

Attendance Line: 612-787-1199 option 1

Weekly Update 9 ~ November 2, 2017

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TH.NOV	02	Vatican Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles (today through Sunday in Doran Hall)
FR.NOV	03	8:00 AM All School Mass
		Opening of Eucharistic Days (Church)
SU.NOV	05	Daylight Savings Time Ends
		4:00 PM Vespers to Close Eucharistic Days
MO.NOV	06	Wolf Ridge Trip Departs
		Out-of Uniform Pass Day
TH.NOV	09	Pre-holiday Spirit Wear online store opens
FR.NOV	10	No School - Staff Development
		Wolf Ridge Trip Returns
MO.NOV	13	Out-of Uniform Pass Day
TU.NOV	14	7:00 PM Home & School Meeting
		6:30 PM Screenagers (St. John the Baptist)
		7:30 PM Speaker at St. Charles on Mental Illness (Doran Hall)

Dear St. Charles Parents,

What an action-packed week we've had here at school with student faculty volleyball, Halloween, and All Saints Day. I'd like to acknowledge the hard work of our first grade parents and teachers for an amazing march at the beginning of Mass yesterday. I'd like to acknowledge the first grade students for their saintly behavior at Mass and during the parade.

On Monday our 5th graders will be leaving for Wolf Ridge before the rest of our students arrive. This is an amazing trip that our 5th grade students take each year. Wolf Ridge combines environmental learning with team building and confidence building courses. The students explore the bog, learn about wildlife, test water for toxins, learn orienteering skills, try rock climbing, and brave the adventure ropes. I still remember my experiences from Wolf Ridge when I was a student, and I'm so glad our students get to have this learning and personal growth experience.

Remember that the Spirit Wear Shop will be open beginning November 9 for holiday season purchases. Also, 4th graders are collecting food for those in need this Thanksgiving season, so bring on the non-perishables! This year we are very fortunate to have a NET retreat onsite for students in grade 5-8 on December 15. If you're not familiar with NET Ministries they send well-trained teams of college age adults to serve youth by leading retreats all over the nation. Part of the agreement in having the retreat here is that our community hosts the team for a night and a couple meals. I'm looking for St. Charles families who are willing to host. It is a great opportunity to have guests who are young and cool and a great example for your children.

To be a host you have to be willing to take at least 2 team members; they come equipped with sleeping bags so a couch, bed, or air mattress would be great. They need access to a bathroom and shower and then a couple meals need to be provided. The rough schedule would require picking them up on December 14 in the afternoon (at St. Charles), providing dinner, providing breakfast the following morning, and then dropping them off at St. Charles on the 15th at 7:30 AM. The team supervisors receive the list of hosts when they arrive, and they place the team members based on how many can be accommodated at each site, allergies, and gender preferences (you can request male or female guests, guests will all be either male or female). Watch for a separate email to learn more about the team. Please email me if you would like to host NET team members! dkieffer@stchbs.org

Remember to set you clocks back Saturday night so you're not an hour early for Mass Sunday morning (not that that would be all bad)!

Danny Kieffer Principal of the Chargers

Come Cheer the Varsity Volleyball Team to Victory Tonight at the Twin Cities Championship! 7:00 PM at St. Agnes High School!

School Not in Session ~ Friday, November 10

School is not in session on Friday, November 10, for a staff development day.

Found over the weekend

One fob with decorated keys attached. Call the office to claim them. 612-781-2643.

Basketball Registration for Grades 4 - 8

4th -8th grade basketball will begin the week of Nov. 13. Use the link below to download a copy of the registration form. Forms are due Nov. 9. Basketball

Information about Intramural Basketball for grades 2 and 3 will be available in late November or early December. Intramural Basketball typically starts after Christmas.

Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive: Remind Your Students to Bring in Food Tomorrow for Those in Need

The Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive sponsored by our fourth graders is here! They will be collecting nonperishable food in the preschool-8th grade classrooms the first three weeks of November. On Friday, Nov. 3, Thursday, Nov. 9, and Friday, Nov. 17, fourth grade parent volunteers will bring the food to the Missionaries of Charity and the Franciscan Brothers of Peace who 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 Preschool-4, and one grand prize will be raffled off in grades 5-8. There will also be other prizes to draw for students who bring in food items. The homeroom with the most donated food will win a pop and popcorn party. Thank you for making the Thanksgiving Food Drive a success.

Middle School Halloween Open Gym, Pizza Party, and Dance ~ Friday, Nov. 3

Sponsored by Charge to Serve (the St. Charles Student Council)

5th & 6th Graders: Open Gym & Pizza 4:30 - 7:00 Cost: \$3.00 + food shelf donation
7th & 8th Graders: Dance & Pizza 6:00 - 9:30 Cost: \$3.00 + food shelf donation
For more information, please refer to the attached flyer/permission slip. Permission slips due in the school

office tomorrow. Parents, there are still a few opportunities to chaperone. See the school sign-up genius.

