



**Celebrating 94 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

January 17, 2025



**“Do whatever he tells you.” John 2:5**

Mary, the mother of Jesus, spoke these words to the servants at a wedding feast at the start of Jesus public ministry. When the wine ran out it became incredibly embarrassing for the bride and groom. Mary knew to whom the servants should bring this embarrassing situation. Jesus performed his first miracle at this wedding feast in Cana. Don't we all have situations where the situation is beyond us, and we need God's assistance? We can always trust God to care for us in those moments. Let us remember that any situation which is impossible for us, is possible for God because God is a miracle worker. Trust God! Lean on God!

**ST. PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**ALL in for ST. PAUL!**

Our 31st annual fundraiser is right around the corner. This event will take place in the gym on Saturday, January 25th, from 6:30 to 10:30 PM. It will be an evening of casino games, delicious cuisine, cocktails, music, and fellowship. Tickets are still available for this great event. For additional information contact the auction committee at [auction@stpaul1930.org](mailto:auction@stpaul1930.org). Get ready to roll the dice and go all for St. Paul.

**REGISTRATION 2025-2026**

On Monday we opened our registration for the 2025-2026 academic year. We had an **outstanding** turnout, most likely the largest in the school history, of new families anxious to enroll in St. Paul Catholic School. We attribute this outstanding number of families to our known history of academic excellence and our Franciscan charism of hospitality and peace-making. Registration for current students also opened on Monday, January 13th. This registration is to be completed on Ren-Web. All registration must be completed by February 10, 2025. We ask that you update any contact information that may have changed. As a reminder, financial assistance is available for students in grades K-8 whose families qualify for this assistance. Please refer to the assistance information in last week's Newsletter.

**UNIFORMS AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE**

As we begin this new year we ask parents to take seriously our uniform policies. We are seeing students wearing high top sneakers, fad haircuts, skirts that are too short, and large dangling or hoop earrings. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook pages 47-50 for uniform and personal appearance expectations. If your child is given an out of compliance form we ask that you sign the form and return to the office the following day. Parents, we count on your support to assist us in instilling in your children a sense of respect, responsibility, and professionalism.



**LORD, MAKE US INSTRUMENTS OF YOUR PEACE!**

**CHILDREN'S CENTER**

St. Paul's Children's Center is participating in a Gourmet Cookie Dough fundraiser now through Monday, January 20th. Proceeds will be used for supplies and upgrades for the Children's Center. To participate use this link: <https://fundraisingshoppingcart.com/store/brochures.php?sID=00248196> Select and pay for the items you wish to purchase. Thank you very much for your support.

**Monday**  
**January 13**  
Registration and Re-  
-registration opens  
for the 2025-2026  
academic year.

**Tuesday**  
**Monday**  
**January 20**  
**NO SCHOOL**  
Dr. Martin Luther  
King Holiday

**Wednesday**  
**January 22**  
**Mass of Moms**  
**8:15 AM**  
Light reception to  
follow in the  
Cafeteria

**Saturday**  
**January 25**  
**Feast of the Con-**  
**version of St. Paul**

**ALL IN FOR**  
**ST. PAUL CASINO**  
**NIGHT GYM**  
**6:30-10:30 PM**

**Sunday-Friday**  
**January 26-**  
**31Catholic Schools**  
**Week**

**Friday - Jan. 31**  
**Grandparents Day**  
**Mass-8:15 AM**  
**Early Dismissal**

**Friday-Feb. 14**  
**End of 2nd**  
**Trimester**

**Early Dismissal**  
**11:50 AM**



Let us pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life remembering in a special way our alum, Kevin Buete, who is currently studying for the priesthood. We continually pray as well for our sick relatives, friends and benefactors especially, Ashley Goodbread, mother of Jacob and Charlotte; Nilda Jaynal, mother of ALP teacher, Ms. Fran Jaynal; Kelly Graham, aunt of Gracie Grove; 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; Maria Swasey, sister-in-law of Mrs. Yadira Emery, teacher assistant, and Millie Price, clinic volunteer. We also pray for our deceased relatives, friends, and benefactors especially Margaret Abernethy, grandmother of Ms. Kelley Simpson, Kindergarten teacher, and Joey Foust, father of Mrs. Julie Vople, office secretary. May the angels lead Margaret and Joey into Paradise where they will enjoy eternal life. May their soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

**A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. GIBBONS**

**Camino Pilgrimage: Important Information Meeting on Feb. 5th**  
If you're planning on walking the Camino de Santiago in Spain with Msgr. Gibbons in September 2025---or if you're trying to decide whether to register----you're invited to an Information & Preparation Meeting on Wednesday, February 5th, at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Msgr. Gibbons has invited to the meeting (1) a podiatrist (who had made the Camino) to share his expertise about how to care for your feet during the walk; (2) a track coach from a local high school to share her recommendations about how best to prepare for the walking; and (3) a veteran Camino pilgrim (who has done the same trip itinerary with the same travel company we are using) to share from his experience.

Dates for the pilgrimage trip are September 15-25, 2025. Presently 28 people are registered and have paid their deposit. Space is limited, so don't hold back on registering. Full details and the registration form are available here:

[www.206tours.com/cms/msgrgibbons/camino](http://www.206tours.com/cms/msgrgibbons/camino)