

MONTHLY

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Happy March!

This is it folks, we are in the home stretch. March 20th is just around the corner. Can you say bring on spring? Hopefully, Mother Nature will agree and won't send us many little surprise storms instead of sunshine and warmer days. With that said, although there are no vacations, or many days off over the course of the next five weeks, this will be a very busy month that is sure to fly by.

The month began with the celebration of Ash Wednesday on March 2nd, where our Saint Paul community had the opportunity to celebrate Mass and receive ashes from Bishop McManus. Moving along in our month, we will offer Penance Services for grades 7,9,and 11, Spirit Week, Junior College Planning Seminar, S.A.T day for Juniors, a professional development day, spring sport tryouts, Knights Reception Alumni event, and rounding out March will be the Mass for Life.

Below are some photos from our Ash Wednesday Mass.



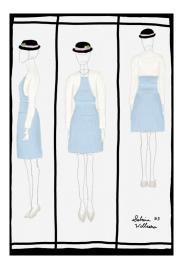


Fashion Club

The members of the Fashion Club were given their first ever opportunity to collaborate with the cast of *The Theatre Workshop* on their recent production. For this collection of ten-minute plays, the Fashion Club was able to create a head-to-toe costume for the actress, Maria Kelley ('24))for her role in *Mrs. Sorken*.

Under the direction of the Fashion Club, studio art instructor, Ms. Sena, the costume was re-designed and styled collectively by Sabrina Williams ('23), Natalie Hannoush ('23), Abigail Burbick ('23), Kenni Bonczek ('25), and Rona Poku-Mensah ('22). The look consisted of a hat with hand sewn ribbon and embellishments, a pearl necklace, a cropped faux fur coat, a dress with a hand-sewn ribbon at the waist, fingerless gloves, matching shoes, and a cross body purse.

The final digital drawing of the completed look was created by Sabrina Williams ('23). Check out the pictures of the club members working together on the costume, and Maria on stage in *Mrs. Sorken*.







Fine /Performing Arts

On February 28th, the Fine Arts Department had the pleasure of participating in an interactive workshop titled "Seven Lessons for Dreamers and Makers." This workshop was provided and hosted by quest speaker from the Savannah College of Art and Design. Students in Studio Art II-AP had the opportunity to reflect more deeply on their personal goals and to explore a wider set of career possibilities based on their interests and personalities. Students also learned what SCAD had to offer as a college. Studio Art Instructor, Ms. Sena, plans to facilitate more meetings and workshops from various art colleges and museums to widen her students breadth of knowledge and learning.

We are pleased to announce that 9th Grade Saint Paul musicians Allie LaFlash and Kamil Minnich have been accepted to the 2022 Central Massachusetts District Junior Music Festival. This festival selects the top 7th, 8th, and 9th grade musicians from 78 communities in Worcester, Hampden, Middlesex, and Norfolk counties. Way to go Allie and Kamil!!



Congratulations to Colin Kreuz (Fr), Evan Kondylis (Jr), & Chase Burdett (8th) who were selected for and played in the Central MA Hockey All-Star Game back on February 27th. Way to go Knights!!

On February 24th, Shirlee Major hit the free throw against Notre Dame Academy to reach 1,000 career points. Shirlee as surrounded by her teammates as they celebrated this amazing moment with her. Congratulations Shirlee!!



Check out this great story from <u>7News - WHDH Boston</u> about juniors Mia and Evan Kondylis who are teammates on our Saint Paul Hockey Team!



Mia Kondylis and her brother Evan are skating side by side for St. Paul Diocesan High School boys hockey team.

"It was challenging at first but now I think I got the hang of it and playing with him really helps," Mia said.

"I've never done any other sports with her so it's just really cool," Evan said.

The juniors both play defense — sometimes even on the same line. They say their sibling connection has given them a big boost.

"We just play better together cause we have chemistry and know how each other plays," Evan explained. "It helps."

"I think it really helps," Mia added. "If I was playing boys hockey without my brother I feel like it'd be hard. But, having him as my partner helps."

Mia previously played on her high school girl's hockey team but, after a merger of schools, she was left to either find a co-op team or play for the boy's team.

