



Go Make a Difference

A Message from Principal Todora...

We, the faculty and staff at St. Paul Catholic School, would like to thank our families, parishioners, volunteers, and donors for their continuous support and dedication to our school and students. As we move forward, we will always continue to demonstrate determination and motivation in exploring new and challenging ways to guide learning and instruction. All experiences provide opportunities to demonstrate acts of kindness and caring, and we feel that the community here at St. Paul Parish and School have benefited from the many acts of kindness provided to us from our caring families and community. We look forward to the many exciting opportunities our 2023-2024 school year will present. May we always remember and practice the power of prayer and trust in the Holy Spirit.

Have a blessed Summer! Principal Todora



**"SET AN
EXAMPLE FOR
THOSE WHO
BELIEVE, IN
SPEECH,
CONDUCT,
LOVE, FAITH,
AND PURITY."**

1 TIMOTHY 4:12



Congrats Class of 2023!

St. Paul Catholic School graduated eleven students on May 11th. A special all-school Mass with the Crowning of Mary was celebrated in the morning, followed by breakfast and the annual "Walking through the Halls of SPS". Special thanks to Mrs. Kuhn, Mrs. Ezell, Kirby Klostermann, Karen Boulanger, Scooter's Coffee, and all our 8th grade families for making this day memorable for our students. The evening ceremony included a Mass and Awards Ceremony and ended with a 7th/8th grade dance to celebrate our students!

Awards were given to the following graduates for their performance both in and out of the classroom:

Pauline Award: Andrew Sinnock

American Legion Awards: Cole Emig and Layne Wagner

Fr. McGivney Scholarships: Lucas Marti

Woodmen of the World (Social Studies) Award: Wilson Boulanger

Mater Dei Scholarships: Cole Emig, Andrew Sinnock, Gavin Klostermann, and Layne Wagner

Congrats!







Grade Access

Access your child's report card from your Family Portal [here](#). Use district code: STH-IL

Transcripts



If your student has graduated or will be attending another school next year, their new school will request transcripts from St. Paul School at their time of need.

Re-Enrollment

Still need to complete your child's enrollment for next school year? Please do so in your [Family Portal](#). **If you have a student withdrawal, please send us an email confirming their withdrawal, or choose "Will Not Enroll" in the Family Portal under the enrollment/re-enrollment tab.**

The St. Paul School Educational Foundation exists to financially help all K-8 families attend St. Paul School. Every family who applies receives a financial benefit based on need. Complete an application [here](#).

Student Files

Does your child need an updated physical, dental, or eye exam for the new school year? Start making your appointments now to keep your student's file current. See a summary of requirements below or [Download the requirements for the 2023-2024 school year here](#).

Preschool Students:

- Birth Certificate
- Baptismal Certificate
- Physical Exam

Kindergarten Students:

- Birth Certificate
- Baptismal Certificate
- Physical Exam
- Dental Exam
- Eye Exam

Second Grade:

- Dental Exam

Sixth Grade Students:

- Physical Exam
- Dental Exam

Sports Physicals:

K-8th grade students playing a sport must have a sport physical (within 395 days) or current health exam on file before their first practice.



All forms are due by September 1st and must be on the required Illinois forms.

Health & Eye exams must be completed within one year prior to the first day of school.

Dental Exams must be dated after November 15, 2022.



Viking Award

SPS recognizes students who exemplify student expectations with the VIKING AWARD. This award is given quarterly to K-8th grade students in each grade level who are a true example of a St. Paul Viking. Our students are expected to grow and learn according to the expectations of LOVE. The acronym LOVE stands for; Love God, Others First, Value Self as a Child of God, and Excel in Academics. Students are nominated for the VIKING AWARD by their teacher, other faculty members, and/or St. Paul Parish staff.

Our 4th Quarter Viking Award Winners Are...



