



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Attendance Line: 612-787-1199 option 1

Weekly Update 29~ April 4, 2019

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FR. APR 05** 8:00 AM School Mass for Students and Grandparents
After Mass, Grandparents of K-4th Graders Join Students in the Cafeteria
After Mass, Grandparents of Preschoolers Join Students in Classroom
1:45 PM K-8 Stations of the Cross (Church)
- SA. APR 06** Blessings of Expectant Parents and Religions Articles after 8:00 AM Mass
- SU. APR 07** 8th Grade Confirmand NET Retreat
- MO. APR 08** Out-of-Uniform Pass Day
- TU. APR 09** 7:00 PM Home & School Meeting (104)
7:00 PM Women's Council Evening of Reflection (Church and Doran Hall)
- TH. APR 11** **Spirit Wear Day**
Severe Weather Awareness Day
7:00 PM Chrism Mass (Cathedral)
- FR. APR 12** 8:00 AM K-8 School Mass
K-4 Lenten Day of Renewal
1:45 PM 8th Grade Re-enactment of the Stations of the Cross (Church)
- SA. APR 13** 10:30 AM Penance Service (Church)
- MO. APR 15** Charge to Serve T-Shirt Day
Out-of-Uniform Pass Day
SCRIP Orders Due
Charger Visit
12:10 PM 5th Grade DARE Graduation (Doran Hall)
- TU. APR 16** Parkway Pizza Fundraising Day
5th-8th Grade Spirit Wear Day
6:30 PM School Advisory Council (104)

Dear St. Charles Parents,

The change in pick-up location for preschool is working out beautifully! Pick up is faster for everyone. Please make sure you use our procedures. They work even better now.

Registration for the Borromeo Bash opens tomorrow! Please follow the link to secure your tickets. Last year we did fill up, so act soon. Tickets are only \$35 for a fantastic dinner and fun-filled evening.

Tomorrow is our Grandparents' Day Mass! We are honoring our grandparents at 8:00 AM Mass. Grandparents of K-4 students are invited to a brief reception in the cafeteria. The reception will end and classes will resume around 9:30 AM. Grandparents of preschool students may visit classrooms right after Mass.

Please look below for a short explanation and opportunity to have your voice heard about the Equity and Opportunity Scholarship Act! We are lobbying for this act to pass to create more scholarship opportunities and tax breaks for our parents. Please read and follow the links below to support this act!

Equity and Opportunity Scholarship ACT

Last week, the [Equity and Opportunity Scholarship Act \(SF 1872\)](#) was heard in the Minnesota Senate. The hearing, and the press conference afterwards, received attention and media coverage across the entire state. Parents, students, educators, the Senate Majority Leader, and the bill's author were featured. Momentum is building to help make a positive difference for Minnesota students.

As you know, opportunity scholarships will help families send their children to the school that is the best fit for them. No child should be denied a good education because of their ZIP code or their family's financial situation.

But to move this bill forward, we need everyone to speak up. Please click here to visit the [Opportunity for All Kids \(OAK\) Action Center](#) where you can easily send an email to your representatives and the Governor. Lawmakers are watching to see which issues matter to their constituents - please make sure your support for Minnesota's students is loud and clear.

God Bless,
Mr. Kieffer
St. Charles Principal

Volunteers Opportunities

We are in need of volunteers for the following events...please sign-up here: [Sign-Up Genius](#)

5th Grade DARE Graduation Reception - Monday, April 15, from 11:45 AM - 1:15 PM

We are looking for two parent volunteers to coordinate, setup and clean-up the upcoming 5th grade DARE Graduation Reception. This is held after the 12:10 PM ceremony (Doran Hall) for the 5th grade students and any 5th grade parents who attend. Are you a 5th grade parent, planning on attending? This is a great volunteer opportunity for you!! Additional information will be provided to volunteers.

2nd Grade First Communion Reception - Wednesday, April 24, from 6:30 - 9:00 PM

We are looking for a second parent volunteer to help coordinate, setup and clean-up the upcoming 2nd grade First Communion reception. This is held in Doran Hall after the First Communion rehearsal (6-7 PM) for the 2nd grade students and parents who attend. We ask that this volunteer NOT be a 2nd grade parent, as we want them to be able to celebrate with their children. Additional information will be provided to volunteers.

SUMMER CAMPS at St. Charles School

Summer is right around the corner... You won't want to miss these fun opportunities for summer camps at St. Charles School!

