

October 13, 2020



DEPAUL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Welcome to the Spartan Sentinel, our bi-weekly electronic newsletter for all things DePaul Catholic.

Principal's Corner Mr. Russell Petrocelli

Dear Spartan Community:

After a great start of the year, we head into a busy October. Every day that we are in school I consider a blessing and everyone on campus is working diligently to follow all of the health and safety guidelines that allow the school to stay fully open, every day.

As we have had to rethink how we do some events, we also are trying to keep things “as normal” as possible (a truly relevant term in 2020). The Freshman Class Retreat has been taking place in all of the Theology classes through this past week and we hosted a “virtual” Open House on October 4.

October 8, 2020 is Quarter 1 Interim Grades (half way through the marking period). Please login to PowerSchool to check your child’s progress. Wednesday, October 14 will be the administration of both the SAT and PSAT. Grades 8-11 will be taking the PSAT and over 60 seniors have registered to take the SAT exam. Dismissal will be at 11:30 AM and those seniors not taking the exam are not required to attend school on that day. October 14 will also be Parent Conferences; this will also be a virtual event. If you wish to speak to a specific teacher, please email them with your contact information and the best time to receive a phone call to discuss your child’s academic progress. The teachers will be available from 12:00 PM to 2:30 PM.

Everything that we do at DePaul Catholic High School hopefully leads to the same end result – student success!

Please visit this newsletter on a regular basis to be brought up to speed on the happenings across the campus.

St. Vincent DePaul...Pray for Us!

Moving Forward...

Mr. John Merritt '71

Vice Principal, Student Life

The other day I received a normal call from an irate person. I think I had admonished their child for something the day before.

Seems like being irate about something is commonplace in our world in the 21st century. Probably caused by a lack of gratitude.

Well, almost all of us in education, or any service industry or in a job that puts us in contact with other humans are used to irate people complaining, calling, texting, or using social media to complain. Quite often these complaints lead to marching.

Marching?

I really mean marching.
In what way?

Well, just think about when you hear irate people use the word march.

“I am going to march right into their office and...”

“I am going to march right back into the kitchen and tell the chef...”

“I am going to march right over to those kids and ...”

“I am going to march right over to their house and tell their mother...”

What’s with all this marching? I just don’t get it.

- Are soldiers irate when they march?
- Are all the participants during the Macy’s Day Parade irate and that’s why they march?
- Is a ticker tape parade only for irate people who need to march?
- Is the halftime band at a football game irate, so they march?
- Do you have to march into school if your kid gets a bad grade or gets yelled at by the teacher?

Can’t you just make an appointment and walk in?

I, for one, am getting tired of all this marching.

Can’t we just walk, maybe jog, dance, sahet, crawl, tumble or roll?

Do we always have to march when we are irate?

Or better yet!

Do we always have to be irate about something?

A classic example of unwarranted anger...

I was at a fast food place and a patron was irate about the quality of the food.

I said to myself. Are you kidding? You just got 3 hamburgers, fries, a shake, a cookie and a gallon of soda, (Supersized of course) all for \$0.95 and you are irate that the kid forgot to take the onion off the burger and it was a little overcooked.

Really, you are that irate about the onion.

So what did this irate person do?

Well, the irate patron marched (of course) over to the counter person and the fry person and proceeded to yell at them, both...really..These kids just sold you 3 hamburgers, fries, a shake, a cookie and a gallon of soda(all supersized of course) all for \$0.95 and you expect gourmet food and service.

No wonder everyone is so EXHAUSTED all the time.

IT TAKES A LOT OF EFFORT TO BE IRATE ALL THE TIME.

Gratitude takes a lot less effort!

And so, that’s the way it goes in 2020.

In school, at work, on the boardwalk, on the road, at the restaurant, we just keep seeing and hearing irate people complaining about something.

But man, can irate people march! Somewhere, John Philip Sousa is smiling.

Be well.

Community News

The Young Professionals Committee (YPC) of
St. Joseph's Health Foundation presents...



OCTOBER 17 | 7:00 PM
LOT OPENS AT 6:00 PM

ST. JOSEPH'S WAYNE MEDICAL CENTER
(VISITOR PARKING LOT)
224 HAMBURG TURNPIKE, WAYNE, NJ

To purchase tickets please visit:
<https://joesdrivein.eventbrite.com>

Benefiting:  St. Joseph's Health
FOUNDATION

Featured Film:
 **THE SANDLOT**
ADMISSION: \$100/CAR



School Counseling Office

Mrs. Anne Gregory
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The school year has been going very well and we are so happy to be teaching in person. We wanted to inform you of some college programs that will be held virtually in the near future. The NCAA information session will be held on October 15th at 7:00 PM and the Freshman/Sophomore College Night will be held on October 22nd at 7:00 PM. We will email the links for these sessions next week.

Good luck to everyone taking the PSATs and School Day SAT this Wednesday!

Welcome, Future Spartans!

Mrs. Brynn Merritt Campbell
Director of Marketing & Enrollment Management

Register Today For Our Next Fall Virtual Open Houses

VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSES

Sunday, Oct. 4 - 12pm
Wednesday, Oct. 28 - 6:30pm

RSVP: WWW.DEPAULCATHOLIC.ORG

Join us for a virtual look into why over 10,000 graduates believe we are "The Place To Be".



