

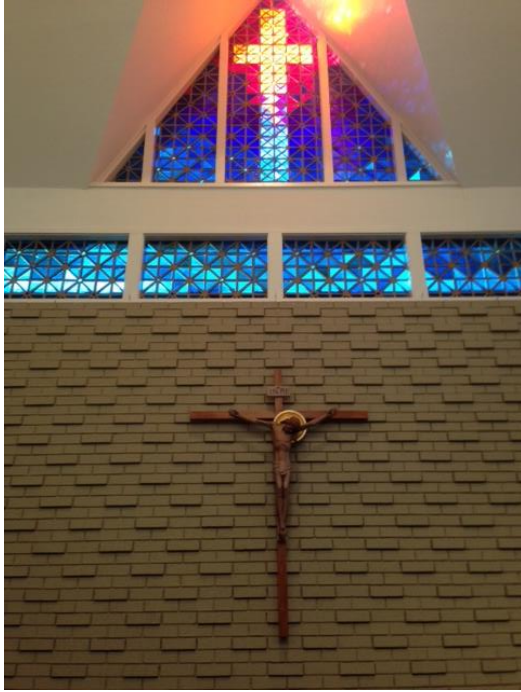


*The President's Hebdomadal **Blue Ribbon** Newsletter*
Celebrating 110 years of educational excellence in Covington
341 years of Lasallian tradition throughout the world



April 11 – 24, 2022

Holy Week



This week, we focus on The Passion of Jesus – who loved us enough to die for us in order that we might gain eternal life. The etymology of passion is from the Latin *passio* meaning *to suffer* – and Christ certainly suffered. But His suffering led to our salvation – good triumphed over evil, life triumphed over death, love triumphed over hate.

We are called, as Lasallians, to have passion for our work. Saint La Salle used the word “zeal” (from the Greek *zelos* meaning ardor) but the two are similar. What exactly does that mean? We must love what we do even if it involves suffering, as that will lead to success, love, and happiness. Let’s face it: teaching (and parenting, too!) are not for the faint of heart.

As we remember The Passion, ask for grace to be *passionate* about our work – as teachers and parents. May the grace of Holy Week fill our lives and those of our students / children this week!

Mon, Apr 11 (9 am start; D E F G)

- **This Day in History:** In 1861, the bloodiest four years in US history begin when Confederate batteries under General P.G.T. Beauregard fire on Union Ft Sumter in Charleston Bay, SC, beginning Civil War.
- **Education & Sharing Day:** *On E & S Day, we reflect on the teachings of Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, who embodied that humanitarian spirit. As a tireless advocate for youth around the world, he inspired millions to lift the cause of education, to practice kindness and generosity, and to aspire toward their highest ideals. His enduring legacy lives on in those he touched, and today, we resolve to carry forward his dedication to service and scholarship.*
- **“Louie Louie” Day:** From the LLD website: *Today provides an annual opportunity to celebrate the song that has been called best party song of all time, has been recorded more times than any other rock song in history, and was very nearly declared the official state song of Washington State. Why April 11? It's the birthday of Richard Berry, the man who composed Louie Louie. If we could just understand the lyrics!*
- **Pet Day:** I have no pets (other than peevs); be extra kind to yours today!
- **Parkinson’s Disease Day:** In Parkinson's, nerve cells that deliver the neurotransmitter dopamine to other cells are reduced. As cell death spreads to larger parts of the brain, more centers are affected. This results in an aggravation of motor and non-motor disorders. We pray for a medical cure for this dreaded scourge.
- **Art Show begins:** Come see some of our great student art!
- **Tennis:** Wolves in regional tournament through Tue. Geaux Tennis Wolves!
- **Baseball:** SPS v. Mandeville (5:30)



Student Ambassadors were a wonderful wait staff at Five Core Dinner!

