



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Attendance Line: 612-787-1199 option 1

Weekly Update 13 ~ November 29, 2018

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FR. NOV 30 8:00 AM School Mass (Church)
Reports Cards Sent Home
- SU. DEC 02 10:00 AM Mass - Sacrament of Anointing
1:30 PM Family Movie (Gym)
- MO. DEC 03 Out-of-Uniform Passes May Be Used
SCRIP Orders Due
- TU. DEC 04 9:00 Reconciliation for Grades 5-8
- WE. DEC 05 9:00 Reconciliation for Grades 3-4
- TH. DEC 06 **NPH Sponsorship and Spirit Wear Day**
Memorial of St. Nicholas
7:00 K-4 Advent Service (Church)
- FR. DEC 07 8:00 AM All-School Mass followed by the Middle School Honor Assembly for Trimester 1
- SA. DEC 08 Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- SU. DEC 09 St. Charles Ornament Sale after Masses (Atrium)
- MO. DEC 10 Out-of-Uniform Passes May Be Used
- TU. DEC 11 NO Home and School Meeting
- WE. DEC 12 Middle School December Birthdays Out-of-Uniform Day
- TH. DEC 13 **Spirit Wear Day**
- FR. DEC 14 8:00 AM School Mass (Church)

Dear St. Charles Parents,

Please check backpacks tomorrow evening for report cards! Also, please sign the envelope and return it; this lets us know that you received the report card and allows us to reuse the envelope.

Next week our students in grades 3-8 will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. What a great way to kick off the Advent Season. Speaking of kicking off Advent, prepare for another packed church this Thursday, December 6. It is the St. Charles Advent Service during the very first week of Advent, what a thrill! All who attend are guaranteed to remain "In the Spirit" for the remainder of the Advent and Christmas season!

The three weeks ahead promise to be intense, heart-lifting, and fast. It is a time where I always feel the closeness of our community and am inspired by our work here at St. Charles. When I say "our work" I am including parents, support staff, teachers, and me too! This is our work, and these kids are our future.

Finally, with the season's change, I want us to be prepared for the potential of snow days. As a refresher, we always follow the decision of School District 282 St. Anthony/New Brighton because we share transportation with them. If you see that district 282 is closed, that means we are also closed. I will post St. Charles closings on WCCO, so that is the channel to tune into on those snowy mornings.

Bless you,

Danny Kieffer
St. Charles Principal

Report Cards ~ Tomorrow

Report cards are going home with the students tomorrow. **Please remember report card envelopes need to be signed and returned to school at your earliest convenience.** Students should return the envelopes to their homeroom teacher.

Family Movie Day is Sunday, December 2

St. Charles School invites you to a FREE event for the whole family! Join us for Family Movie Day on Sunday, December 2, from 1:30 to 4:00 PM. [Family Movie Day](#)

- 1:30 PM - Get settled in with your favorite blankie or cuddle buddy! Popcorn & concessions will be available for purchase.
- 1:45 PM - Movie begins - The Star!

Shhhh, it's a surprise... After the movie, there will be a special guest who will bring treats for all the good little girls & boys! Invite your friends and neighbors - All are welcome! Please help us spread the word by saying your are interested or coming on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/321910285061381/>

SCRIP Orders due Monday, December 3

SCRIP is a no-selling program that allows you to raise money for our school while making everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks, or credit cards. Next order due December 3.

[SCRIP order dates and more](#)

Advent Season Opportunities and Details

- Family Movie Day on Sunday, December 2, from 1:30 to 4:00 PM. [Family Movie Day](#)
- K - 4th Advent Program ~ Thursday, December 6— Everyone is invited to join us for the Real Story of Christmas, as depicted by the students in grades K-4 at 7:00 PM in the church. K-4 families, check [Advent Service Information](#) for specific details for when and where your student needs to be that night.
- School Masses ~ Join us for 8:00 AM School Mass on the Fridays in Advent: December 7, December 14, and December 21.
- PreSchool
- Parish Advent Penance Service ~ Saturday, December 15 — Everyone is encouraged to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the season of Advent. On Saturday, December 15, at

10:30 AM there will be several confessors present for the Parish Penance Service.

- Middle School Band & Choir Concert ~ Thursday, December 20— Everyone is invited to the St. Charles Band & Choir Concert at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria. Come enjoy the Christmas spirit.

