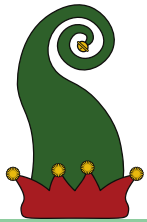




DECEMBER

Newsletter



Principal's Message:

"Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you." ~ Isaiah 12: 3-6

The season of Advent is a time of expectation, when we prepare our home and our hearts to celebrate the birth of Jesus on Christmas Day. It is a season of hope, a time to nurture peace and experience joy in anticipation of the love made incarnate in the birth of Jesus. With this purpose in mind, it's extremely important to be intentional in our hearts and minds as we get closer to Christmas and venture through the weeks of hope, peace, joy, and love.

Throughout November, the students had the opportunity to give back to those less fortunate by donating nonperishable food to the Annual St. Paul Food Drive/Principal for a Day Fundraiser. Last year, we saw over 700lbs donated to the Lethbridge Food Bank, and this year looks to be just as successful. It's our school's goal to use this fundraiser as an opportunity to reciprocate the generosity shown to St. Paul! The SPS Scholastic book fair also took place in the last week of November, and its collections were record-breaking to say the least. Many of our families took full advantage of the opportunity to purchase interesting books and reading supplies to fill the stockings of their children, nieces, nephews, and grandkids. This event could not have been such a huge success without Ms. Vandette, Ms. Anton, and the parents who volunteered on behalf of Parent Council!

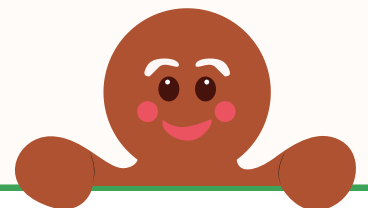
In December, the St. Paul School is known for coming together as a community! We start with our Advent Mass on December 4th, then quickly prepare for our Christmas Concert on the 10th, followed by a Santa visit, a school-wide Turkey Dinner lunch, and finish things up with our widely anticipated and always popular School Sing-a-long! It's an action-packed month, filled with fun and cheer!

As we near the break, we wish all St. Paul families the happiest and safest of holidays. May your time be filled with hope, peace, joy, and love!

Let peace be with you this season, Mr. Ryan Myndio

Upcoming Events

Advent Mass	Dec 4
Wear Purple	Dec 4
School Council Meeting	Dec 9
Advent Celebration	Dec 9
Christmas Concert	Dec 10
Camo Day	Dec 11
Choir @ GLOW	Dec 14
Christmas Sock Day	Dec 15
Wear Red/Green	Dec 16
Advent Celebration	Dec 16
Turkey Dinner	Dec 16
Wear Christmas Hat	Dec 17
Christian Action	Dec 17
Christmas Sweater Day	Dec 18
Dress Christmassy	Dec 19
Christmas Break	Dec 20-Jan 4



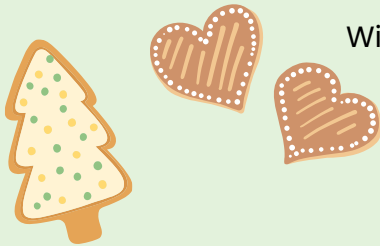
Associate Principal's Message:

December is a month filled with joy and anticipation, and it always seems to pass quickly as we prepare for the coming of Christmas. During this busy season, we are reminded of the many ways we can spread hope, kindness, and love to others. Each day at school, our students are a beautiful example of this. Their joy, compassion, and enthusiasm brighten our hallways and remind us of the true spirit of the season. It is a privilege to learn with them and to witness their excitement and generosity.

Our faith traditions invite us to pause and reflect on Jesus' humble birth in a manger. Through our Advent celebrations, we prepare our hearts for Christ's coming and remember the importance of keeping Him at the centre of our lives. We are called to open our hearts to the needs of others and to share Christ's light with everyone we meet.

We wish all our families a happy and holy Christmas season. May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the faith of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, and the perseverance of the Magi. May the peace of the Christ Child bless your homes and hearts this Christmas.

Wishing you a wonderful December!



Tina Delinte
Associate Principal



December Faith Focus:

Advent is a gift to us. The four weeks of Advent help us to prepare to truly celebrate Christmas. Like all celebrations and special events in our Catholic Faith, Advent presents us with a wonderful opportunity to look back on our spiritual journey and think about the things that we can do to strengthen our relationship with God.

Christian Action – Charity



The virtue of charity calls on each of us to speak, think, and act with love towards each other. We have a responsibility to nurture, support, and be in solidarity with those around us. The stewardship of Charity allows us to give to others by sharing our time and talents. Charity brings the world close to home and allows each of us to make a positive difference!

This month we appreciate Joy!



It is not always easy to find joy in the middle of the chaos and challenges that life brings us. We need to often be intentional in our thoughts and our prayers to bring and keep joy in our lives. "May God, the source of hope, fill you with Joy and Peace as you trust in him"

Romans 15: 13

St. Paul Christmas Concert:

An A^{door}able Christmas

When: Wednesday, December 10, 2025

Matinee Show - 1:00 pm

Evening Show - 6:30 pm

Doors Open @ 6:00 pm

Where: St. Paul School Gym



Pssst....

Guess what?!?

Did you Hear?!?!

Ho ho ho!