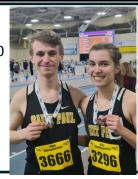
"At first I was looking for any girls team possible but when that wasn't happening I looked into playing boys hockey," she said. "And then he was also encouraging me so I thought playing with him would get me going."

Both siblings started skating at a young age and have been playing hockey for years. Doing it on the same team is a dream for their parents.

"It's been great," said Dad George. "Now to see them together on a high school team is something that we probably wouldn't have imagined."

"You know as a parent, you're proud your kids are playing together after they've worked so hard," Mom Rebecca said. "A true hockey family affair they plan on enjoying as long as it lasts."

Congrats to Emma Ronan 4th Place in the 1000 meters and Seth Boudreau 7th in the 600 meters, both winning medals at States. Way to go Black and Gold!!



Candy-Gram Thank You

A great big thank you to all those who supported and participated in the NHS/JRNHS Valentines candygrams.

Candy-Gram sales totaled \$187.05 which will be spent to thank the Coleman House nurses for all their hard work during the pandemic. Additionally, some NHS and NJHS members will be volunteering to be pen-pals with some of the residents of Coleman House.

Annie

Rehearsals are well underway, and with only 5 weeks left until opening there is much left to do.

Parents, if you are handy with a paint brush, a hammer, like to sew, could work backstage, or front of house, we would love to have an extra few sets of hands. We are currently meeting on Saturdays from 10-4 with set painting and costumes. For more details please email Mrs. Bonczek, hbonczek@saintpaulknights or Mrs. Seger, cseger@saintpaulknights.org

Annie will be performed on April 7, 8, and 9. Watch for more information on times, and tickets coming soon.

Save the date, because you won't want to miss this one!!

Spirit Week

There is no better way to chase away the winter blues and bring a little fun into our community, then to have our student council host spirit week. Beginning on Monday March 14th, each day will have a different theme. These dress down theme include:

Monday: Jersey Day Tuesday: Twin Day

Wednesday: Culture Day/USA Day

Thursday: Beach Day **Friday**: Color Wars

Color War Colors

Seniors: Black
Juniors: Blue
Sophomores: Pink
Freshmen: Red
Junior High: Green
Faculty: White

Other activities will include:

Live music at lunch, penny wars, can drive raffles, & hall decorating.

School Counseling

We are looking forward to hosting our first in-person Saint Paul College Information Seminar, which is being offered to our Class of 2023 Knights. The program will feature a panel of college admission directors from Emerson College, Saint Anselm College, Syracuse University, and Worcester State University. Additionally, there will be conference style sessions from which students and parents can choose to attend.

They include College Admission Roundtable sessions, a **College Financing** workshop, **College Admission for the Student Artist**, **College Admission for the Student Athlete**, and **Senior Student and Parent Panels**. We hope that all college bound Juniors will attend this program, along with the adult(s) who will be supporting their college search and application.

For questions, Please contact Kelli Reyngoudt, Director of School and College Counseling at kreyngoudt@saintpaulknights.org

March 23rd: S.A.T testing for Juniors

March 23rd: No School Professional Development Day

Greetings from the Alumni/Advancement Office

It has been such an exciting month here in the Alumni/Advancement office, that we wanted to take a moment to share it all with you.

First on the alumni front, we wanted to give a huge shout out to Saint Paul Alum Liam Silva Class of '21. Liam qualified for, and competed in the NEC Indoor Track & Field Championship on Staten Island in New York. Liam, a freshman at Merrimack College was thrilled to post his personal best for the weight throw. This young athlete has a promising future. Congratulaions Liam!!



On the advancement side, things are really heating up. Currently the team is working on their very first Legacy Alumni event to take place on Saturday March 26th. This evening will welcome Alumni from Holy Name, Marian, St. Peters and St. Peter Marian for an evening of tours, entertainment, dinner and most important, a time to reconnect with friends, and establish a new alumni home base. If you are a graduate of any of our legacy schools and have not received your invitation, please reach out to the alumni/advancement office to get yourself updated in our database. We are looking forward to a wonderful evening.

Get ready for our first ever golf classic. Whether you are an avid player, or just a beginner this is the perfect opportunity to get out on the course with friends.

A little golf, a little sunshine, some added games, raffles, and giveaways, followed by a fabulous banquet with delicious food, prizes and socializing. Get your foursome together today!