Laney C.
Kindergarten



Charles G.
First Grade



Bryce M.
Second Grade



Leah F.
Third Grade



Elana S.
Fourth Grade



Melanie P.
Fourth Grade



Delaney V.
Fifth Grade



Kylie M.
Sixth Grade



Noah R.
Seventh Grade



Andrew S.
Eighth Grade



Wyatt T.
Religion



Owen J.
M.S. Religion



Elliott R.
PE



Madeline W.
Art



Madelyn H.
Library



Madeline M.
Choir



Kaden K.
4th Band



Layla F.
Music



Alyssa J.
Viking Kid Care

NOT PICTURED:
Wilson Boulanger
Band



4Q Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following students for achieving academic honors during the fourth quarter of the 2022-2023 school year:

5A - High Honors

Seth Cureton
Burke Elliott
Reese Keeven
Nolan Lengermann
Gavin McGinley
Camille Winkeler

5A - Honors

Emerson Daley
Pierce Decker
Chloe Elliott
Trent Elliott
Wade Kampwerth
Hannah Norgaard
Delaney Voss

6H - High Honors

Miriam Boulanger
Ava Klostermann
Emma Meyer
Oscar Scarborough
Amelia Tallman

6H - Honors

Vivian Beer
Kylie Marti
Jake Schwarz

7D - High Honors

Brynn Battas
Deacon Oravec
Leo Scarborough
Ava Schonhardt

7D Honors

Alexis Iberg
Noah Ringwald

8K - High Honors

Wilson Boulanger
Cole Emig
Gavin Klostermann
Andrew Sinnock

8K - Honors

Lucas Marti
Ava Taylor
Layne Wagner



Demo Day!

The demo and reno of our bathrooms has begun! Thank you to all our supporters and volunteers who have helped to make this possible. We will keep you updated on the progress!





Sign Up Now

St. Paul Smarts Trivia Night!

Friday, July 21st Highland KC Hall

- \$20 per person for tables of 8-10 people
- Doors open at 5:30, Trivia starts at 6:30pm
- Silent auction, 50/50 and other games
- Cash bar, bring your own snacks

**1st Place
Wins \$500!**

**2nd Place
Wins \$250!**

**Priest
Prison!**

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**Buy tickets and bid on
silent auction items at
StPaulTrivia.GiveSmart.com**





We appreciate YOU!

Thank YOU to all our generous families for surprising our teachers with gifts every day for Teacher Appreciation Week. Our lounge was stocked with snacks and drinks, we were treated to a catered lunch, received personalized mugs, ate donuts, and took a chance on some lottery tickets! A very memorable Teacher Appreciation Week was had by all.

THANK YOU
SO MUCH



Teacher Awards

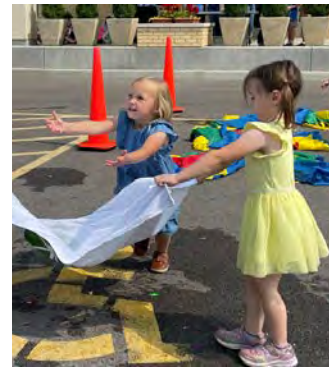
We recognized four members of our faculty and staff at the all-school Mass on Friday, May 17th. Twenty-year honors went to Mrs. Lori Lucia, Viking Kid Care Director and Preschool Aide; 15-year awards to Mrs. Amber Tallman, 2nd Grade and Mrs. Stephanie Kuhn, 8th Grade; and 5-year honors to Mrs. Suzanne Horan, 6th Grade. Thank you for your dedication and ministry to St. Paul Catholic School!





Student Appreciation Day!

