



# SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## Weekly Update 11 ~ November 19, 2015

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FR. NOV 20** 8:00 AM School Mass  
10:00 AM Physics Force All School Assembly (Gym)  
End of Trimester 1
- SA. NOV 21** 9:30 AM Chess Club (Cafeteria)
- MO. NOV 23** Out-of-Uniform Pass Day  
Beginning of Trimester 2
- TU. NOV 24** 8:00 AM School Mass of Thanksgiving
- WE. NOV 25** SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION ~ Thanksgiving Break
- TH. NOV 26** SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION ~ Thanksgiving Break
- FR. NOV 27** SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION ~ Thanksgiving Break
- SU. NOV 29** First Sunday of Advent
- MO. NOV 30** Out-of-Uniform Pass Day  
Vision Screening Recheck
- TU. DEC 01** 7:00 PM Home & School Council Mtg (room 104)  
9:00AM Reconciliation for Grades 6-8  
Report Cards Sent Home
- WE. DEC 02** 9:00AM Reconciliation for Grades 3-5

*Dear St. Charles Parents,*

*Today I write with another request to improve safety and workability during drop off and pick up times. The drop off on 27th has greatly improved, thank you for taking note of this. The drop off and pick up on Stinson is causing some problems. There's been some grumpy bus drivers who have good reason to voice their complaints. Stinson Blvd. is a no parking zone from 27th up past our main sidewalk to give the buses a place to pick up kids. In our handbook we ask that you do not stop to pick up on Stinson because it conflicts with bussing, and there has been some safety issues with parents double parking and children walking between busses to reach them. Another safety issue is that the teachers are not able to track student picked up. Frequently students will wait by the fence in the pick up area, then slip around it when they see their parents parked on Stinson. When this happens the teachers notice that the kids are gone, but they don't know who they left with or how they left. Please refer to the handbook and follow the plan we have laid out on page 4 (**Attached**).*

*This may take a couple more minutes, but it promotes safety, workability, and keeps our bus company happy. Our staff appreciates your partnership and to increase workability from our end, our teachers commit to releasing the kids from classrooms on time at 2:40PM. I send this communication with the best intentions and look forward to your partnership.*

*God bless you,  
Danny Kieffer, Principal of St. Charles School*

### Give to the Max Thank You!

Our school greatly appreciates the \$1200 of donations we received on Give to the Max Day. THANK YOU!!! These donations will be put to good use purchasing new Science resources for next year. God bless!

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## **FINAL COLLECTION DATE IS TOMORROW for the Thanksgiving Food Drive & Turkey Raffle - November 20**

We are winding up the Thanksgiving Food Drive sponsored by our fourth graders! **We will be collecting nonperishable food from Pre-K - 8th grade classrooms tomorrow.** This is the final collection date is Fridays, November 20. Fourth grade parent volunteers bring the food to the Franciscan Brothers of Peace and another organization who both distribute the food to those in need.

A raffle ticket is given to students for every item they bring in. One grand prize will be raffled off in grades Pre-K - 4, and one grand prize will be raffled off in grades 5-8. There will also be other prizes drawn for students who bring in food items. The homeroom with the most donated food will win a pop and popcorn party.

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## **Chess Club Update**

We were thrilled to see how popular the kick off for our new Chess Club was. Unfortunately, it is completely full, and we will not be able to add anymore students who have not already turned in their permission form.

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## **School Not in Session - Wednesday, November 25 - Friday, November 27**

School is not in session Wednesday, November 25 - Friday, November 27 for Thanksgiving break. We have added an additional day to our Thanksgiving break this year. This is different from the St. Anthony School schedule.

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## **Report Cards - Tuesday, December 1**

Report cards will be sent home with the students on Tuesday, December 1. Please remember report card envelopes should be signed and returned to school at your earliest convenience. Elementary students should return the envelopes to their teacher and middle school students should return the envelopes to the school office.

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## **Honor Roll Assembly for Trimester 1 - Friday, December 4**

Following 8:00AM Mass on Friday, December 4, 5th-8th grade students who received honors in the first trimester of the last school year will be acknowledged. Come to Mass and stay to applaud their accomplishments.

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## **Advent Service Dress Rehearsal - Wednesday, December 9**

We need all Advent Service actors-only to bring their requested clothing items to change into for the dress rehearsal scheduled for Wednesday, December 9 at 1:00PM. Students must wear their school uniform as usual;

they will have an opportunity to change after lunch. Please contact Anne Flynn ([aflynn@stchbs.org](mailto:aflynn@stchbs.org)) or Beth Hess ([bhess@stchbs.org](mailto:bhess@stchbs.org)) with questions.

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## **Staff Christmas Appreciation Fund (see attached flyer)**

Contributions to the Christmas Staff Appreciation Fund will be accepted until Friday, December 11. The money will be distributed so that every teacher and staff member will receive an appreciation gift. Please see the flyer attached to this communication for more details.

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## **Lunch Calendar for December is Attached**

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### **Prayer Corner ~**

If you would like to add someone to our prayer corner, please email the information to Danny Kieffer at [dkieffer@stchbs.org](mailto:dkieffer@stchbs.org).

- ❖ Connie Nelson — grandmother of Olwyn, Isaiah, Rivers, Eli — recovering from a hemorrhagic stroke
  - ❖ Raymond Pearson — father of staff member Beth Pearson — enduring advanced stages of Parkinson's
  - ❖ For eternal rest for Michael Welter— brother of Grace and '06 graduate — and for the comfort of his family
  - ❖ Ray DeGidio — Great Uncle of Natalie B — fighting lung cancer
  - ❖ Andrea “Annie” Mangan ('92) — battling a very aggressive form of non-Hodgkins Lymphoma
  - ❖ Preston Brandes ('09) — deployment to Syria with the Marines
  - ❖ Stas Thibault — younger brother of Maggie — battling leukemia
  - ❖ Abby Rodin — older sister of Victoria K — battling Susac syndrome
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## **Attachments & Links**

**St. Charles Google Calendar ~ Bookmark it!** [St. Charles Calendar Link](#)

**St Charles Volunteers:** [SignUpGenius - St. Charles](#)

- 1. Student Pick Up and Drop Off Instructions from the Parent & Student Handbook**
  - 2. Lunch Menu for December**
  - 3. Staff Christmas Appreciation Fund**
  - 4. Weekly Update 11 ~ November 19, 2015**
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