

Spartan Sentinel

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

Principal's Corner

Mr. Russell Petrocelli

Dear Spartan Community:

Happy New Year as we welcome 2019 with tremendous anticipation and excitement. January promises to be a very busy month, highlighted by the Acceptance Letters that we will be sending out to the Class of 2023!

On **January 17th and 18th**, a contingent from DePaul Catholic High School will be traveling to Washington, D.C. to participate in the March for Life. I am proud, once again, to be part of the student and faculty team representing DePaul Catholic High School.



Mid Term Exams will be administered from **January 22nd to January 25th**. A complete schedule will be sent home with students in the coming weeks and after school preparation sessions will be scheduled to ensure that students are prepared for these exams. If students are not scheduled for an exam during a particular time period, they are not required to be present in school. Once the schedule is finalized, it will be shared with our entire community.

Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated the week of January 27th and the Accepted Students Reception for the Class of 2023 will held on Monday, January 28, 2019.

Please visit this newsletter on a regular basis to be brought up to speed on the happenings across the campus. If you are a graduate and are in the neighborhood, please stop in and say hello.

St. Vincent DePaul...Pray for Us!

Moving Forward...

Mr. John Merritt '71
Vice Principal, Student Life

Role Models (or lack of them)

It's tough being young, social media, negative temptations (vaping, Juuling), lack of role models etc.

Lack of positive role models makes it especially hard to be young.

Why that is?

- A role model is generally not a friend or a parent.
- In this day and age, a role model is more apt to be a celebrity of some type -athlete, singer, musician, actor, etc.
- Many people that kids try to emulate do not see themselves as role models nor do they wish to be.

I remember the statement made years ago by Charles Barkley, the basketball player. "I am not and do not want to be a role model".

Why not be a role model?

Well, accepting the role means living up to, as best you can, the characteristics of a positive role model, at least publicly - integrity, honesty, compassion, industriousness, loyalty, etc.

So what do the kids really see or hear today in a world without positive role models?

- Athletes who are selfish
- Athletes who are abusive
- Music that denigrates women
- Musicians who abuse drugs or alcohol
- Reality TV shows that show people fighting, being selfish, being petty, being ridiculous, as if that is an acceptable way to be
- Social media that allows people to be courageous or, so they think, from a distance
- State Government legalizing addictive drugs to make a few tax dollars. (Imagine trying to teach or learn about drug abuse in health class today.)

So now you know why it's hard to be young in the world today.

What can we do to help?

- Be a role model through your our own actions.
- Set an example that you would be proud of.
- Outwardly disapprove of nonsense and abusive words or actions.
- Be a parent, teacher, advisor, not a friend.
- Remember we are always being observed by a younger person who is trying to figure out what is the right thing to do.
- Act with poise and dignity whenever and wherever possible.

Well, just another challenge for us adults.

Spartan Nation

submitted by the Athletic Department

All-American Bowl Champions

On Saturday, January 5th at the Alamodome in San Antonio, Texas, Coach John McKenna (DePaul Head Football Coach), and Coach Nick Campanile (DePaul Football Offensive Coordinator), helped to coach the EAST to a Championship. Ronnie "Rocket" Hickman '19 nabbed an EAST roster spot back in October, but had to sit out the game as he is recovering from ACL surgery.

The All-American Bowl Presented By American Family Insurance is greater than a game on a Saturday afternoon. It is a year-



round celebration of high school excellence on and off the playing field. With 19 years as the premier high school sporting event, it annually features the nation's 100 best senior football players.

The Bowl is broadcast annually on NBC. It is the most-watched high school sporting event of every year.

Link official website

Moe's Scholar-Athletes Quarter 1

The following athletes were selected as Moe's Southwest Grill's Scholar-Atheltes for the first quarter:
Shaye McKenna, Marcello Silva, Jessica Long, Sofia Nasiek, Alexa LoMonaco, and Stephen Orlando.
Great work, everyone!



