

Attendance Line: 612-787-1199 option 1

Weekly Update 18~ January 10, 2019

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FR.JAN	11	8:00 AM All-School Mass (Church)
SU.JAN	13	11:00 AM Father/Daughter Breakfast sponsored by the Women's Council (Doran Hall)
MO.JAN	14	Out-of-uniform Pass Day
		SCRIP Orders Due
TU.JAN	15	6:00 PM 8th Grade Candidate/Sponsor Confirmation Retreat (Doran Hall)
		6:30 PM School Advisory Meeting (104)
		Parkway Pizza Fundraising Day
WE.JAN	16	2019-20 School Year Admissions & Enrollment Opens to the Public
TH.JAN	17	Spirit Wear Day
		6:30 PM Preschool Parent Night (Cafeteria)
FR.JAN	18	School Not in Session - Staff Development Day
SA.JAN	19	Evening Affirming Life following the 5:00 PM Mass (Doran Hall)
MO.JAN	21	School Not in Session - Martin Luther King Day
TU.JAN	22	6:30 PM First Reconciliation for the 2nd Graders (Church)
TH.JAN	24	Geography Bee Finals
		6:30 PM Kindergarten Round-Up (Cafeteria)
FR.JAN	25	8:00 AM All-School Mass (Church)
SU.JAN	27	10:00 AM Mass - Catholic Schools Week Begins
		11:00 AM Learning Festival, Pancake Breakfast, Pro-Life Bake Sale (School)

Dear St. Charles Parents,

Enrollment has kicked off, and it looks like we've set the bar for a good return. Over half of our students have enrolled for the upcoming year. If you're among the half that still need to enroll, please check your email for the link and complete that process. I enrolled my three kids last night, and it only took about 20 minutes for all three. Enrolling right away helps us move forward with budgeting, staffing, and resource planning for next year.

If your family will be applying for financial aid, please complete the TADS application process as soon as possible; the deadline to apply is **FEBRUARY 28.** You can use your 2017 tax forms if your 2018 forms are not complete by the deadline. In the past, we have done our best to help families who missed the deadline. With increased need in our population, the amount of aid available after the deadline will be significantly less, if any at all. Please honor the deadline and plan accordingly.

Aim Higher is an organization that provides Catholic families with financial aid scholarships in our diocese. Please consider applying for an Aim Higher Scholarship. The deadline to apply is February 17, 2019. Here is the link: https://aimhigherfoundation.org/scholarships/.

We have finalized our Artist-in-Residence for this spring! Susan Steadman will be working with our students on Sacred Icons from March 18-29. There will be a Sacred Icon Gallery on Sunday, March 31 after the 10:00 AM Mass for you to come see your child's and all the students' work. Please mark your calendars and let the grandparents know. We promise coffee (decaf for those grandparents), maybe donuts, and some hip Gregorian chant as background music. Preschool-8th grade will all be participating at different levels, and we are really looking forward to this opportunity for our students.

I want to pause to thank you, our parents, for the great year we are having at St. Charles. Your partnership, belief in our staff, and undying commitment to your children has the wind at our backs and our eyes fixed on a bright future. Catholic education is on the rise, and we are carrying the flag because we are the Chargers, and that is what Chargers do.

God bless you,

Danny Kieffer St. Charles Principal

Do you know a family who may be interested in learning about St. Charles School? For information and a tour, simply have them contact Danny Kieffer at 612-781-2643 or sign up on our website: Tour & Information Request Link

Thank You for Your Generosity!

Please see the attached thank you message from the staff and faculty.

LAST CALL: Stem Club Registration due Friday, January 11

NOW is the time to sign up for the 5th-8th grade STEM Club! All registration forms must be turned in by **January 11**. Details and permission form here: Stem Club

2019-20 Exclusive School Enrollment for Current Students and Parishioners is Now Open through Tuesday, January 15.

An individualized email was sent to each family yesterday to access your family's specific enrollment link, or you can log into your TADS account to start the process. The website is https://secure.tads.com/. To sign into your account you will need your email and password. If you do not know your password, click on the "Forgot your password?" prompt on the TADS website.

There is a non refundable tuition deposit of \$50 per child with a cap of \$100 per family required for enrollment. Please note that this is a deposit that will go toward tuition, and not a fee. If you wait until after February 28 to complete enrollment (including submitting required paperwork), an additional fee of \$25 per child will be added but not applied toward tuition. This fee will increase to \$50 per child on April 1.

