



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Weekly Update 19~ January 30, 2020

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FR. JAN 31	8:00 AM K-8 School Mass (church) 7:30 PM 6th-8th Grade Parent Meeting (youth room)
SA. FEB 01	9:00 AM First Day of 5th-8th Grade STEM Club. (Registration due 1/31)
MO. FEB 03	Out-of-Uniform Pass Day Blessing of Throats and Social Sunday (school)
FR. FEB 07	8:00 AM K-8 School Mass (Church) 7:00 PM Middle School Friday Night Live (youth room)
SA. FEB 08	Liz Hickman & Sue McSherry Basketball Blast
MO. FEB 10	Out-of-Uniform Pass Day
TH. FEB 13	NPH Spirit Wear (or orange) Day for \$1
FR. FEB 14	8:00 AM K-8 School Mass (Church)

Dear St. Charles Parents,

Thank you for an amazing Learning Festival last Sunday! What a great turnout and opportunity to connect mid-year. Catholic Schools Week is always action packed, and this year is no exception. Yesterday's Beach Day that ended with a dance party in the gym was a huge success. The students and staff all seemed to have a good time with the limbo, line dancing, the conga line, and plenty of steel drums! I think we have a new St. Charles Catholic Schools Week tradition on our hands.

On Tuesday, our 2nd graders received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Please keep them in your prayers on their path to First Communion in the spring.

In other news, the seasonal ailments are hitting St. Charles. Please watch your children for symptoms, and if you have questions about when to keep students home see [when-my-child should-stay -home](#).

Today is Service Day: Faith in Action. Our 5th-8th graders spent time at Feed My Starving Children performing Corporal Acts of Mercy. Our Kindergarten-4th grade students made Valentines for our veterans, showing appreciation to those men and women who laid their lives on the line for us.

Thank you for your support during this celebration of our faith and school.

God bless you,
Danny Kieffer

STEM Club Registration Due ~ January 31 (starts this Saturday)

Stem Club is for 5th-8th graders who excel at math and science and have a desire to work beyond the school curriculum. The focus this year is on technology, including robotics and microcontrollers, while continuing to explore math, engineering, and science. This program runs for six Saturday mornings from 9:00 AM-noon, February 1-March 7. Cost is \$40/student. Click here for all the details and to register:

[STEM Club 2020](#). Questions, contact Jeff: jeffrey.York@bus.illinois.edu

Catholic Schools Week ~ Sunday, January 26 - Friday, January 31

Our attached Catholic Schools Week flyer will help you navigate all the out-of-uniform days and all the special events the week holds.

Sign Up Genius ~ New Opportunities

Home & School is looking for volunteers to work the concession stand during our upcoming **Liz Hickman & Sue McSherry Basketball Blast on Saturday, February 8th**. There are several shifts to choose from. This is a great opportunity for 7th & 8th graders to earn service hours. There are also opportunities to help at Intramurals.

You can see available shifts and sign-up here - [Sign-Up Genius](#)

Scholarships Through AIM Higher Foundation ~ Apply by February 18, 2020

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. **Here you will find a flier that includes details about how to apply for these scholarships:** [Aim Higher Scholarship](#). I really do encourage you to apply if you already receive financial aid, or think that you may be eligible. The deadline is February 18, 2020.

15th Annual Liz Hickman /1st Annual Sue McSherry Basketball Blast ~ February 8

Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 8, for this amazing day. Watch for more details in a separate email.

Box Tops for Education Update: A Message from Our Box Top Coordinator

It's time to turn in all Box Tops for the next mailing. Soon BTFE will stop printing Box Tops on boxes; HOWEVER, you may still send in any unexpired Box Tops until they are gone. Please send in as many as possible.

As of right now, you may start scanning your receipts, and St. Charles will get instant credit. Just download the App on your phone and scan. It's very easy, and St. Charles will earn 10 cents for each item. That's a lot!!!