Tue, Apr 12 (Assembly; A B C D)

- **TDIH:** In 1961, Russian cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin became the first person to travel in space. When he returned to earth, he reported that he had not seen God in the heavens. Later, a Russian priest said, “If you haven’t seen God on earth, you will never see him in heaven.”
- **DEAR Day:** D.E.A.R. stands for “Drop Everything and Read,” a national celebration of reading designed to remind folks of all ages to make reading a priority activity in their lives.
- **Be Kind to Lawyers Day.** We wish our SPS community lawyers a pleasant day. No lawyer jokes today!
- **Big Wind Day:** Today commemorates the highest wind speed ever recorded on the planet: in 1934, the staff of the Mount Washington Observatory recorded a wind of 231 mph! Wow!
- **Licorice Day:** Enjoy if you wish; I’m not a fan!
- **College Signings**

Rugby Semi-finals (TBD)

Wed, Apr 13 (E F G A)

- **TDIH:** In 1742, George Friedrich Handel’s *Messiah* (NOT “The Messiah”) debuts in Dublin. What a masterpiece!
- **TDIH:** 1743, Thomas Jefferson, our third president, the main author of the Declaration of Independence, and the accomplisher The Louisiana Purchase, was born in Shadwell, VA.
- **Scrabble Day:** Get out the old Scrabble Game and enjoy while listening to Handel! A double treat!
- **Track:** SPS in Ponchatoula Classic
- **Golf:** SPS V. Bro Martin at Beau Chene
- **Baseball:** 9th & JV v. Ponchatoula

Thu, Apr 14 (B C D E)

- **Global Day to End Child Sexual Abuse:** Over 40 countries (including 35 US states) have agreed to promote this day. *It is estimated that more than 300,000 children around the world are sexually abused a year, many by close relatives or people they know and trust. Experts state that one in four girls and one in six boys will experience sexual abuse by their eighteenth birthday. A majority of victims are under the age of ten.* We pray for an end to this tragedy!
- **Moment of Laughter Day:** To celebrate this day, tell jokes or do funny things that cause people to laugh. Just a smile is not a good enough. Successful participation in this day results in whole-hearted laughter.
- **Dolphin Day:** Celebrate the dolphin today! Watch clips of “Flipper” on You Tube! Am I the only one who remembers the TV show “Flipper?”
- **Pecan Day:** pecans can be found scattered across the ground throughout most of the autumn season. Pecans are nuts native to the southern United States and northern Central America, and have had a heavy impact on the food culture of these areas, particularly in the Southeast US states of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Georgia. The name pecan comes from the Algonquin Native American language, and the seeds contained within have a chewy texture with a rich, butter-like flavor. Because of this rich flavor, pecans are used frequently in many dessert recipes but can sometimes be found as a flavor in various meat dishes. Enjoy some pecans today!
- **TDIH:** In 1865, John Wilkes Booth, an actor and Confederate sympathizer, fatally shoots President Abraham Lincoln at a play at Ford’s Theater in Washington.
- **TDIH:** In 2011, the entire SPS school community participated in the **Centennial March to the Courthouse** from school to St. Tammany Justice Center. This was an outstanding event. The Committee, chaired by then SPS mom Shawn Reed, had assembled a stellar cast of dignitaries to honor our students and school. We remain very grateful.
- **Baseball:** Varsity v. Ponchatoula (5:30)



Fri, Apr 15 (Good Friday; no classes; Note: there are NO SPS activities – either on or off campus – on this most holy day of our Christian faith. Do not let your son say he is going to school for something.

- **TDIH:** The “unsinkable” RMS Titanic sinks after hitting iceberg on its maiden voyage, killing 1,517.
- **TDIH:** In 1865 Abraham Lincoln, the 16th president of the US, dies. Shot by John Wilkes Booth at Ford’s Theater in Washington the night before, he lived for 9 hours before succumbing to the severe head wound he sustained.

- **Rubber Eraser Day:** We all make mistakes! Where would we be with erasers? If only we could erase all the mistakes in our lives, not just the ones written in pencil on paper.
- **Art Day:** Celebrate art on the anniversary of Leonardo da Vinci's birthday in 1452! Check out da Vinci's art (including The Last Supper & The Mona Lisa) on a search engine of your choice.
- **Passover:** The great Jewish feast of Passover begins this evening and ends Saturday evening, April 23. Passover is a festival of freedom. It commemorates the Israelites' Exodus from Egypt, and their transition from slavery to freedom. The main ritual of Passover is the seder, which occurs on the first two nights (in Israel just the first night) of the holiday — a festive meal that involves the re-telling of the Exodus through stories and song and the consumption of ritual foods, including matzah and maror (bitter herbs). We wish our Jewish brothers and sisters a most blessed celebration of Passover!