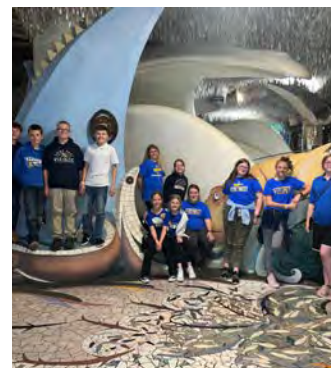
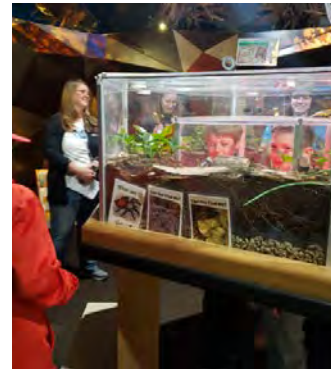
Wednesday, May 17th was a day to recognize our awesome students! Thank you to the Viking Ambassadors and our parent volunteers for making it a great day to celebrate our students!





Making Memories Outside the Classroom

May is definitely the month for field trips! Take a look at the many adventures our students (and parents) took part in to close out the school year!



FREE LUNCHES THIS SUMMER!

People from a “bunch” of Highland area churches called the **L.U.N.C.H. BUNCH** will be giving out free sack lunches each **Monday (2 lunches)** and **Wednesday (3 lunches) May 31st - August 9th**



No names! No forms! No judgment!

There is nothing you need to do as far as signing up. Those needing a lunch just need to be 18 or younger and come to the nearest delivery site at the scheduled time to receive a sack lunch. We will not be delivering door to door or outside city limits (other than churches/large subdivisions). Although this program is not affiliated with the Highland School District, we are making this information available to you because we believe that this program would be beneficial to many in our community. The delivery schedule and any changes will be announced through the schools, the Pioneer Newspaper, and the L.U.N.C.H. Bunch Facebook page. **Lets Eat!** 😊

Delivery Site	Time	Delivery Site	Time
Highland			
El Kay Court	11:25-11:29	6 th Street & Lemon Street	11:25-11:29
Paradise Drive & North St. Michael Court	11:30-11:34	Augusta and Winged Foot	11:32-11:36
Sunflower Drive & Coventry Way	11:36-11:40	Highland Hope Church (Daiber Road)	11:39-11:43
Quail Drive & Falcon Drive	11:43-11:47	Valentine Lane & Noel Lane	11:48-11:52
Salmon Drive & Pike Drive East	11:49-11:53	Hilltop Drive	11:53-11:56
12 th Street & Lemon Street	11:55-11:59	Northwest Manor & Crest Drive	11:58-12:02
13 th Street & Zschokke Street (Tot Lot)	12:00-12:04	Field Crossing & Chase Way	12:04-12:08
Olive Street & 20 th Street	12:06 -12:10	Spindler Park	12:12-12:16
Lindenthal Avenue at Upper Elementary	12:12-12:16	12 th Street & Laurel Street	12:18-12:22
Entrance to Highland VFW	12:17-12:21	Masonic Lodge (9 th & Walnut Street)	12:24-12:28
28 th Street & Lemon Street Road	12:22-12:26	Latzer Library Parking Lot	12:30-12:34
24 th Street & Red Oak Drive	12:28-12:32	9 th Street & Olive Street (St Paul Church)	12:35-12:39
Delivery Site			Time
Pierron	Country View Park Bus Stop -Highway 143 & County Lane West		12:00-12:15
Alhambra	Stop 1 - Post Office -East Main Street		11:40-11:50
	Stop 2 - Fireman & Legion Park (ball fields across from playground)		11:55-12:05
New Douglas	Rec Plex		11:45-12:00
Grantfork	Stop 1 - Cedar Springs Drive & Pocahontas Road		11:40-11:45
	Stop 2 - Grantfork United Church of Christ -South Locust Street		11:50-11:55

***Lunches are handed out only to youth 18 and younger**

***No delivery in heavy rains or severe weather**

***Only receive lunches from vehicles with the L.U.N.C.H. BUNCH logo on them!**

***Visit the Facebook page: L.U.N.C.H Bunch for real time updates**

***Questions? Missy 618-530-8410 or email highlandlunchbunch@gmail.com**

Donations are much appreciated and can be made out to **Highland Area Community Foundation** with **L.U.N.C.H. Bunch** in the memo & mailed to 1216 Main St, Highland, IL 62249. Thank you for all your support!



