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RECEPTION HOURS

MON-THURS 9:00am-3:00pm
Closed for lunch 12:00pm-12:45pm

FRI 9:00am-12:00pm

MASS TIMES

DAILY (MON-FRI) 6:45am
(MON-SAT) 8:15am
(WEDS & FRI) 12:10pm

SATURDAY 5:30pm

SUNDAY 8:30am, 10:00am
11:30am, 5:00pm
1:00pm en espanol

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY 4:00pm
AND BY PRIVATE APPOINTMENT

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available by scheduling an appointment.

Please contact Monica Heucke:
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

SATURDAYS 7:00am-8:00am

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OUR PARISH MISSION

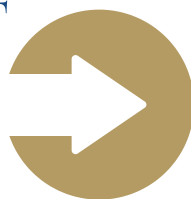
We, the Catholic Community of Saint Paul in Princeton, honor our tradition of welcoming God's sons and daughters from different cultures and backgrounds to hear and live the Good News of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Baptized and formed into the people of God, we continue to grow in the Apostolic tradition of worship, word, and service: Worship through our participation in the Eucharist and celebration of sacraments; Word, in our commitment to Catholic identity through Scripture and catechesis; and Service through living as disciples who share God's love with all by working together for peace and justice to advance the coming of the Kingdom of God.

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY

We are a welcoming parish family. Whatever your present status in the Catholic Church, whatever your current family or marital situation, whatever your past or present religious affiliation, whatever your personal history, age, background, race or color, sexual orientation, whatever your self-esteem, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected by St. Paul Parish, the Catholic Community of Princeton.

SUPPORT ST. PAUL PARISH:



GIVE ONLINE
Sign up for online giving through Parish Giving. Visit <http://bit.ly/3ki7g9x>



GENERAL OFFERTORY
Drop your envelope in the basket or mail directly to the parish.

GIVING 12/26

\$23,530
Budget
\$6,461
Identifiable Gifts (#137)
\$1,648
Loose Cash
\$9,799
Online Giving
\$17,908
Total

2021-2022 YTD

\$611,780
Budget
\$300,966
Envelopes/Loose
\$273,024
Online Giving
\$573,990
Actual
93.8%

2020-2021 YTD

\$611,780
Budget
\$248,461
Envelopes/Loose
\$250,910
Online Giving
\$499,371
Actual
81.6%

Due to publication deadlines, the stewardship report for Mother of God and for January 2 will appear in the January 16 bulletin. Thank you for your patience!

JOIN OUR PARISH

Register your family today through Parish Soft! Click or scan the QR code here:



Sign up for online giving through Parish Giving! Click or scan the QR code here:



Christmas Collection:
\$78,075
Dec 24-25

as reported on January 5, 2022

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

On behalf of Bishop O'Connell, thank you to the many who have made a gift to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. Thanks to your generosity, our parish has reached and exceeded our goal with 279 donors pledging \$173,849 as of December 6. Having collected our \$140,000 goal, St. Paul will receive a \$21,000 rebate. All additional funds our parish raises for the ACA will yield a 50% rebate back to the parish.

If you have not yet made a gift, please consider supporting our diocese. Please make your gift online by visiting dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal or contact the parish office.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

YOUR GIFT MATTERS!

A COMMUNITY OF PRAYER

SUNDAY

- 8:30am Margaret Klucsik | *Klucsik Family*
10:00am Antonio Sferra | *Angie and Joseph Foldes*
Antonio and Clara Sferra | *Angie and Joseph Foldes*
11:30am John Michel | *Susan Michel & Family*
1:00pm Una Accion de gracias por el cumpleaños de: Evany Guerra y Dimas Lopez
Por la Salud de Alberto Lopez y Hortencia Ricardo
Una accion de gracias al Cristo de Esquipulas.
Por la Pascua Eterna de: Pedro Gonzalez, Rene Mejia y de Irma Solis Espitia, Oliva Rodriguez y Carlos Arturo Lopez
5:00pm Hannelore Brune | *Ertle & Sullivan Families*