Sat, Apr16 (Holy Saturday)

- **Librarian Day:** Be nice to a librarian today!
- **Healthcare Decisions Day:** Today promotes the importance of advance care planning, educating all to express health care wishes through the use of advance directives and health care power of attorney documents, and to encourage health care providers and facilities to honor those wishes. The Archdiocese of New Orleans has worked very closely with LAPost (the Louisiana Physicians Order for Scope of Treatment) on developing information for Catholics on end-of-life care issues. These are not always easy discussions, but important ones. I've done my "end of life" planning – although I hope my wishes won't be heeded anytime soon.

Sun, Apr 17 (Easter Sunday! He is risen! Alleluia!)

- **TDIH:** In 1970, with the world anxiously watching, *Apollo 13*, a U.S. lunar spacecraft that suffered a severe malfunction on its journey to the moon, safely returns to Earth.
- **Blah, Blah, Blah Day:** The intent of this day is to do things that people have been nagging you to do.
- **Haiku Poetry Day** is a celebration of the genre of haiku, poetic form whose origins date back a millennium in Japan. Write some haiku today – a 17 syllable poem divided into 3 lines of 5, 7, and 5 syllables, and employing highly evocative allusions and comparisons, often on the subject of nature or one of the seasons.

Some examples:

Five syllables here

Seven more syllables there

Are you happy now?

Let's speak only in

Haikus for the entire day.

That's ridiculous.

The cool wind blowing

Immersed in nature's beauty

Calming my wild soul

Mon, Apr 18 – Sun, Apr 24 – Easter Holidays (not spring break)

- **You are on your own for holidays and school events.**

Mon, Apr 25 – Classes resume (F G A B)



Rise Up, O Men of God

ADMISSIONS: We are now registering our newly accepted Wolves for next year and will now entertain qualified transfer applicants. Both the quality and quantity of the Class of 2027 for SPS are fine – thanks for spreading the good news at SPS. We will still entertain new applications, so if you know of an interested family, please have them contact us soon. Thank you!

ANNUAL APPEAL: Many thanks to those who have responded. Every week I receive a few more responses. Thanks. **No gift is too small. I repeat: no gift is too small!** What's important is that everyone participates. Of course, no gift is too large. If you contribute to the Capital Campaign or financially support SPS in another way, I understand! Thank you for your generosity. Can you send \$10 to the Annual Fund so I can show an increase in participation? Please consider helping if you have not already done so and are in a position to do so.

ANNUAL APPEAL AND GRANDPARENTS: We are blessed with supportive grandparents, so many of whom attended GP Day. Many schools solicit donations from grandparents directly. I don't. In fact, I did not mention donating at GP Day. But we need their donations, so I ask that you inform your son's grandparents about donating, or, if you want, I'll be happy to send them the information directly. Just provide me with contact info. **I do not want to ask grandparents without your consent but we need their support.** I have already received a number of grandparent gifts. Again, no gift is too small – and, of course, no gift is too large.

APRIL ADDENDUM: A mom wrote me last week, informing me that I omitted in last week's newsletter that April is also National Autism Awareness Month and that World Autism Awareness Day was on April 2. Wow. I regret omitting this important observance and hope that all of us use part of the month to become more aware of autism in our world today – including locally.

ATTENDANCE: If your son is absent, phone Suzy in the Attendance Office before 9 am at 892-3200, ext. 1980, & **SEND A NOTE when he returns**

BOOKSTORE: Monday through Friday: mornings 7:30 am-8:15 am; lunch time 11 am-12:30 pm

BOOKSTORE CHARGING POLICY CHANGES: Effective immediately—Students will no longer be able to charge on their bookstore account. Parents may add money on their students account for purchases. As always, students may call a parent while in the bookstore and we can take a credit card number over the phone. If you have an outstanding balance, please take care of it as soon as possible.

