



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Weekly Update 16 ~ January 14, 2021

Attendance & Sick Line: 612-787-1131

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FR. JAN 15** **Out-of Uniform Day for \$1 (or more) donation for Our Lady of Peace Cancer Home**
24th Annual Audrey Puchtel Day
8:00 AM 3rd grade Mass (church)
- MO. JAN 18** School Not in Session - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- TU. JAN 19** 1:45 PM Middle School Mass (church)
- WE. JAN 20** **2021/22 Admissions open to the public**
8:00 AM 4th grade Mass (church)
6:30 PM 5th -12th grade January Youth Formation Night (church)
- TH. JAN 21** 8:00 AM 2nd grade Mass (church)
- FR. JAN 22** 8:00 AM Middle School out-of-uniform passes may be used
8:00 AM 3rd grade Mass (church)
- MO. JAN 25** **Spirit Wear Day**
- TU. JAN 26** 1:45 PM Middle School Mass (church)
6:30 PM First Reconciliation (church)
- FR. JAN 29** School not in session - staff development

Dear Parents,

In the first 24 hours of enrollment, over 44% of our current preschool-7th grade population already re-enrolled for the upcoming school year. Thank you! For those of you who have not re-enrolled, it is a huge help to us, not to mention cost-saving for you, if you would please handle this right away. The re-enrollment process just takes a few clicks per child. Enrolling now secures a spot for your child and helps with planning for the upcoming school year. In February, I start working on the budget and staffing for the next school year! Enrollment is off to a great start, and early projections indicate that our school will grow a bit for the sixth consecutive year.

With enrollment open, so is financial aid at St. Charles. Tuition is a reality we face being a Catholic School. We offer financial aid because it is a part of our mission to make sure Catholic education is available to all who desire it. As our population grows and demographics change, each year we see an increase in families applying for financial aid. The pandemic has added to this increase in the need for financial support. If you are a family who is in need of financial assistance, I have two requests. The first request is that you apply and do so in a timely manner. Apply through your TADs account. This helps greatly with our planning. My second request is that when you apply, make a request for aid that meets your needs, understanding that there will still be sacrifice involved.

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, you may apply for Aim Higher Scholarships through TADS. See this flyer for details on how to apply: [Aim Higher Scholarship](#). If you already receive financial aid or think that you may be eligible, I really do encourage you to apply. The deadline is February 20, 2020.

Weather coming!!!

As a reminder, we normally follow the St. Anthony School District when it comes to school closings; however, with the St. Anthony district in distance learning mode, we will be making our own calls on cancellations. In the case of a closing or early dismissal, you will receive an alert through Educate via text, call, or email - **whatever you have selected**. We also post on WCCO if you like watching the news marquee. Please be prepared to watch for cancellations or early dismissals when the weather is suspect.

The modified Audrey Puchtel basketball event is going on tomorrow. Please see a note from Mr. Kenney below!

God bless your MLK Day Weekend!

Danny Kieffer
Principal of St. Charles School

January 16 — Audrey Puchtel Basketball Fundraiser - Make a donation & come out of uniform

January 19 — Virtual Preschool Parent Night — Going out via email

January 19 — Virtual Kindergarten Round-Up — Going out via email

January 31 — Opening of Catholic Schools Week: 10:00 AM Mass

January 31 — February 7 - Catholic Schools Week!

February 7 — Virtual Learning Festival — Going out via email

MENU CHANGE for tomorrow, Friday, January 15

Lunch will be a turkey sub sandwich with cheese, seasoned curly fries, and assorted fruit

Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) testing sites:

<https://mn.gov/covid19/get-tested/testing-locations/community-testing.jsp>

Do you still have a Chromebook at home from January distance learning?

If your student used a school Chromebook for temporary distance learning, please return it with the cord as soon as possible. Also, some Chromebooks came back to school without their cords. Please check at home for any missing cords. Thank you!!

Is your student missing a flash drive?

A flash drive was found in the parking lot. If your student is missing theirs, please have them stop by the school office.

24th Annual Audrey Puchtel Day ~ Tomorrow, Friday, January 15

This year, the Audrey Puchtel Day looks very different than usual. However, with a little creativity, we will still be able to honor Audrey who was a long time St Charles employee who passed away in 1994 with cancer. Our Lady of Peace Hospice Home in St. Paul was a favorite charity of hers. **All students (K - 8) may come out of uniform that day with a dollar (or more) donation.** The 8th graders will participate in a Green vs. White format of basketball activities from 3:00 - 4:15 PM. All proceeds will be given to Our Lady of Peace Hospice Home in St. Paul.

Home and School Corner

- **TEACHER FEATURE/ STAFF SPOTLIGHT:** We are starting 2021 off by honoring 2 of our amazing staff members, **MAGGIE HINTZ** and **ANN CLARK** . Maggie is a middle school science teacher who loves crafting and Japanese food. Check out her fruitful, or “veggieful” picture: [Maggie Hintz feature](#). Ann is one of our Pre- Kindergarten aides. She loves the State Fair and the Christmas season; check out her fun food parade picture: [Ann Clark feature](#). If your student interacts with either Ms. Hintz or Mrs. Clark, please send them a note of thanks! (mhintz@stchbs.org / aclark@stchbs.org) There are still a few slots left to help feature someone; please check out the website and sign up today. [St Charles Sign-up](#) Thank you for helping to honor our amazing teachers and staff!

