



# 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-Sept. 1  
NO SCHOOL

Monday-Sept. 4  
NO SCHOOL

Tuesday-Sept. 5  
First Day of Preschool

Wednesday-Sept.6  
6:30pm Meet the Teacher

Thursday- Sept. 7  
8:50am Mass (8<sup>th</sup>)

Friday-Sept.8  
regular school day

Monday-Sept. 11  
Girl's volleyball practice  
after school until 5:30pm

Wednesday-Sept. 13  
SCHOOL PICTURE DAY

Girl's volleyball practice  
after school until 5:30pm

Thursday-Sept. 14  
8:50am Mass (7<sup>th</sup>)

Friday-Sept. 15  
Constitution Day  
2:30pm Student Council Board Speeches  
Casual for a Cause-\$1.00 benefits the  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington DC trip

Sunday-Sept. 17  
Catechetical Sunday

## Week One is in the books!

Welcome to the end of the first week of school! The children have done a great job in getting back into the routines and procedures here at St. Paul. It always surprises me how tiring, though, these first few days can be. So blessed to have a four day rest before we get back in the groove next week!

We will look forward to seeing you all on **Wednesday, September 6** at 6:30 PM for our “**Meet the Teacher**” night. We will begin in the Father K Hall and will then proceed to your child's classrooms for a presentation by their teacher. We will have two 20 minute sessions in order to try and afford you the opportunity to visit more than one teacher. If you have more than two children, or have a middle school student and do not get the chance to attend a teacher's presentation, please contact the teacher to set up another time to meet.

Please make sure your child's teacher and the office has the **correct email address** to reach you. Most of our communication is done electronically in order to be more conscientious on our paper usage. We will once again be having reminders sent out, however these will come from the office rather than the PTC and will come out once each day. We will plan to begin these reminders next week.

We are working on updating and launching our online grading program, Powerschool. We plan to send an email next week to let you know that is ready for your attention. We appreciate you making plans to log in and check that out, along with your child, as soon as it is ready for the new year. Thank you for your attention to this. It will serve as a valuable source of information for you.

**Have a Blessed Labor Day, with safe travels, and we look forward to really getting into our learning next week!**

**Virtue of the Week:** Obedience

**What it means:** Assenting to rightful authority without hesitation or resistance.

**What it looks like:**

- Performing your duties faithfully and thoroughly
- Doing your homework
- The Blessed Mother saying “yes” to God
- Bringing your folder to school each day
- Doing your chores at home when asked

**What it sounds like:**

- I finished what I was asked to do.
- I did my homework.
- Behold the handmaid of the Lord, be it done unto me according to your word.
- I will bring my folder to school.
- I did my chores.

Please help your child build their virtues and practice modeling these important foundations of our faith. Our hearts are bursting with examples in the hall outside the office. Check it out on your next visit!



**Welcome Ms. Lisa Jones!**

My name is Ms. Lisa Jones and I am absolutely thrilled to have the opportunity to be the new Kindergarten teacher at St. Paul Catholic School! I am so excited to be a part of this wonderful school and to welcome you and your child to the 2017-2018 school year!

I have lived in Owosso for over 20 years and have had the privilege to have taught here in both private faith-based and public schools. I hold a Bachelor's degree in Elementary education (K-8th grade) with an Early Childhood (ZA) endorsement. I was raised and confirmed in the Catholic church and I am delighted to be teaching in a faith-based school once again!

I have a true love for teaching children and believe kindergarten is a most precious time in a child's life to embed a love for learning! It is a time of such important growth in social, academic and spiritual development. My goal, as one of your teachers is to enable my students to soar in all of those areas to best of their ability!

I am looking forward to getting to know the family here at St. Paul and embarking on a beautiful and blessed new school year! Sincerely, Ms. Lisa Jones

### **Meet Our New Middle School Teacher!**

Hello, I am Teresa Bischof and I will be teaching Middle School Mathematics and Science. I currently live in Grand Blanc, but am originally from Ft. Wayne, Indiana. I attended Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana, where I simultaneously earned two Bachelor of Science degrees, one in Chemical Engineering and one in Chemistry. I worked as an Applications Engineer until I became a stay-at-home mother.