MONDAY

- 6:45am Elsa Pollio | *Neri Family*
Colleen Mahoney | *Mahoney Family*
8:15am Antonio Tamasi | *Mark Tamasi*
Anna Piscitelli | *Franco Di Donato & Family*

TUESDAY

- 6:45am
8:15am Lawrence E. Schembri | *Laura, Joe, ary & Kerri*
Maryann Pirone | *Ida Federico*

WEDNESDAY

- 6:45am JoAnn Rogers | *George & Flo Schick*
8:15am Lois Mennello | *Phyllis & Dick Mazzella*
Intentions of Dexter & June Holaday | *Helen & Mike Mihalcik*
12:10pm Josephine Recke | *Linda & Joe Luther*
Maryann Pirone | *Evelina Tamasi*

THURSDAY

- 6:45am
8:15am Ercole Carnevale & Rocco Carnevale | *Rosina Carnevale*
William Schreyer | *Carolina DiDonato*

FRIDAY

- 6:45am
8:15am Riccardo Toto | *M/M Sebastiano Tamasi*
Joseph P. O'Grady | *Jumana Saganowski & Family*
12:10pm Maryann Pirone | *Carol Ann Willie*
Edward Margicin | *Lee & Linda Brennan*

SATURDAY

- 8:30am Intentions of Roopa & George Akkara | *Teresa & Anna*
Intentions of Concetta Lipardi | *Xavier Valencia*
5:30pm Olindo & Angelina Cifelli | *Tonino & Ammunziata Cifelli*

OUR SICK

Joe Bendas
Louis DelleFave
Edward Durner
Susan Howley
Baby Andrew John Keyso
Arthur Mattei
Joanne Nini
Baby Nova
Daniel Roach
Richard Williams

JAN. WEDDINGS

Cassandra Brush & Antonio Perazzo

MAR. WEDDINGS

Miranda Crum & Phil Mahotiere
Katherine DiLella & Wilson Urias

POPE FRANICS'

January 2022 Intentions

For true human fraternity
We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution;
may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.



WEEKLY WORSHIP

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday, January 9, 2022

Today's readings can be found on page 602 of the hymnal. Please visit the Weekly Bulletin section of our website for more resources about this week's Mass (*click or scan the code*):



FOCUS ON THE READINGS

The Baptism of the Lord

In the first reading, Isaiah speaks the Lord's words for Jerusalem to take comfort because their service is at an end. In the second reading, Paul writes that [Christ] saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. In the Gospel, after Jesus is baptized, the Spirit descends upon him, and a voice speaks from heaven.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

I recently enjoyed reading TV newsman Chris Wallace's book 1945, which chronicles the events marking the creation and use of the first atomic bomb. Along the way, the author gives us insights into the ways of the various characters involved. Singular attention is given to the controversial decision of President Harry S. Truman to use the awful weapon against Japan, which was at the time our sworn enemy. How different today with our roads traversed by Honda, Toyota and Nissan cars.

As we know, the president's decision changed history, and its propriety is still the subject of debate. But we learn as well of Truman's troubling internal quandary beforehand and the various positions of his trusted advisers. Yours truly was only three years of age at the time, so the book shed light on what went on then.

At this early day in a brand new year, most of us already know that we will be making all kinds of decisions in the months ahead. Some will be delightful; others daunting. May I propose what Jesus did before every major decision in His life as our model? It was prayer. Our Lord prayed at the moment of His baptism, when God the Father and the Holy Spirit manifested their approval of Him as He began His public ministry. A few short years later Jesus would pray as He begins to close His ministry in the garden of Gethsemane.

Prayer before decision-making. It makes perfect sense on one level. It demonstrates faith on another. Why then is it so often neglected even by believers? I put the blame squarely on that pragmatism embedded in our American psyche. It's the same notion that promotes rugged individualism as the ideal way to live. So, it is better to be known as an independent than a dependent. Leave religion and God out of it.

