

Weekly Update 30 ~ April 23, 2020

Dear St. Charles Parents,

Thank you for the many responses to last week's survey. We have been going over the results, identifying trends, and looking for ways to improve. I really appreciate the affirmation, acknowledgment, and partnership in your responses.

I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge you, the parents, for your tremendous work at home with your children. We know that many households are facing challenges due to the COVID crisis. In addition, you are now supporting your own kids with distance learning. We know how hard you are working, and we appreciate your partnership more than ever. We can't give our kids a "normal" school year, but we can give them our best. I want you to know that you are enough, and your best is enough. At the end of the day, please find peace with your efforts and know they are appreciated.

Look for a longer update and communication tomorrow or Monday as we continue to process and discuss survey data.

Thank you & God bless you, Danny Kieffer St. Charles Principal

Please Note regarding Google Meets: All Google meetings with students will be recorded and saved in Google Drive for the safety of students and staff.

How WE can help YOU during this time:

Several families in our parish and school community have been impacted by the precautions and actions taken due to COVID-19. **If you are wondering how we might be able to help each other,** there is something that we can do, and we don't even have to leave our house to make a big difference. If you are able, please consider making an online donation on the parish website to help those in our parish and school community who have been negatively impacted due to the current situation. Even a small offering might make a huge impact to a family in need, and even if all you can offer at the moment is a prayer, that is welcome as well. Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

How to donate: Please make your online donation here > scroll down and click on Sister Stephan's Purse. You can make a one-time or recurring donation. These funds will be used to help families in need. **WE** can make a difference together.

How may I receive donations? If you are struggling financially, have been furloughed, or out of work, please know that this fund is for **YOU!** These resources are available to help you meet the essential needs of your family. Please contact Deacon Najarian for more details at: deaconsnajarian@stchb.org or 612-787-1184

Latest Updates and Resources

- See the parish website and parish YouTube channel for updates and videos from our parish
 and youth minister: https://www.stchb.org/, https://www.stchb.org/at-home and stchb-YouTube.
 If you would like to receive emails from our youth minister Andrew Wagenbach with the latest
 video and quarantine message, please email him at awagenbach@stchb.org.
- Resources from Keri Brenden, our school counselor:
 - Sesame Street: A Message from Elmo's Dad
 - o Common Sense Media Resources for Families During the Coronavirus
 - Childmind The Power of Mindfulness
 - Self-Care in the Time of Coronavirus Childmind Institute
 - Feeling Overwhelmed with all of the Resources & Juggling Work and Kids at Home? -Whole Child Counseling
 - o Brain Breaks from Allina Healthy: https://www.changetochill.org/chill-breaks/
 - Big Life Journal Stay-at-home Care Pack
- Guide to Using Google Classroom as a Student: <u>UsingGoogleClassroom</u>
- Parent Technology Helpline: Our helpline will be open each day from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM for
 your technology questions. If you have a question, please email chargertechhelp@stchbs.org
 and include your phone number. Requests for support will be handled in the order they are
 received. If our helpdesk will not be able to help you on the day you request it, you will receive
 a message informing you that you'll receive a response the following day.
- St. Charles Summer Camps: SummerCamps

2019 Education Tax Information: K-12 Education Subtraction and Credit Form

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 health of all our students, families, and staff during this pandemic.
- ❖ For healing from cancer for LeeAnn, Marion Patton's sister-in-law, and for the health and needs of LeeAnn's husband and children.
- ❖ For recovery from surgery for the great aunt of Lilly and Leo M. and Noah, Luke, and Mike S., who has stage 4 leukemia.
- For the repose of the soul of Gary Branson, grandfather of students Adella and Naomi, and for the comfort of his family.
- For student Estelle's mom, Ann Blomquist praying for someone to be able to donate a kidney for her: http://umnhealthlivingdonor.org/.
- For healing for staff member Dana Huggar's mother, Kathy Carlson, as she battles cancer.
- 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 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 Facebook ~ https://www.facebook.com/stchbs

Moore Than Dance ~ <u>MooreThanDanceSummer2020</u>

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