SchoolKidz Supply Kits

We are offering the opportunity to order supply kits for the 2023-2024 school year. For each order placed, the student will receive a box with their name and all the supplies requested by their homeroom teacher. Kits are delivered directly to school for the first day of class. Orders can be placed online now through May 26th at the following Website:

- www.shopttkits.com
- Enter Account#: 33625
- Select the grade(s) your child(ren) will be entering
- Enter child's name
- Checkout or add another child's kit



Participation is optional. This is offered as a convenience to parents and is not a fundraiser. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Crista Decker at 618-781-6810.



Are you passionate about Catholic education and want to be part of the opportunities provided to our students?

Join the SPS Advisory Board!
Please complete an [application](#) on our Website and contact Principal Todora at:
htodora@stpaulhighland.org
or 618-654-7525 to learn more.



Come work with us! SPS is seeking a part-time cafeteria, preschool, and Viking Kid Care aide for the 2023-2024 school year. To apply, please visit our [website](#) to download an application and send to Principal Todora at: htodora@stpaulhighland.org or contact the school office at 654-7525 for more information. All applicants must be willing to complete safe environment training, employment forms, and a background check.





A Month of Music

Music was all around us this month as our students participated in their Spring concerts and musical. Special thanks for Mrs. Henze and Mrs. Albaugh for finding special ways to showcase our students' talents center stage!





Books are FUN!

Family Reading Night was back this year in conjunction with the Scholastic Book Fair and Art Show. Special reading guests and activities kept everyone entertained. Thank you to all the families and volunteers who came out to share their love of reading!



Fun with
friends!
Students
entering
grades 1st
through 8th

FAITH & FELLOWSHIP

**LAST
WEDNESDAY OF
MAY, JUNE, JULY**

at St. Paul Parish Life Center
From 6:00pm - 8:00pm



MAY 31ST:

- Sporting our Faith
 - Wear favorite sport's team shirt & closed toe shoes

JUNE 28TH:

- The True Superheroes
 - Wear favorite superhero shirt

JULY 26TH:

- Christmas in July
 - Wear a Christmas Shirt

**REGISTER
ONLINE BY
MAY 24TH
IT'S FREE!**





Calling all St. Paul School Alumni!

Are you an alumni of St. Paul Catholic Grade School or High School? Come be part of a special database that is being created to keep everyone connected! Help us spread the word and reach out to anyone who has ever attended to go to the following link to be included:



<https://www.stpaulhighland.org/st--paul-school-alumni>

Information gathered will make it easier for former students to communicate, plan reunions, special alumni events, and more. Thank you for your help!



SPS Golf Tournament

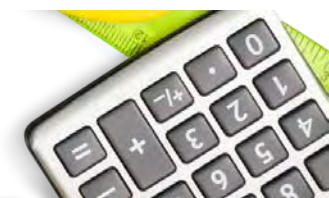
The Annual St. Paul School Golf Tournament will be on Saturday, October 7, 2023, at the Highland Country Club. SAVE THE DATE!!

SPS Track Results

Congratulations to the following track students who placed above 7th place at the conference track tournament at Highland Middle School on Wednesday, May 3rd. Unfortunately, no one advanced to State. Receiving awards were: Chloe Elliott, Miriam Boulanger, Reese Keeven, Elora Thompson, Emerson Daley, Lucy Miller, Leo Scarborough, Oscar Scarborough, Gavin McGinley, and Wade Kampwerth. Thank you Coach Miller for helping our students achieve their best!



