



St. Paul School Happenings

NOVEMBER 2020



Newbrough Photo

Congratulations to our students and parishioners that received their First Holy Communion in September!

May God bless each one of you!

Thank you, Mrs. Tina Lesho for teaching and preparing this class.

Our student body met outside to have our annual Blessing of the Pets Service last month. Students were encouraged to bring in their favorite stuffed animal or a pet belonging to be blessed.

This photo (right) was captured by our 7th grade students via drone. They are learning to code and fly drones in their computer/STEM class.



We were unable to attend our annual pumpkin patch visit, but that did not stop our PTO, teachers, families, and alumni from coming together to create our own! The SPS Pumpkin Patch was a hit for our students. They enjoyed hay rides, pumpkin picking & decorating, a fall maze, and lots of fun activities. It was a wonderful day enjoyed by all.

Thank you to all that helped put this together, especially Mrs. Diahanna Shafer & Mrs. Tina Lesho!



Dates to Remember

Nov 4: All Soul's Mass 9:30am

Nov 6: Grades close

Nov 11: Cyber Day (Veterans Day)

Nov 16: Dismiss at 11am (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

Nov 25-27: Thanksgiving Break

Ways to Help St. Paul School

St. Paul School Annual Fund: yearly gifts to help decrease the financial gap between tuition and actual cost to educate. Contact kedmiston@weirtonstpauls.org for more information

Crazy Mexican Restaurant: Write St. Paul School on your receipt and 10% of your total will be donated to St. Paul School

Kroger: enroll your Kroger Plus Card with Kroger Community Rewards: St. Paul School—Weirton #81133

Shop 'n Save: Enroll your Shop 'n Save Perks card with Shop 'n Save SEED program — CODE 24

Amazon Smile: Search St Paul School & Church Weirton, shop and Amazon smile donates 0.5% to St. Paul School <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/55-0379929>

Office Depot: Shop using our school ID and we'll receive 5% back in credits for FREE supplies — 70111884

Box Tops: Scan your receipt using NEW "Box Tops" App

Market Day: Visit MarketDay.com, Register online and set up an account, select ST. PAUL SCHOOL—WEIRTON WV, our school will receive 10% back on all sales!

Employee Match: Your gifts to St. Paul School could be doubled or tripled by your employer. Speak to your HR department.

"When we feed the hungry
we feed you, Jesus."
Matthew 25: 35-40



7th Grade student, Megan Brinkley, has volunteered to spearhead our "Sandwich Making" project that was initiated last year by Alumnae, Katelynd Costa, benefitting The Friendship Room of Steubenville.

If you would like to help by donating sandwich supplies, please contact the office 304-748-5225 or email rpiccirillo@weirtonstpauls.org

October is National Bullying Prevention Month and St. Paul School has taken a STAND against bullying. Our students sang and put together a touching video that was shown on local news stations to help promote kindness.

If you have not watched this incredible video yet, visit our YouTube channel or Facebook Page.

STOP BULLYING
STAND UP. SPEAK OUT.

St. Paul School is taking a

STAND

against BULLYING.





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Dear Friends,

There are so many wonderful things happening at St. Paul School! As we enter our 96th year of offering our students a top-notch education instilled with Catholic values, we feel utterly blessed to continue the tradition of St. Paul School. We do, however, realize during these uncertain times that this will be a school year unlike any other. Across our state and nation, the same question resonates through many of our Catholic School's hallways: "Will our supporters still be able to help us in this pandemic environment?" The answer is consistent. ***Givers give; it is what they do.***

If you are like us, we know you are making careful choices in your own home about the direction of your charitable donations. You are receiving this letter because you have shown a tremendous commitment to St. Paul School and I would like to ask you to consider joining our Faculty, Staff and Administration by making a commitment to our Annual Fund Campaign.

As our students return to their classrooms this fall, their health and safety will be our top priority. Our small, intimate class sizes allow for our students not only to excel in the classroom, but to remain socially distant. We have worked tirelessly to produce a re-entry plan and are implementing a myriad of precautions that will help to keep our students and faculty safe. Our focus has not been focused only on health and safety, we have also spent significant effort to augment our educational offerings as well.

We are thrilled to introduce our new partnership and collaboration with Blue Stream Farms. The organization has generously donated a hydroponic grow bed to be used by all students to learn proper aquatic grow techniques, as well as cross-curriculum content including Science, Technology, Writing, Engineering, Arts, and Math. We are certain that our students will enjoy this hands-on experience, as we are the first elementary school to receive a donation of this kind. We are continuing to grow our STEM, Robotics, & Coding curriculum to be included as a "special" class as well as an extracurricular club. Additionally, our security system is in the process of receiving a significant upgrade, thanks to a large grant we received through the PNC Charitable Trust.

In order to move forward with our plans for growth and expansion, we ask that you consider sharing in the joy of supporting our school's Annual Fund. If you are uncertain, an Annual Fund Campaign is an effort to secure gifts on a yearly basis to support, and complete projects that would not otherwise possible during the fiscal year. Gifts to an Annual Fund are only a 1-year commitment. *There are no gifts that are too big or too small to be an important part of an Annual Fund.* These can be one-time gifts made with cash or check, be pledged, and paid with monthly payments over the course of the year.

This fund supports much of the difference between tuition and the actual cost to educate our students. As we move forward during these uncertain times, we rely on the success of our annual fund to support any unforeseen expenses and fill in for our postponed fundraisers. Please see the enclosed form for more information on how to give. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

We are blessed to belong to such a generous and helpful community. Thank you for supporting our school as we continue to strengthen Catholic values by providing excellence in education while serving God and one another.

God Bless,

Michele Martin
Principal

Kim Edmiston
Advancement Director



St. Paul School Annual Fund

Donor Information (please print or type)

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I plan to make this contribution in the form of:

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Acknowledgement Information

Please use the following name(s) in all acknowledgements:

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____ I wish to have the gift remain anonymous.

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140 Walnut Street