Coach Lennon Named to Power Player List

Coach Lennon jumped from #27 (2017) to #18 (2018) in the top 40 power players in North Jersey athletics in 2018 list. Darren Cooper, reporter for northjersey.com/The Record, who creates this list each year said this year was a little different. He scrapped the previous six years and started from scratch. "This is my ranking of the most powerful people in North Jersey athletics. They are the ones who mattered yesterday, matter today and will matter tomorrow."

18. Joe Lennon

DePaul athletic director

Last year's ranking: 27

These are glorious times for the small school in Wayne. The football program has become a consistent state power along with the wrestling team. The baseball team reached the Non-Public B final and softball program has won seven straight Passaic titles. Lennon is the quiet force behind it all.

Click here for a link to the full article.

Winter Sports Update

Powerade Champion Connor O'Neill '20

Connor is DePaul's second ever champion at the tournament. He was also runner-up

at Beast of the East this year.



First Female Champ

Over Christmas break, Haley Perez '21 won The Bloomfield Women's Wrestling Tournament. She is the first female wrestler in DePaul history to win an NJSIAA sanctioned women's wrestling tournament.



Tournament Champions

DePaul Catholic Freshman Boys Basketball defeated Hackensack 68-55 to win the North Jersey Holiday Jam Fest Championship.



100th Win

Ricky Cabanillas '19 captured his 100th high school wrestling win last week. Ricky will be wrestling at Brown University next year. Congratulations, Ricky!



We thank our many friends and families for their generosity and support. May your new year be blessed with health and happiness.

DePaul Gala

Thursday, March 21, 2019 The Venetian

This event will honor the following alumni:

Apostle of Charity Award - Christa Hoeher Reddy '72

Distinguished Alumni Awards:

Rev. John Tarantino '68 Trish O'Keefe '76 Debbie DuHaime '80 Andre Sayegh '92 Tara Palmeri '05

RSVP here

Alumni Association

Stay in touch with your fellow alumni. Be sure to update your contact info via AlumniUpdate19



Reunions

Our Advancement Office can assist with planning your class reunion. Just let us know. Upcoming celebrations are planned for the classes of 1999, 1979 and 1969 and 1964.

Save the Dates!

Double K Basketball Challenge

March 10, 2019 Benefiting the Kristen Koenig Scholarship Fund, which aids a DePaul student for his/her Junior and Senior year. For more info, email <u>raitic@dpchs.org</u>

DePaul Golf Classic

June 17, 2019 North Jersey Country Club

Admissions News

Mrs. Anne Brewer

Director of Admissions

Happy New Year! The Admissions Office is busy getting ready to mail out Admissions decisions to the Class of 2023. Admissions decisions are mailed home on **Friday**, **January 11.** We are excited to welcome a new class of Spartans into DePaul Catholic High School. We will host an **Accepted Students Reception and Registration event on the evening of Monday January**, **28 at 6:30pm**. The Admissions team is looking forward to the many exciting events to come in the New Year, and we hope you will join us for some or all of these opportunities. Our **Shadow Days will resume on February 5th**, all prospective 7th and 8th grade students are welcome! Mark your calendar for our **Spring Open House which will be held on Wednesday**, **May 1st**. We wish you a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Math Department

submitted by Ms. Wiltshire

Midterms are coming! Midterms are coming!

The date assigned to the Mathematics Department for the **Midterm Exam Review Program**, designed specifically for those students most in-need, is Friday, January 11th from 2:45 – 4:00 PM. Parents will receive an email from the teachers to invite specific students to this session.

In addition, during the week prior to exams (January 14^{th} through January 18^{th}) extra-help sessions will be open to all students from 2:40 – 3:30 PM according to the schedule posted here. Students should see their teacher if they have questions regarding this schedule. Honors Pre-Calculus and AP Calculus – each morning from 7:00 – 7:30 AM in Room 115.

