



St. Paul Parish & School



SPRING 2019 NEWSLETTER

St. Paul Parish Campus Project First Phase



Depending on the success of our *Growing Our Family; Growing Our Faith* Capital Campaign and the availability of contractors, the first phase of our campus project **may** begin this summer. This is exciting news for all of us at St. Paul Parish. This drawing represents two classrooms in the west wing of the school, converted into new administrative offices for our school. The former administrative offices will become the PSR offices, which will move from the Parish Center.

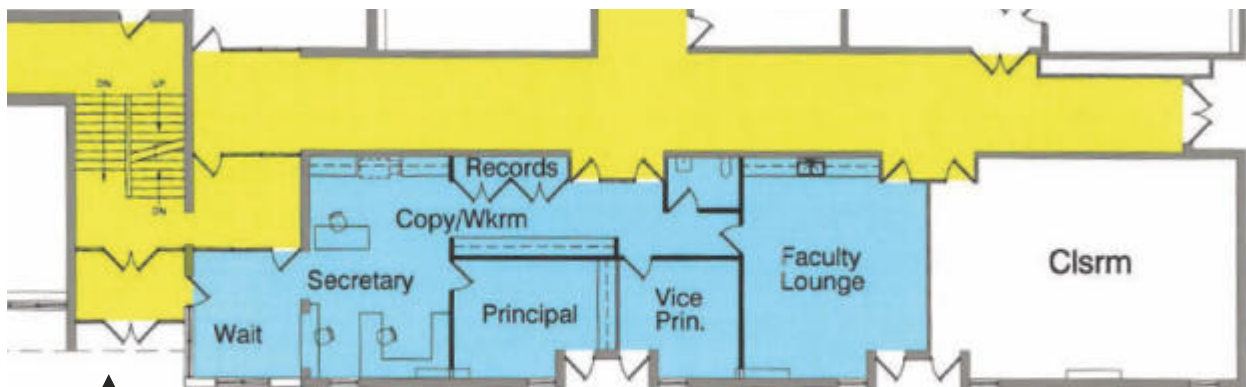
The project includes a secure entrance chamber/waiting room, offices, workroom, faculty lounge and a staff restroom. It will be ground level and accessible immediately adjacent to the new west, front entrance of the school. The Pre-school, Jr. Kindergarten, Kindergarten and Before/After Care will be housed in this west wing. The restrooms in this west wing will be made handicap accessible.

The upper grades, including the science room and lockers, will be relocated to the upper floor of the school. Before the remodeling project begins, the asbestos in the west wing will be abated.

These are very exciting times for St. Paul Parish as we update infrastructure and buildings and add a connecting building between the church and parish center. This newly constructed facility will be used by the school as well. These projects will offer the opportunity for the future growth of our church and school for generations to come.

We want a safe and secure place for our children and adults, and a great environment for all of us to learn and grow in our faith. We are people filled with hope! We know God will work great things through us; all of us, working together!

One Story West Wing of School



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Front
West
Entrance

School Administration Offices Relocation
Phase One of St. Paul Parish Campus Project

Fr. Pat's Ponderings...

Anointing of the Sick After the weekend Masses on March 9 and 10, parishioners were invited to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, and I encouraged all in need of healing (*physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually*) to participate in this Sacrament of the Lord's compassionate mercy.

I was thankful that so many parishioners came forward – this anointing is a powerful Sacrament that helps us in many ways.

Please be assured this Sacrament is not solely for those who are critically ill. If someone is terminally ill, it is reasonable and beneficial to offer Anointing within weeks before a person dies. Then, when the person passes on, the anointing that was administered becomes "The Last Rites."

Our beloved family members and friends – and their caregivers – need the Sacrament of the Anointing of the

Sick *during* their illness for strength and courage in faith, not necessarily at the end.

I offer this Sacrament after weekend Masses twice a year, routinely at skilled care facilities, during my homebound visits and regularly at the hospital to make it as accessible to as many as possible.