Spirit Wear for NPH ~ Thursday, December 6

Thursday is our Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos Sponsorship Day. If students bring in a \$1 for NPH, they may come dressed in spirit wear or orange for NPH.

Honor Roll Assembly for Trimester 1 ~ Friday, December 7

Following the 8:00 AM Mass on Friday, December 7, 5th-8th grade students who received honors in the first trimester will be acknowledged. Come to Mass and stay to acknowledge their accomplishments.

NEW: St. Charles Ornaments are HERE!

Tis the season for cookies, light displays, and tree decorating! Add some school spirit to your Christmas tree this year with a St. Charles ornament. We are excited to announce this new and limited-supply item available for purchase in December. Home and School will be selling the ornaments at the Family Movie Day this Sunday as well as after all Masses in December.

You can purchase an ornament for \$10.00 each, or buy 2 for \$18.00. We had a very generous donor come forward who purchased the ornaments, so ALL proceeds from the ornament sales will go to the Staff Appreciation Fund, which gets distributed to teachers and staff before Christmas break. Please stop by one of the sales tables to buy your St. Charles ornament! [Ornaments](#)

Volunteer Opportunities

Home and School invites you to check out all the wonderful opportunities to volunteer in this Advent season: [Signup Genius](#) Thank you!

The Tuesday, December 11, Home & School Meeting has been cancelled

Staff Christmas Appreciation Fund ~ Now through Tuesday, December 18

It's the most wonderful time of year to show your appreciation to our amazing staff at St. Charles School! The Home and School Council asks you to please consider contributing to the St. Charles Staff - Christmas Appreciation Fund. This gift-giving opportunity is voluntary, and no amount is too great or too small! All money contributed is distributed throughout the ENTIRE staff, so EVERY school staff member will receive a cash gift for Christmas. If you would like to contribute, please send your check (made payable to St. Charles School) in an envelope marked: "Staff Christmas Appreciation Fund." Please include your child(rens) name(s) as all who contribute will be listed on the card that accompanies the gift. Thank you for your generous support! We wish you all a very blessed Christmas season! Please return contributions to the school office no later than Tuesday, December 18, 2018.

Mitten and Sock Tree ~ Now through Friday, December 21

Once again the St. Charles community will be collecting new mittens, gloves, and warm socks for those in need. Again this year the St. Charles School Charge to Serve Group (formerly Student Council) is joining with the Women's Council to make this happen. The collection will take place from now through December 21. Children and adult sizes are needed. Items can be dropped off in homeroom. Thank you for participating!

3M Volunteer Grant Received

In recognition of Mike Thuente's commitment to volunteering at St. Charles School 3M has donated \$500 to our school on his behalf. Thank you to Mike and to 3M!

Contributions Matched for St. Charles School

PeaceMaker Minnesota will match the first \$450 in contributions that it receives for St. Charles at <https://www.givemn.org/story/St-Charles-Catholic-School>. Contributions are tax-deductible and will be used to prevent bullying and to teach social emotional skills. Checks may also be mailed to: PeaceMaker Minnesota, 2131 Fairview Avenue North, Suite E, Roseville MN 55113. Please write "St. Charles Match" on the memo line.

Prayer Corner ~

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

- ❖ For a successful knee surgery on 12/5 and a quick and full recovery for former student Jackie ('15), sister of student Jake.
 - ❖ For healing from a ruptured appendix for Alex R, son of former 1st grade teacher Amy Mitchell-Rivard
 - ❖ For extra prayers for staff member Mary Kate Calhoun's mother, Kathleen Marin.
 - ❖ For healing from epilepsy for Anna Stevenson
 - ❖ For healing for Stephen Vana ('96)
 - ❖ For healing for Jim Montury, father of staff member Angela, grandfather of former students, Nicole ('10), Abby ('13) & Natalie ('18), great grandfather of student, Leo A.
 - ❖ For healing for diabetic complications for Don Krieger, grandfather of student, Jake K.
 - ❖ For all St. Charles families, new and old, that they may be strengthened by their faith and sheltered in God's loving mercy.
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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 ~ [SignUpGenius - St. Charles](#)
St Charles Facebook ~ <https://www.facebook.com/stchbs>
St. Charles Parish ~ <http://www.stchb.org/>

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