Spirit Wear Sale ~ January 14-17

Schoolbelles, our Spirit Wear vendor, is having a sale today through Sunday.

- 20% off all items
- Free shipping on orders over \$50
- <http://www.schoolbelles.com/myschool/M37/s2945>

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Help raise \$80,000 for the St. Charles School Annual Fund!

The Annual Fund www.stchbschool.org/give is an opportunity for you to invest in the future of St. Charles School. Your donation is a gift of Faith and Knowledge for Life. The Annual Fund helps maintain and continually redefine excellence while keeping tuition manageable for current and future families. You can

make a one-time or recurring gift to help reach the \$80,000 goal. Dig out that envelope that was mailed out to you or [Click here to donate online!](#)

Free Lunch Program for Distance Learners

The Roseville Nutrition Program offers weekly meal bundles for our distance learners. Students receive meal bundles that contain seven days' worth of breakfast, lunch, and snacks as well as milk. Special diets (allergies, celiac) and vegetarian preferences can be accommodated. Entrees are made in the program's kitchens and served in microwavable containers.

Meals are available for pickup at St Anthony Village High School and at Wilshire Park Elementary School. If you are interested in meals at any time your child is distance learning, sign up [here](#). Meals may be picked up on Mondays from 4:00-6:00 at St Anthony Village High School. They may also be picked up from 1:00-3:00 on Tuesdays and Thursdays at either Wilshire Park Elementary (door 15) or St Anthony Village High School (door 16). For those unable to pick up meals, there is a Wednesday delivery option. See attached flyer.

Positive Discipline and Parenting in Times of Stress (webinar hosted by CSCOE)

Parents ask about discipline more frequently than any other topic. In this session on **Jan 28 at 6:00 PM**, parents will learn how to employ proven techniques with love and patience to guide our children while maintaining our relationship. Sign up here:

<https://calendly.com/drjulesnolan/positive-discipline-and-parenting-during-stressful-time>

Dr. Nolan is a psychologist, author, speaker, and partner with Dr. Steve Kahn in Phoenix School Counseling LLC. Dr. Julene D. Nolan, Psy.D., LP, NCSP, Nationally Certified and Licensed School Psychologist (507) 382-5404 drjulesnolan@gmail.com

2020 Education Tax Information

The 2020 tax subtraction-credit information is attached.

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

Simply have them sign up for a tour on our website: [Tour & Information Request Link](#)

Parish Corner

5th-12th Grade January Formation Nights ~ Wednesdays

All 5th-12th graders are invited to learn more about the Holy Family during the month of January on Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00 PM. The evening schedule includes: 6:30-7:00 talk, 7:00-7:30 Adoration, 7:30-8:00 small groups by grade. Students will be seated by grade level. See the flyer at: <https://stchb.org/upcoming-events>.

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 Mrs. M-M's brother-in-law who is in the hospital.

- ❖ For Leanna, grandmother to students Braden, Brett, Hailey, Elena, Tom, Joe, Peter, Grace, and Ava, as she battles cancer.
- ❖ For the repose of the soul of John Angell, grandpa of students Cecilia A. and Ed L, and for the comfort of his family.
- ❖ For the repose of the souls of student Aria's aunt and grandma who recently passed away and for the comfort of their families. And for the continued recovery of Aria's grandmother Darlene.
- ❖ For Pat, sister of teacher Mary Hopper, as she faces cancer.
- ❖ For student Isla's cousin's unborn baby and for the family. Things seem to be going better, but let's keep this little one in our prayers for a safe delivery.
- ❖ For a full recovery from surgery for staff member Mark Jones' sister-in-law.
- ❖ For healing from cancer for Dana Huggar's mother.
- ❖ For healing for Henry R's grandmother as she continues to battle cancer.
- ❖ For healing for Josette, great aunt to students Haley, Braden, Brett, Elena, Ava, Grace, Peter, Tom, and Joe
- ❖ For healing for student JJ's great-uncle Don who was diagnosed with a very rare form of lymphoma.
- ❖ For the health of all our students, families, and staff.
- ❖ [Surrender Novena](#)

Additional Links

St. Charles Website ~ www.stchbschool.org

St. Charles Google Calendar ~ [St. Charles Calendar Link](#)

St. Charles Year-at-a-Glance ~ [St Charles Updated Box Calendar](#)

St. Charles Lunch Calendar ~ [St. Charles Lunch Calendar Link](#)

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

St. Charles Borromeo Church ~ <https://wSt Charles Borromeo School - Minneapolis - Homeww.stchb.org/>

St. Charles Spirit Wear through Schoolbelles ~ [Online Spirit Wear Store](#)

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