

Weekly Update 24 ~ March 11, 2021

Attendance & Sick Line: 612-787-1131

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FR.MAR	12	8:00 AM 3rd Grade Mass (church)
		2:00 PM 4th-8th Stations of the Cross (church)
		2:40 PM 6th Grade After School Youth Group (youth room)
		2:55 PM 5th Grade Floor Hockey (gym)
SA.MAR	13	9:00 AM Women's Council Lenten Retreat (Doran Hall)
MO.MAR	15	SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION - staff catch-up day
TU.MAR	16	Reports go home with students
		12:45 PM 6th Grade Sacrament of Reconciliation (church)
		1:45 PM 4th-8th Mass (church)
		2:40 PM 8th Grade After School Youth Group (youth room)
		2:55 PM 6th Grade Floor Hockey (gym)
WE.MAR	17	St Patrick's Day
		2:00 PM K-3rd Stations of the Cross (church)
		2:55 PM 7th Grade Floor Hockey (gym)
		6:30 PM 5th-12th Youth Group/Formation Night (church)
TH.MAR	18	Noon 2nd Grade Sacrament of Reconciliation (church)
		2:55 PM 8th Grade Floor Hockey (gym)
FR.MAR	19	Lenten Day of Renewal & The Feast of St Joseph
		10:00 AM K-3 Mass (church)
		2:00 PM 4th-8th Stations of the Cross (church)
		2:40 PM 5th Grade After School Youth Group (youth room)
MO.MAR	22	Spirit Wear Day
		Blood Drive (Doran Hall)

Dear St. Charles Parents,

This week, I have one more staff departure to share with you. At the end of this year, our Spanish teacher Mrs. Miko will be moving on to new adventures and the next chapter in her life. Mrs. Miko is known for her sense of humor and love for her students. I have always appreciated the way she goes beyond teaching the language by teaching our students about the Mexican culture. I'm glad that our students had the opportunity to learn from Mrs. Miko, and we wish her the best in the next chapter of her life. Please see the attached farewell from Mrs. Miko.

One thing I learned when I began here at St. Charles almost seven years ago is that floor hockey is an important part of the culture at St. Charles. This year our athletic directors and coaches have found a way to modify the

game in a way that allows our students to compete while following the guidelines in our preparedness plan. The game mirrors the old table top hockey game that was in arcades when we were growing up. Each player has their own "track" that they can move on, and just like the little plastic guys, they have to stay on their track. It really is pretty brilliant! Floor hockey goes on at St. Charles!

Look for announcements about spring athletics (softball and baseball) by Tuesday of next week.

Just a few reminders of things coming up in the not too distant future.

- Monday, March 15, is a day off for St. Charles students.
- Tuesday, March 16, report cards will go home in backpacks.
- Friday of next week is the Lenten Day of Renewal and feast day of St. Joseph!
- Conferences will be held on March 23 and 25.
- Friday, March 26, is a staff development day and the beginning of spring break for St. Charles students.
- Reminder, April 6-9 will be distance learning days.
- In-person learning will resume on Monday, April 12.

Let's continue to support each other, pray, hope, and trust in the Lord.

God bless you, Danny Kieffer Principal of St. Charles School

THE WEEDER	St Charles School COVID-19 Tracker		
	On 2/25	On 3/4	On 3/11
Current <u>New</u> Positive Student & Staff Cases*	0	1	0
Cumulative Positive Student & Staff Cases*	16	17	17
Number of grades in quarantine due to building exposure	0	0	0

*COVID-19 cases include all student & staff cases whether or not the member was present in the building while infectious unless they are working solely from home or were in DL for the trimester.

Spirit Wear Sale ~ this Sunday, March 14, ONLY!!