Saint Paul's School 2022 - 2023 CALENDAR – NEXT YEAR
(Subject to change if needed)

Mon - Tues, Aug 1 & 2	Teacher Meetings
Wed, Aug 3	Teacher Prep Day
Thurs, Aug 4	School Opens with a full day of instruction
Mon, Aug 15	New Parent Reception and Information Meeting (6:30)
Thu, Aug 18	Senior March through the Arch, Breakfast, Unity Day, Ring Day
Fri, Aug 19	Senior Ring Holiday
Mon, Aug 22	Parent – Teacher Mini Schedule Night (6:30)
Fri, Sep 2	Lasallian Convocation for Faculty (no classes for students)
Mon, Sep 5	Labor Day Holiday
Fri, Oct 7	End of First Quarter; 11:00 am dismissal
Fri., Oct 7	Grandparents Day (11:30 – 1:00)
Mon, Oct 17	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5-7
Sat, Oct 29	Prospective Student Open House (1 – 3 pm)
Mon-Fri, Nov 21 - 25	Thanksgiving Holidays
Mon, Nov 28	Classes resume from Thanksgiving Holiday
Tues - Fri, Dec 13-16	Semester Exams
Fri, Dec 16	Christmas Holidays begin at 11:45 following exams
Tues, Jan 03	Classes resume & Second Semester begins
Mon, Jan 16	Martin Luther King Holiday
Mon, Feb 06	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5-7
Fri, Feb 17	Faculty Retreat Day
Mon-Fri, Feb 20 - 24	Mardi Gras / Beginning of Lent Holidays
Mon, Feb 27	Classes resume
Fri, Mar 10	End of Third Quarter
Fri – Fri Apr 07 – 14	Easter Holidays
Mon, Apr 17	Classes resume from Easter Holidays
Wed-Fri, Apr 26 – 28	Senior Final Exams
Thurs, May 11	Pre-Freshmen Promotion
Sat, May 13	Senior Graduation (4 pm)
Thurs – Tues, May 18-23	Final Exams for Grades 9 - 11
Wed, May 24	Conflict/Makeup Exam Day
Thurs, May 25	Conflict/Makeup Exam Day/Faculty Records Day

In case of emergency closings, make-up days will be taken from scheduled holidays.

PLEASE do not schedule vacations during school time.

CALENDAR FOR 2021 - 22:

- Fri – Fri Apr 15 – 22 Easter Holidays (not spring break!)
- Mon, Apr 25 Classes resume from
- Wed-Fri, Apr 27 – 29 Senior Final Exams
- Thu, May 12 Pre-freshman Promotion Ceremony (6:30 pm)
- Sat, May 14 Senior Graduation (4 pm)
- Tues – Fri, May 17 - 20 Final Exams for Grades 8-11
- Mon, May 23 Conflict/Makeup Exam Day
- Tues, May 24 Conflict/Makeup

CARE AND VIGILANCE: This can be a trying week. Parents, please stress with your sons that Easter holidays (not spring break) do not begin until 3 pm on Thursday. We will teach until that time and hold them accountable for their actions. Insist that they comply with our very reasonable rules and regulations, including dress codes.

CHAMPIONS OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION is the tuition financial aid agency of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Families in need of tuition help may apply. The application window is open from Saturday, April 9, 2022 to Saturday, April 30, 2022. To access the Champions of catholic Education portal please follow the following steps:

- Visit <https://nolacatholicschools.org/>
- Click Admissions
 - Click Champions of Catholic Education
 - Click First Bank & Trust link
 - Create an account if one doesn't exist
 - Log in
- Click Financial Aid
 - Champions of Catholic Education
 - Click "Apply for Champions of Catholic Education"

CONGRATULATIONS to SPS Powerlifting Coach Jesse Kellum for being elected to the LA State Powerlifting Hall of Fame! Jesse's 15-year tenure at SPS has been filled with success. Read the full story at https://www.nola.com/news/communities/st_tammany/article_cded273a-b238-11ec-91cb-8f8beed9193a.html

EASTER HOLIDAYS (NOT SPRING BREAK):

- Please refrain from using the term Spring Break. We do not give holidays in honor of spring. The holidays are to celebrate Easter and anything we can do to reinforce that, we should. Names matter. Thanks.
- **All school offices will close during Easter Holidays (not spring break). Take care of any business with finance office or counselors prior to Good Friday. I will be in the office most days, if needed, but I don't always know how to help!**

DRESS CODE: Our relaxed enforcement during the height of COVID has ended and we are again enforcing our code. Parents – please assist us by insisting that your son abide by the code, especially when it comes to shorts and sweatshirts and shaving and haircuts! Thank you!

