

*Flag Report
Saint Paul Catholic Church
Pensacola, Florida*

This Flag Report is a way to communicate in writing the status of the ideas and concerns expressed by you, our parishioners. The Flags mimic our Pensacola Beach Flags. Green Flag items are “a go.” All is safe and we are proceeding. Yellow Flag items are things in progress, and there may be a cautionary element involved. Red Flag items are those issues or ideas that we will not proceed with at this time. Purple Flag items are things blocked by obstacles that must first be overcome before it is “safe” to proceed. The Flag Report is part of our Faith Engaged process whereby your parish leaders are working to help everyone in our parish become as engaged in the overall parish as possible. It is part of the initiative of the Faith Engaged Process of the Diocese of Pensacola—Tallahassee where we have been sharing Christ’s Message since 1559.



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Year of Faith

The entire Church has begun a Year of Faith, called for by Pope Benedict XVI to commemorate 50 years since Vatican II and 20 years since the Catechism of the Catholic Church was released. At St. Paul we kicked off this exciting time with a Family Festival of Faith, where we learned how to better live our Faith, and especially our life of prayer, in the home. We will continue to join the rest of the Diocese by sponsoring activities throughout the Year of Faith.



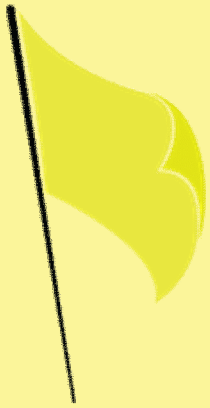
Adult and Youth activities.

- As part of our commitment to increasing Adult Faith Formation opportunities in light of the survey we conducted earlier in the year, we now are having twice a month classes with Fr. Michael and Fr. Doug on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am, entitled “Faith Formation with Father”. Our Adult Faith Formation Team has been conducting several informative classes on living our Catholic Faith with talks on Medical ethics, end of life issues, Faithful Citizenship and living the Faith in the workplace. Stay tuned for more quality presentations!
- Our High School Youth have begun a weekly Adoration hour on Tuesday nights. This event has seen substantial growth and supplements the good work happening with Fraternus and Fidelis.

POSITIVE RESULTS

Campus security and improvements

The campus for the school and parish has received a makeover. This summer saw the restoration of our gym floor, the refurbishing of the bathrooms in the parish center, and a new security door for the school to increase safety for our students.



***Works
In
Progress***

Prayer in the home

We are working at growing together in our appreciation of the domestic Church, especially in encouraging family prayer during this Year of Faith. We have implemented the Prayer Trees in the narthex with intentions written on them to be brought home and prayed for, as well as a booklet on praying together as a family. There will be more opportunities throughout the year to help you and your family to learn to pray and grow in your faith together.

Rain shelter for school pickup and lighting.

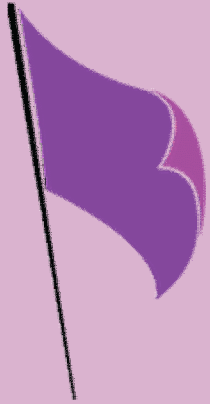
Based on the results of our recent survey on our campus facilities we continue to look at what is the best way to offer some sort of rain shelter and better lighting between the school and the parish center to help with after school pickup and evening activities.



Daily Evening Mass

***Questions
Resolved***

While there have been repeated requests through the years for a daily Mass in the evenings in addition to our 8:30am Mass, the actual number of interested persons does not warrant implementing this request. We always want to encourage the celebration of the Liturgy but are unable to accommodate this desire without more participation.



New Gym Floor

With the help of our building and finance committees we decided that it was not possible to completely re-do the gym floor at this time, so we have given it a facelift that will last us for another couple of years. This is a temporary fix, but will hold us over until we are able to completely redo the floor.

Current Roadblocks