



The Wave Watcher

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Mission Statement:

At St. Paul Catholic School we strive for excellence in faith and academics. Our mission is to be a loving and forgiving community that receives our Lord Jesus Christ and reflects his teachings. God is our focus and heaven our goal.

CALENDAR

Friday-October 27

No School-Staff Retreat

Saturday-October 28

9:00am-9:00pm

St. Paul 12 Hour Scrapbook & Craft Day

St. Paul Church basement

Tuesday-October 31

Last day for Hurricane Relief Collection

No Band

No Hot Lunches

2:15pm Halloween Parade

2:30pm Halloween Parties

No Cribbage after school

No afternoon buses

Wednesday-November 1

10:00am Mass-All Saints Day

Student Council Meeting @ lunch

Thursday-November 2

No School Mass

Friday-November 3

12:10pm School dismissed 1/2 day

No 6th Grade Band

No Jazz Band

End of 1st marking period

Teacher workday PM

No afternoon Bus

No Childcare after school

Hurricane Relief

Our hurricane collection will run through next Tuesday, October 31. Every penny donated will be sent to a Catholic School in Florida to aid in much needed relief efforts after this season's devastating hurricanes. Please help if you can. A collection jar is in the school office. Thanks!

St. Paul School Directory

Our St. Paul School Family Directory will be distributed to our school families within the next few weeks.

If parents do not want their name, address, phone number published, please contact the school office by Wednesday, November 1.

These directories are only given to our St. Paul Families.

Powerschool Reminder

Time flies when you are having fun!

The 1st marking period will be in the books in two short weeks. **If you have not logged on to Powerschool, please do so immediately! Please do not wait until the marking period ends.** We will NOT be printing paper copies of the report card until the end of the year, so it is vitally important that you are following your child's progress through this tool. I strongly encourage you to teach your child to log in and check as well. They are surely able to and often they appreciate and respond to this ownership of their learning. If you have never logged in, the password I sent last year will no longer be valid.

Please email me if you need assistance with this. Thank you!

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK
Foresight

Meaning: Consideration of the consequences of one's actions; thinking ahead

Looks Like:

- Writing yourself a reminder so that you are prepared
- Looking outside at the weather and dressing appropriately
- Thinking ahead
- Taking time to pray about a decision
- Someone thinking
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Sounds Like:

- I will get things ready for tomorrow.
- I will bring some water, a hat, sun block, and my sunglasses with me to the beach.
- If I do that, then this will happen.
- “Dear Jesus, enlighten my mind to know and do the right thing.”

Please help your child learn about and model the virtues. These are cornerstones of living our faith as Jesus taught.



Childcare Snack

Please remember to send a healthy snack with your child if they will be going to St. Paul's Kid Connection after school.

All of that thinking they have done all afternoon makes them very hungry!

Thank you so much!

Welcome to Computer class!

My name is Anita Kelley and I am excited to join the Bluewave family as the technology instructor. I have been teaching and learning in Michigan as an educator since 1988. I am a graduate of the University of Michigan BA, LSSU (MBA), and CMU (MA) Ed. Leadership. Before that I worked with the Department of Defense Schools in Germany. I have two children, a son who is a junior at Haslett High School and a daughter who is an Electrical Design Engineer at General Motors at the Warren Tech. Center. My husband and I have been married for 32 years and he works at the Michigan State Police Headquarters in Lansing.

Students have been very busy learning during their Computer class. Technology affords the students, many opportunities to expand their knowledge and to learn new ways to use technology as a tool for both learning and solving problems. So far I have polled students about their current knowledge and skills on computers, assessed some areas of learning with a pre-test and created a list of what the students want to know more about. Their interests are being matched up to the technology standards and lessons created from there. My goal is to prepare them for “real world” fundamental skills that they can utilize or apply in their future classes.

One application that is used by teachers and students is called Schoology (similar to Blackboard and Moodle). It is a learning platform for students to post assignments for assessment. Students access the portal through the internet to post their work and to see assignments or learning links from off-site locations, if needed.

One career that is growing in demand is coding for computers. There are several ways to expose students to these opportunities to see if they have an interest or to develop an aptitude for learning. One is at Khan Academy (free computer lessons) and another is Coding.com. For the younger students a popular site for early coding skills is Roblox this appears more like a game but does offer high engagement. Math related activities that are used and provided by the school are Moby.max accounts to bridge learning gaps. Students also report they love using Prodigy to learn math as a game and it is very engaging. I am very much enjoying getting to know all of the children. They are very fun to work with!

Important Topic

Those of you who attended our informational meeting on Human Trafficking last year know that this is a serious issue in our country, state, and yes, our county. This is a threat to all of our children. Please see the attached flyer about an informational meeting on this topic sponsored by the Shiawassee Regional Chamber of Commerce. All are welcome. There is a \$15.00 fee for the lunch you will receive, but it is well worth the information.

Human Trafficking in Shiawassee County - The Facts Will Surprise You

The Shiawassee Regional Chamber of Commerce monthly networking luncheon called "Topics @ Twelve" will be held on Tuesday, October 31st at the Baker College Welcome

Center, [1309 South M-52, Owosso](#). This month's presentation is titled "Human Trafficking in Shiawassee County - The Facts Will Surprise You".

The luncheon will provide an overview of the top questions and concerns surrounding Human Trafficking: What is it? What does it look like/how to identify it? What to do if someone does identify or suspect it? The panel of guest speakers includes: Sam Black of Covenant Eyes; Stephanie Molnar of The SafeCenter; Michael Olsey of The Owosso Police Department and Cassandra Kotlarczk, BSN, RN of Memorial Healthcare.

The Topics @ Twelve begins at 11:45 a.m. and concludes by 1:00 p.m. Program admission is \$12 per person for any chamber member and \$15 per person for non-members. The public is invited to attend.



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IN A BOX

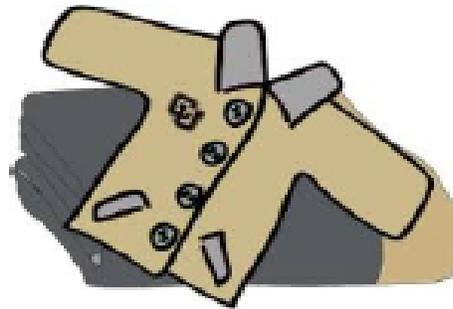


November Need of the Month:

DISH SOAP & BLANKETS/COATS

We need your help...
to make sure no one in need is
turned away.

Please support Hope in a Box by donating a "need of the month" item in the blue bin, at this community location. By donating to Hope in a Box you will help provide for hundreds of individuals who seek our assistance each week. Join us in our efforts to *Provide Help* and *Create Hope* for those most in need. For more information, contact Catholic Charities at 989-723-8239 or email us at givehope@ccsgc.org.



Please bring us your plastic grocery sacks and clean empty water bottles, too! These can be reused to bag clothing and dispense laundry soap or shampoo.

FACT: In 2015, hundreds of individuals received hats, gloves, mittens and scarves from Catholic Charities Giving Tree.



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