HELPING SAINT PAUL'S: Don't forget these painless ways to help:

- Office Depot, please give the SPS school code (70041640) & SPS receives 5% of purchase!
- Box Tops for Education – these are redeemable for cash. Have your son bring them to his math teacher.
- And, of course, there's AmazonSmile!



LAST WEEK:

- **ACT 30+ Lunch:** 62 Wolves (almost 20% of our junior and senior classes) were feted with the finest pizza Domino's has to offer to celebrate their ACT scores of 30 or above. Well done, Wolves! But I want more!
- **Baseball:** Tough week for the varsity wolves, but 8th grade beat DLS!
- **Crawfish Cookoff:** The weather was perfect and the crowds turned out for the resumption of our CCO. A good time was passed by all (except for the crawfish!) and the SPS spirit was palpable. Thanks, Alumni Director Al Nastasi, for all the hard work.
- **Confessions:** Thanks to the local priests who came to campus on Tue and Wed for our students to receive the sacrament of reconciliation. May the grace of this sacrament sustain them always. God is good.
- **Engineering Field Trip:** The trip to UL in Lafayette proved educational and enjoyable.
- **Five Core Meal:** We did Saint John Baptist de La Salle proud by holding the event on the evening of his feast day. The talks were outstanding, the food was great, the conversation was significant, and the Five Core Principles once again ruled the evening.

- **Founder's Feast Day:** Thanks to all who helped make the Founder's Feast Day mass so wonderful and spiritually meaningful.
- **Golf:** I know the Wolves played and did well, but I don't have specifics. Geaux Golf Wolves!
- **Gymnastics:** No, this is not a typo. We have a gymnast, so we formed a team which competed in the LHSAA state meet on Friday! Congrats to pre-freshman Kaden Romig for his gymnastic prowess. Congrats to Kaden for placing 2nd in Level 10 Floor Exercise and 3rd in Level Ten Parallel Bars! Wow!
- **Leadership Week by Student Council:**
 - **Challenge Night:** Congrats to Student Councils of SSA and SPS for this fun activity.
 - **Elections:** Congratulations to newly elected Student Council Executive Committee: President Ben Barousse, Vice President Ethan Wilson, Secretary Grant Voyles, and Treasurer Sam Gold. Level elections will be held after Easter holiday (not spring break.)
 - **Leadership Breakfast:** Local pharmacist and 2008 SPS alum Matt Morvant gave a wonderful talk to our student leaders. I hope he inspired them to aim high in their professional and personal careers.
 - **Year in Review:** A wonderful tribute to our year. Congrats to outgoing Executive Board: President Walker Dubreuil, VP Marco Vargas, Sec Ben Barousse, and Treasurer Ethan Wilson.
 - **Thanks to moderators Joanna Case and Shannan D'Hemecourt for their hard work with SC!**
- **March Madness:** And exciting finish to this fun event took place Tue afternoon. Thanks, SC!
- **Music Hall Dedication:** We had a beautiful blessing and dedication on Fri night. Father Mark Lomax blessed the building, Andrew Moran, Iana Moran, Jake Theriot, Kennedy Jackson, & Noah Adams performed some musical selections, the food from Pardo's was delicious, and the guests were more than impressed with this beautiful new tribute to our music wolves. Thanks to development team – again.



Mama goose guards her goslings as they relax in the middle of the campus road! They think they own the place!

- **Mother-Son Dinner:** Wow! Over 1000 people packed the Castine Center. The place was beautifully decorated thanks to the Mothers' Club. The seniors who gave public tributes to their moms were particularly moving. Congrats to **Clayton Cockfield, Luke Couvillion, Gage Graham, Eric Hanrahan, Ashton Means, Carter Murphy, Aiden Richards, Sergio Romero, Marco Vargas, and Danny Whalen.**
- **State Literary Rally:** 21 Wolves traveled to LSU for academic competition on Sat. No results yet
- **Student of the Year Breakfast:** The Exchange Club's S of the Y breakfast for the 8 high schools of western St. Tammany was another success. The young people chosen by their high schools all had spectacular high school careers and resumes. The future looks bright! Naturally, I was most proud of SPS's SOY, Walker Dubreuil.
- **Teacher Appreciation:** The Mothers' Club outdid itself with a fantastic lunch for faculty & staff on Tue.
- **Tennis:** BIG win v. Jesuit last week! Geaux Tennis Wolves!