Art Camp for students going into grades K-9 (6/10- 6/13)

Basketball Camps for students going into grades 2-9 (6/10 - 6/13)

Volleyball Camps for students going into grades 4-9 (6/17- 6/20)

Floor Hockey Camp for students going into grades 5-9 (6/17 - 6/20)

More information and registration forms here: [Summer Camps](#)

Service Opportunity Continues: Travel-Size Care Products for the Homeless

Now through April 18, Charge to Serve, along with the Women's Council, will be collecting travel-size toiletries and care products for the homeless. Donations can be dropped off in your student's classroom. For more information: [Blessing Bags for the Homeless](#)

2018 Education Tax Information

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

2019-20 School Enrollment is Open

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

Lent Happenings at St. Charles

Evening of Reflection for Women - Tuesday, April 9

The evening will start at 7:00 PM with adoration in the Church, followed by a brief meeting in Doran Hall to elect next year's officers for the Women's Council. **Our speaker will be Bridget Busacker talking on "Faith of a Mustard Seed: Starting Small with Jesus."** Bridget grew up in the parish. Come join us and reflect as we near the end of this Lenten Season. (If you are attending the Home and School Meeting, please feel free to stop in afterwards. **Refreshments will be served around 7:30, and the talk will begin at 8:00 PM.**)

Extra Opportunities to Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation During Lent

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 5:00-5:30 PM

Wednesdays 7:30-7:50 AM

Saturdays 8:30-9:00 AM, 3:30-4:30 PM

Communal Reconciliation Service Saturday, April 13, 10:30 AM (no 8:30 AM Confessions)

Share Our Blessings Easter Food Drive

The St. Charles Community begins their 12th Annual Easter Food Drive this weekend. Help us reach our goal of providing 200 families in the Northeast Community with an Easter meal. There are three different ways to help: fill a grocery bag with suggested menu items, make a monetary donation, or volunteer your time. See the display in the Church Atrium for full details. **Grocery bags and donation envelopes are available in the school office.** This is a great family project for the Lent!

Fridays of Lent: Soup Suppers April 5 & April 12

The meal (catered by Panera) begins at 5:45 PM Fridays and will go for about an hour. During the last fifteen minutes, a short inspirational video will be shown, followed by a reflection on the Seven Last Words of Christ. All are then invited to participate in the Stations of the Cross beginning at 7 PM in the church, which will include Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. There will be no charge, tickets, or reservations. A free will offering is needed to cover expenses.

Stations of the Cross: Fridays, 1:45 and 7 PM in the Church.

Extreme Faith Camp for 6th- 8th Graders

It's time to sign up for Extreme Faith Camp 2019!

When: Monday, June 24 - Friday June 28

Where: Camp Courage in Maple Lake, Minnesota

Who: Current 6th-8th grade students + parent volunteers (You are invited!)

Cost: \$380 for the 1st Child; \$360 for the 2nd Child (Fundraisers are happening this Spring)

Registration Deadline: Thursday, April 22nd

How to sign up: Return the pre-registration form with a \$50 deposit to either the school or parish office

Sign up: <https://stchb.org/youth>. For more information contact Rachel Houghlum at rhoughlum@stchb.org.

Save the date for Totus Tuus! July 7- 12

Watch for details.

Prayer Corner ~

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

- ❖ Please pray for our school office staff member Sue McSherry as she battles cancer.
- ❖ For a quick recovery and to be able to come home from the hospital for Tim O., a friend of school a school family.
- ❖ For eternal rest for Leona Johnson, great grandmother to students Ray, Walter, and Josie, and for the comfort of her family.
- ❖ Please pray for comfort and peace for Rose Mooney as she begins hospice care. She is great grandmother to students John, Qolbe, and Asher.
- ❖ For eternal rest for Thomas Vana, brother of Craig Vana who is a former St. Charles staff member and long-time advisor. And for the comfort of Thomas's family.
- ❖ For Brady Swenson, a middle school student at Sacred Heart in Robbinsdale. On February 5, on the way to school, he and his father were hit by a drunk driver. **He and his family continue to need much support from all our prayer warriors.**
- ❖ For Henry R.'s grandmother, for a full recovery from heart surgery.
- ❖ 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 In-House Summer Soccer](#)
[St. Anthony Boosters Baseball](#)
[St. Anthony Boosters Softball](#)
[St. Thomas Academy STEM Event](#)
[Totino-Grace Open House Events](#)

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