Vatican Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles (today through Sunday in Doran Hall)

Stop in Doran Hall to learn about the many Eucharistic miracles that have occurred around the world since that first Eucharist. A great opportunity for all ages! A great boost for your faith!

What Does It Mean for Our Kids to Grow Up in a Digital Age?

St. John the Baptist is hosting a screening of the movie, SCREENAGERS: Growing Up in the Digital Age, a documentary about the biggest parenting issue of our time. This event will be held Tuesday, Nov. 14, from 6:00-9:00 pm and is for adults and for students 10 years and older. Click here for more information and to get tickets:

https://impactflow.com/event/presented-by-stjohn-the-baptist-pto-and-faith-formation-5515

SCREENAGERS addresses the most pervasive parenting issue of our time head on—depicting teen struggles over social media, video games and internet addiction. The film empowers kids to best navigate the digital world and provides practical resources to help them do it.

HOLIDAY FUNDRAISING ALERT!!

Be on the lookout for an email next week with information for our holiday gift card fundraiser!

Scrip Fundraising is a no-selling program that allows our families to raise money for St. Charles School. Scrip is just another way to pay for everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks, or credit cards. For every gift card you purchase at face value, St. Charles receives instant cash! We will have two ordering periods - the first for post-Thanksgiving (Black Friday) shopping and the 2nd in December for last minute Christmas shopping or gifts. Rethink the way you shop while supporting St. Charles School!!

Facebook Photos

Have you seen the photos and videos posted on our Facebook page recently? You'll find a great mix of our fall activities: field trips, balloon rosary, soccer, student/staff volleyball game, pumpkin activities, and our 1st grade saints for All Saints Day! We have been busy making *Disciples of Jesus Christ*!

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/stchbs.

Cabrini Welcome Home Basket Drive

Women's Council will be collecting new or gently used apartment essentials for clients of the Cabrini Program. The Cabrini Program provides support to our neighbors in Hennepin County who are transitioning from shelters to their own apartments. Donations will be taken after Mass the weekends of November 4 and 5th, and November 11 and 12th. A display in the atrium will provide more detail. Some supply suggestions include: inflatable mattress, set of pots and pans, flatware for 4, set of dishes for 4, carving knife, mixing spoons, can openers, spatulas, kitchen towels, sponges, comet, dish soap, kitchen garbage bags, laundry soap, shower curtain liners, shower curtain rings, 2 potholders, toilet paper.

Creating Caring Faith Communities for All: A Presentation on Mental Illness

Nearly 1 in 25 adults live with a serious mental illness. Please join us to learn about mental illnesses, the impact of negative attitudes, and five things each of us can do to make our faith community a better place for people who experience a mental illness. This one-hour class is for anyone interested in learning about mental illnesses and helping to change attitudes towards mental illnesses. This presentation is sponsored by the Women's Council and will follow the monthly meeting. You are invited to come on November 14 for the whole evening or just for the presentation. The schedule for the evening is: Rosary at 6:40 in the Atrium, 7:00 Women's Council business meeting in Doran Hall, 7:30 presentation in Doran Hall.

St. Charles is hosting a Blood Drive Monday, November 20

Please contact Parish Nurse Mary Anne Frank to sign up: 612-787-1182 or mafrank@stchb.org.

Local Concert Opportunity

Come hear the world premiere of the *Lost Melody* by the St. Anthony Civic Orchestra on November 5 at 3:00 PM in the St. Anthony High School auditorium.. The *Lost Melody* was commissioned by the St.

Anthony Sister City Association. For more details: <u>St. Anthony, MN (Salo, Finland) Sister City Association, Inc. - Home | Facebook</u>

Prayer Corner ~

If you would like to add someone to our prayer corner, please email the information to Danny Kieffer at dkieffer@stchbs.org

- Lucy M., class of 2015 and sister of Rita and Richard, is undergoing a heart operation on Monday, November 6. Prayers for no complications and for a guick recovery.
- Prayers for Jack J. (uncle of Stella J.) for a miracle for healing from a rapidly growing brain tumor.
- ❖ For Arden, a friend of the St. Charles community, who is suffering with asthma complications.
- ❖ For the repose of the soul of Lawrence Anderson, parent of staff member Teri Wysopal and grandfather of Sophia, and for the comfort of his family.
- ❖ For the repose of the soul of Patricia Candos, mother of student Melissa P., and for the comfort of her family.
- For staff member Kelly Beasley for complete healing for her back.
- For all St. Charles families, new and old, that they may be strengthened by their faith and sheltered in God's loving mercy

Additional Links

- St. Charles Website ~ www.stchbschool.org
- St. Charles Google Calendar ~ St. Charles Calendar Link
- St. Charles Lunch Calendar ~ St. Charles Lunch Calendar Link
- St. Charles Google Athletic Calendar ~ St. Charles Athletic Calendar Link
- St Charles Volunteers ~ <u>SignUpGenius St. Charles</u>
- St Charles Facebook ~ https://www.facebook.com/stchbs

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