



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Attendance Line: 612-787-1199 option 1

Weekly Update 19~ January 17, 2019

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- TH. JAN 17 6:30 PM Preschool Parent Night** (Cafeteria)
6:30 PM Catholic Watchmen (Doran Hall)
- FR. JAN 18 School Not in Session** - Staff Development Day
- SA. JAN 19 Evening Affirming Life** following 5:00 PM Mass (Doran Hall)
- SU. JAN 20 Donut Sunday** after morning Masses (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,

If you have never heard me giggle, it happens when something exciting or funny catches me by surprise. It is high pitched and funny sounding so I try to stop it as soon as possible. It's been happening this past week every time I look at how many of our students have already re-enrolled for next year! This is a huge help in planning and preparing for the year to come, and it saves us from having to spend time bugging people. Thanks for your support! I sat down with School Advisory this past week to look at our enrollment trends, and our 2016 goal of hitting 320 students by the year 2020 is attainable! Thank you for sharing St. Charles with your friends and family members. I've spoken to many prospective parents lately who cite our parents' raving reviews as their main reason for applying at St. Charles.

Tonight is Preschool Parent Night. The team and I are ready to welcome the next wave of little Chargers into our school and community. Doors open this evening at 6:15 with the "show" going on at 6:30. There is still time to invite someone to join us!

Many of you preschool parents reading this have plans to attend our Kindergarten Open House on January 24. Please remember to arrive between 6:15-6:30 and to bring your kindergartener along. The children will spend time in the classrooms with our kindergarten teachers. The "show" goes on at 6:30, so arrive before then to check in and secure your seat. We are expecting a crowd, so be prepared.

Aim Higher is a non-profit organization that assists parents in making sure that each and every child is able to attend Catholic School. They give out scholarships all across our diocese. Students from St. Charles have

received them each year. This year, they have invited everyone in our diocese to apply for Aim Higher Scholarships through TADS. Attached you will find a flier that includes details about how to apply for these scholarships. I really do encourage you to apply if you receive financial aid, or think that you may be eligible. The deadline is February 17, 2019.

Please keep our 2nd grade students in your prayers as they prepare to receive their Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Tuesday, January 22. This is such a special year in their lives.

Don't forget about Catholic Schools Week -- 10:00 Mass on January 27 and the Learning Festival to follow. The Knights will host a pancake breakfast once again, so show up hungry.

God bless you,

Danny Kieffer
St. Charles Principal

TONIGHT: 2019-20 Preschool Parent Night

Join us for a Preschool Parent Night tonight 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**

NEW: 2019-20 School Enrollment Now Open to the Public

Admissions for the 2019-20 school year are now open to the public. Please let your family, friends and neighbors know. All applications are completed online at this site: [Admissions](#)

Find tuition information here: [2019-20 Tuition](#).

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.

School is not in Session Friday, January 18, for Staff Development

School is not in Session Monday, January 21 for Martin Luther King Day

Volunteer Opportunities for Germ City Presentation ~ Tuesday, January 22

Germ City is a science-based, interactive education program for school students. The presentation includes a hands-on opportunity to learn about the importance of frequent and effective hand washing. The health office will be presenting Germ City to the students. Volunteers are needed to assist and supervise hand washing post-presentation. Tuesday, January 22 - 8:30 - 10:30
You can sign-up here - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449afad29abfb6-stcharles>

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!

Update: Stem Club Registration extended to Thursday, January 24

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](#)

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.

Kids Heart Challenge ~ February 4- February 8

Kids Heart Challenge, formerly known as Jump Rope for Heart, is coming. Check out this link to see how to register: [Kids Heart Challenge](#). Contact Mr. Carpenter with questions at tcarpenter@stchbs.org.

2018 Education Tax Information

Click here for the 2018 [K-12 Education Subtraction and Credit Form](#).

Scholarship Opportunities

The Aim Higher Foundation provides two types of scholarships for students to attend a Catholic school in the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. The application period for scholarships for the 2019-20 academic year closes February 17, 2019. We aim to award the scholarships and notify families and schools in early March. For more details see the attached flyer.

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](#)

PARISH OPPORTUNITIES

TONIGHT: Calling all Men

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 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 Lucille Jones, mother of staff member Mark, and for the comfort of her family.
- ❖ For Jackie P., extended family of staff member Amy K., for quick heart recovery so she can go home to her newborn.
- ❖ For extra prayers for staff member Mary Kate Calhoun's mother, Kathleen Marin.
- ❖ 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/>

[St. Anthony Boosters Baseball](#)

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