Land's End Uniform Sale

30% off school uniforms, March 18-23. Sale details: <u>30% off sale</u> Lands End website: <u>landsend school uniforms</u>

Kids Heart Challenge (KHC) & American Heart Challenge (AHC)

Thank you so much to everyone who participated in the Kids Heart Challenge and American Heart Challenge this year! The kids have been doing a great job working their hearts and learning about how to live healthier lives. Our event will end tomorrow! Please see the attachment for final details about the wonderful job your students have been doing!

Home and School Corner

- **TEACHER FEATURE:** Chances are you see **TONY CARPENTER** everyday. This rock star pick-up, drop-off line coordinator has many other skills we don't get to see. Did you know he teaches Religion along with PE? He could turn shoelace tying into an Olympic sport and he longs to see the Vikings win the super bowl. Click here to see a few of his other wishes (<u>Mr. Carpenter</u>). Please send a thank you to Mr. Carpenter for standing out in the rain, cold, & ice to ensure our students get in and out of the building safely. THANK YOU Mr. C! (<u>tcarpenter@stchbs.org</u>)
- **ANNE FLYNN** is one of our amazing 2nd grade teachers. She loves broccoli and if trapped on a deserted island, she would bring these 3 things. Can you guess? Check out her awesome spirit wear picture here (<u>Mrs. Flynn</u>). If your student interacts with Mrs. Flynn, please send her a note of thanks. As retiree elect, we are going to miss you next year Mrs. Flynn!!!! (<u>aflynn@stchbs.org</u>)
- PAULETTE KRAWCZYK teaches 1st grade. Click here to see a picture of HER in the 1st grade!!! (<u>Mrs. Krawczyk</u>) She is adorable and has not changed one bit! She has superpower dreams and reading her feature will make you want to go get Dairy Queen. Check out her favorite holiday traditions, games, and books. If your student interacts with Mrs. Krawczyk, please send her a note of thanks (<u>pkrawczyk@stchbs.org</u>).

Thank you for helping to honor our teachers and staff!

- VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Sign up to take on a teacher feature, concession or marathon co-chair position for the 2021-2022 school year. Please sign up here! St Charles Sign-up
- Online Spirit Wear Shop: Schoolbelles. If you have any questions, contact Mary at urdahl.mary@gmail.com or Kari at karidomeyer@gmail.com

Spring Conferences

Conferences will be held on Tuesday, March 23, and Thursday, March 25, from 3:30 to 8:00 PM.

To schedule conferences visit http://www.ptcfast.com/schools/St_Charles_Borromeo_School. This link will bring you to the St. Charles School scheduling page. See the attachment below for more details.

THANK YOU!!

Thank you to everyone, who in a difficult year, contributed to making Liz/Sue Day so successful. We have raised over \$34,700 this year for the Sue McSherry Scholarship Fund and the Make-A-Wish of Minnesota Foundation. While we are still wrapping up things for this year, it is not too late to contribute if you like. Thanks again for your generosity!

Order your 2020-21 Yearbook ~ Now through April 9

Yearbooks may be ordered now through Friday, April 9. <u>This is the only time to reserve a copy of our</u> <u>2020-21 yearbook.</u> All yearbooks need to be pre-ordered online. The price is \$20. The yearbook covers preschool through 8th grade. To order your yearbook go to: <u>https://ybpay.lifetouch.com</u> and use School ID code: 1260921 Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express accepted.

Help your Struggling Learner ~ March 22, 7:00 PM

When our children struggle in school, it is hard to know when to be firm and when to be flexible. Should we intervene early and structure the environment for success, or should we view learning as developmental and expect all of our children to advance at different speeds? Should we give our kids consequences for poor grades, or can we "pay" them to get A's? How do we know when poor school achievement is something more serious than low motivation? In this session, you will learn research-based strategies for helping struggling learners no matter the cause of the struggle. You will also learn signs of more serious learning issues and how to help your child thrive in school. https://calendly.com/drjulesnolan/helping-your-struggling-learner-for-parents

March 22, 7:00 PM

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.