A group of juniors enjoys Leadership Breakfast on Tue morning!

SENIOR GRADUATION: We intend to return to pre-COVID protocols and issue each senior eight (8) tickets for the graduation ceremony on May 14 at 4 pm in the BAC. This assumes no capacity limitation will be placed by civil authorities on indoor gatherings. Do not request more tickets as there is no more room in the BAC.

SENIOR RINGS FOR CLASS OF 2023: Juniors will receive information this week about class rings. Ordering a ring is strictly optional, and students may always use rings from their SPS brothers or dads. While some rings are quite pricey, reasonable priced ones are available. Josten's is our official vendor. The Jostens representative will be on campus on 4/27 for ordering.

SOCIAL MEDIA: Parents: please stress with your sons the consequences of inappropriate social media posting. Cyber-bullying is against the law and has legal implications. And the school will take strong measures against any inappropriate posting. Students: THINK before you post!

STUDY HALL AFTER SCHOOL: Ben's Den (aka the library) opens every afternoon (Monday-Friday) until 4:00. You are encouraged to mention this service to your sons who are on campus after school with nothing to do or who may be waiting for a late ride or a practice to begin. All we ask is that they treat the facility with respect and that they are quiet. The space is supervised.

SUMMER EXCHANGE PROGRAM IN COSTA RICA: This year will be the first year that Saint Scholastica and Saint Paul's will be participating in a two-week exchange program in San Jose, Costa Rica. If you are interested in having your SPS son or SSA daughter participate, Mrs. Carol Ann Dufrene (SSA) and Mr. Shawn Mullet (SPS) will be hosting an information session in the library (first floor of Benilde Hall) on the SPS campus. The information session will be on Tuesday, April 12th at 6:00PM. Topics to be covered include: cost, itinerary, expectations, and any questions that you might have



Student Council Executive Board Marco, Ben, Walker, & Ethan thank SPS alum and local pharmacist Matt Morvant '08 for speaking at last week's Leadership Breakfast.

SPS SUMMER CAMPS: We offer one of the best (if not THE best) summer camp programs around. For a complete listing of offerings, here is our website link: <https://www.stpauls.com/student-life/summer-camp/>
Some camps are filling up fast, so register now if you want a place for your son.



SAINT PAUL'S SCHOOL SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS



2022 SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS



June 6-10: Baseball



June 13-17: Football



June 20-24: Basketball



June 27-July 1: Soccer



June 27-July 1: Powerlifting/Strength



July 11-15: Speed, Agility, Strength



July 18-22 - Wrestling



July 18-22 - Lacrosse



July 18-22 - Rugby

- All camps are staffed by the coaches and athletes that make up some of the top athletic programs in Louisiana!
- Camps run Monday - Friday, 9am-3pm at St. Paul's School, 917 South Jahncke Ave, Covington, LA
- Camps are open to all boys ages 8-14 Prior experience in a sport not necessary!
- All camps have limited enrollment numbers. Sign up early to reserve your spot!
- All camps cost \$220 for the week. Sibling discounts are available. A lunch option is available for \$35.
- To sign-up, go to: [stpauls.com/student-life/summer-camp](https://www.stpauls.com/student-life/summer-camp/)

Questions? Contact sportscamps@stpauls.com or (985) 778-9166

TUITION INVOICES: Tuition invoices for 2022-23 have been emailed. Many thanks to those who are already responding. Allow me to express the following:

- Saint Paul's is a tuition driven school. Without tuition, we would not exist.
- A comparison of our tuition with other all-boy high schools shows that our tuition is one of the lowest.
- Tuition does NOT cover the cost of educating a student and providing him with the environment we all want. Thus, SPS relies of a limited number of fundraisers, which are critical to our moving ahead.
- Thus, we NEED you to pay tuition on time in order to meet our obligations to faculty and vendors.
- Thank you for your understanding and support of Saint Paul's School – and your investment in your son's future via tuition payment.