2019-20 Preschool Parent Night - Spread the Word! Thursday, January 17

Join us for a Preschool Parent Night on January 17 at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria. Learn about our 3-Year-Old and 4-Year-Old Programs. This evening is for prospective parents as well as parents who have registered their children and want to know more- especially those new to our school.

Our Preschool Program offers

- 3-year and 4-year-old classes
- Full-day and half-day options,
- Early start and extended day,
- Committed and faith-filled staff members,
- Flexible offerings and more!

Parent Night is an opportunity to discover the value of a faith-based preschool program. Our preschool offers a warm and caring environment with a full range of learning experiences, such as art, music, physical education, media, and faith-based stories. This night is designed for adults only. We hope you can join us! RSVP: 612-781-2643 or stchbschool@gmail.com

School is not in Session Friday, January 18, for Staff Development School is not in Session Monday, January 21 for Martin Luther King Day

2019-20 Kindergarten Round-Up! Thursday, January 24

Invite everyone you know who will have a kindergartener next year to bring their child to join us for our Kindergarten Round-Up at 6:30 PM on Thursday, January 24. This a time to meet the teachers, tour the school, and learn more about the St. Charles kindergarten experience. Your invitation is the best way to get the word out about our school!

Used Uniform Collection ~ through Friday, January 25

Have your children outgrown their uniforms? If you have used uniforms in good condition that you no longer need, please consider donating them for the Used Uniform Sale that will take place at the Learning Festival on January 27. You can drop them off in the school office anytime during the school day before January 25. Some Spirit Wear will also be available for sale at the Learning Festival. Look for the used uniforms and Spirit Wear in the cafeteria on Learning Festival Day!

Learning Festival ~ Sunday, January 27

Mark your calendars for the St. Charles Learning Festival Sunday, January 27, from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Start the day with 10:00 AM Start of Catholic Schools Week Mass and then head to the school for a pancake breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus, a chance to check out all the amazing student projects, and purchase some extra goodies to support the Middle School Pro-life Bake Sale.

Box Tops for Education

The school received a check in the amount of \$384.50 from the Box Tops for Education program. Thank you for supporting this program. Keep up the great work and keep clipping!

2018 Education Tax Information

The 2018 Education Subtraction and Credit Form is attached to this newsletter.

Last Chance: Father Daughter Breakfast this Sunday!

Most every young lady wants to dance with her Dad! Make it happen at the Father-Daughter Breakfast following the 10:00 AM Mass on January 13. **Make your reservation online** <u>Father/Daughter</u> or in the parish office by Friday, January 11.

Calling all Men ~ Thursday, January 17

You are invited to the next Catholic Watchmen event on Thursday, January 17, at 6:30 PM in Doran Hall. The evening includes a manly meal and beverages, lively discussion, and opportunities for adoration and confession. No tickets or reservations needed – a freewill offering is requested to cover the cost of the meal/beverages.

Diaper and Formula Drive ~ through January 20

January 22nd marks the 46th anniversary of the infamous Supreme Court decision Roe v. Wade. Our Diaper and Formula drive gives us an opportunity to support those who have said "yes" to life despite difficult situations. Please bring your diaper and formula donations to church. Thanks for your generosity!

Evening Affirming Life Free Spaghetti Dinner ~ Saturday, January 19

Celebrate life by by attending the Respect Life Dinner on Saturday, January 19, in Doran Hall after the 5:00 PM Mass. Our guest speaker is Nancy Utoft, Executive Director of Abria Pregnancy Resources. Tickets to reserve your spot are available after all Masses this weekend or Free Dinner.

SAVE THE DATE: PICK YOUR TEAMS! Dodgeball Tournament - Saturday, March 2

The St. Charles Women's Council is hosting its second annual Dodgeball Tournament on Saturday, March 2, 2019 in the St. Charles School Gym. More information regarding how to sign up coming soon!

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 the repose of the soul of Raymond Hrbacek, grandfather to students Ray, Josephine, and Walter, and for the comfort of his family.
- For the repose of the soul of Father Paul LaFontaine and for the comfort of his family.
- For extra prayers for staff member Mary Kate Calhoun's mother, Kathleen Marin.
- For healing from epilepsy for Anna Stevenson
- ♦ 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.

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
- St. Charles Parish ~ http://www.stchb.org/
- St. Anthony Boosters Baseball

★Weekly Update **article deadline: Wednesday 9:00 AM - Send submissions to mwappes@stchbs.org.**★