That's sad not only for relegating God to the sidelines, but also for denying the way we are "hard wired" as creatures for God. You could not ask for a more independent-minded person than Jesus. Note how little He cared for the opinions of others. But oh! Did He ever pray!

The Psalms of Scripture are unique because Jesus prayed them. You could say they were His prayer book of David's poems. Other poets over time have extolled prayer as well. I have always liked this one from George Herbert, the 17th century Anglican priest, who gives us images that make us pause:

"Prayer the church's banquet, angel's age,
God's breath in man returning to his birth,
The soul in paraphrase, heart in pilgrimage,
The Christian plummet sounding heav'n and earth
Engine against th' Almighty, sinner's tow'r,
Reversed thunder, Christ-side-piercing spear,
The six-days world transposing in an hour,
A kind of tune, which all things hear and fear;
Softness, and peace, and joy, and love, and bliss,
Exalted manna, gladness of the best,
Heaven in ordinary, man well drest,
The milky way, the bird of Paradise,
Church-bells beyond the stars heard, the soul's blood,
The land of spices; something understood."

God love you and give you His peace.

BIBLE IN A YEAR

Ready for your 2022 resolution?

Ascension's Bible in a Year Podcast, hosted by Fr. Mike Schmitz and featuring Jeff Cavins, guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes starting January 1st, 2022 - but you can start any time! Each 20-25 minute episode includes: two to three scripture readings, a reflection from Fr. Mike Schmitz, and guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in his Word. Unlike any other Bible podcast, Ascension's Bible in a Year Podcast for Catholics follows a reading plan inspired by the Great Adventure Bible Timeline® learning system, a ground-breaking approach to understanding Salvation History developed by renowned Catholic Bible teacher Jeff Cavins.



PARISH LIFE

TAKING DOWN THE TREES

Returning to Ordinary Time

Please join our volunteers (as your schedule allows) to help put away our Christmas decorations. We will work on Monday, January 10 and Tuesday, January 11 from 9:30am until 4:00pm. Please contact Ron for more info:
ronlforrest@comcast.net

GET INVOLVED AT MASS

Seeking ushers & greeters

Have a warm smile and a joyful greeting? Help welcome parishioners to Mass by becoming a greeter and serve your parish by helping to take up the collection at the time of the Offertory. Our Ushers & Greeters ministries are in need of volunteer greeters and ushers, particularly for the two evening Masses on Saturday (5:30pm) and Sunday (5:00pm). Ideally, we would like to have two greeters and four ushers for each Mass.

When volunteering, you can choose how often and at which Masses you would like to serve. Please contact Andrea & Gerhard at andrea@agfranz.com.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Serving the Princeton community

The SVDP offers assistance to those in need on a person-to-person basis. Aid may include: intervention, consultation, or direct dollar and in-kind service. If you want to recommend someone for an assistance evaluation, or you are interested in learning about SVDP, please contact us. You can visit our website: svdpprinceton.org; Email us for assistance: wecanhelp@svdpprinceton.org; Email us if you'd like information about volunteering: info@svdpprinceton.org; Monetary donations are accepted in the poor boxes located in the church.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Sharing the warmth of the Lord's love

Our parish Prayer Shawl Ministry meets 7:00pm-8:30pm on the second Monday of each month in

Rooms 1 & 2. Together, we weave together prayer shawls and lap blankets for those in the parish who are seriously ill or going through difficult times.

Additionally, we gift a Prayer Shawl to each of our parish's RICA candidates before the Easter Vigil and donate shawls to local nursing homes at Christmas and Easter.

The power of a prayer shawl comes from its warmth which reminds the recipient of the prayer said for his or her concerns. It also serves as a visual reminder of God's love and care.

All are welcome to join us in this ministry! Knitters and crocheters of all levels can find joy in our journey, as many members are willing to teach beginners and we all benefit from learning new techniques and patterns from one another.