WEEKLY HUMOR: In honor of the Art Show this week, here are some "art jokes":

- *What did the artist draw before he went to bed? – The curtains!*
- *The paintbrush saw a doctor 'cuz it had a stroke!*
- *What does a momma color wheel say to a baby color wheel? – Don't use that tone with me.*
- *What's green & smells like blue paint? Green paint!*
- *Why was the artist afraid he might go to jail? – Because he'd been framed!*
- *How do you inspire an artist? – Easel-y*
- *What does Salvador Dali have for breakfast? – A bowl of surreal!*
- *What's orange and sounds like a parrot? – A carrot!*
- *Did you hear about the artist that always took things too far? – She didn't know where to draw the line.*
- *Which animals are famous painters? – Pablo Pig-caso and Vincent van Goat!*
- *Why did Van Gogh become a painter? Because he didn't have an ear for music.*
- *Did you hear about the artist who died? Too many strokes.*
- *Where does a cow hang his paintings? In a mooooseum.*
- *Did you hear about the attempted robbery at the museum? They ran out of gas a few blocks away. And when the police caught them, they said, "We didn't have the Monet to buy Degas to make the Van Gogh"*
- *What did the painter say to the wall? One more crack like that and I'll plaster ya.*
- *Did you hear about the artist who paints in jail? He had a brush with the law.*
- *What did Michelangelo say to the ceiling? I got you covered.*
- *Why did the painter butter his toast with his fingers? To feel its texture.*
- *OK, I'll stop! After all, it's Holy Week!*



April

- 11 – DEFG – 9 am Start
- 12 – ABCD - President's Assembly
- 13 – EFGA - Passion Play
- 14 – BCDE - *Mandatum*
- 25 – FGAB - Last Pack Time
- 26 – CDEF - President's Assembly
- 27 – GABC – Senior Exams
- 28 – DEFG – Senior Exams
- 29 – ABCD – Senior Exams

May

- 2 - EFGA
- 3 – BCDE - Pack Time
- 4 – FGAB
- 5 – CDEF
- 6 – GABC
- 9 – DEFG – 8th Grade Exams
- 10 – ABCD - Last Assembly / 8th Grade Exams
- 11 – EFGA - 8th Grade Exams
- 12 – BCDE - 8th Grade Promotion
- 13 – FGAB
- 14 – 12th Grade Graduation
- 16 – CDEFG (5 Period Day)
- 17 – 20 – 9th -11th Final Exams
- 20 – Last Day of School – noon dismissal

I invite you to join me in praying for peace:



PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

O Prince of Peace, once more we hear the guns of war,
Once more we see the faces of frightened children.
We pray for the people of Ukraine, that they may be granted peace;
We pray for the people of Russia, that they may demand peace;
We pray for our country, that we may be a positive part
Of peacemaking in this world. O Prince of Peace,
Lead us from this dark time to a deeper understanding
Of the global human family, so all may break bread together
In the secure embrace of peace. Amen.





As Christmas 2021 fades more and more, let us not forget the inspiration by Student Council on luminaria night: *AGAPE!*

Even though it's mid-April 2022, I will still close with a paraphrase of one of my favorite NPR radio shows (which I can't listen to anymore since it stopped broadcasting but I still remember it and LOL): well, it's happened again – you've squandered perfectly good time reading my ramblings! Know of my prayer for you and your family! Again, thanks for being part of SPS 2021 – 22!

Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC

Can't Believe We Are In Holy Week 2022 and I'm Still the 17th Christian Brother President of Saint Paul's School – A Nationally Recognized Blue Ribbon School



.... by doing ordinary things extraordinarily well, making courageous choices, doing God's will, remaining faithful, being guided to God, continuing our Lasallian Mission, living courageously, respecting all people, and living the Gospel! Let's give it our best this week as befits a Lasallian Catholic National Blue-Ribbon School.

*O that shame - now ended in his glory! O that pain -- now lost in joy unknown.
Tell it out with praise, the whole glad story, human nature at the Father's throne!
(Ask your son and his friends to sing this for you!)*