If someone you know is terminally ill, please email or call me or the Parish Office and I will see to it that he or she receives the Anointing of the Sick. Please do not wait until the last minute. Please know if a crisis situation arises, such as if a person is in an accident or in cardiac arrest, that I can be called and will drop whatever I am doing – unless I am having Mass or am out of town – to anoint someone.

Please be assured that I am happy to anoint anyone after any Mass, during the week or weekend. Throughout the year there are many who anticipate surgery or medical tests, who need anointing. I am happy and honored to do it!

*In the love of Christ, Fr. Pat
Pastor*



Holy Week & Easter Mass Times

Holy Thursday @ 7:00 pm
Good Friday @ 3:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Saturday Vigil @ 8:00 pm
Sunday @ 7:00 am, 8:30 am & 10:30 am



August 23rd-25th!

General Chair ~ Joe Horstmann

Food Chair ~ Linda Hagler

Games Chair ~ Andy Abendroth

Garage Chair ~ Katrina Hodous

- *Friday night's delicious fish dinner that everyone is raving about!*
- *Drumlines on Saturday and Sunday from Highland and Mater Dei High Schools.*
- *Following the auction, enjoy a 9-piece German band from Quincy, Illinois.*
- *Pat Fields School of Dance special reunion performance.*
- *Daily 50/50 drawings.*
- *Korbball is back; bigger and better than ever.*

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Discipleship & Stewardship...a Way of Life.

We all have a responsibility to seek out ways to strengthen our relationship with Jesus and move ourselves further along on our faith journey. The Discipleship & Stewardship committee has planned these upcoming faith-building opportunities. Check out the weekly bulletin for even more opportunities...



Mass in the Park

**Sunday, Sept. 15th
11:45 am
Lindendale Park**

STATIONS & SOUP - Fri., Apr. 12 at 6:30 pm

Members of the Discipleship & Stewardship committee will lead participants through Christ's Passion in the Stations of the Cross.

Immediately following the stations, all are invited to enjoy food and fellowship at a soup supper in the cafeteria. Everything will be provided including cookies and card/board games.

St. Paul Catholic School Events and Highlights

The Principal's Perspective...

Blessed Are We

Each year, St. Paul Catholic School adopts a theme for the school year. Through our theme, students are guided to explore and focus on lessons from Scripture. The theme for this year, *Blessed Are You*, is based on the teachings of Jesus through the Beatitudes. However, I have been recently reflecting on our theme, counting the blessings of this school year thus far, and realizing *Blessed Are We* seems more appropriate! We are blessed to have the freedom to pray, learn, and live our faith openly in our classrooms and hallways.



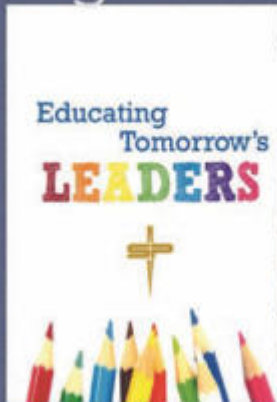
We are blessed to attend Mass together and worship as a school family. (If you ever have the opportunity to join us, please do so. To listen to the young voices pray in unison is awe-inspiring!) We are blessed – in more ways than I can describe or share with you in this newsletter space.

St. Paul Catholic School is a blessing to be shared. Please share the good news with your family and friends about our parish school so others may experience how *Blessed Are We!*

With gratitude, Kathy Sherman



Registration is Now Open!



Please visit www.stpaulhighland.org to apply online.

Full and Half Day Preschool Options are Available

Meet our future engineers in 5th grade!

They designed and created paper buildings that are in Highland and then found the volume for their creations. Very impressive!

#stpaulhighland





PLEASE HELP OUR FUNDRAISER

We are having a **Fair Trade Sale!** The proceeds will benefit our Sister Parish in Haiti. Order forms are available at church entrances or the parish office.

The order forms are due back by April 14 to the parish office or in the drop boxes in the entrances of church.

All payments are due at pick up on May 11 from 9- noon in the parish center.

Thank you, as always, for your generous support!!



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