



# 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

### Saturday-Sept. 16

**9:30am Girl's 5/6 Volleyball**  
**Home game**

### Sunday-Sept. 17



**Catechetical Sunday**

### Monday-Sept.18

**NWEA Testing begins for**  
**grades 2-8**

### Tuesday-Sept.19

**NWEA Testing Grades 2-8**

### Wednesday-September 20

**NWEA Testing Grades 2-8**  
**6:00pm 5/6 Grade Girl's Volleyball**  
**Game-Home game**  
**6:00pm 7/8 Grade Girl's Volleyball**  
**Game @ St. Thomas**

### Thursday-September 21

**10:00am Mass (All grades)**  
**Grandparent's Day**  
**NWEA Testing Gradee 2-8**

### Friday-September 22

**NWEA Testing Grades 2-8**  
**Pizza Day**

## POWERSCHOOL

Hopefully everyone has logged in to Powerschool and had success! I have heard from a few parents who had some troubles and most of those we have been able to resolve. I can't stress how important it is that you make sure you are able to access your child's progress information. I highly encourage you to share the log in information with your child, especially if they are 5<sup>th</sup> grade or older. There is nothing they can change or alter accidentally, and having the ability to monitor their own progress is a huge step in accountability and ownership. It is always so powerful, when students are given this ability, to see their motivation and engagement grow. They begin to understand the connection between their daily effort and their recorded growth.

**Please email me at [principal@spsowosso.org](mailto:principal@spsowosso.org) if you have any log in issues or questions!**



### **PTC Meeting, MARKETING Meeting, AUCTION Meeting**

Come join us on Monday, September 18 at 6PM. We will have the PTC portion of the meeting first, followed by the marketing portion, and ending with our Auction Planning Committee. Come and learn about all of these groups, or choose one that interests you more and come for that. We will plan on 30-40 minutes for each portion. here are lots of opportunities to become involved, with a variety of levels of time required, in all of the great things we have going on here at St. Paul. **Looking forward to seeing you there!!**

## **Virtue of the Week:** Patriotism

**What it means:** Paying due honor and respect to one's country, with a willingness to serve.

### **What it looks like:**

- Showing respect for your country's flag: Saying the Pledge of allegiance
- Showing respect for symbols and people who represent your country
- Learning about your country
- Learning and singing patriotic songs
- Visiting historic sites

### **What it sounds like:**

- I pledge allegiance to the flag...
- Our country's symbols have a lot of meaning.
- I want to learn more about our country.
- O say can you see. My country 'tis of thee.
- We went on a field trip to learn more about our country.

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

**Hello! My name is Mrs. Smith** and for those who don't know me, I teach sixth grade and middle school social studies at St. Paul School. This is my tenth year teaching here, and I love SPS where I can do what I love each day and share my faith with our youth. The sixth grade class of SPS has had a wonderful start to the 2017-2018 school year! We've gotten to know one another as well as the policies and procedures of my class and our middle school. In Theology class we have begun our deep study of the Bible, with the Old Testament being our primary focus for the year. We have dived right into our English/Language Arts curriculum by journaling, working on daily grammar and conventions, and tackling the first units in our Vocabulary Workshop program. We are also working on listening and comprehension skills daily. In World History, we have begun our study of ancient civilizations and are working with maps and globes, as well as graphs and charts. It's been a great first month!! Throughout the middle school here at SPS, we have begun our year by looking at patriotism and other values our country holds dear. Our SPS Student Council Election gives us the opportunity to take part in the political process beginning with campaigning, our annual Constitution Day Convention, and voting day - complete with real voting booths! We look forward to a fantastic year of serving our parish, our school, and our community. God bless!

## **DR. MCEVOY WORKSHOP**

Through the generosity of the PTC, as well as St. Paul School, our students and staff have both now been trained in Dr. McEvoy's program to deal with and eliminate mean behavior. Parents who attended the "Meet the Teacher" night should have received the appropriate rubric for your child's grade level. If you were not able to join us, please check the website. Students who witness mean behavior are encouraged to use certain shut downs to remove the targeted child from the situation and stop the mean behavior. Students and staff members are also encouraged to report mean behavior when it occurs. Teachers work, through regular class meetings and daily interactions, to guide students in making positive behavior choices, and how to handle situations that may arise when this is not the case. Studies have shown, and I have witnessed, that this approach has a positive impact on reducing mean behavior. I know also that incorporating the virtues and our faith beliefs with this program is very effective in giving our children a heightened awareness of how their words and actions impact others. It will take time and practice, and we all appreciate your prayers and patience as we work to help our children live our faith kindly and gently in a world which frequently is not that way.



## **VIRTUS TRAINING CLASS**

There will be a Virtus Training (Protecting God's Children) course to be held on Saturday, September 30, from 9:30am until 12:30pm in Father K Hall (the lower level of St. Paul Church). This is required for anyone who works with youth (under 18 years of age) in any capacity in a parish or a parish school setting. (This would apply to any parent or grandparent who would like to volunteer in a student's classroom, field trips).

If you or someone you know who needs to register, please go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). The training class is free.



## **Blue Tub Collection**

Our Bluewaves are once again this year working to support Catholic Charities of Shiawassee and Genesee County. The September need is for toothpaste and toothbrushes. Thank you for helping support this important organization in our community.

# St. Paul 12 Hour Scrapbook & Craft Day

Saturday, October 28, 2017

9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

St. Paul Catholic Church Basement



*\$40.00 per person*

*Meals, Snacks, & Dessert included*

*Seating is limited!!!!*



*Vendors will be present!!!*



*Raffle*



*50/50*



*Door Prizes*



To register, send form below with check payable to: ST. PAUL SCHOOL & mail to St. Paul School, Attn. Char Richardson, 718 W. Main St., Owosso, MI 48867. For more information call Char Richardson @ 989-413-8838.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to sit by: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_



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Regional Education Service District

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- "How to end temper tantrums?"
- "Is there a way to discipline my toddler in public without creating a scene?"
- "How to get children up and about in the mornings?"
- "How to stop whining and bickering?"
- And many other day-to-day parenting challenges....



This 5-week parenting program is designed to give you practical skills that can be used immediately.



Dates: Wednesdays, Sept. 27, Oct. 4, 18, 25 and Nov. 1, 2017  
(no class October 11)  
Time: 5:30p-7:30p (light dinner provided)  
Location: Shiawassee RESD – 114 W. North Street, Owosso  
Cost: FREE

Facilitators of the Parenting Made Fun!® curriculum are independent and are not employees of the Love and Logic Institute.

Please register me for Parenting Made Fun beginning September 27, 2017

Parent Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Children(s) Names: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

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Will your child(ren) need child care services while you are in class?  Yes  No

RSVP to: Lisa Fox at 989-725-2581, ext. 2110 or email [fox@sresd.org](mailto:fox@sresd.org)



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