



# St. Paul Catholic School

## Newsletter

### 9.21.23

**STEWARDSHIP MASS:** Thank you to all the students and families that attended Mass this past Sunday. It was one of the biggest groups we've had in the choir loft! As you heard, Fr. John Bosco was filled with joy by the children's choir and all those in attendance! Let's keep it up! Our next Stewardship Mass will be Sunday, October 15 at St. Paul Church.

**PARADE:** Thank you to the TEN families that have said they'd participate in the Harvest Days parade in Dwight this coming Sunday! Still want to represent St. Paul in the parade? The more, the merrier! Just let us know if you can make it. Wear your purple & gold St. Paul gear or school uniform. Again, we will not know our exact location until late Sunday morning. A message will be sent out letting you know time and location. Please be in Dwight by noon as parking will be filling up and streets will start to close. The Basset Waddle steps off at 12:45, with the rest of the parade to follow at 1:00. The parade route ends at Berkot's Grocery Store.

**CANDY:** After another candy count, it looks like we could use a few more bags! If anyone would still like to donate candy, please send it to school tomorrow. Thanks!

**SURVEY:** Attached is a "Home Language Survey" that the Diocese of Peoria is requiring all families to fill out. Please return your completed form to the school office as soon as possible. Thanks!

**HUMISTON WOODS:** The annual trip to Humiston Woods for grades K-8 is right around the corner on Friday, October 6. Permission slips will be coming home soon. We'll leave St. Paul after Mass at approximately 9:30 a.m. and return about 2:00. This will be a sack lunch day for all students. Please let us know if you would like to chaperone our trip to "The Woods."

**FALL RAFFLE:** Tickets should be in the hands of our mailing list members by Monday and will go home to families next week. The steak dinner will return to an IN-PERSON event this year and be held at the Odell Fire House on Saturday, November 11. Additional information will come home with the tickets.

**PR OFFICER:** The Booster Club is still looking for a Public Relations officer to be on the Booster Board. Please contact President Amy Turner at 815-685-2656 if you are interested in the seat. The following is a description of the duties: The PR officer is responsible for promoting fundraising events within the area communities. The officer will help disseminate information via area media outlets, church bulletins and social media. The officer will develop and update a contact list of area newspapers, radio stations, churches, etc. If possible, the officer will cultivate relationships with media people who may help spread St. Paul's messages. The officer will keep a log of any news releases and other communications sent, which will be passed off in the event a new officer is elected the following year. The officer will work with event chairpeople to identify any unique ways in which an event may be promoted. The officer will be responsible for creating and printing flyers, posters, and banners as needed.

**EUCHRE:** Here's another opportunity to get involved and earn your hours! The Booster Club is in need of a chairperson for one of our new events this year - a euchre tournament scheduled for Saturday, January 13. Again, please contact President Amy Turner if you're interested or have any questions about chairing an event. Thank you!

**EXAM FORMS:** Please get any required exam forms turned in as soon as possible. Requirements are for **Physicals** - PreK, Kindergarten, & 6th grades - **Eye Exams** - Kindergarten - **Dental Exams** - Kindergarten, 2nd, & 6th grades. If you have any questions on whether or not you have turned in your forms, please check in with Kelli in the office.

**UPDATE FROM MRS. LOVELL'S ROOM:** Our 7th and 8th graders have been busy in the first few weeks of school! The Civics Club organized their first fundraiser "Breakfast Cart" last week and have been diligently working on taking care of our classroom tortoise. We have begun studying the US Constitution and have finished our first novel study on Tuck Everlasting. Finally, in Religion, our class has been studying the gospel of Mark while learning how to have a friendship with Jesus. 5th and 6th graders have been learning the in's and out's of middle school, beginning with a novel study on Hatchet in Reading. They have already studied maps in Social Studies and will be moving onto nouns in English class.

*"Let's not get tired of doing good, because in time we'll have a harvest if we don't give up."  
Galatians 6:9*

**UPCOMING ST. PAUL CALENDAR:**

- † Friday, September 22..... School Mass @ 8:30 - Grades 7/8 leading
- † Sunday, September 24..... Harvest Days Parade
- † Friday, September 29..... School Mass @ 8:30 - Grades 5/6 leading
- † Friday, October 6..... School Mass @ 8:30 - Grades 3/4 leading
- † Friday, October 6..... Humiston Woods Field Trip
- † Monday, October 9..... No School - Columbus Day
- † Tuesday, October 10..... Lifetouch Picture Day
- † Friday, October 13..... End of 1st Quarter
- † Wednesday, October 18..... Report Cards Home