLong family with 170 tubs, the Turner family with 141, and the Scheuer family with 134. The cheese will be delivered on Monday, November 20 and be ready to go home at dismissal. Thank you to Andrea Scheuer for chairing this fundraiser.

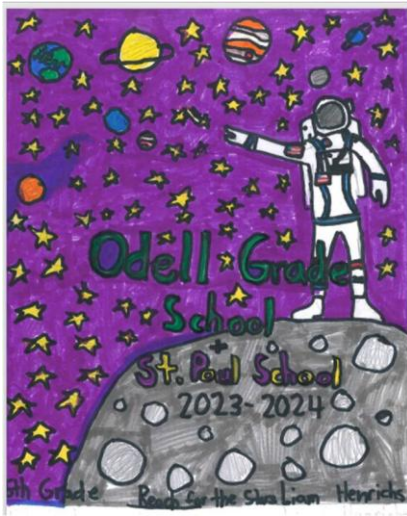
**THANK YOU:** The snow didn't stop St. Paul's traditional Halloween parade or party that followed. Thank you so much to the St. Paul School Booster Club, especially chairperson Missy DeLong, for coordinating the party and providing all the snacks, games, and fun! We are grateful for her team of helpers - Kendale Cassady, Kirstin Kumagai, Hannah Abry, Rhiannon Moranville, Andrea Scheuer, Jessica Mills, Candis Ramsey, Brooke Bunting, Paula DeLong, and anyone else that helped, baked, or donated. Thanks also to the Civics Club for donating pumpkins for the kids to paint.

**RETAKES:** This coming Tuesday the 7th is Picture Retake Day. If you ordered a picture package, but want your child to give it another go :), please send the original picture package back to school no later than Tuesday morning.

**SPEECH:** Congratulations to Isla Davis and Michael Josefik for receiving a **FIRST PLACE** rating at the IESA Speech Contest last Saturday! We are so proud of all their hard work, and we appreciate them performing for the whole student body last week as well. Thank you to all the teachers who helped prepare them.

**CONGRATS!:** St. Paul School is full of talented students! Congratulations to 5th grader Liam Henrichs as his artwork was chosen to be the cover of this year's OGS/St. Paul yearbook! The theme was "Reach for the Stars." A great job was done by all the students that entered the contest!

**THURSDAY:** Thank you to Fr. Luke Spannagel for celebrating Mass with our students and parishioners this morning as St. Paul welcomed the Diocesan Traveling Monstrance. After lunch, Fr. Luke presented a video on Blessed Carlo Acutis, the late Italian teenager on the cusp of Sainthood. We truly appreciate Fr. Luke and Fr. John Bosco spending time with our students in prayer and fellowship.



**STEWARDSHIP MASS:** Our next Stewardship Mass is Sunday, November 15 at St. Paul Church at 8:00. Please let us know if you plan on attending so Mass parts can be handed out at school.

**COMFY DAYS:** Any students attending Mass at either St. Paul or St. Patrick Churches on the weekends can have a comfy day the Monday after! Don't forget to earn your tickets for a chance to pie Mr. Morehouse! :)

**FEEDBACK:** Please make sure to send in your feedback regarding the proposed parish models. Visit [www.growingdisciplescdop.org](http://www.growingdisciplescdop.org) for additional information and to submit your thoughts. The deadline for feedback is November 22 so don't delay!

**LETTERS:** We are looking for testimonial letters from people stating the positive effects that St. Paul Church and School have had in their life. If you or someone you know is willing to write a letter, please do! The letters will be hand delivered to Peoria before the deadline of November 22. Don't be worried if you're not a letter writer - just speak from the heart.

**UPDATE FROM MRS. HART'S ROOM:** I would like to thank all of the PreK and Kindergarten parents who met with Ms. Dani and me at PT conferences on 10/19. We work best when we are a team to help children succeed. One parent, who teaches elsewhere, said the school Mass is "magical." This parent stated -seeing a school come together as one and the big kids helping the littles is very unique. What a compliment! As you know, I'm always writing about our Mass. I'm a believer. A week later, 10/27, I experienced the "magic" again. I witnessed students from PreK-8, responding so positively to Father John Bosco, hearing Mrs. Josefik quietly ask a 3 year old to join her in prayer-leading her through the Hail Mary, seeing a 5th grade boy tenderly help a 4 year old put on her coat, and listening to the students from grades 1&2 so beautifully reading. "Magical" is a perfect description. It's happening at St. Paul School every day. We are not perfect, but we certainly try to strive for goodness in an imperfect world. God is love. Please, be a believer.

#### **UPCOMING ST. PAUL CALENDAR:**

- ✠ Tuesday, November 7.....Picture Retakes
- ✠ Friday, November 10.....School Mass - grades 1/2 leading
- ✠ Saturday, November 11..... Fall Raffle & Steak Dinner
- ✠ Sunday, November 12..... Stewardship Mass @ St. Paul Church
- ✠ Wednesday, November 15..... Education Commission Meeting @ 5:15
- ✠ Friday, November 17.....School Mass - grades 7/8 leading
- ✠ Monday, November 20.....Chuck's Cheese Delivery
- ✠ Wednesday, Nov. 22 - Friday, Nov. 24..... No School - Thanksgiving Break