



PTL Christmas Shop – Dec. 13

We're thrilled to host a special day where our students can shop for heartfelt gifts for their loved ones. Let's make this a magical experience together!

Donations Still Needed:

- Handcrafted treasures or regifted items
- Gently used/like-new toys
- Gift wrap supplies (bags, tissue paper, wrapping paper, tags)

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Set-up on Dec. 12
- Guide students as they shop
- Help wrap their chosen gifts



Your support—whether through donations or your time—makes all the difference in spreading the joy of giving and creating wonderful memories for our children.

Please check out our Signup Genius link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090A4BA4A82BA5F85-53389121-christmas> to see how you can help. For questions or to arrange donations, contact:

Meredith Sanislo (248-766-9189) or Mrs. Hansen (jhansen@stpaulroyaloak.org, 248-778-7246).

Thank you for making this season so special for our students!

Calling All Young St. Paul Artists!

This Christmas, we'd love to feature the creativity of our students on our Christmas Eve, Christmas Morning and the Two post-Christmas church bulletins! We're looking for five special pieces of artwork—one for each of the following services:

- ✦ 5 PM Christmas Eve
- ✦ 11 PM Christmas Eve
- ✦ Christmas Morning
- ✦ 12/29 Sunday Bulletin
- ✦ 01/05 Sunday Bulletin

Here's your chance to share the beauty of the Christmas story through art! You might create a scene of the manger, Mary and Joseph, angels in the sky, shepherds in the field, wisemen, or even the animals that gathered to witness the miracle.

☀ All submitted artwork will be displayed in the Welcome Center for our church family to enjoy throughout the season, and Pastor will choose three pieces to be featured as our bulletin covers!

How to Participate:

- Submit one drawn and colored picture per student.
- Write your name lightly on the back of the drawing.
- Turn in your artwork by 8:15 AM on Wednesday, December 11th.

We can't wait to see the Christmas story through your eyes and creativity!



Important School dates:

- December 11th – Advent Bulletin Artwork Due 8:15am
- December 15th – School Choir Sings at church 8:15am
- December 18th – School Christmas Service 7pm
- December 19th – School Fieldtrip to Emagine 1pm
- December 20th – ½ Day–Noon Dismissal
- December 23rd– January 3rd Christmas Break
- School Resume Monday January 6th

Special Lunch:

- December 9th – Janna Kay Charcuterie
- December 16th – Red Robin

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Colder Weather Is Here, Brrrrr!!!



The winter weather has arrived, and we want to ensure that all students stay cozy and prepared! Please remember to send your child with a warm coat, hat, and mittens or gloves for outdoor play.

Classrooms can also be a bit chilly, so it's a good idea to pack a dress-code-approved sweater or jacket for indoor comfort. Also, don't forget to add snow boots and snow pants on especially cold days.

To keep everyone safe and comfortable, please note that students without appropriate outdoor gear will need to stay indoors during recess. Thank you for helping us keep your children warm and ready for all the fun winter brings!

Biennial St. Paul Auction – Mark Your Calendars! We're thrilled to announce the return of our biennial St. Paul Auction! This spring, our PTL will host this much-anticipated event at Red Run Golf Course on May 16, 2025. For those who attended our last auction, you know it was a wonderful success, made possible by the amazing support and teamwork of our community.

To ensure another successful event, we're seeking volunteers to join us in making this auction unforgettable! Whether you're interested in helping on a committee, lending a hand at meetings, or supporting in other ways, we'd love your involvement. We've created a Google form to match volunteers with roles they feel comfortable in, and we're looking forward to working with you!

Please fill out the form as soon as possible, to let our PTL know how you'd like to participate. Every bit of support makes a tremendous difference, and we are grateful for the time and talent our families share. Thank you for being part of this exciting event!