If you're interested in getting involved or if you know someone who would benefit from a Prayer Shawl, please contact Marianne Sagarese at mpsagarese@gmail.com or 609-223-5940.

JOIN THE STREAM TEAM

Help make live streaming excellent!

We're looking to take our streaming of Sunday Masses to the next level and need a few volunteers to get help make it a regularly-occurring reality. If you're a quick study when it comes to basic tech things and have an eye for quality video production, this could be you!

No prior experience needed and all necessary training will be provided. If you're interested, please email Kait for more information:
kmayer@stpaulsofprinceton.org

PLEASE NOTE:

Altar server training delayed

Due to the increase in local cases and variants of COVID-19, our planned altar server training for January 19 is being postponed. Please stay tuned to the bulletin and other parish sources for an update in the coming weeks.

PASTORAL HISPANA

FORMED.ORG

Es un instrumento online para fortalecer nuestra fe católica. En esta pagina encontraras todos los recursos necesarios para la catequesis, espiritualidad familiar, evangelización y vida sacramental. Solo regístrate

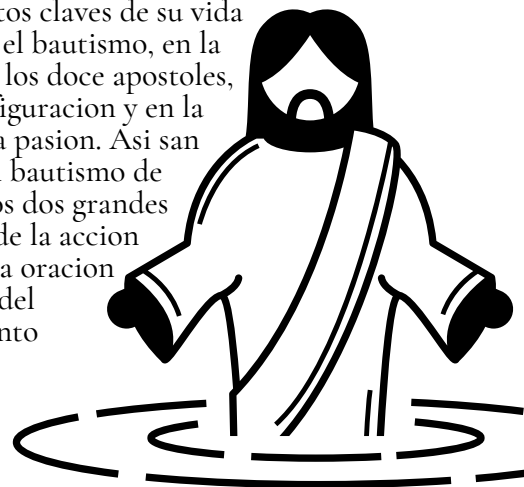
EL SYNODO 2023

El papa Francisco ha convocado a la Iglesia universal a un sinodo con el lema: "por una Iglesia, sinodal: Comunión, Participación y Misión". La palabra sinodo significa, asamblea, caminar juntos en pos de una misma experiencia y objetivos. Para seguir caminando juntos necesitamos responder a dos preguntas fundamentales: Como estamos haciendo el camino de fe juntos? Es decir, como es nuestra comunión con Dios, nuestra participación en nuestra parroquia y que tenemos que hacer para que avancemos en nuestro camino misionero. La segunda pregunta es: cuales son esos signos de la presencia del Espíritu Santo que se hacen presente en el caminar comunitario de fe? Nombrar facilitadores y secretarios que recolecten en esta información a partir de la tercer semana de enero es nuestro proposito. Indicaciones concretas les sera entregada a la comunidad en el momento conveniente.

REFLEXIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

El evangelio narra el bautismo de Jesus segun lo cuenta san Lucas. Este evangelista divide la historia de la salvacion en tres grandes periodos: 1. El antiguo testamento en que Dios se revelo como Señor de la creacion y liberador del pueblo de Israel, 2. El nuevo testamento en que Dios se hace presente fisicamente en la historia para redimir a la humanidad, y 3. El periodo de la Iglesia en que el Espíritu de Dios va guiando y haciendo realidad esta redencion a traves de los siglos. Para cerrar el periodo del antiguo testamento y comenzar el ministerio publico de Jesus, San Lucas cuenta primero la prision de Juan Bautista, el ultimo de los profetas, y el bautismo de Jesus. Despues de la narracion del bautismo, la figura de Juan Bautista se eclipsa, y a partir de entonces solamente brilla el Jesus que se revela. El bautismo abre el periodo del ministerio publico de Jesus y anuncia su mision como siervo del Señor que va a

cumplir las profecias purificando al pueblo con el Espíritu y el fuego, tal como habia sido anunciado en el antiguo testamento. San Lucas puntualiza que el Espíritu descendio sobre Jesus "mientras oraba". En Pentecostes, el Espíritu Santo descendiera sobre Maria y los discipulos reunidos en oracion. San Lucas presenta a Jesus haciendo oracion en los momentos claves de su vida publica, en el bautismo, en la eleccion de los doce apostoles, en la transfiguracion y en la agonía de la pasion. Así san Lucas, en el bautismo de Jesus une los dos grandes principios de la accion espiritual, la oracion y la accion del Espíritu Santo



