



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Weekly Update 37 ~ June 11, 2020

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SU. JUN 14 Noon First Communion Mass (for First Communicants and their families only)

TU. JUN 23-TH. JUN 25 Extreme Faith Day Camp for 2019/20 6th-8th graders

Dear St. Charles Parents,

As we begin the summer, I have just a few things to update you on. There are many questions about what the fall will look like, and I want you to know that Fr. Przybilla and I are behind Bishop Cozzens's commitment to have Catholic schools open this fall. There are questions about what practices and equipment we will need to meet the guidelines for opening, there are questions about what the guidelines will be, and there are questions about what the comfort levels of our families will be in regard to returning to school. We do know that this virus has rarely proven to be dangerous to youngsters, but there is concern about the spread of the virus from young people who come into contact with those who may be at risk. To give us a sense of where our families are about returning to school, we will be releasing 2-3 surveys this summer. We are doing this more than once because we understand circumstances and feelings can change between now and the first day of school and your input helps us plan for the year ahead. Look for the first survey during the month of June.

We are still in the process of finalizing our annual calendar for the upcoming school year. I do apologize that we don't have this for you yet and promise to send it out next week.

This year we were not able to hold our Borrromeo Bash as we have in previous years. This event has always been a great celebration of community and fellowship as well as a successful fundraiser for our school. I really feel our community is missing the opportunity to get together, celebrate, and bond. Unfortunately, not much can be done about that at this point. We look forward to opportunities like this in the year ahead.

In place of the fundraising that we do at the Borrromeo Bash, we will be running a summer appeal for our beloved school. We realize that the crises we've experienced in recent times have left many families in difficult financial positions. Our hope is to raise about \$20,000 allowing us to keep our Gary Wilmer scholarship funds healthy, purchase all of the new social studies resources, and give our community the opportunity to support our school. To maximize our efforts, I've applied for a grant from CSCOE that would match our donations up to \$11,250. These funds would be dedicated to providing scholarship money for families and maintaining or even increasing enrollment. This is per the requirements of the grant. We have experienced an increase in financial need from our families and anticipate there may be more coming over this summer. Next week, I'll have an update on the grant application and more details about this summer appeal.

This weekend, on Corpus Christi Sunday, our 2nd graders receive the gift of First Communion! They've been preparing for this all year. They are very excited, and we are very proud of them. I'd like to acknowledge Anne

Flynn and Laura Bilski for leading our kids through this process. Please keep all of our First Communicants and their catechists in your prayers.

God bless you,
Danny Kieffer
St. Charles Principal

Donald's Uniform Store ~ June Sale

During June, Donald's is offering 20% off all basic uniforms and 10% off school logo merchandise. For all the details: <https://www.donaldsuniform.com/>

Educational Outfitters ~ June Sale

For the safety of clients and employees, Educational Outfitters is having an ONLINE-only sale. Parents can always make exchanges in August before school starts, if their child grows. Until further notice, only curbside service available. See attached flyer.

Extreme Faith DAY Camp ~ June 23-25

Extreme Faith Day Camp for 2019/20 6th-8th graders is happening June 23-25 from noon to 9:00P PM at St. Charles. See the attached flyer for details and to register. Limited registration.

Youth Group Opportunities for All 4th-8th Graders

For details contact Andrew Wagenbach, youth minister: awagenbach@stchb.org

Congratulations!

Congratulations to St. Charles alum, Dillon O. (2016), upon receiving the prestigious Totino Grace English Department Award.

Thank You

We received a \$500 donation from 3M as part of their volunteer program. Kelly Stein submitted her St. Charles volunteer hours to 3M, and they made this donation to us for her volunteer work.

Thank you to both Kelly and 3M!

Yearbooks

Due to COVID-19 restrictions at the publishing company, yearbooks will not be available until later in the summer. Thanks for your patience.

Updates and Resources

- Parish Information: <https://www.stchb.org/>, <https://www.stchb.org/at-home> 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 [here](#) > 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
- 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 canceled**

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.
- ❖ Correction: For a safe 12 month deployment to Africa for the mother of students **Nina**, Calvin, and Minnie and for the whole family during this time.
- ❖ For the Olson family as they face medical challenges in this complicated time.
- ❖ For healing from COVID-19 for Ian B's grandmother Norma.
- ❖ For student Estelle's mom, Ann Blomquist - praying for someone to be able to donate a kidney for her. For more information on how to help: <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 ~ [MooreThanDanceSummer2020](#)

St. Anthony Community Theater: "What is Your Superpower?" ~ <https://sactheater.org/>

Resources During Pandemic Time

- [Florida International University - 6 Tips to Survive a Covid-19 Summer with your Kids](#)
- [US News and World Report - Helping Young People Gain Resilience during the Pandemic](#)
- [Spark and Stitch Institute - Motivation during a pandemic](#)
- [Spark and Stitch Institute - Do Screen Time Rules Matter in a Pandemic?](#)
- [Spark and Stitch Institute - The Many Faces of Stress in Children and Teens](#)
- [NYT - Children May Be Afraid of Masks - Here's How to Help.](#)
- [Talking to Teens about Concerns - Language for Parents During Times of Worry](#)
- [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: <https://www.changetochill.org/chill-breaks/>
 - [Big Life Journal - Stay-at-home Care Pack](#)
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