Click here for more info and to sign up.

Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) testing sites:

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

Parish Corner

Grade Level Open Youth Room! Permission form and flyer attached below

7th and 8th graders will meet on alternating Tuesdays from 2:40-4:00 PM. 5th and 6th graders will meet on alternating Fridays from 2:40-4:00 PM. 5th grade: Friday, March 19 6th grade: Friday, March 12 7th grade: Tuesday, March 23 8th grade: Tuesday, March 16

5th-12th Grade Wednesday Formation Nights

Our youth minister, Andrew Wagenbach, is holding Wednesday formation nights in the church for all 5th-12th graders. Students will be seated by grade level. More info: <u>Wednesday Night Flyer</u> 6:30 - talk 6:50 - adoration 7:10 - small group 7:30 - games 8:00 - middle schoolers head home

Register now for Extreme Faith Camp!! June 21- June 25

Online registration for all 6th-8th graders is now open for Extreme Faith Camp (EFC). The camp will be held at Trout Lake Camp in Pine River, MN June 21-June 25. Sign up now to reserve your spot for the best week of the summer! Find all the information here: <u>https://www.stchb.org/efc</u> Questions? Contact Andrew at awagenbach@stchb.org or 612-787-1163.

Women's Lenten Morning of Reflection ~ Saturday, March 13

St. Charles Women's Council invites all ladies to the Lenten Morning of Reflection in Doran Hall on Saturday, March 13, at 9:00 AM.

- The topic is "Rejoice! We are saved by grace." Speaker: Debbie Koop
- No pre registration is required—just join us, and feel free to bring a friend or two!
- Details are in the St. Charles <u>bulletin</u>. Archdiocesan COVID guidelines will be in place.
- Questions? Contact Catherine at <u>cahwalker@usfamily.net</u>

Looking for Heroes! ~ Monday, March 22

St. Charles Borromeo will host Memorial Blood Bank on Monday, March 22, from 1:30 PM – 6:30 PM in Doran Hall. There is a constant need for blood: in Minnesota; hospitals use 700- 800 units each day for victims of trauma or burns, surgical patients, and cancer patients. One unit of blood can save three lives! Be a life saver. Call MaryAnne at 612-787-1182 or register online at <u>http://www.stchb.org/blood-drive</u>.

14th Annual Share Our Blessings Easter Food Drive

As our Lenten journey continues, so does our annual food collection. Pick up a grocery bag in the church atrium to fill with the requested items. This is a great Lenten family opportunity to help feed the less fortunate. Over 250 Northeast families are provided with food to prepare their Easter meal. All donations are distributed through our partners, the Salvation Army on Central Ave. More details: <u>Easter Food Drive</u>.

More Lenten Opportunities

Check out the parish bulletin for information regarding more special Lenten opportunities: <u>https://www.stchb.org/bulletins</u>

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 a quick and full recovery from surgery for our former teacher Marguerite Keating O'Meara.
- For a quick and complete recovery from a scheduled surgery for staff member Heather Olson.
- For a full and speedy recovery from surgery for our youth ministry intern, Katie.
- For Leanna, grandmother to students Braden, Brett, Hailey, Elena, Tom, Joe, Peter, Grace, and Ava, as she battles cancer.
- For Pat, sister of teacher Mary Hopper, as she faces cancer.
- 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 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 ~ https://www.stchbschool.org/
- St. Charles Google Calendar ~ <u>St. Charles Calendar Link</u>
- St. Charles Year-at-a-Glance ~ <u>St Charles Updated Box Calendar</u>
- St. Charles Lunch Calendar ~ St. Charles Lunch Calendar Link
- St Charles Facebook ~ <u>https://www.facebook.com/stchbs</u>
- St. Charles Borromeo Church ~ <u>https://www.stchb.org/</u>
- St. Charles Spirit Wear through Schoolbelles ~ Online Spirit Wear Store

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