RINCON DE LA FAMILIA

Este fin de semana leemos sobre el Bautismo de Nuestro Señor. Cuando nos bautizamos, somos identificados como hijos de Dios. Al entrar en el Cuerpo de Cristo la Iglesia, escuchamos las mismas palabras que Jesús, "Tú eres mi Hijo amado; contigo estoy muy complacido".

Haga clic o escanee el código aquí para leer las Escrituras de este domingo



En la iglesia:

Tómese un momento para caminar alrededor de la Pila Bautismal. Hable con ellos sobre el día del bautismo de sus hijos.



Pregunta de la semana:

¿Qué significa ser parte del Cuerpo de Cristo? ¿Cómo cambia esto nuestras vidas?



Oración familiar:

Jesús, ayuda a nuestra familia a vivir como hijos e hijas amados de tu Padre Celestial. amén

OUR YOUNG CHURCH

FROM THE DRE'S DESK

A message from Mr. John McGuire

Today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, the official end to the Christmas season. We shift our gaze from the joy of Christmas to focus on the public ministry of Jesus. As we turn our hearts and minds, we can reflect on the words of St. John the Baptist, "He must increase, and I must decrease." John 3:30.

For John the Baptist, these words culminated in Jesus' baptism. At that moment, the forerunner and last prophet introduced the Messiah to the world and Jesus would begin his public ministry. What do these words mean for us though? We spent all of Advent preparing for the coming of the Lord.

We did so as by celebrating the historical birth of Jesus and by anticipating the second coming of Jesus. Now that the preparations have ended and the joyful season has finished, we need to put our own interests to the side and continue Christ's mission. We must decrease so He can increase. We should proclaim the Gospel to family, friends, and coworkers. We must carry on our care for the lonely and impoverished and be the hands and feet of Jesus in a world in need of love.

This week let us pray that we can take to heart the example of John the Baptist so that Christ can increase in a world in need of the Gospel message.

God bless and have a wonderful week.

RETREAT POSTPONED

Reconciliation Retreat postponed to February 26

Originally scheduled for January 15th, the First Reconciliation Retreat will be held on Saturday, February 26th from 10:00 am- 12:00 pm. This was originally the date for First Reconciliation. The parish will schedule a new date as soon as possible, and you will be notified.

It is our hope to hold this retreat in person, on February 26th. However, we will be monitoring the situation and will hold the retreat in February either in-person or remote if necessary.

The parent meeting scheduled to coincide with the retreat will be moved from Wednesday, January 12th to Wednesday, February 23rd from 6:30 pm- 7:30 pm

on Zoom. This meeting will be used to discuss the mechanics of the celebration, share resources, and answer parent questions.

CONFIRMATION

Important dates for our 8th grade students

Please see below for some additional important dates to keep in mind for students and families preparing for Confirmation this school year:

Sun, Jan 9: Sponsor/Name form due online
Fri, Feb 11: Candidate/Sponsor Meeting (Teaching)
Sun, April 24: Divine Mercy Session and Confession

Please watch this space for liturgical and service opportunities.

CONFIRMATION FORM

Sponsor & Confirmation Name Selection

All Confirmation candidates are asked to complete their form by Sunday, January 9. This can be accessed by clicking or scanning the QR code here:



FAMILY CORNER

This weekend we read of the Baptism of Our Lord. When we are baptized, we are identified as children of God. As we enter the Body of Christ the Church, we hear the same words as Jesus, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Click or scan the code here to read this Sunday's Scripture:



In Church:

Take a moment to walk around the Baptismal Font. Discuss your children's Baptism Day with them.