Monday	January 14 th
Algebra 1	Room 117
Geom, Hn. Geom	Room 112
Math 8	Room LL1
Tuesday	January 15 th
Algebra 1	Room 113
Algebra 2	Room 117
Algebra 2	Room 112
Hn. Algebra 2	Room 118
Pre-Calculus	Room 119
Math 8	Room LL1
Wednesday	January 16 th
Algebra 1	Room 113
Geom, Hn. Geom	Room 112
Geometry	Room 117
Hn. Algebra 2	Room 118
Sel. Topics	Room 118
Thursday	January 17 th
Algebra 2	Room 117
Algebra 2	Room 112
Hn. Algebra 2	Room 118
Trigonometry	Room 119
Hn. Calculus	Room 113
Math 8	Room LL1
Friday	January 18 th
Geom, Hn. Geom	Room 112
Hn. Algebra 2	Room 118
Sel. Topics	Room 118

Fine Arts Department

submitted by Mr. Lombardi

The Department of Art at William Paterson University will host their annual adjudicated student art exhibit ARTSTART. All high school juniors and seniors are eligible to enter. Each school may display six works in all media. The exhibition is scheduled for **Friday**, **January 18 through Saturday**, **February 2**, **2019** in the Power Art Gallery. The art will be on view continuously through these dates. A reception will be held on Saturday, February 2, 2019 from 1 – 2:30pm (snow date is Sunday, February 3).

The following artists will represent DePaul Catholic this year: Juliette Bianchi, Yichen Cao, Diana Delgado, Vanessa Lomakin, Bernard Siebel and Sebastian Ruiz.

Theology Department

submitted by Mrs. Haggerty

On January 17th and 18th over 40 students from DePaul Catholic will be traveling to Washington D.C. to take part in the March for Life 2019. Thursday evening they will be attending a rally called "Life is Very Good", along with thousands of other high school students at George Mason University. On Friday morning, before the actual March starts, the students will take part in a Youth Rally and Mass for Life at the Verizon Center. This year's March has the theme,



"Unique from Day One", and anyone interested can follow pictures and comments from The March by downloading the free app "MFL 2019". The students have worked very

hard raising money for tickets, hotels and bus and are very excited to take part in this year's protest. As usual, the Knights of Columbus from many neighboring parishes have been very generous in helping our students achieve this goal, as well as other donors, and we are very grateful for their support. Please keep this year's attendees in your prayers!

WHAT'S THE SCOOP!

Submitted by the Parents' Association If you have any questions, contact us at <u>DePaulCatholicPA@gmail.com</u>

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DePaul Catholic Parents' Association WHAT'S THE SCOOP?



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CALENDAR RAFFLE

Drawings began 12/25! Please help our DePaul Family by selling your 10 raffles that went home in late Sept. If you need more, the

office has some or contact one of the chairpersons. For additional tickets contact:

Tracey Nardone traynazard@gmail.com Dawn Curran ddds4@verizon.net Cindy Winkler cinwinkler@optonline.net

Clothing Bin Donations

The New Year is the time for out with the old! NOW is the perfect time to donate anything you haven't worn in a year. Pass them along to someone in nee A green clothing bin for donations is in the back corner of the parking lot. Just drop your items in the bin when you

drop off or pick up your kids from school.

A+ School Rewards

DePaul Catholic School



Our next PA Executive Board meeting is Tuesday, January 15th at 7pm

In the Commons Room! All are welcome to attend. Hope to see you there!

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Time to make your New Year's Resolutions Make DePaul part of your everyday shopping! This year please support DePaul at no extra cost with

smile.amazon.com

Choose DePaul Catholic High School Inc as your charitable organization and let the shopping begin!



Save the Date April 10, 2019 WE NEED YOU!

Come join our Tricky Tray Team!!!

It's not too late to sign up to volunteer to help with the biggest event of the year. If you're interested please contact one of the chairpersons. any baskets you don't want, the Tricky Tray Committee will be happy to take them. You can drop them off at the front office starting NOW! Also, it is never too early to start sending in donations! Check out those post-holiday sales for good deals!!! Just include your name and retail value on the items so we know who to credit for the donation

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https://stopandshop.com/school-rewards/ Teacher's Appreciation Luncheon

Sign up for

Stop8Shop ID# - 08465

January 23 We are requesting all families make a monetary donation or provide baked goods for the event.

For more information, please contact Deb Murray

demurray@hotmail.com or 973-818-4841

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