St. Paul School Choir has TWO upcoming performances!

1) Glow Lethbridge: December 14 @ 2:30 pm

@ Agri-food Hub & Trade Centre

2) St. Nicholas' Party: December 6 @ Assumption Hall @ 12:15 pm



Cold Weather has Arrived!

Winter has arrived and with it so has the cold weather. Children learn best when they get to exercise, run, and play outside the classroom. Recess gives our students an opportunity to burn off some extra energy and engage in unstructured play. After recess students are refreshed and better prepared for classroom learning. Our cold weather cut off is -20 with the wind chill, anything colder and children will remain inside. Just a few ideas for keeping warm during our winter season:

- * Dress in layers
- * Toques
- * Scarves and earmuffs
- * Mittens and Gloves
- * Winter boots with warm socks



Staying Connected

We have many ways for you to stay connected with us. Please check out our school website at <https://stpaul.holyspirit.ab.ca/>

You will notice on our home page it is easy to stay connected with FaceBook or Twitter. Please give it a try!



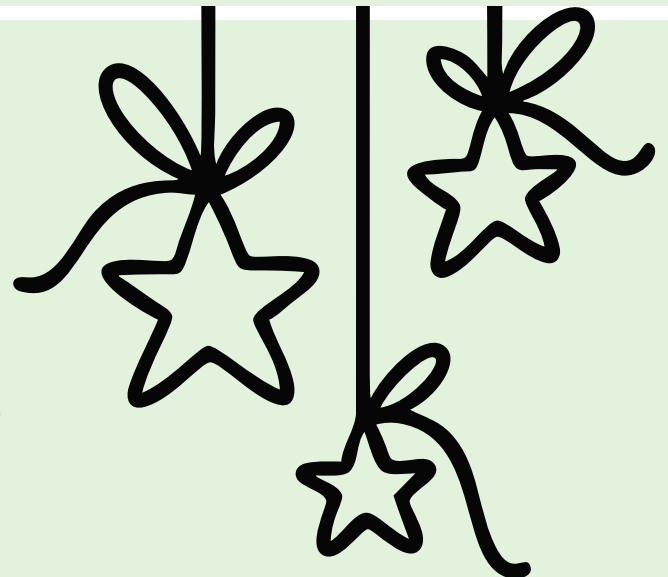
School Council

**Our Next School Council Meeting will be on
Tuesday, December 9 @ 6:30 pm**

Christmas Break

**Christmas Holidays:
The Christmas Break begins on
December 20 until January 4, 2026**

**Children return to school on
Monday, January 5, 2026**



MERRY CHRISTMAS



CCH WELDING CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER!

WE HAVE TWO OPTIONS THIS YEAR!!

**OPTION 1: CHRISTMAS TREE
TREE ORNAMENT - PAINTED GREEN
PRICE: \$15 EACH**

**OPTION 2: NATIVITY SCENE ORNAMENT
PAINTED BLUE AND WHITE
PRICE: \$10 EACH**

50% OF THE PROCEEDS
GO TOWARDS
SANTA'S ANONYMOUS

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TOWARDS PURCHASING A VIRTUAL
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SUBMIT ORDERS BY
DEC 10 TO ENSURE
DELIVERY BY
CHRISTMAS BREAK

[ORDER THROUGH SCHOOL CASH ONLINE](#)

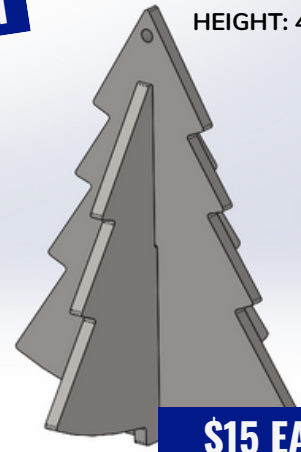


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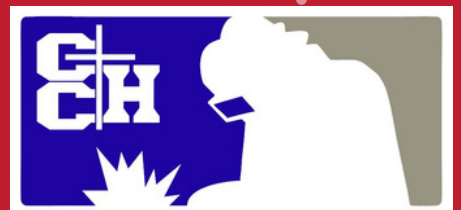
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VARY SLIGHTLY*



Univeristy of Lethbridge
Conservatory of Music

Beginner Ukulele

For Ages 8 – 12

Friday, 2:30 – 3:15 p.m. | Location: Casa (230 8 St S)

Come and explore the joyful sounds of the Ukulele in a fun and supportive small group environment. We can't wait to make music with you!

WINTER 2026: January 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, March 6, 13, 20, 27 (No Class Feb 27)



Univeristy of Lethbridge
Conservatory of Music

Digital Music Production Classes

**For Beginners &
Intermediate/Advanced**

Section 1: Beginners (Thursday, 5 - 6 p.m.)

Section 2: Intermediate/Advanced (Thursday, 6-8* p.m.)

**WINTER 2026: JANUARY 15, 22, 29, FEB 5, 12, 19, MARCH 5,
12, 19, 26**

NO CLASS: FEB 26

LOCATED AT CASA (230 8 ST S)

*this class will be split into 2, 60-minute classes (i.e. 6 - 7, or 7 - 8).