Question of the Week

What does it mean to be part of the Body of Christ? How does this change our lives?



Family Prayer

Jesus, help our family to live as beloved sons and daughters of your Heavenly Father. Amen

WHEN SHOULD WE BEGIN?

Who should register for religious education?

Religious Education is offered beginning in kindergarten. However, first grade is when children should officially begin their preparation for First Eucharist.

Families who have older siblings already registered can use your current registration credentials to add your child.

Families who are registering their eldest child should complete the new family registration form that can be found by scanning or clicking the QR code:



If you haven't registered yet, please contact the Religious Education Office.

WE NEED TO BUILD OUR TEAM

Can you share your talent?

We are looking to expand our team of Remote Catechists for certain large grades. If your child is in 4th, 5th, or 6th grades, or you are just generous with your time, and you are comfortable with Zoom meetings, and leading a group, please reach out to us!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Princeton Area Young Adults

All young adults (ages 18-39) are invited to get involved (or re-involved) with our ministry!

Join us on Wednesdays at 7:00pm!

In-Person Meetings: We're finally back in-person on St. Paul campus and are limiting ourselves to outdoor gatherings for the time being. Each Tuesday, we evaluate the weather to make the call about whether we should meet in person or revert (for one week at a time) to virtual.

Virtual Meetings: If the weather won't cooperate, we'll still gather virtually via Zoom. During our Zoom meetings, we've been reading through some of CS Lewis' Screwtape Letters.

We hope you can join us! Scan or click the code here to get on our text/email list.



FULFILLED

Diocesan Youth Conference

What is DYC?

The Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC) is our yearly gathering for ALL teens 8 - 12th grades of the Diocese of Trenton. It is an opportunity to connect with other young Catholics beyond your parish or school and have to encounter Jesus through dynamic presentations, music, workshops and more! Our day will conclude with the celebration of Sunday Mass! Don't miss it!!

We all fill our lives with many things... some are good and healthy... some can be harmful or drag us down... but none of them alone can truly fulfill us. At DYC 2022, we will explore what it means to be loved by God and how His love is the only thing that will allow us to be truly "Fulfilled"!

Steve Angrisano is one of the most effective and versatile ministry leaders in the Church today. People of all ages embrace the passionate message of faith woven throughout his music and storytelling. A veteran musician, composer and youth minister, he's performed at seven World Youth Days (Panama 2019, being his latest WYD), the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC), and many other national and international events.

Saturday, January 29, 2022

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YOUTH
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Diocese of Trenton

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www.dotyouth.org/dyc

ST. PAUL SCHOOL

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

A message from Mrs. Kim Clauss

I hope that you enjoyed the Christmas season and that you had a Happy New Year! Although things have looked different here on campus this week, we are grateful to be getting back into the familiarity of routine.



As a preventative measure, SPS moved to remote learning this past week. Our faculty and students have been working diligently to get the year kicked off with great learning endeavors. We are looking forward to in-person learning beginning on Monday, January 10th. Mrs. Rooney and I are particularly eager to see our joy-filled students return to our hallways, classrooms, and playground.

Plans have begun for Catholic Schools Week. This year, CSW begins on Sunday, January 30th and ends Saturday, February 6th. Each year, we celebrate the gift of Catholic education with exciting activities and experiences for our students. I look forward to our students being able to share their experiences with you at Masses by sharing a few words the weekend of January 30th. It always fills our students with great pride to be able to share their favorite and most impactful memories of their time here at St. Paul School.

We are also very excited to be planning our Open House! Additional details are soon to follow.

