



Celebrating 95 Years

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Mission Statement

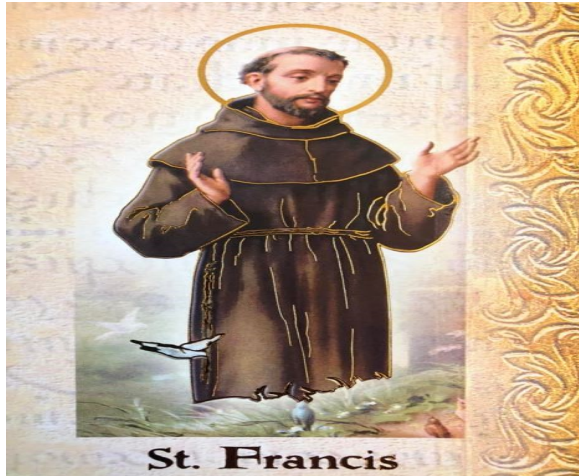
Inspired by the charism of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany, the mission of St. Paul Catholic School is to provide students with a foundation for life through faith, academics, and service and to assist students in developing their gifts and talents, so that they may fulfill the plan God has for their lives.

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Eagle Update

Deeply Rooted in Knowledge, Faith, and Family

October 4, 2024



Today, October 4th, we celebrate the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. As many of you know, St. Francis is the patron saint of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany who brought the Franciscan charism to St. Paul Catholic School and Parish in 1930. We give thanks today to this great saint who left a life of wealth, the finest clothes, and partying to put on a simple brown robe and live a life of simplicity.

Our school virtue for the month of October is **simplicity**. Simplicity is defined as being true of oneself: that is accepting ourselves just as we are. Simplicity is what is left after all the “clutter” has been removed. Living a simple life, like St. Francis enables us to have less stress and opens the door to a healthier and more spiritual life.

As you know many of our families have lost their homes and all their belongings as a result of hurricane Helene. As devastating as this is, and as traumatized as many are, I have heard parents and students say, “It’s only stuff we lost. We have all we need. We have each other.” How true is this! Material things can’t buy happiness. It’s the simple things in life that can’t be outdone. Our love and support for each other will bring us happiness. Thank you to all our families who have reached out to their neighbors in their time of need. *We are a family and when one member hurts we all hurt.*

DONUTS WITH DADS

All dads, granddads, and caretakers, are invited to Donuts with Dads on Tuesday, October 8th following morning opening on the Plaza. Volunteers are needed to help with this event. Please e-mail Vincent Villegas at vincentvillegas@yahoo.com or use the following link to register <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/872128414039/true#invitation>



LORD, MAKE US INSTRUMENTS OF YOUR PEACE!

JOHNNY APPLESEED DAY

The kindergarten class enjoyed a picnic lunch Wednesday on the north court in celebration of Johnny Appleseed Day. See the attached photo.

Tuesday
October 8
Donuts with Dads
After Morning
Opening on the
Plaza

Monday
October 14
NO SCHOOL
Diocesan
Professional
Development Day
for Teachers

Wednesday
October 16
Mass for Dads
8:15AM
Light Reception to
Follow in the
Cafeteria

Monday
October 21
ALP Field Trip
St. Petersburg
College Planetarium

Tuesday
October 22
St. Paul's Women's
Ministry Middle
School Spelling Bee
8:15AM Café

Wednesday
October 23
School Mass
8:15AM
1st Grade Plan

Friday
October 25
Early Dismissal
11:50AM
Class T- Shirt
Trunk or Treat
On Campus
6-8 PM

BBQ DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will hold a BBQ dinner and Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament on Saturday, October 12th in the cafeteria. Dinner will be served at 6PM and the Poker Tournament will begin at 7PM. Dinner tickets are \$10 each. Poker Tickets Include dinner—\$50 per player in advance. Only 45 tickets will be sold. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Please see the parish bulletin for more details.



Let us pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life remembering in a special our alum, Kevin Buete, who is currently studying for the priesthood. We continually pray as well as for our sick relatives, friends and benefactors especially, Ashley Goodbread, mother of Jacob and Charlotte; Pat Dugan, grandfather of Luke and Brie Franks; Shannon Hand, sister of our art teacher Mrs. Mandy Hand; Pam Hendry, grandmother of Mackenzie, James and Kate Williams; Kristin Bedinghaus, daughter of Title 1 teacher Mrs. Carmen Bender; Kevin Harris, grandfather of Everly and Tenlym Jordanov; Jean Lagor, grandmother of Riley Sue-A-Quan, and Millie Price, clinic volunteer. We remember also all of the families who have been affected by Hurricane Helene. May the Lord hold them tightly in the palm of his hands. May they feel his presence and be comforted.

DURING THESE DAYS OF STRESS AND ANXIETY