Download the 2023-2024 School Supply List [HERE!](#)



ST. PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL | 2023-2024 CALENDAR

AUGUST '23

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

- 14 Open House-Bring Supplies
- 15 Staff In-Service
- 16 First Day of School
- 25 1:35 p.m. Dismissal; No PM Bus
- 28 No School - Kirchenfest Clean-Up

FEBRUARY '24

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

- 2 1:35 p.m. Dismissal; No PM Bus
- 3rd Quarter Mid-Term
- 19 No School - Presidents' Day
- 21 2:25 p.m. Dismissal

SEPTEMBER '23

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

- 4 No School - Labor Day
- 13 2:25 p.m. Dismissal
- 15 1st Quarter Mid-Term
- 22 1:35 p.m. Dismissal; No PM Bus

MARCH '24

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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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- 1 1:35 p.m. Dismissal; No PM Bus
- End of 3rd Quarter
- 15 11:35 a.m. Dismissal; No Bus
- 20 2:25 p.m. Dismissal
- 28-29 No School - Easter Holiday

OCTOBER '23

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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

- 9 No School - Columbus Day
 - 13 End of 1st Quarter
 - 18 2:25 p.m. Dismissal
 - 26 11:35 a.m. Dismissal; No Bus
 - P/T Conferences*
 - 27 No School - P/T Conferences*
- *K-8th grade students are required to attend with parent.

APRIL '24

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28	29	30				

- 1 No School - Easter Holiday
- 2 Classes Resume
- 5 4th Quarter Mid-Term
- 8 11:35 a.m. Dismissal; No PM Bus
- 17 2:25 p.m. Dismissal

NOVEMBER '23

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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26	27	28	29	30		

- 3 11:35 a.m. Dismissal; No PM Bus
- 10 2nd Quarter Mid-Term
- 15 2:25 p.m. Dismissal
- 22-24 No School - Thanksgiving

MAY '24

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

- 3 1:35 p.m. Dismissal; No PM Bus
- 9 8th Grade Promotion
- 16 Last Day of School
- 11:35 a.m. Dismissal
- No PM Bus; No VKC
- End of 4th Quarter
- 17 Staff In-Service

DECEMBER '23

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

- 1 1:35 p.m. Dismissal; No PM Bus
- 20 11:35 a.m. Dismissal
- No PM Bus; No VKC
- End of 2nd Quarter
- 21-29 No School - Christmas Holiday

JANUARY '24

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

- 1-3 No School - Christmas Holiday
- 4 Classes Resume
- 15 No School - MLK Day
- 17 2:25 p.m. Dismissal



**ST. PAUL
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

■ Event/Staff ■ Early Dismissal ■ No School

Revised March 28, 2023



*Lord we thank you for:
All the things we learn,
All the songs we sing,
All the friends we make,
All the laughter we share,
All the fun we have,
All the wonderful memories we make,
All the prayers we pray,
All the joy You bring,
All the gifts You share.
May we live and treasure every moment
of every day with You forever.
Amen.*



Looking Ahead...

MAY 26

School Supply Kit Orders Due

JULY 21

Trivia Night @ KC Hall

AUGUST 6

SPS Day at the Ballpark

AUGUST 14

Open Houses

Pre-School: 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Kindergarten: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

1st-8th: 5:30 6:30 p.m.

AUGUST 16

First Day of School!



OFFICE HOURS

Our office will be closed from May 19th through the completion of the restroom renovation project. The office will be accessible during that time, but **by appointment only**. Please email Mrs. Todora at htodora@staulhighland.org if you need to set up a meeting. All school phone messages will be directed to Mrs. Koishor's email, so you may leave phone messages. School office emails will be checked daily. If someone is needing immediate assistance during this time, please contact the church/parish office at 618-654-2339.

Contact Information

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www.stpaulvikings.org

SCHOOL HOURS:

School Office: 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

Preschool: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Grades K-8: 8:15 am - 3:15 pm

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Mrs. Debbie Koishor - Office Manager

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Mrs. Lori Lucia - Viking Kid Care

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Outside reading fun with Miss Rinderer's first grade class.

“BE FAITHFUL IN
SMALL THINGS
BECAUSE IT IS IN THEM
THAT YOUR STRENGTH LIES.”

-MOTHER TERESA-