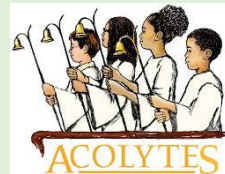
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6th – 8th Grade Student Acolytes: Continued Special Opportunity to Serve!

We're excited to offer our middle school students the chance to serve during church services! After being trained to acolyte at our chapel services, they now can expand this important role to Sunday and mid-week services as well.

As a reminder, all confirmation students are required to acolyte at least five times throughout the school year. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor for more information.

You can easily sign your child up by scanning the attached QR code and using the Signup Genius link. Thank you for supporting our students in this meaningful service!



Help Us Capture Memories for the Yearbook!

Have you snapped some great photos of our students during school events or field trips? We'd love to include them in this year's yearbook! Your pictures are a wonderful way to help us showcase all the special moments from the school year.

To share your images, simply click the link below and use the provided password and code. Thank you for helping us make this year's yearbook one to remember!

<https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/stpaul2025>

The password to create an account: **Vikings1**

Our school code: **60761**



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Winter Weather Closure Notices



As winter weather approaches, please watch for school closing notices on your local TV broadcasts, text messages, and our school Facebook page. This year, school closure decisions will continue to be made independently by our Principal, Mr. Francik, based on driving conditions.

We no longer follow Royal Oak Public Schools for closure updates. If a school closure is necessary, Mr. Francik will notify families via television, text message, and Facebook.

If school remains open but you feel the roads are unsafe, please make the choice that feels best for your family's safety.

Second Quarter Chapel Offering - Supporting Our Church's Food Pantry

This quarter, our weekly chapel offerings will be dedicated to supporting the food pantry at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Our pantry provides essential food items to anyone in need, serving not only our church family but also the surrounding community. Through their contributions, our students are learning the value of service, compassion, and reaching out to others. Every offering makes a difference, and we are grateful for the generosity of our school families in supporting this meaningful mission. Thank you for joining us in caring for our neighbors in need!

Support Learning Beyond the Classroom:

Little Caesars Pizza Box Bar Codes— Want to support St. Paul while enjoying a delicious pizza night? Save the barcodes from your Little Caesars pizza boxes and help fund our school's pizza parties! Here's how you can contribute:

- *Cut out the barcode from your Little Caesars pizza box.
- *Send the barcodes to school with your child.

Each barcode collected helps us fund pizza parties for the school—yum!

Bottles/Cans Recycling - Field trips and overnight excursions offer St. Paul students a unique chance to learn and grow outside the traditional classroom setting. The funds raised through this initiative will help support trips to Michigan Christian Youth Camp for outdoor education and Washington D.C. We kindly ask for your support by donating cans and bottles of carbonated beverages. Please remember not to crush the containers, as it's important for the barcodes to be clearly visible. Donations can be dropped off in the barrel located in the lobby coatroom at the church or to the school office. Thank you for helping make these enriching experiences possible for our students!

Box Tops for Education-

Help Us Earn with Box Tops for Education! It's time to scan those Box Tops for Education and help support our school! Each Box Top you scan is worth 10 cents, and those small amounts really add up to big rewards for St. Paul! Here's how it works:

- *Look for the Box Tops logo on participating products.
- *Download the Box Tops for Education app to scan your receipts and earn rewards for St. Paul!

It's an easy way to support our school, and every Box Top counts.

Kroger Community Rewards - Did you know you can support St. Paul just by shopping at Kroger? It's easy to participate in the Kroger Community Rewards program and help raise funds for our school—at no extra cost to you!

Here's how it works:

- *Visit Kroger.com and sign in or create an account.
- *Go to the Community Rewards section and select St. Paul Lutheran School as your organization of choice.

Every time you shop and use your Kroger Plus card, St. Paul earns a percentage of the sale! It's that simple! Your everyday grocery shopping can help provide valuable resources for our students. Thank you for supporting St. Paul through this easy, no-cost program!

🏃 Run with Endurance.....Looking to Jesus 🏃

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