

Weekly Update 32 ~ May 7, 2020

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FR.MAY 08 Noon - 3:00 PM Preschool, Pre-K, and Elementary pick-up (lower parking lot)
SU.MAY 31 Noon - Confirmation Mass (church)
WE.JUN 03 6:30 PM Graduation Mass (church)

Dear St. Charles Parents,

I said a lot last week, so I don't have as much to say this week.

I want to thank our Home & School Council and Angie Johnson, who manages the Facebook page, for planning our Virtual Teacher Appreciation Week fun! I also want to take the chance, as a St. Charles parent and as the principal, to extend my deep gratitude and appreciation to the St. Charles teachers. I express my appreciation for our teachers every year during this week (and maybe one or two other times during the year), but I don't know that I've ever felt it and meant it the way I do this year.

Tomorrow is pick-up day in the lower parking lot from noon-3:00 PM for preschool through 4th grade students. I'm sure you've received plenty of communication about this, so I won't go beyond mentioning it and saying that the teachers are really excited to see the students (in their cars, of course)!

That's all I have for this week; keep charging ahead, Chargers!

God bless you, Danny Kieffer St. Charles Principal

Latest Updates and Resources

- Parish Information: <u>https://www.stchb.org/</u>, <u>https://www.stchb.org/at-home</u> and stchb-YouTube.
- If you would like to donate to help school and parish families in need during this time, you may
 make an online donation <u>here</u> > scroll down and click on Sister Stephan's Purse.
- If you are struggling financially, have been furloughed, or are out of work, please know that there are resources 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
- New resources from Keri Brenden, our school counselor:
 - NYT Children May Be Afraid of Masks Here's How to Help.
 - Talking to Teens about Concerns Language for Parents During Times of Worry
 - For past resource suggestions go to the end of this newsletter
- 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.
- 2019 Education Tax Information: K-12 Education Subtraction and Credit Form
- We regret to inform you that the 2020 St. Charles Summer Camps have been cancelled

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 the repose of the soul of LeeAnn Carlin, Marion Patton's sister-in-law, and for the comfort of her family.
- For student Estelle's mom, Ann Blomquist praying for someone to be able to donate a kidney for her: <u>http://umnhealthlivingdonor.org/</u>.
- For recovery from surgery for the great aunt of Lilly and Leo M. and Noah, Luke, and Mike S.
- 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 ~ <u>St. Charles Calendar Link</u> St Charles Facebook ~ <u>https://www.facebook.com/stchbs</u> Moore Than Dance ~ <u>MooreThanDanceSummer2020</u>

Resources During Pandemic Time

- Sesame Street: A Message from Elmo's Dad
- 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
- Brain Breaks from Allina Healthy: <u>https://www.changetochill.org/chill-breaks/</u>
- Big Life Journal Stay-at-home Care Pack

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