My son, Nicholas, is a Junior and my daughter, Alyssa, is a Freshman at Powers Catholic High School. They both attended St. Robert Bellarmine School in Flushing, MI. While being a mother, I received my Secondary Teaching Certification from Saginaw Valley State University with a major in Mathematics and a minor in Chemistry. I was unable to find a teaching position in a parochial school and therefore acquired an Applications Engineer position in Madison Heights. Due to product elimination, two engineers and I were laid off and I began substitute teaching primarily at St. Robert this year. That leads me to here!!! This is therefore my first full-time teaching position and I couldn't be more excited!!!

I enjoy spending time with my family. My daughter's travel soccer team moves us all around Michigan. I love to boat, fish, ski, tube and swim....anything to do with water! My mother still lives in Ft. Wayne. My father unfortunately passed 9 years ago. I have an older brother, older sister, younger brother and 8 nieces and nephews. I was born and raised in a Catholic family and now I too raise my children that way. My family has been blessed as yours to be able to send our children to Catholic schools. We wanted our children to grow and develop spiritually, intellectually, socially, physically and emotionally and now I too want that for your children. My children continue to develop their understanding and relationship with God and are becoming disciples of Christ. Each one of our children has an individual potential with no limit. I will build on the strengths of each child to help each grow as a part of God's Plan. The children in my classroom will be challenged and prepared to hopefully change the future and make the world a better place through the eyes of the Lord.



### **Welcome New Bluewaves!**

We would like to welcome some new families to our school. In preschool, we have the Zawadzki and Wecowski families, in kindergarten the Groesbeck, Hulik, Martin and Randolph families. We also welcome the Baley family, with a 1st and 3rd grader, the Karanja family with a 2nd and 6th grader, the Hook family with a 3rd grader and the Herritt family with a 5th grader.

**We are so happy to have you with us!**

**Jr. Cougars Soccer** *has two teams that could still use some players:*

Girls U11 (birth years 2007 and 2008) Coached by Gary Adamo, practicing Tues/Thurs 5:45-7 at Lansing Catholic

Boys U10 (birth years 2008 and 2009) Coached by Nick Wheeler, practicing Tues/Thurs at 4:30 at Lansing Catholic

There are about 8 games that are played on weekends, starting the weekend of 9/9/17.

Cost is \$125 plus \$60 for uniform. (There are some used uniforms in good condition)

We are playing in the CASL league.

If you have any players in the above categories who are interested please contact:

Amea O'Leary at [meeoleary@mac.com](mailto:meeoleary@mac.com) or 517-719-5676



**Registration and First Class  
September 29, 2017**

In case of inclement weather, you may register the following week. Classes are held every FRIDAY for approximately 15 weeks.

**CLASSES HELD AT:**

**Morrice Senior Center**  
101 W. Mason  
Morrice, MI 48857

**CLASS TIMES:**

- ★ Beginners/white 6:00-6:45 p.m. \$7
- ★ Yellow 6:45-7:30 p.m. \$7
- ★ Green thru Purple 7:30-8:30 p.m. \$9
- ★ Brown thru Black 7:30-9:00 p.m. \$12

**Safety Awareness Lessons**

- ★ VERBAL DEFENSE
- ★ HOME ALONE
- ★ MEGAN'S LAW
- ★ FAMILY RULES
- ★ OUTSIDE RULES

**Stranger Danger Lessons**

- ★ GOOD PERSON OR BAD PERSON?
- ★ COMMON LURES
- ★ STREET SKILLS/ESCAPES



**Bully Awareness/Defense Lessons**

- ★ WHAT IS BULLYING?
- ★ ANTI-BULLYING SKILLS
- ★ CYBER BULLYING

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- Late registrations accepted.
- Programs are for boys and girls ages 4-18.
- Registration is on-site with our instructors.
  - Classes are pay as you go.
- There is a non-refundable registration fee of \$10.00 due at sign-up.
  - Uniforms may be ordered at class.
- NO personal checks. Debit/credit, cash or money order accepted.

**Contact Champion Force Athletics today to find a class near you!**

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# HOPE

# IN A BOX



## September Need of the Month:

### TOOTHPASTE/ TOOTHBRUSHES

**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 more than 500  
individuals who seek our assistance  
each day. Join us in our efforts to  
*Provide Help and Create Hope* for  
those most in need. For more  
information, contact Catholic Charities'  
Community Closet at  
810-265-7025,  
or email us at [givehope@ccsgc.org](mailto: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:** Catholic Charities' Community Closet  
distributed nearly 100,000 personal hygiene items to  
those in need last year.



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