If you don't want to scan your receipts, send your receipts to school, and I will scan them for you. (My pleasure). Please call me if you have any questions: Kathy 763-439-9175. Thank you for continuing to support St. Charles !!!

Kids Heart Challenge ~ February 10 - February 14

Kids Heart Challenge, formerly known as Jump Rope for Heart, is here for K-4 students. (Middle school students will be able to participate in Hockey for Heart during the floor hockey season.) Check out this link to see how to register:

<https://www.stchbschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Kids-Heart-Challenge.pdf> . Contact Mr. Carpenter with questions at tcarpenter@stchbs.org.

Calling All Mothers of Young Children

Check out this Lenten Morning of Reflection for mothers of young children on February 29 that is sponsored by the Cana Institute. Register here: [Retreat Opportunity](#). For more information contact Brigid at brigidbarrett7@gmail.com.

Play Group in Doran Hall Thursday (2/6) at 10 AM. All are welcome for coffee and playtime!

2020-21 School Enrollment Now Open to the Public

Admissions for the 2020-21 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: [2020-21 Tuition](#) .

2019 Education Tax Information

Click here for the 2019 [K-12 Education Subtraction and Credit Form](#).

St. Charles Community Outreach

Staff Services works to acknowledge life-changing events involving our staff, students (current and past), and their families. Such events may include critical illnesses and deaths. If you have information about current or former students who have lost a loved one, or are in need of prayerful support, please contact our Staff Service Committee liaison, Mrs. Teri Wysopal at 612.787.1107 or via email at twysopal@stchbs.org

Do you know a family who may be interested in learning about St. Charles School?

Simply have them contact Danny Kieffer at 612-781-2643 for information and a tour or sign up on our website: [Tour & Information Request Link](#)

Parish Corner

Middle School Youth Updates

6th-8th Grade PARENT MEETING ~ FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

A message from Andrew Wagenbach, St. Charles Youth Director:

I would like to invite 6th-8th grade parents **Friday, January 31, from 7:30 PM-8:15 PM for a summer information night in the youth room.** We will talk about Extreme Faith Camp, fundraising, and Discipleship Groups. Hope you can join us as it would be great to meet you, and for you to hear from me about the hope and vision I have for middle school youth ministry at St. Charles.

Extreme Faith Camp (EFC) June 22-26 (open to current 6-8th graders)

It's hard to be thinking about summer, but the sooner you sign up your child with a deposit for EFC it will secure them a spot this summer. We expect a full week again, and I would love to have 35 kids this year (we had 21 last summer) We never want money to be the issue for your child to come to something we offer, so please contact me if that is the reason you are feeling like you can't have your child attend. Scholarships are always available. stchb.org/efc2020

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 Jerome Sauer, father of Peggy Sauer (friend and donor to the St. Charles community) and for the comfort of his family.
- ❖ For healing for Hannah Meidl's grandmother.
- ❖ For healing for Ms.Huggar's mother, Kathy Carlson, as she battles cancer.
- ❖ For staff member Glenn Kaslow's 2-year-old grand nephew Liam during this time of chemo.
- ❖ For the repose of the soul of Sue McSherry and for the comfort of her family.
- ❖ For healing for student Holden C's grandmother Beverly.
- ❖ For Kelly K, former staff member, for healing from cancer.
- ❖ For Susan B, for healing as she battles cancer -- mother of former students.
- ❖ For healing for great, great aunt of Lilly and Leo M. and Noah, Luke, and Mike S., who has stage 4 leukemia.
- ❖ For all St. Charles families, new and old, that they may be strengthened in 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 ~ [SignUpGenius - St. Charles](#)

St Charles Facebook ~ <https://www.facebook.com/stchbs>

St Anthony Soccer Winter Training Clinic <https://stanthonykickers.sportngin.com/register/form/454516534>

SANB Softball registration is now open <https://www.saboosters.org/page/show/629529-registration>

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