[RSVP Here](#)

INTRODUCING Connect with a Spartan

Our Shadow Program has gone virtual!

For the safety of everyone, we are not able to host visitors, so we're bringing our Ambassadors to you. (and they are so excited to meet you!)

Visit the website below to Connect With A Current Spartan.

dpchsstudents.org



[Connect With A Spartan Here](#)

Class of 2025 Admissions Process

Attend a Virtual Open House

Wednesday, October 28 - 6:30pm

RSVP on our website: www.depaulcatholic.org

Fill Out Your Online Application before December 4, 2020.

www.depaulcatholic.org

Cost: \$25.00

Connect With A Spartan

We may not be able to host in-person Shadow Days at this time, but that doesn't mean you cannot connect with a current Spartan. Click the link below to Meet our Ambassadors.

<https://dpchsstudents.org/#/>

Send Your Transcripts, Test Scores, & Teacher Recommendation before December 4, 2020.

Transcripts from 6th, 7th, and 1st Marking Period of 8th
Test Scores = any State testing completed in Middle School
Teacher Recommendation = Middle School Academic Teacher

Sit for A Scholarship Test

Students who are interested in being considered for an Academic Scholarship or applying for an Honors Academy will need to sit for a Scholarship Test.

Saturday, November 21 at 8:30am

<http://weblink.donorperfect.com/academicscholarshipexam2025>

Attend An Academic Scholarship Interview

Students who are interested in being considered for an Academic Scholarship or applying for an Honors Academy will need to sign up for an interview slot.

Date: December 10, 11, 12, 15

Register here:

https://depaulcatholic.schooladminonline.com/portal/public_calendars/academic_scholarship_interviews

Academic Wrap-Up

Midnight Run in October

On October 24th, 20 students, juniors and seniors, will be going into New York City to care for the homeless. There are many items needed by the homeless that will be distributed: clothing supplies, toiletries, underwear and socks, backpacks, and blankets. The students will have prepared sacks with a variety of healthy foods to give away, along with noodle soup and coffee. The students in the junior Honors Theology class prepare all of these supplies and will participate by going on one of the "Runs" this year.



"The beautiful part is the outpouring of support from the faculty, friends, and family of these kids, everyone is so kind and helpful in this important effort." says Mrs. Haggerty their teacher. Please keep all involved in your prayers. There is another Midnight Run planned for November, too!

Right to Life plans trip to Washington D.C.

The Right to Life students are starting their plans for the MARCH FOR LIFE in January already! Starting on October 1st, there will be a fundraiser to defray the costs for the annual trip to the nation's capital for the March for Life. Krispy Kreme Doughnuts are the yummy product fundraiser- \$10 a dozen glazed. Please see Mrs. Haggerty in Room 100 for details.



Freshman Retreat

"Made In God's Image" was the Campus Ministry's Freshman Retreat message. Ms. Sevean and Ms. Bock's classes, with the help of the Campus Ministry Team, embarked on a journey with the students to explore the fact that we are all made in "His" image. The students participated in various icebreakers, listened to witness talks given by the team leaders, had group discussions (socially distanced, of course), made masks that represent the way God sees them, and celebrated the Eucharist with Fr. Madrid. It was an amazing time with spiritual growth. In the weeks to follow, the Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors will be participating in their class retreats. Themes such as choices, poverty, and legacy will be explored. Even through these challenging times, we are united in Christ's never ending love. It is through solidarity that we prevail.

God Bless,

Ms. Bullman, Ms. Bock & Ms. Sevean



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EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Parents' Association Executive Board met for the first time to kick off the New Year. We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting on Tuesday, October 13 at 7pm in the DP Information Commons Room! All are welcome to attend!



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ID# - 08465
<https://stopandshop.com/school-rewards>

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Are you doing some fall cleaning?

Just drop your items that are ready to move on into the bin at the back of the parking lot. It's an easy way to help DePaul, help those in need, and make some much needed room!

From The TRICKY TRAY COMMITTEE

Mother Earth's Garden Party Tricky Tray

Save The Date....Tuesday, April 20, 2021!

Below is a list of the Tricky Tray Committees.

Ad Journal, Basket Making, Decorating, Dinner Tickets, Female Models, Male Models, 50/50 (Night Of), Prize Runner, Prize Tickets, Prize Wheels, Publicity, Set Up, Solicitation, Super 50/50 Raffle, Wine Pull



If you are interested in joining any committees, please contact:
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PARENTS' ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Advisor- Sr. Jeanne Agans President- Allison Beshada Secretary- Mina Farrell, Leslie Minuitti
Treasurer- Kim Wilderson Tricky Tray- Donna DiPiano. Maryann Marren, Debbie Lozito
Hospitality- Deb Murray, Julie Sullivan Ambassadors- Andie Pegel
Calendar Raffle- Cindy Winkler
Snack Stand- Bob Niemiec, Allison Beshada Public Relations- Brenda Salamon
Stop & Shop- Rosalind Tomeio

Thank you to our Parent Volunteers for all your help and support!



Mina Farrell, Ana Oechslin, Nicole Lomakin, Gini Panzera



Gail O'Malley & Laura Lee



Dawn Enze & Kim Checinski



Issie Chervenko & Christine Ronceros

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