God bless,
Kim Clauss



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UPCOMING EVENTS

MON 10 STAR TESTING
Week 1: 1/10-1/14

MON 24 STAR TESTING
Week 3: 1/24-1/28

WED 12 PTA MEETING
via Zoom

MON 30 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
continues through Feb. 5

MON 17 NO SCHOOL
MLK Day of Service

SUN 30 OPEN HOUSE

TUE 18 STAR TESTING
Week 2: 1/18-1/21

TUE 1 BOARD MEETING
via Zoom

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Catholic Schools Week 2022 January 30–February 5

www.NCEA.org/csw
#CSW22

SCRIP

Fundraising while you shop

You can support the St Paul's School PTA fundraising efforts by purchasing gift cards to your favorite stores, restaurants, travel brands, and more. What are you waiting for? Try it now and get a jump start on your holiday shopping! *(No purchase is necessary to be entered to win in the gift card drawing but frequent Scrip users also have a chance to win!)*

Enrollment Code: 57DF5L3658845

For more information please contact
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SHAMROCK GALA

Become a contributor!



This year we celebrate our 34th Shamrock Gala on March 19, 2022 at the Hyatt Regency in Princeton. This event and the planning of it is open to all St. Paul community members. Help us celebrate St. Patrick's Day and our wonderful community of St. Paul while supporting our amazing students, faculty, administration, and staff. If you wish to help with Shamrock, please reach out to me directly (contact info below).

Each year during Shamrock, we have amazing contributions from school families, faculty, staff, parishioners, and wonderful members of the community. Again, this year we are asking for contributions to Shamrock Gala. Example ideas include theater/sporting tickets, experiences, themed baskets, professional services, and much more! No gift is too small or too large for us! Please head to click or scan the QR code here to make a contribution.

We are also looking for sponsors of the Gala. If you are interested in sponsorship opportunities, please reach out to me directly.

Thank you in advance for the generous support of you time, treasure, and talent to support our "Little Miracle on Nassau Street"!

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YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

February 11-13, 2022

Come join other young adults (ages 22-35) married or single, to take a step back from our busy lives. This will be a time to examine your personal faith and your relationship with God, your family members and yourself. Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, peer group discussions, Eucharist and lots of fun! Cost: \$140 per person Register at: www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829 Some financial aid is available

RETRouvaille

Rediscover the love in your marriage

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (*pronounced retro-vy*).

If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions.

Upcoming Sessions:

February 11-13, 2022 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

February 23-25, 2022. For more information or to register, call Rich & Annette Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or 732-672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

A resolution for your marriage

For a truly meaningful New Year's Resolution, one that lasts long after the Champagne has lost its fizz, why not resolve to treat each other to a Marriage Encounter Weekend? This retreat gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next weekend will be held February 4 - 6, 2022. Please apply ASAP as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). Visit us at: www.wwme.org for more information.

16TH ORDINARY SYNOD OF BISHOPS

Journeying Together through the Synod

Have you heard about the Synod? Pope Francis is inviting all of us to be a Church which learns by listening to the experiences of individuals, from inside and outside the Church community.

Remembering the encounter St. Peter had with Cornelius (Acts 10), the Holy Father invites us to listen with care for the voice of the Spirit guiding the church as we journey together. Will you include the Synod effort in your prayers?

Prayer for the Synod:

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.
All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen.



Got questions about the synod? Here are some resources to help get you some answers! Click or scan the QR codes to access the pages:

- Dedicated Synod page on the diocesan website where you can find Synod prayers, Bishop O'Connell's pastoral letter; a video of the Opening Mass in Trenton, including the homily; video messages from Bishop: a copy of the decree issued by the Bishop inaugurating the Synod in the Diocese – content in English and Spanish
- Dedicated Synod page on The Monitor website where you can find news reports and updates on events, developments and new resources connected to the Synod from the Vatican and here in the Diocese
- November issue of The Monitor Magazine will include a special section on the Synod featuring prayers, the full text of Bishop O'Connell's pastoral letter; news coverage of the Opening Mass in Trenton, excerpts from the homily; a copy of the decree issued by the Bishop inaugurating the Synod in the Diocese, and more.



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